Byron Shire Development Control Plan 2014

Chapter D1

Residential Accommodation in Urban, Village and Special Purpose Zones



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D1.1 Introduction

Byron Shire is one of the most desirable residential locations in New South Wales, as much for its unique natural environment as for its lifestyle and climate attractions. The form of the built environment and its relationship to the natural environment will remain crucial factors in determining the future character and attractiveness of the Shire.

Byron Shire Council recognises the need to plan for and control the form of residential development. Such development will need to be in harmony with its surroundings, both natural and constructed, and enhance the physical context valued by the local community and by the Shire's increasing number of visitors.

Council also recognises that there is a growing diversity in residential needs, reflecting changing household types and incomes, lifestyles and recreational pursuits. It is aware of the need to promote a higher quality of design within a more cost-efficient development framework.

This Chapter complements the provisions of Byron LEP 2014. The aim has been to develop controls that provide flexibility to promote innovative and imaginative building forms, whilst ensuring development outcomes are consistent with the character of the Shire and its urban and rural towns, villages, localities and precincts. Building forms need to be related to each other and to their surroundings by careful attention to design, orientation, forms, scale, materials and landscaping.

D1.1.1 Aims of this Chapter

The Aims of this Chapter are:

- 1. To implement and expand on the provisions of Byron LEP 2014 relating to residential development.
- 2. To promote a high standard of design for residential development that is sensitive to and enhances the natural and physical environment and the social fabric particular to Byron Shire.
- 3. To accommodate a variety of residential forms and dwelling sizes to reflect the growing diversity of household types, sizes, incomes, lifestyles and needs.
- 4. To promote energy efficiency and consideration of the Shire's climatic characteristics in the design process.
- 5. Where possible, to limit potential for additional traffic on the road system and to reduce car dependence through facilitation of public transport, cycling and walking.

D1.1.2 Application of this Chapter

This Chapter specifies the controls that apply to Development Applications seeking consent for various forms of **residential accommodation** development that is located in Residential,

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Village, Mixed Use, Business, Industrial and Special Purpose zones throughout the Shire, ie Zone Nos. R2, R3, R5, RU5, B1, B2, B4, B7, IN1, IN2, SP1, SP2 and SP3.

The types of residential development to which this Chapter applies include the following:

- 1. Attached dwellings
- 2. Dual occupancies
- 3. Dwelling houses
- 4. Expanded houses
- 5. Multi dwelling housing
- 6. Residential flat buildings
- 7. Secondary dwellings
- 8. Semi-detached dwellings
- 9. Shop top housing
- 10. Studios

The definitions of those various housing types are contained in the Byron LEP 2014 Dictionary, or in the Dictionary contained in Part A (Appendix A1) of this DCP. The provisions in this Chapter supplement those provisions of Byron LEP 2014 that apply to residential development.

This Chapter does not apply to **residential accommodation** development in Rural Zones, or to **tourist and visitor accommodation** – those forms of development are addressed in Chapters D2 Residential Accommodation and Ancillary Development in Rural Zones and D3 Tourist Accommodation, respectively.

D1.2 General Provisions

D1.2.1 Building Height Plane

Objectives

- To ensure that residential development is designed to minimise impacts on solar access and privacy on adjoining properties, and on the views from adjacent existing buildings.
- 2. To ensure that the occupants of the building or buildings will enjoy the optimum use of winter sunlight and summer shade.
- 3. To establish spatial separation of residential dwellings and domestic outbuildings from the street, and between allotments, to provide a varied and interesting streetscape, optimise microclimate, and mitigate excessive bulk in built-form.
- 4. To establish neighbourhoods that offer a high level of amenity and sense of openness with buildings that are cognisant of, and blend with, the scale and streetscape character of the locality.
- 5. To provide flexibility in application of the Building Height Plane for steeply sloping and constrained sites to optimise building orientation and location and mitigate off-site impacts (ie. overshadowing, overlooking).

Performance Criteria

- 1. Developments must be set back progressively from the site boundaries as height increases so that they:
 - a) do not adversely affect existing or future development on adjoining properties by way of overshadowing, impinging on privacy or obstructing views.
 - b) establish spatial separation between residential dwellings (including domestic outbuildings) from the street and other public reserves, and between allotments, to provide a varied and interesting streetscape, optimise microclimate, and mitigate excessive bulk in built-form.
 - c) integrate with surrounding developments, public reserves and the predominant streetscape character to offer a high level of amenity and establish a sense of openness.
- 2. Developments must respond to the constraints of the site (eg. slope, orientation, configuration/shape) to optimise solar access for the private open space and solar power infrastructure of the development site and adjoining properties.

Prescriptive Measures

1. The **building height plane** in combination with boundary **setbacks** prescribed in this DCP, and **building height** prescribed in the Byron LEP 2014, form the maximum

building envelope for all residential development other than for **shop top housing** and ancillary **dwellings** in Zones IN1, IN2 and B7.

- 2. Variation to the **building height plane** may be considered in relation to one or more boundaries in the following circumstances:
 - a) where the floor level is required to be above ground level to comply with Council's requirements for flood protection; or
 - for the zero lot line boundaries of semi-detached dwellings and attached dwellings; or
 - c) in circumstances referred to in Prescriptive Measure 2. of Section D1.2.2.
 - d) where unavoidable site constraints (slope, orientation, configuration/shape) intensify off-site impacts such as overshadowing (provided the impacts are addressed in accordance with Development Controls related to Privacy and Solar Access) and mitigation measures are included in the design to the fullest extent possible.

D1.2.2 Setbacks from Boundaries

Objectives

- 1. To achieve varied and interesting streets that complement and harmonise with existing and planned streetscapes and development in the locality.
- To achieve good orientation and spacing of residential developments that achieve high quality living environments relative to sunlight, shade, wind and weather protection, residential amenity and proximity of neighbouring development.
- 3. To achieve effective use of **allotments** to create useable and liveable private open space and courtyards.
- 4. To provide flexibility in siting and design of dwelling house development in urban residential areas.
- 5. To ensure that development in residential areas seeks to minimise any negative impacts on neighbours caused by siting.

Performance Criteria

- 1. **Setback** requirements may be flexible provided they are demonstrated to achieve the above Objectives and Performance Criteria.
- 2. The street façade of a building, and any open space between it and the street must contribute to the general attractiveness of the streetscape by means of good design, appropriate materials and effective landscaping. A reasonable degree of integration with the existing pattern of setbacks must be balanced with the need to provide variety in the streetscape.

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- 3. Private open space and common landscaped areas of the site must be useable as part of the living environment available for the occupants of the development. Council will discourage the provision of bare spaces between buildings and the street which are unusable because they lack privacy, or because they are inappropriately planned or treated for climate control.
- 4. The **setback** from a street frontage for a building that is part of a residential development will be determined on its merits, having regard to:
 - a) the Objectives;
 - b) any provisions of this DCP applying to the specific location;
 - c) the position of any existing buildings in the locality;
 - d) the size and shape of the allotment;
 - e) the effect on vehicular safety and visibility, particularly on corner sites;
 - the orientation of the allotment and the proposed dwelling with regard to the sun and prevailing winds;
 - g) the proposed location of any private open space, courtyard or landscaped areas;
 - h) the facade of the proposed building or buildings which will face the street and the proposed landscape treatment of that part of the **allotment** which is visible from the street;
 - i) the location and treatment of any car parking areas or car parking structures on the site.
- 5. Notwithstanding any of the above criteria, buildings must comply with the **building height plane** as detailed in Section D1.2.1.
- Dwelling house development may be permitted to encroach into the side setback and building height plane where it enhances the design of buildings, complements the streetscape and does not adversely affect privacy, solar access, microclimate, traffic safety or amenity of adjoining development.
- 7. When considering applications for variations to minimum **setbacks** nominated below in the Prescriptive Measures, Council will have regard to:
 - a) the Objectives;
 - b) compliance with the Performance Criteria;
 - c) the visual impact of the variation on the streetscape;
 - d) the impact of the variation on the amenity, privacy, views and access of surrounding properties;
 - e) the existing and future status of the road;

- f) potential traffic impacts and required sight lines as per AS2890; and
- g) compliance with the Building Code of Australia.
- 8. The Development must seek to minimize any impacts on neighbouring properties through considerate siting and design

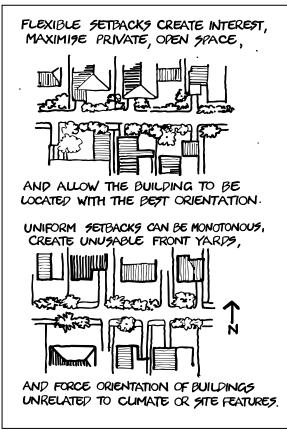


Figure D1.1 - Setbacks

Prescriptive Measures

Strict compliance with the following minimum **setback** prescriptive measures will not necessarily be sufficient by itself to meet the Objectives.

- 1. Minimum Street Frontage Setbacks
 - a) Local Roads A minimum **setback** of 4.5 metres must be maintained from the primary front boundary.
 - b) Classified roads- A minimum setback of 9 metres applies to these roads from the primary front boundary. A variation to 6.5 metres may be sought for single storey dwellings or single storey elements of two storey dwellings. (NB. The provisions under SEPP Infrastructure 2007 apply to such developments)
 - c) Garages and carports are to be set back 5.5m from the front boundary except from classified roads where the setbacks under (b) are to apply.

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- d) Corner **allotments** on local or secondary roads **setbacks** may be reduced to 3m on one frontage.
- e) Rear Lane or unformed roads 3 metres, unless it is the primary frontage to the development (eg. Shirley Lane, Byron Bay) in which case a **setback** of 4.5 metres applies including to garages and carports. Consideration may be given to **setback** variations in **Heritage Conservation Areas** where strict compliance with these provisions would result in conflict with the Chapter and Section Objectives specified in Chapter C1 Non-Indigenous Heritage.

No development is permitted within the building **setbacks** other than garbage storage facilities, mail boxes, landscaping and driveways. Car parking must not be provided within **setbacks**, other than informal parking within the driveway (i.e. parking not required by the DCP). Stacked car parking is not permitted within **setbacks**.

2. Minimum Side and Rear Boundary Setbacks

- a) Side and rear **setbacks** are to be a minimum 900mm, with all **dwellings** also complying with the requirements of the **building height plane**.
- b) In urban residential areas, Council may consent to the construction of one or more building walls set back less than 900mm from a side or rear boundary, such that the building/s cannot comply with the **building height plane**, where:
 - i) such wall or walls contain no openings; and
 - ii) it is demonstrated to Council's satisfaction that the development, if carried out, would improve the siting or orientation of the dwelling/s or the provision of private open space; and would not significantly:
 - increase the overshadowing of adjoining properties; or
 - reduce the level of privacy enjoyed by adjoining properties.
- c) Applications for zero lot line development will only be considered where the relevant lot or lots are part of an integrated design, and where all buildings set to a zero lot line are constructed prior to issue of a Subdivision Certificate.

3. Minimum Setbacks for Dual Occupancies and Secondary Dwellings

- a) Side and rear **setback** 1.5 metres for single storey, and must comply with the **building height plane**
- 4. Minimum Setbacks for Residential Flat Buildings and Multi-Dwelling Housing
 - a) Side and rear **setback** 1.5 metres for single storey, otherwise governed by the **building height plane**.
 - b) Between buildings on a site 3 metres.
- 5. Minimum **Setbacks** for **Swimming Pools** and Spas

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- a) The outer edge of the pool concourse or coping must be set back a minimum of one (1) metre from the side or rear boundaries, with the water line being a minimum of 1.5 metres from those boundaries.
- b) Pools should not be located within the street frontage setback, except on sites where private open space can be accommodated only in this location or other site attributes support this outcome.
- c) Pool pumps shall be located as far back from a side or rear boundary as practical and if closer than 3 m from either it shall be acoustically shielded.

D1.2.3 Privacy

Objectives

- 1. To ensure buildings do not unduly affect existing or future development on adjoining properties by impinging on privacy or obstructing views.
- 2. To ensure buildings are designed to optimise privacy for internal and external spaces while allowing for casual surveillance of the street and other public spaces.
- 3. To ensure that building design is cognisant of site constraints (slope, orientation, configuration/shape) and addresses privacy accordingly.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Developments must be set back progressively from the site boundaries in accordance with the Building Height Plane to establish spatial separation between buildings and property boundaries to not adversely affect existing or future development on adjoining properties by impinging on privacy.
- 2. Windows of developments must include design elements (screening, landscaping, opaque glazing) to protect the privacy of adjacent properties where:
 - a) encroachments into the Building Height Plane are proposed; and/or
 - b) site constraints (slope, orientation, configuration/shape) necessitate, to ensure the continued protection of adjacent privacy.
- 3. All parts of any decks, terraces and balconies located in the Building Height Plane are designed to have generous building separation and screens to avoid loss of amenity and visual privacy.

Prescriptive Measures

1. Where a direct view exists into the private open space of an adjoining dwelling, the outlook from windows, landing stairs, terraces, decks and balconies must be screened by privacy screens which achieve at maximum 50% transparency, or obscured by landscaping.

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2. Decks, terraces, balconies and other external living areas within 4 metres from a side or rear boundary and with a floor level greater than 1.0m above ground level (existing) will require a privacy screen unless it can be demonstrated that there will be negligible overlooking and/or privacy impacts.

D1.2.4 Solar Access

Objectives

1. To ensure that residential development is designed to optimise solar access and thereby not significantly overshadow living areas (decks, living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens etc.), private open spaces and existing solar power installations of both the development site and adjoining properties.

Performance Criteria

- Development must be designed cognisant of microclimate to promote energy efficiency and ensure that residents of the development site enjoy optimum use of winter sunlight and summer shade in living areas (decks, living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens etc.) and private open space.
- 2. Development must respond to the constraints of the site (eg. slope, orientation, configuration) and be appropriately located to ensure residential development does not significantly overshadow the living areas (decks, living rooms, bedrooms, kitchen, bedroom etc.) and private open spaces of adjoining properties.
- 3. Development must ensure that living areas (decks, living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens, etc.), private open spaces and existing solar power installations of development on the site and adjoining properties will have solar access between the hours of 9.00am to 3.00pm on any day.

- 1. Except where there is no possibility of overshadowing, proposed development comprising two storeys or greater must be accompanied by shadow diagrams over the subject and adjoining sites for the summer solstice (21st December) and winter solstice (21 June) at the times of 9am, 12pm and 3pm. Shadow cast by fences, roof overhangs and changes in level are to be considered and should be indicated on shadow diagrams submitted. Plans must clearly differentiate the existing situation with the proposed situation to fully demonstrate the extent of the proposed overshadowing.
- 2. Shadow diagrams must demonstrate that proposed dwellings are to achieve a minimum of:
 - a) two hours sunlight between 9am and 3pm on June 21 for private open spaces; and
 - b) three hours of sunlight between 9am and 3pm on June 21 over a portion of their north-facing living areas (decks, living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens etc.).
- 3. Shadow diagrams must demonstrate that neighbouring dwellings are to achieve a minimum of:

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- a) two hours of sunlight to at least 50% of private open spaces between 9am and 3pm on June 21; and
- b) three hours of sunlight between 9am and 3pm on June 21 over a portion of north-facing living areas (decks, living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens etc.).
- c) where overshadowing by existing buildings is greater than the abovementioned, sunlight is not to be further restricted.
- 4. New dwelling design should minimise overshadowing on existing adjacent solar panels where other reasonable design alternatives are possible.

D1.2.5 Screening the Underfloor Space of Buildings

Objectives

- 1. To improve the external appearance of elevated buildings.
- 2. To provide for compatibility in appearance and character between buildings in the locality.

Performance Criteria

- 1. The underfloor space of elevated buildings must be provided with infill panelling, advanced landscaping or other forms of visual screening to improve the external appearance of the building and to ensure compatibility with other development in the locality.
- 2. In **flood liable land** the screening of the underfloor space of elevated buildings may not be appropriate. Screening below the **flood planning level** must have openings to allow for entry and exit of flood water and must be structurally adequate and not reduce the structural capacity of the building during a 1 in 100 year flood event.
- 3. Where buildings are proposed on **bush fire prone land**, underfloor screening may be required to comply with specific requirements prescribed by the Building Code of Australia and Australian Standard AS3959 Construction of Buildings in Bushfire Prone Areas.

Prescriptive Measures

There are no Prescriptive Measures.

D1.2.6 Character & Visual Impact

Objectives

- 1. To retain and enhance the unique character of Byron Shire and its distinctive landscapes, ecology, towns, villages, rural and natural areas.
- 2. To ensure that new development respects and complements those aspects of an area's natural and built environment that are important to its existing character.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Development should demonstrate how siting, design and character are consistent with the relevant Residential Character Narrative, as contained in the corresponding locality chapter in Part E of this DCP.
- 2. Site, building and landscaping design must address the climate;
- 3. The street face of a building, together with any open space between it and the street, must contribute to the general attractiveness of the streetscape by means of good design, appropriate materials and effective landscaping;
- 4. Development should be designed to minimise loss of privacy;
- 5. There must be a reasonable degree of integration with the existing built and natural environment, balanced with the desirability of providing for variety in streetscapes;
- 6. Long, straight wall areas will be discouraged and must be broken up visually by a combination of building materials and/or changes in the wall plane;
- 7. The provision of verandahs, balconies, pergolas and other protective outdoor elements will be encouraged for visual, climatic and energy efficiency reasons;
- 8. Well-designed overhanging eaves should be provided where feasible to protect against heavy rainfall and summer sun, while allowing winter sun penetration;
- 9. All building materials must be compatible in character with their surrounding environment. Any metal roof must have a colorbond or equivalent finish and no roof may be highly reflective. White or light-coloured roofing may be approved where it is demonstrated that it is not likely to be visually intrusive. Details of building materials and surface colours must be submitted for assessment with a development application.

Prescriptive Measures

There are no Prescriptive Measures.

D1.2.7 Fences

Objectives

- 1. To enable residents to erect fences to provide for a sense of privacy, noise reduction and security.
- 2. To ensure that fences do not remove the sense of safety in the street that pedestrians gain from the casual observation by residents.
- 3. To ensure that fences do not unduly reduce opportunities for casual social interaction in the community.
- 4. To ensure that fences do not become a dominant built element in the streetscape.
- 5. To exclude unwanted light from vehicles in particular circumstances.

- 6. To ensure that the design and placement of fences do not adversely impact traffic or pedestrian safety.
- 7. To ensure provision for access by safety and emergency vehicles and personnel.

Performance Criteria

- Fences must not:
 - a) impair driver or pedestrian visibility at road intersections;
 - b) prevent residents of a dwelling from casually observing the adjacent street;
 - c) detract from the streetscape in terms of fencing design, materials, scale or colours;
 - d) prevent emergency access by safety and emergency vehicles and personnel.
- 2. Gates or openings in fences must facilitate safe entry and exit conditions for vehicles to and from public roads. Fences must not create or contribute to unsafe sight distance restrictions for vehicles entering or exiting neighbouring properties.
- 3. Fencing of corner **allotments** must allow for reasonable enclosure of rear yard areas for privacy and security, while minimising the impact of the fence on the street scene, safe sight distance and traffic and pedestrian safety.

Prescriptive Measures

- 1. Height of Fences
 - a) The height of fences should not exceed:

Table D1.1 – Height of Fences

Fence Location	Height
Front Fence	1.2 metres.
Side Fence	1.2 metres within the building line setback and 1.8 metres for the remainder.
Rear Fence	1.8 metres. Where the rear fence is the primary frontage front fence height provisions may apply.

Note: A front fence is any fence or like barrier erected forward of the building line setback, whether it is erected on the boundary or not.

b) Front fences and side fences within the building line **setback** higher than 1.2 metres but not higher than 1.8 metres may be permitted for properties:

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- adjoining land used for business or commercial purposes, in cases where screening from the adjoining business activity is necessary to protect residential amenity;
- ii) where it is demonstrated that traffic noise and light impacts from car headlights on a public road will create adverse impacts on residential amenity in the absence of the higher fence;
- iii) necessary for safety, noise mitigation purposes or to enclose the primary open space area.
- c) Any front fence higher than 1.2 metres must be:
 - i) located not less than 50cm inside the front boundary with the area in front of the fence to be landscaped; or
 - ii) articulated with recessed sections of a minimum 0.9 x 0.9 metres at a maximum interval of 5 metres to allow planting of vegetation to reduce the impact of the fence.

2. Corner Allotments

Fencing of the secondary frontage will be allowed up to 1.8m high on the boundary, up to either of the following alignment **setbacks** from the primary street:

- a) the established building line **setback** to the street; or
- b) if the existing dwelling is forward of the established building line setback, in line with the existing dwelling.

Fencing forward of this alignment must comply with the front fence requirements.

3. Sight Lines at Intersections

Where a visually solid fence is proposed at the intersection of two public roads, satisfactory sight distance must be provided for traffic using the road. A minimum corner splay of 4m x 4m must be provided in the fence. Landscaping or planting in the splay area must not impede driver visibility and must contain low shrubs and ground covers and/or clear trunked canopy shade trees to maintain sight lines.

D1.2.8 Balconies

Objectives

1. To ensure that the visual character of **balconies** is consistent with and does not dominate the design of residential buildings.

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Performance Criteria

Balconies must not dominate the visual character of buildings or development. The design of **balconies** must be consistent in character with the building and development in terms of materials, colours, dimensions, bulk, scale and proportion.

Prescriptive measures

There are no Prescriptive Measures.

D1.2.9 Pedestrian and Cycle Access

Objectives

- 1. To reduce car dependence through the promotion of alternative forms of transport.
- 2. To assist in the delivery of Council's adopted bike plan where possible.
- 3. To provide an expansion of the existing pedestrian/ cycleways to improve connectivity throughout the Shire.

Performance Criteria

- Development applications for residential accommodation of more than 3 dwellings
 must demonstrate that the pedestrian/cycleway network detailed in Council's adopted
 Byron Shire Bike Strategy and Action Plan will be incorporated into new
 development.
- 2. Refer to Chapter B5 Providing for Cycling and Chapter B13 Access and Mobility.

Prescriptive Measures

Refer to Chapter B5 Providing for Cycling and Chapter B13 Access and Mobility.

D1.2.10 Garage to Habitable Space Conversions

Objectives

1. To ensure that adequate parking is provided when garages are converted to habitable space.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Development applications seeking to convert a garage to a habitable space must provide an alternate parking solution in accordance with Chapter B4 and Chapter D1.2.2.
- 2. Applicants at the head of a cul-de-sac should seek to retain garages and carparking and look for alternate solutions when siting a **secondary dwelling** or developing habitable space.

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Prescriptive Measures

There are no prescriptive measures.

D1.2.11 Energy Efficiency

Objectives

- 1. To reduce greenhouse gas emissions created from residential development
- 2. To increase thermal comfort and efficiency for residential development

Performance Criteria

- Buildings for habitable purposes should seek to incorporate measures to reduce energy consumption, reduce reticulated water consumptions and improve thermal comfort.
- 2. Where possible, development should seek to fit or retrofit energy efficient fixtures and fittings to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Prescriptive Measures

- 1. Long term residential accommodation exempt from BASIX must incorporate measures to reduce energy consumption, reduce reticulated water consumption and improve thermal comfort. Details are to be provided on development application plans. Measures are to include but are not limited to:
 - a) Minimum R2.5 ceiling insulation when access is available.
 - b) Hot water system must not be an electric storage tank that is connected to mains power.
 - c) Minimum 3 stars taps and fixtures to be installed in all kitchen, laundry And bathrooms.
 - d) Minimum 4 star air conditioning (if proposed)
 - e) Minimum 5000 litre rainwater tank collecting at least 30% of the development's roof water. 1 garden tap connected to rainwater tank.

D1.2.12 Internal access between storeys in residential development

Objectives

1. To ensure connectivity between the floors of Dwelling houses.

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Performance Criteria

1. Dwellings with more than one habitable storey must demonstrate how the residents can easily access both levels of the dwelling in all weather conditions.

Prescriptive Measure

1. Each habitable floor of a multi-storey dwelling house must be connected by an internal staircase (garage and laundry excluded).

D1.3 Dwelling Houses

This Section outlines the controls applicable specifically to dwelling house development. It must be read in conjunction with the general provisions set out in Sections D1.1 and D1.2.

In this Section, a reference to a dwelling house also includes a reference to an expanded house.

Character Narratives for each township are available in Part E of this DCP.

D1.3.1 On-Site Car Parking

Objectives

1. To provide adequate and visually compatible accommodation for vehicles.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Car parking must be provided on the site in a manner which is convenient in terms of access for residents of the **dwelling**; safe and accessible in terms of visibility, turning and manoeuvring capabilities; and visually compatible with the site and its locality.
- 2. Car parking structures, including garages and carports, which are visible from the street must be compatible with the **dwelling** in terms of design and materials, and may form part of the **dwelling** structure.

- 1. Refer to Chapter B4 Traffic Planning, Vehicle Parking, Circulation and Access for detailed provisions regarding car parking and vehicle access.
- 2. Council may consent to the location of a carport such that it does not comply with the **building height plane** in relation to a boundary, having regard to the matters contained in Section D1.2.1 and to the adequacy and safety of vehicular access.

D1.3.2 Landscaping

Objectives

- 1. To enhance the visual quality of residential areas and to improve the residential amenity of the Shire.
- 2. To limit stormwater runoff from residential areas.

Performance Criteria

To enhance the visual quality and improve the residential amenity of the Shire, Council encourages the landscaping of dwelling house allotments in accordance with the principles contained in Chapter B9 Landscaping.

Prescriptive Measures

- In cases where a dwelling is to be erected closer than 4.5 metres to the front boundary, Council will require, as a condition of approval, adequate landscaping to be provided to the street frontage of the lot prior to occupation of the dwelling. Landscaping must be consistent with the principles contained in Chapter B9 Landscaping.
- 2. At least 25% of the site must consist of **deep soil areas**. The **deep soil area** must not include any areas used for the management of on-site sewage effluent.

D1.3.3 Private open space

Objectives

1. To ensure that adequate accessible and useable open space is provided to meet the recreational, gardening and landscape needs of residents.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Private open space areas must be of dimensions to suit the projected requirements of the occupants and guests and to accommodate outdoor recreation needs, as well as providing space for service functions such as clothes drying and domestic storage.
- 2. Part of the private open space must be capable of enabling an extension of the function of the dwelling for relaxation, dining, entertainment, recreation and children's play, and be directly accessible from the dwelling. Provision must be made for space for private gardening such as vegetable gardens.
- 3. Location of private open space must take account of outlook, natural features of the site and neighbouring buildings or open space. Orientation of private open space must provide for maximum year round use in terms of sunlight.
- 4. Private recreational facilities must not adversely affect the amenity of adjacent properties.

Prescriptive Measures

1. Dwelling houses must have an area of private open space at ground level not located in the front **setback**, having a minimum area of 30m² and a minimum length and width each of 4m, excluding any area used for vehicle circulation or parking.

D1.3.4 Expanded House

Objectives

- 1. To allow for variation in the built form of dwelling houses comprising of separate building components.
- 2. To minimise the development footprint within environmentally sensitive areas

Performance Criteria

There are no Performance Criteria.

Prescriptive Measures

The design and use of an **expanded house** must conform to the following criteria:

- 1. No **expanded house** habitable outbuilding is to be located more than 20m from the wall of the main building, measured from wall to wall at the closest point;
- 2. The main building must contain an identifiable living area including the kitchen;
- 3. A maximum of three outbuildings may be connected to the main building by paths with an all-weather surface;
- 4. No separate driveway, car parking area, garage or carport structure is to be provided to service any outbuilding;
- 5. One outbuilding must be limited to a maximum floor area of 45m2 excluding decks, verandahs, patios, balconies and the like; and the others must be limited to a maximum 30m2 floor area excluding decks, verandahs, patios, balconies and the like;
- 6. None of the outbuildings are to contain facilities (e.g. kitchen, sink or the like) that would enable the preparation of food;
- 7. Each separate outbuilding may incorporate a maximum of two bedrooms (including rooms with an ensuite or bathroom);
- 8. A maximum of only one laundry is permitted per dwelling.

D1.4 Secondary Dwellings

Both Byron LEP 2014 and *State Environmental Planning Policy Housing 2021* (SEPP Housing) permit the erection of **secondary dwellings** in some zones to which this Chapter applies. **Secondary dwellings** may be complying development under certain circumstances.

Consistent with the hierarchy of environmental planning instruments if development for a secondary dwelling is proposed and can comply with SEPP (Housing) then the application should be lodged pursuant to those provisions.

This Section nominates further standards (to support the provisions in SEPP (Housing) 2021 and Byron LEP 2014) for development of **secondary dwellings** where permitted with consent.

D1.4.1 Private Open Space

Objectives

1. To ensure that residents of **secondary dwellings** have access to useable private open space.

Performance Criteria

- 1. An open space courtyard (which may include decking) must be provided for a **secondary dwelling**, with dimensions to suit the projected requirements of the residents and to accommodate outdoor recreation needs.
- 2. The courtyard must be capable of enabling an extension of the living area of the **secondary dwelling**.
- 3. Location of courtyards must take account of outlook and natural features of the site without impacting on neighbouring buildings or open space.
- 4. Orientation and shading of courtyards must provide for maximum year round use in terms of sunlight.

- 1. Secondary dwellings must have access to an individual courtyard at ground level having a minimum area or 15m² and a minimum length and width each of 2.5 metres, not including any area used exclusively for the circulation or parking of vehicles. The courtyard should be designed to facilitate access to winter sunshine.
- 2. The private open space area must not include any areas required for the management of on-site sewage effluent or be located within the front setback.
- 3. Decks and verandahs for secondary dwellings not to exceed 20m² in area.

D1.4.2 Access and Car Parking

Objectives

1. To ensure that the provision of access to **secondary dwellings** does not adversely impact pedestrian, cycle and vehicle safety in urban streets, and is compatible with urban streetscape and character.

Performance Criteria

- Where feasible and where pedestrian and traffic safety will be improved, vehicular
 access to a secondary dwelling should be shared with the driveway access serving
 the principal dwelling. Driveways must be located and designed to minimise danger to
 pedestrians and cyclists using the street as a result of vehicles entering or leaving the
 driveway.
- 2. Consistent with the provisions of *State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing) 2009*, no additional parking is required for a **secondary dwelling**, over and above the requirements for the principal **dwelling**.
- 3. **Secondary dwellings** should not be sited so as to remove car parking servicing the principal dwelling.

Prescriptive Measures

There are no Prescriptive Measures.

D1.4.3 Siting, Design and Character

Objectives

1. To ensure that the siting and design of **secondary dwellings** do not detract from the streetscape and the residential character of urban areas.

Performance Criteria

The siting and design of development comprising a principal dwelling and a secondary dwelling must:

- a) ensure compatibility in character between the dwellings on the site, the site itself and the surrounding urban environment;
- b) ensure visual and acoustic privacy between dwellings on the site, and between the site and the adjoining neighbourhood;
- c) ensure that the development is suited to the site in terms of topography, slope, water flows and drainage;
- d) ensure that the development on the site will be visually compatible with the surrounding neighbourhood.

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- e) ensure that the siting of the development does not externalize impacts of noise, overshadowing, or compromises to privacy onto neighbouring properties.
- f) demonstrate how siting, design and character are consistent with the relevant Residential Character Narrative, as contained in the corresponding locality chapter in Part E of this DCP.

- 1. Secondary dwellings are not permitted on strata-titled lots
- 2. Secondary dwellings are to comply with the Building Height Plane requirements under Chapter D1.2.1 of Byron DCP 2014

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D1.5 Dual Occupancy and Semi-Detached Dwellings

Council recognises the role of **dual occupancy** development in contributing to infill development, making fuller use of existing services, adding to the stock of rental accommodation and widening the range of housing options. Council wishes to encourage **dual occupancy** and **semi- detached dwelling** developments which suit the differing needs of the community and which enhance the residential character of the Shire.

In addition to the controls in this Chapter applying to dual occupancy and semi-detached dwelling development, proposals which have rear lane access with one of the dwellings fronting that lane are to comply with the provisions under Chapter D6 Subdivision (Section D6.4.3).

Dual occupancy and semi-detached dwellings should contribute to the character of the local area as identified in the corresponding locality chapter in Part E of this DCP.

D1.5.1 On-Site Car Parking

Objective

1. To provide adequate and visually compatible on-site accommodation of vehicles for residents and visitors.

Performance Criteria

- On corner lots there may be an advantage in providing access to each dwelling from a
 different street frontage, paying particular attention to the need to make the best use of
 the site, to promote traffic safety and to orient buildings and landscaped areas to
 maximise climatic advantages.
- 2. In other cases, where feasible and where pedestrian and traffic safety will be improved, vehicular access to dwellings should comprise a shared driveway.
- 3. Driveways must be located and designed to minimise danger to pedestrians and cyclists using the street as a result of vehicles reversing into or out of the driveway.

- Generally 2 car parking spaces will be required for a dwelling and 2 for each dual occupancy.
- 2. Refer to Chapter B4 Traffic Planning, Vehicle Parking, Circulation and Access for detailed provisions regarding car parking and vehicle access.
- 3. Applications where a dual occupancy or semi-detached dwelling proposes vehicle access to a rear lane, are to comply with the provisions under Chapter D6 Subdivision (Section D6.4.3).

D1.5.2 Character

Objectives

 To ensure that dual occupancy and semi-detached dwelling development is compatible in character with development in the locality, provides adequate private open space and addresses slope and drainage issues.

Performance Criteria

- 1. In assessing any proposal for dual occupancy or semi-detached dwelling development, particular consideration will be given to the topography and slope of the site, the use of design to minimise loss of privacy, the visual impact of the proposal and the likely impact on water flows and drainage.
- To encourage better visual quality and greater public acceptance, any dual occupancy (attached) or semi-detached dwelling development must be designed as far as possible to look like a dwelling house. Mirror-image dwellings must be avoided.
- 3. Private open space must be specifically designed to be easily accessible to each dwelling.
- 4. **Dual occupancy** and **semi-detached dwellings** should demonstrate how siting, design and character are consistent with the relevant Residential Character Narrative, as contained in the corresponding locality chapter in Part E of this DCP.

Prescriptive Measures

There are no Prescriptive Measures.

D1.5.3 Adjoining and Adjacent Development

Objectives

1. To ensure that new development is consistent with the character and amenity of existing development in the locality.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Development must be compatible with the bulk, scale, height and character of adjoining and adjacent development. The site characteristics, including slope and aspect, must be taken into consideration in assessing the appropriate height and number of storeys.
- 2. Adequate provision must be made for solar access and privacy of the proposed dwelling(s) and any adjacent dwelling.

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Prescriptive Measures

Council will only consider dual occupancy and semi-detached dwelling development in urban areas where, in its opinion, it has been demonstrated that the following objectives have been met:

- 1. Adequate provision for reasonable protection of existing views from neighbouring houses;
- Adequate provision for privacy of the proposed dwelling(s) and any adjacent dwelling(s);
- Adequate provision for access to natural light and solar access for the proposed dwelling(s) and any adjacent dwelling(s);
- 4. Maintenance of the character and neighbourhood amenity of the adjoining residential area.

D1.5.4 Private Open Space

Objectives

1. To ensure that adequate accessible and useable open space is provided to meet the recreational, gardening and landscape needs of residents.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Private open space areas must be of dimensions to suit the projected requirements of the occupants and guests and to accommodate outdoor recreation needs, as well as providing space for service functions such as clothes drying and domestic storage.
- 2. Part of the private open space must be capable of enabling an extension of the function of the dwelling for relaxation, dining, entertainment, recreation and children's play, and be directly accessible from the dwelling. Provision must be made for space for private gardening such as vegetable gardens.
- 3. Location of private open space must take account of outlook, natural features of the site and neighbouring buildings or open space. Orientation of private open space must provide for maximum year round use in terms of sunlight.
- 4. Private recreational facilities must not adversely affect the amenity of adjacent properties.

- 1. Each dwelling must have an area of private open space at ground level not located in the front setback, having a minimum area of 30m² and a minimum length and width each of 4m, excluding any area used for vehicle circulation or parking.
- 2. The private open space area must not include any areas used for the management of on-site sewage effluent.

D1.5.5 Landscaping

Objectives

1. To provide attractive landscapes that reinforce the function of the street and enhance the amenity of dwellings and the built environment.

Performance criteria

Refer to Chapter B9 Landscaping.

Prescriptive Measures

Refer to Chapter B9 Landscaping.

D1.5.6 Sound Proofing

Objectives

1. To ensure an acceptable acoustic environment for residents.

Performance Criteria

- Division walls between separate occupancy areas of dual occupancy (attached) and semi-detached dwelling development must be of sound resisting construction to ensure acoustic privacy and amenity between rooms.
- 2. Development must be designed to minimise noise and vibration impacts upon occupants of surrounding dwellings. Where practicable, sources of noise must be sited away from adjoining properties, and where necessary must be screened by acoustic treatments.

Prescriptive Measures

There are no Prescriptive Measures.

D1.6 Multi Dwelling Housing (including Manor Houses and Terraces), Residential Flat Buildings and Attached Dwellings

Council wishes to encourage variation in medium density housing development by providing simple, flexible controls that are intended to produce more attractive and innovative residential buildings, more imaginative use of outdoor spaces, more privacy and better access to sunlight and shade.

This Section applies to the following types of medium density housing development: multi-dwelling housing (including manor houses and terraces), residential flat buildings and attached dwellings. To facilitate good design a Context and Site Analysis Plan will be required as per Part A13.1.1.

D1.6.1 Private Open Space Courtyards

Objectives

1. To ensure that residents have access to private, useable, landscaped open space.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Open space courtyards must be provided for each dwelling, with dimensions to suit the projected requirements of the residents and to accommodate outdoor recreation needs.
- Courtyards must be capable of enabling an extension of the living area of the dwelling.
- 3. Location of courtyards must take account of outlook and natural features of the site without impacting on neighbouring buildings or open space.
- 4. Orientation and shading of courtyards must provide for maximum year round use in terms of sunlight.

- 1. Each dwelling must have access to an individual courtyard at ground level having a minimum area of 30m² and a minimum length and width each of 4 metres, not including any area used exclusively for the circulation or parking of vehicles. The courtyard must be designed to facilitate access to winter sunshine and must be landscaped to Council's satisfaction.
- 2. The private open space area must not include any areas used for the management of on-site sewage effluent.

D1.6.2 Open Space Balcony

Objectives

1. To ensure that residents of above-ground dwellings have immediate access to outdoor private open space.

Performance Criteria

Where dwellings are situated or have access entirely above the ground level of the development, Council may consent to the provision of private open space by means of a balcony which is of sufficient size and which is located so as to provide a usable private outdoor area to Council's satisfaction.

Prescriptive Measures

- 1. This provision is only activated when it is not possible to allocate private open space at ground level.
- 2. A private open space **balcony** must have a minimum area of 15m² and a minimum length and width of 2.4 metres. A private open space **balcony** must be demonstrated to have appropriate orientation and adequate provision for winter sun and summer shade.
- 3. Balconies and/or eaves may overhang minimum length or width dimensions of private courtyards or other private open space balconies, subject to compliance with the building height plane, and provided that adequate access to winter sun and summer shade is demonstrated for all potentially shaded balconies and/or courtyards.

D1.6.3 Landscaping

Objectives

1. To provide attractive landscapes that reinforce the function of the street, enhance the amenity of dwellings and the built environment, and allow preservation of significant vegetation.

Performance Criteria

Refer to Chapter B9 Landscaping.

Prescriptive Measures

Refer to Chapter B9 Landscaping.

D1.6.4 On-Site Car Parking

Objectives

1. To provide sufficient convenient car parking for residents and visitors.

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- 2. To maintain the amenity of adjoining properties and the efficiency of the road network by providing for car parking on-site.
- 3. To ensure that vehicle access to and from development is safe, effective and enhances visual amenity.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Driveway design must provide safe and efficient ingress/egress to and from the site.
- 2. Resident and visitor car parking must be provided according to projected needs.
- 3. The design of driveways and parking areas must minimise the visual impact of hard paved areas and long straights, eg by incorporating curves and landscaping.

Prescriptive measures

- Refer to Chapter B4 Traffic Planning, Vehicle Parking, Circulation and Access for detailed provisions regarding vehicle access, numbers, dimensions and layout of car parking spaces.
- 2. Large areas of car parking must be broken up by variation in layout, pavement treatment, landscaping, mounding and/or other means to Council's satisfaction.

D1.6.5 Sound Proofing

Objectives

1. To ensure an adequate acoustic environment for residents.

Performance Criteria

- Development must be designed to provide a reasonable acoustic environment within dwellings and to minimise the potential for noise impact on the occupants of surrounding dwellings.
- 2. Where practicable, sources of noise must be sited away from adjoining properties and where necessary must be screened by effective acoustic treatments.
- 3. Development must be designed to minimise noise and vibration impacts on occupants of surrounding dwellings or buildings.

- 1. Division walls between dwellings must be of sound-resisting construction to Council's satisfaction.
- The floors in single storey multi-dwelling housing, residential flat buildings and attached dwellings must be so constructed or treated as to minimise the conduct of sound between dwellings.

D1.6.6 Clothes Drying Facilities

Objectives

1. To ensure that adequate, effective space is provided and provision is made for clothes drying.

Performance Criteria

Outdoor clothes drying facilities must be provided to meet projected needs and located to facilitate privacy and sunlight access.

Prescriptive measures

The minimum provision of clothes drying facilities must be at the rate of 7.5 metres of line per dwelling, located in suitably screened external drying areas.

D1.6.7 Equity of Access and Mobility

Objectives

1. To ensure equity of access and mobility to all members of the community.

Performance Criteria

There are no Performance Criteria.

Prescriptive measures

Provision for access and mobility must be made pursuant to Chapter B13 Access and Mobility.

D1.6.8 Pipes and Vents

Objectives

1. To optimise the aesthetic appeal of development and to minimise visual impacts of external pipes and vents.

Performance Criteria

1. External pipes and vents must be concealed.

- All service pipes and vents must be concealed within the walls of residential flat buildings, multi-dwelling housing and attached dwellings. Provision of recessed service pipes in external walls may be acceptable where it is demonstrated that the proposal is consistent with the Objectives.
- 2. Access to pipes and vents must be provided as required by relevant authorities.

D1.6.9 TV Antennae

Objectives

1. To minimise adverse visual impacts of TV antennae and dishes, and to ensure the availability of television reception for all dwellings.

Performance Criteria

Common television antennae and/or dishes must be provided to meet the expected needs of residents.

Prescriptive measures

Each development must be provided with a common television reception system designed to minimise adverse visual impacts whilst enabling high quality reception for each dwelling.

D1.6.10 Character

Objectives

 To ensure that medium density housing development, including multi-dwelling housing (including Manor Houses and Terraces), residential flat buildings and attached dwellings are compatible in character with development in the locality, provides adequate private open space and addresses slope and drainage issues.

Performance Criteria

- In assessing any proposal for medium density housing development, particular consideration will be given to the topography and slope of the site, the use of design to minimise loss of privacy, the visual impact of the proposal and the likely impact on water flows and drainage.
- 2. Medium density housing development should demonstrate how they are consistent with the relevant Residential Character Narrative, as contained in the corresponding locality chapter in Part E of this DCP.

Prescriptive measures

To facilitate good design a **Design Verification Statement** will be required. In demonstrating how the built form of the development contributes to the character of the local area, the statement should articulate how it is consistent with the relevant locality narrative as contained in the applicable locality chapter in Part E of this DCP.

D1.6.11 Density

Objectives

 To ensure that medium density housing development, including multi-dwelling housing (including Manor Houses and Terraces) and attached dwellings are

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compatible in bulk and scale with development in the locality and is consistent with objectives of the zone.

2. To enable a variety of housing types within the Shire.

Performance Criteria

1. To provide a range of housing options that are compatible with locality that is suitable within the Low Density Residential Zone.

Prescriptive measures

1. Multi-dwelling housing and attached dwellings within the R2 Low Density Residential Zone are to have a maximum of 3 dwellings per 1000m² of lot size. Any additional dwellings require a site area of 333m² per dwelling.

Prescriptive measure one for this part does not apply if the proposal includes the provision of affordable housing.

D1.7 Affordable Housing

D1.7.1 Affordable Housing in R2, R3, B2 and B4 Zones

Objectives

- 1. To provide guidance regarding the implementation clause 6.7 Affordable housing in residential and business zones of Byron LEP 2014.
- To ensure the provision of a diverse range of dwelling types and sizes that meet the needs of a wide range of family and household types and provides greater availability of affordable housing.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Council shall consider the matters listed in clause 6.7 Affordable housing in residential and business zones of LEP 2014 when considering development applications in Zones R2, R3, B2 or B4 for:
 - a) subdivision of 25 or more lots where a diversity of lot sizes can be provided;
 - residential accommodation of 25 or more dwellings where a diversity of dwelling types can be provided;
 - c) redevelopment of existing housing where a reduced number of dwellings and/or a reduced diversity of dwelling types are proposed.
- 2. Council may consider applying a condition to the development consent for **affordable housing** requiring that the development not be used for the purposes of **tourist and visitor accommodation** including holiday letting.
- 3. Council may consider varying density controls for subdivision to allow additional lots to be created for dedication to a public housing provider.
- 4. The meaning of 'very low income household', 'low income household' and 'moderate income household' is the same as provided in clause 6 of *State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing) 2009*.

Prescriptive measures

There are no Prescriptive Measures.

D1.8 Boarding Houses

Division 3 (Boarding Houses) of *State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing) 2009* governs the provision of **boarding houses** in various Residential and Business Zones. Those provisions and standards will be applied to all **boarding house** development to which this Section applies.

D1.9 Hostels

State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability) 2004 governs the provision of hostels. Those provisions and standards will be applied to all hostel development to which this Section applies.

D1.10 Shop Top Housing

This Section applies to **shop top housing**, which includes **dwellings** located above ground floor **retail premises** or **business premises**.

D1.10.1 Density Control

Objectives

1. To provide affordable **shop top housing** accommodation close to transport, employment and services.

Performance Criteria

The siting, design and density of the **dwelling** component of the development must be consistent with the character of the surrounding area and must provide a mix of **dwelling** sizes to accommodate different family profiles.

Prescriptive Measures

- 1. The density of the **dwelling** component of the development must not be greater than one (1) **dwelling** per 150 square metres of **site area** where no **floor space ratio** restriction applies under Byron LEP 2014.
- 2. A minimum of 25% of the floor space of the entire development, not including car parking, must be set aside for commercial/ retail purposes. All ground floor space fronting the street must be devoted to retail premises and/or business premises.

D1.10.2 Accessibility

Objectives

1. To ensure accessible and direct entrance to and exit from the residential component of a development.

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Performance Criteria

Development must be designed to ensure that adequate direct resident access is provided to the residential component of the development.

Prescriptive Measures

Each dwelling must have direct access from the main street frontage of the premises (or side street where located on a corner). This may be by means of a separate, isolated passage or stairway connecting to the street frontage, which would allow unrestricted access to the dwelling without the need to pass through any associated retail premises or business premises. Alternatively, such an access arrangement may be shared with development on adjoining land with a similar residential component, provided suitable arrangements are made to ensure that legal access is available and guaranteed in perpetuity.

D1.10.3 Private Open Space

Objectives

 To ensure that the residential component of a development contains adequate, accessible and well designed private open space to meet the needs of occupants.

Performance Criteria

Each dwelling must be provided with an adequate area of private open space for sole use by the occupants of that dwelling. The private open space must be located to provide solar access and a sense of territory, privacy and safety for residents.

- Each dwelling must be provided with private open space for sole use by the occupants
 of that dwelling. Where the private open space cannot be provided at ground level the
 dwelling must be provided with a balcony or roof terrace.
- 2. The private open space, whether at ground level or not, must have a minimum area of 15m² and a minimum width of 2.5 metres. Part of the private open space must be a minimum of 10 square metres and directly accessible from a living area.
- 3. The private open space must have solar access to 50% of its area for at least 3 hours per day. Enclosure of **balconies** that provide private open space to a **dwelling** will not be permitted.
- 4. The private open space area must be located to maximise privacy for residents. If necessary the area must be screened by vegetation, a wall or fence, to ensure that the area is private.
- 5. The private open space must be located to ensure that residents are provided with an outlook to public areas rather than overlooking directly onto adjoining buildings, and must not diminish the commercial/retail character of the street frontage at ground level.

D1.10.4 Sound Proofing

Objectives

1. To ensure that an adequate acoustic environment is provided for residents.

Performance Criteria

Development must be designed to minimise the potential for noise impact upon the occupants of the dwellings, both from within the development and from adjoining developments, public areas and streets.

Prescriptive Measures

- Development must be designed to minimise external noise impacts on residents and to ensure that noise sensitive areas are screened from noise sources. This can be facilitated through the design process, eg by locating noise tolerable areas towards noise sources (e.g. kitchens, laundries etc located toward major frontages with sleeping areas screened from road frontages, garbage collection areas, accessways and parking areas). Noise transmission between dwellings can be minimised by not locating living areas or garages adjacent to bedrooms of other dwellings.
- 2. Walls or ceilings of dwellings that are attached must have a sound transmission class (STC) of not less than that required by the Building Code of Australia.
- 3. Applicants must demonstrate to Council's satisfaction that the design of dwellings in shop top housing adequately addresses the issue of sound proofing. A specialist acoustic report may be required to demonstrate that the development adequately achieves acceptable sound proofing for residential amenity.

D1.10.5 Clothes Drying Area

Objectives

1. To ensure that adequate, effective space is provided for clothes drying.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Where feasible, outdoor clothes drying facilities must be provided to meet projected needs and located to facilitate privacy and sunlight access. The clothes drying area must be screened from view from the street.
- 2. **Dwellings** without private open space at ground level must provide internal laundry facilities in each unit and must provide either a clothes drying area on site, or a space for a clothes dryer in each unit.

Prescriptive Measures

There are no Prescriptive Measures.

D1.10.6 Site Facilities

Objectives

- 1. To ensure that adequate site facilities are provided for the development and its residents.
- 2. To ensure that sediment and nutrient laden car wash runoff does not impact on the water quality of the Shire's waterways.

Performance Criteria

There are no Performance Criteria.

- Mailboxes must be provided for each dwelling, located to ensure convenient access for residents and Australia Post. The street number must be clearly displayed and all mailboxes must be clearly identified with the unit number. Where an Owners' Corporation or equivalent has been created an additional mailbox must be provided for Corporation correspondence.
- 2. All dwellings must be wholly independent of the commercial portion of the building in respect of such amenities and facilities as toilets, laundries, kitchens, bathrooms and the like.
- 3. Common television antennae and/or dishes must be provided to meet the expected needs of residents.
- 4. A separate water meter must be provided for each dwelling.
- 5. A lockable storage facility of 8 cubic metres for each dwelling must be provided. This may form part of a carport or garage.
- 6. A car washing area must be provided at a general rate of 1 per every 10 dwelling units, with a minimum of one wash area being provided for each multi-unit housing development containing more than 10 residential units. The car wash area must have minimum dimensions of 7.6m x 3m. This may be part of a visitor car space, driveway or turning area where it can be shown that it will not cause undue conflict of use. This area must have water and electricity available and must be drained by on site disposal. Where there are separate internal driveway systems within a site, each must have a car washing area.

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D1.11 Ancillary Dwellings in Business Park and Industrial Zones

This Section applies to the development of ancillary dwellings in Industrial zones and the B7 Business Park Zone. The only dwellings permitted in Zones IN1, IN2 and B7 are dwellings that are ancillary to other development that is permissible in those zones and which is situated on the same site as that other development. Other types of residential accommodation are not permitted in these zones. Such residential development must be designed and constructed to provide the resident with a suitable level of amenity having regards to the industrial and business activities on surrounding properties. As an example, this could include late night/ early morning noise from loading and unloading of vehicles, odours and fumes from a manufacturer, noise from refrigeration plant and equipment, dust from a landscape garden supplier. In some instances an ancillary dwelling may not be suitable due to the business and industrial activities on surrounding properties.

D1.11.1 Ancillary Dwellings in Zones IN1, IN2 and B7

Objectives

- 1. To ensure that residential development remains subordinate to industrial development in industrial zones, and other development in the Business Park Zone.
- 2. To ensure that an adequate level of amenity is provided for residents of ancillary dwellings.

Performance Criteria

- 1. Ancillary Dwellings are to be designed to enable a caretaker to live onsite to:
 - Manage the site
 - Maintain gardens
 - Carry out other duties such as cleaning, emptying of garbage bins
 - Provide a sense of security in terms of casual surveillance by being present on the site after hours.
- 2. The number of ancillary dwellings per development is limited to one and should be located such that it can provide for the needs and requirements of the entire development.

Prescriptive Measures

 Applications seeking consent for establishment of an ancillary dwelling in Zones IN1, IN2 and B7 must demonstrate that the dwelling will be used in conjunction with other development that is permissible in those zones on the same site, and that the dwelling will be ancillary to that other development.

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- 2. The ancillary dwelling component of a development is limited to one dwelling per Torrens Title Lot.
- 3. The total floor area of an ancillary dwelling must not exceed 60m².
- 4. An ancillary dwelling must not have street frontage when located at ground level.
- 5. Ancillary dwellings must be designed to minimise external noise, dust, fumes and odour impacts on residents. A specialist acoustic report may be required to demonstrate that the development adequately achieves acceptable sound proofing for residential amenity.
- 6. The ancillary dwelling is to accommodate a full time caretaker to live on, and manage and maintain the site.
- 7. The ownership of ancillary dwellings should be collectively owned and managed through either the body corporate if the development is subsequently strata subdivided or the Association Property if subdivided under Community Title. Where the unit is located on an individual strata or community title lot, arrangements are to be made for the ongoing management of the remainder of the development. Details to be submitted with the development application.

D1.12 Studios

Studios are meant for activities which may not be suitable in the **dwelling house**. This could include for example painting, pottery, playing music, writing, other artistic pursuits or an office space for a home office. The **studio** is not meant to be used as a separate bedroom, nor is it meant to be a **secondary dwelling** or granny flat.

D1.12.1 Studios

Objective

1. To enable construction and use of a detached building that is ancillary to and compatible in character with a dwelling where, because of its nature or space requirements the proposed use of the building is not practical within the confines of the principal dwelling.

Performance Criteria

- The proponent must demonstrate that the studio is required for a purpose that, because of its nature or space requirements is not practical to undertake within the confines of the principal dwelling.
- 2. The **studio** must not be used for separate habitation.
- 3. The **studio** must be situated on the same lot and located close to the **dwelling** and be compatible in design and character with the **dwelling** and its environment.

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4. The **studio** must not require additional clearing of native vegetation, additional vehicle access or the provision of additional public services infrastructure over and above that required by the **dwelling**.

Prescriptive Measures

Only one **studio** is permitted for each **dwelling**. The **studio** must:

- a) be situated on the same lot as the dwelling;
- b) not exceed 60m² gross floor area;
- c) not contain internal partitions other than those necessary for ablution facilities or demonstrably required for the use of the **studio** (eg photography darkroom);
- d) not contain facilities (e.g. kitchen, sink or the like) that would enable the preparation of food;
- e) not be used for separate habitation;
- f) be located not more than 40 metres from the main building of the dwelling.