## DRAYTON RESERVE CLEARING AND PRUNING SPECIFICATION 2016

- 1. For woody weeds, pull whole plant out (if small/young) or cut trunk at least 1cm below ground surface, cover with soil and pack down(eliminates light and avoids sprouting). Doesn't work for blackberry, so pull out as much root as you can.
- 2. For branches needing removal, cut off where they "fork" (this avoids sprouting and thicker growth if you leave short stems).
- 3. All cut material needs to be further cut into about half metre lengths so it will lie flat on the ground, pack around trees for mulch and squash as flat as possible (this ensures contact with damp ground, bacteria and fungi which speed up decomposition...if left above the ground it will dry and take much longer to break down). Make sure you don't smother native plants or seedlings!
- 4. For soft weeds, refer to ......link Weed List