

## Manningham Heritage Garden & Significant Tree Study

### Significant Tree Information Sheet

**Tree Identification No.:** 46

**Botanical Name:** *Lophostemon confertus*

**Common Name:** Queensland Brush Box

**Location:** Zerbes Reserve,  
293 Blackburn Road,  
Doncaster East



Private land		Public land	X
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**Melway Ref:** 34 C10

**Setting/Position:** Within the reserve running in a double row along Saxonwood Drive.

**No. of trees:** 49

**Height:** 7.6m (Typ)

**Canopy Spread (m) E-W:** 7.2m (Typ)  
**N-S:** 7.1m (Typ)

**DBH:** 295

**Approx. Age of Tree:** 30 years

**TPZ:** 3.5m      **CRZ:** 2.1m



Horticultural Value	Location or context	Rare or localised		Particularly old	Outstanding size
Aesthetic value	Curious growth form	Historic value	X	Aboriginal culture	Outstanding eg. of species

**Level of Significance:** Local

**History:** Planted in 1975 to replace the Avenue of Honour planted along Blackburn Road in the 1920's by children from Doncaster East Primary School. The previous Avenue (of *Eucalyptus botryoides*) was removed during the widening of the road.

**Health:**

Pests/Diseases		Dead wood		Dieback	
Stunted growth		Stress		Rot	
Leaf necrosis		Low foliage density		Possum damage	

**Other/Notes:** Trees appeared to be in good health at the time of inspection.

**Health Rating:** 1

**Threats/Risks to Tree:** Damage to the trunks from lawnmowers, road works and associated trenching.

**Hazards/Risks:**

Co-dominant branches		V-crotched	
Irregular branch structure		Low-hanging branches (unsafe)	
Diseased limbs		Other	X

**Other/Notes:** Many trees have an irregular branching structure, with multiple branches from low down. Form of the trees is generally good.

**Structure Rating:** 2

<b>Works Required &amp; Priority:</b>	Some of the trees are already being replaced, and the <i>Corymbia ficifolia</i> 's in the row should be replaced with Brush Boxes.
<b>Management Prescriptions:</b>	The trees should be assessed every 2 years by a qualified arborist, carrying out works as required. The replacement of the row should be continued to be managed so that the trees do not all require removal at the one time. Any trenching for services in the road reserve should take place on the other side of Saxonwood Avenue.
<b>Existing Overlay Controls:</b>	No Overlays
<b>Statement of Significance:</b>	The Queensland Brush Box Avenue in Zerbes Reserve, Doncaster East is of local significance for being a replacement for the original Avenue of honour, planted by the children of Doncaster East primary school in 1920.
<b>Overall Tree Rating:</b>	3
<b>Recorded by:</b>	Andrea Proctor
<b>Date:</b>	01-09-05
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