Bass Coast Shire

Local Law Review 2022

Community Consultation Phase 1 Summary Report (consultation prior to development of new Local Law)

Engagement Overview

Introduction

Background

Local Law No. 1 Neighbourhood Amenity 2012

The Local Law (Local Law No. 1 Neighbourhood Amenity 2012) covers a range of diverse topics. From unsightly land, roadside and footpath trading, planting on nature strips, to building sites. It empowers Council to respond to local issues and protect public and private space as well as the community's health and safety. Every 10 years, Council is required to review our Local Law to ensure it continues to meet the needs of the community.

Summary of Key Changes

A Summary of Key Changes was created, which identifies areas of the Local Law that Council is looking to change, delete or add to. Feedback was sought from the community on the proposed changes, as well as ideas on other issues the community think Council should explore. Feedback from this initial round of consultation will help Council consider emerging issues and ensure the new Local Law is relevant.

New: Short Stay Rental Accommodation Local Law

Council proposes to introduce a Short Stay Accommodation Local Law to help better regulate the use of short stay rental accommodation (holiday homes) in Bass Coast Shire. Previously, holiday homes were registered under the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*.

Engagement Methodology

The following consultation tools were made available via Council's website:

• Online survey – provide feedback and suggestions on the Summary of Key Changes.

- Upload a written submission.
- Email <u>basscoast@basscoast.vic.gov.au</u>

The following non-digital methodologies were utilised:

• Write to Bass Coast Shire, PO Box 118, Wonthaggi 3995.

A communications plan was developed to coordinate community messaging. The survey was promoted via the following methods:

- Media releases.
- Social media posts (Facebook).
- Published on Council's website.
- Corflute signs with QR code.
- Direct email to registered community members / organisations.
- Shire Crier post.
- Councillor workshop 8 December 2021, followed by invitation via the Councillor Vault inviting further feedback on the Summary of Key Changes document.

Consultation activities were available from 10 January to 13 February 2022. Late responses were accepted until 18 February 2022.

Key external stakeholders (eg. VicPol, land managers, Ambulance Vic, SES, DELWP etc) are to be engaged directly and ongoing throughout the project to seek their input on key aspects of the new Local Law.

Response Rate

A total of 243 survey responses were received through Council's online survey. Survey comment themes are coded and categorised for the purpose of this report. *Verbatim comments have been provided separately*.

16 written community submissions were received, collated and summarised.

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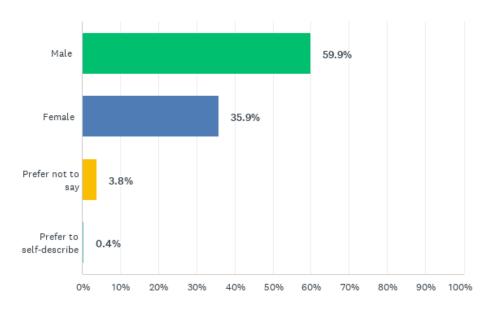
Community Survey Outcomes

Overview

243 survey responses were received. The survey contains primarily openended comment fields. Responses have been listed verbatim, rather than categorised, due to the low number of responses.

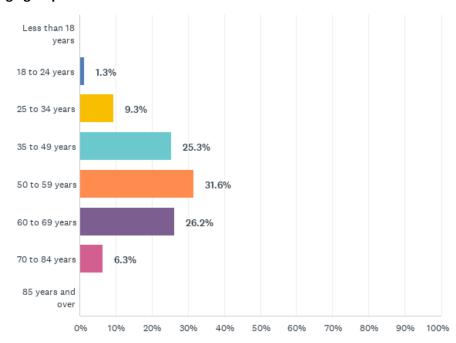
Respondent Demographics

Gender



Gender – Answer Choices	%	Count
Male	59.9	142
Female	35.9	85
Prefer not to say	3.8	9
Prefer to self-describe	0.4	1
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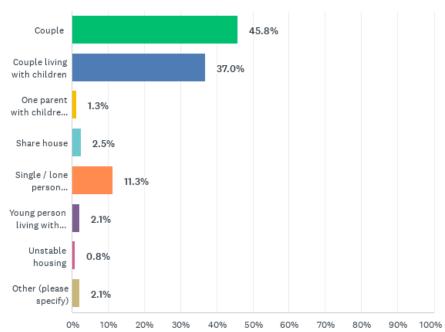
Age group



Age Group – Answer Choices	%	Count
Less than 18 years	0.0	0
18 to 24 years	1.3	3
25 to 34 years	9.3	22
35 to 49 years	25.3	60
50 to 59 years	31.6	75
60 to 69 years	26.2	62
70 to 84 years	6.3	15
85 years and over	0.0	0
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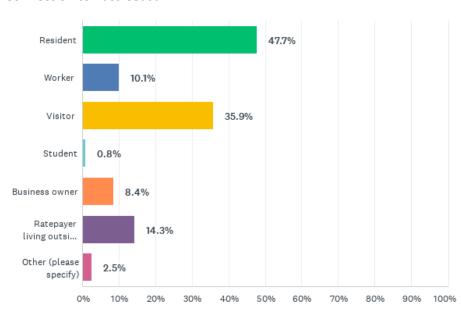
Household Type



Household Type – Answer Choices	%	Count
Couple	45.8	109
Couple living with children	37.0	88
One parent with children at home	1.3	3
Share house	2.5	6
Single / lone person household	11.3	27
Young person living with parents	2.1	5
Unstable housing	0.8	2
Other*	2.1	5
n=238 (note multiple response question)		245

^{*}Other: Phillip Island Conservation Society (1), not applicable (2), widowed with children (1), holiday house (1).

Connection to Bass Coast

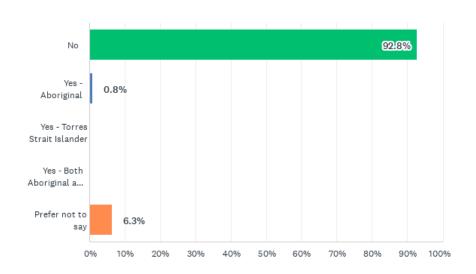


Connection to Bass Coast – Answer Choices	%	Count
Resident	47.7	113
Worker	10.1	24
Visitor	35.9	85
Student	0.8	2
Business Owner	8.4	24
Ratepayer living outside Bass Coast	14.3	30
Other*	2.5	6
n=237 (note multiple response question)		284

^{*}Other: Phillip Island Conservation Society (1), concerned citizen (1), photographer – visit often (1), recreational drone operator (1), previous business owner (1), ratepayer living part time in Cowes (1).

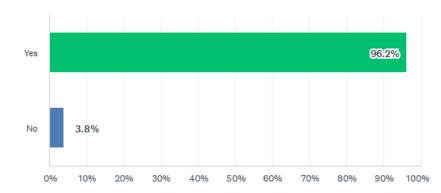
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Identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander



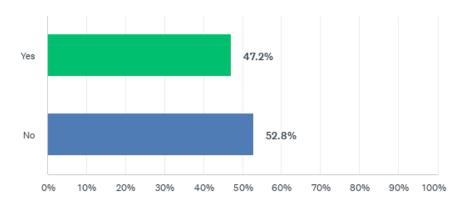
Identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander –	%	Count
Answer Choices		
No	92.8	220
Yes – Aboriginal	0.8	2
Yes – Torres Strait Islander	0.0	0
Yes – Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	0.0	0
Prefer not to say	6.3	15
n=237		237

English as a First Language



English as a First Language – Answer Choices	%	Count
Yes	96.2	225
No	3.8	9
n=234		234

Would You Like Us to Keep You Informed About the Local Law Review?



Keep Informed? – Answer Choices	%	Count
Yes (note: contact details provided separately)	47.2	68
No	58.2	76
n=144		234

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Advertising Signs (current clause 63)

This regulates the placement of signs on Council land. We propose to improve the way that advertising signs are regulated (eg. where signs can be placed, and the number of signs allowed).

Advertising signs	
Comment Themes	Count
Agree with regulating placement, size and quantity	6
Remove obsolete signage	2
Nil feedback	1
Recommend a sign registry	1
Make access easier to guidelines and regulations	1
No issue with current signage	1
Minimise impact on landscape	1
Too much signage in Inverloch	1
Implement specific locations - on major roads to promote local events	1
Signage should be allowed on private land with owner consent	1
Total	15
n = 11 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Bees (partly covered in clause 42 – European Wasp Nests)

The issue of beekeeping in residential areas is a growing source of complaints to Council (which are reported as 'unmanaged bees').

Further work is underway to determine whether the Livestock and Disease Control Act 1994 and Regulations 2017, as well as the Apiary Code of Practice covers the complaints raised by our residents

Bees	
Comment Themes	Count
Regulation is required	5
Education to promote bee keeping should be encouraged/endorsed by Council	5
Council should have a register of Beehives	3
Bees need more protection	2
Apiary code should be the standard adopted by Council	1
Use common sense - rules not required	1
Encourage planting for bees	1
No feedback	1
More information on number of complaints requested	1
Support Councils proposed changes	1
Total	21
n = 16 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Bunting (NEW)

This is a proposal to ensure that flags, signs and bunting overhanging a road (including road reserve, footpath or nature strip) are installed at a height that is consistent with Road Design Guidelines.

Bunting	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	4
No Feedback	2
Not required - freedom should be given to display flags	1
Support bunting being installed at a height above 2m	1
Possibly far-fetched depending on the reach of the proposal (residential parties)	1
Total	9
n = 9 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

Burning of Materials (current clause 32)

This section regulates open air burning in the Shire. We propose to strengthen this section and improve clarity around:

- Burning off and open fires in rural, built up and residential areas
- Being clear with definitions (eg. offensive materials and offensive smoke emissions)

Burning of materials	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changed	8
No feedback	2
Should be discouraged - environmental issue	2
Fire pits should be permitted all year round	2
Outside Councils scope - managed by Fire Authorities	1
Should only be allowed on weekdays	1
Total	16
n = 14 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Camping on Land other than Council Land (current clause 34)

This section regulates camping on land other than Council land. We are looking to:

- Include important elements of the guidelines in the local law to simplify the document and make it easier to understand.
- Consider how we can respond to longer-term camping on private land (ie. caravans or relocatable tiny homes).

Camping on land other than Council land	
Comment Themes	Count
Ok on private land so long as neighbours not affected	4
Camping on farmland/ beaches/ parks should be abolished	3
Needs to be regulated (numbers and noise)	3
Long-term camping should be discouraged	2
Standards should be implemented for 'Tiny homes'	2
Should not be permitted	2
More fines and enforcement for unpermitted camping activities.	1
Would be detrimental to the local economy	1
No Feedback	1
Council should consider 'donation' camp sites for self-contained vehicles	1
Facilities would need to be provided in designated areas	1
Support Councils proposed changes	1
Total	22
n = 18 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Closing Council Land (Public Areas) (NEW)

At times there may the need to close public areas in the case of emergency. We propose to with deference to any existing legislation, consider the circumstances under which we can close public land in case of an emergency (eg. fire risk, land slip, environmental risk etc.).

Closing Council land (public areas)	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	4
Disagree	2
No Feedback	1
More detail required	1
More access is needed to Council land for public use	1
Remove boundary lines for foreshores and holiday homes	1
Leave open, no permit	1
Total	11
n = 11 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

Consumption of Alcohol, and Alcohol-Free Areas (current clauses 71 to 73)

This section regulates consumption of alcohol on Council land. We propose to:

- Simplify the provisions to make them easier to understand.
- Ensure sites considered as licensed premises under the Planning process are excluded, as they are covered by separate regulations

Consumption of alcohol, and alcohol free areas.	
Comment Themes	Count
More regulation including fines and enforcement required	5
Support Councils proposed changes	4
No Feedback	1
Isn't an issue	1
Total	11
n = 9 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Control of Toy Vehicles, Model Aeroplanes and Drones (NEW)

This proposed new section seeks to address safety concerns and nuisance caused by drones flying over or landing on Council land through permits. Federal legislation applies to the flying of drones (ie. CASA – Civil Aviation Safety Authority) and the Local Law will not contradict this legislation. We propose to require a person to have a permit if they fly or allow to be flown any model aeroplane, drone or similar type of equipment:

- Over or near any road (distances to be determined) / over or near people and animals on (distances to be determined)
- With the intention of conducting filming / recording activities.
- Exemptions would apply to legal use of drones (eg. Council maintenance activities).

Control of toy vehicles, model aeroplanes and drones.	
Comment Themes	Count
CASA are the governing body; support their rules, outside Council jurisdiction	79
Council issued permits should not be implemented	39
Drones should be confined - invasion of privacy	7
Support Councils proposed changes	6
Strongly against proposed changes	5
If implemented permits should be simple to obtain/ free (refer Geelong Council/	
Ballarat City Council)	4
Council should focus more on other issues	4
Environmental considerations required (impact to birds)	3
No issue	3
Focus should be on people using drones for filming	3
Council should engage in education around drone usage	2
Council would need to implement signage defining permitted areas for public	
awareness	1
Drones should not be classed as a toy	1
No feedback	1
There should be a register of drone users	1
How can permits be enforced?	1
Total	160
n = 107 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Council Asset Protection and Building Sites (current clauses 66 to 70)

This section regulates how building sites are managed to protect neighbourhood amenity, safety and the environment. We propose to strengthen provisions including:

- Provide Council assets further protection (eg. protection from damage caused by building works).
- Provide a way to appropriately manage and bond the works to construct future Council assets.
- Address building site waste (eg. waffle pods, bins, mud/dust)
- Address construction site nuisance (eg. noise, operating hours etc)
- Address drainage / water run off on other land.
- Consider separate development of a Building Works Code of Practice for the Shire and make reference to this in the Local Law.

Council asset protection and building sites	
Comment Themes	Count
No feedback	2
Review of where builders park and operators set up equipment needed	1
Council should focus on herbicide spraying activities/ publish on website	1
Support Councils proposed changes	1
Council should regulate household waste better	1
Council assets should be preserved - not sold off	1
Total	7
n = 8 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Domestic Waste, Recyclable and Hard Waste Collection and Trade Waste (Commercial and Industrial Waste) (current clauses 30, 31 and 65)

This section of the Local Law regulates the use of approved domestic waste bins and hard waste collection; and trade waste (ie. commercial and industrial waste).

We suggest that we include important elements of the guidelines that currently sit beside the Local Law into the Local Law document to make it easier to find information about this, and to make it easier to understand. We will consider separate development of a policy for the Shire operational matters relating to this section and make reference to this in the Local Law.

Domestic waste, recyclable and hard waste collection and trade waste (commercial and industrial waste)	
Comment Themes	Count
More collections are required to prevent rubbish overflow on streets	7
Residents and Holiday makers need better education on sorting waste (recycling)	4
Provide a hard waste collection - annually	3
No Feedback	2
Municipal tips should be free	2
Enforce fines for littering	2
Larger capacity bins required	1
Reward residents who reduce waste output.	1
Council should be proactive in collecting dumped hard rubbish	1
Support Councils proposed changes	1
Total	24
n = 21 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Domestic Wind Turbines (NEW)

Large scale commercial wind energy facilities are covered under Victorian State planning legislation and do not include turbines principally used to supply electricity for domestic or rural use of the land. Turbines used for domestic or rural use are also exempt from prohibitions around siting of such turbines, including proximity to existing dwellings.

Council is presently unable to intervene on this matter under any of its statutory abilities. There are no existing avenues from a planning, building or environmental perspective that permit Council to prevent the construction of a domestic wind turbine. Council is currently exploring options to best respond to concerns around domestic wind turbines, including through Local Law and/or Planning provisions.

Domestic wind turbines	
Comment Themes	Count
Consideration to visual amenity needs to be considered	8
Wind Turbines should not be in residential areas	8
Council should restrict the size/ location of turbines	6
Laws regarding noise from large turbines needs to be reviewed and considered	4
Support Councils proposed changes	3
Governed by EPA - not a Council issue	2
No feedback	1
Turbines are a risk to bird life	1
Domestic wind turbines should be covered under local planning permit	
requirements	1
Commercial/ Domestic should be defined by size of turbine	1
Council should encourage other options such as solar	1
Case by case basis	1
Other comment - regarding 6 Dixon St installation	1
Planning permit should be a requirement (refer City of Port Phillip for best practice	1
Total	39
n = 25 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Keeping of Animals (current clauses 38 to 40)

This section addresses the number and type of animals that can be kept on a property, animal housing and cleanliness. We propose to:

- Include important elements of the guidelines in the local law to simplify the document and make it easier to understand.
- Review the number of animals that can be kept on larger blocks of land. The current Local Law only covers land up to 2 hectares. We suggest aligning with land planning zones to recognise that rural and urban properties are used differently.
- Introduce new provisions to address animal noise and smells.
- Introduce new provisions for individual animal plans to regulate dogs that have attacked in the past, and determine whether they are able to be kept (i.e. not dangerous or restricted breed dog as they are covered under the Domestic Animals Act 1994).

Keeping of Animals	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	5
Enforce cat confinement at all times	3
Owners need to be encouraged to train their pets	3
Better enforcement of current local laws is needed	3
Enforce dogs on leash at all times	2
No Feedback on proposed changes	2
Barking dogs are an issue	2
Wildlife needs to be considered	2
Equine responsibilities need to be addressed	2
Consideration is required for what is reasonable and practicable for cats	1
Improve the Pound/ Ranger availability	1
More dog friendly/ off leash areas are required	1
Domestic cats should be banned from Phillip Island to protect wildlife	1
Council should not be allowed to dictate on what constitutes a family pet	1
Council should include a review on animal emissions (noise and odours)	1
Total	30
n = 23 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Livestock at Large (Adequate Fencing) (current clause 41)

This section seeks to minimise serious accident caused by livestock escaping. Owners and occupiers of land have an important responsibility to ensure the safety of the community, of road users and of all the animals they keep by containing all of their animals including livestock on their property with adequate fencing. We propose to introduce new provisions providing authorised officers (the people who enforce our Local Laws) with the ability to issue on the spot fines for livestock being at large.

Livestock at large	
Comment Themes	Count
No Feedback	2
Create a dedicated 24hr call line for livestock at large	2
Disagree with proposed changes	1
Livestock at large is normally not planned; fines should not be issued	1
Support the proposed changes	1
Not a big issue	1
Total	8
n = 7 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Motor Bikes and Motorised Recreational Vehicles (current clause 49)

This section regulates motor bikes and motorised recreational vehicles on Council land and private land. We propose to strengthen provisions to:

- Provide Council assets further protection (eg. from damage caused by parking or driving on Council land, including reserves).
- Address the use of motor bikes and motorised recreational vehicles on private land, where a nuisance is evident.
- Address unregistered petrol vehicles.
- Address electric scooters, vehicles, skateboards, e-bikes etc
- Include important elements of the guidelines from the current Local Law into the Local Law to simplify the document and make it easier to understand.

Motorbikes and motorised recreational vehicles	
Comment Themes	Count
e-bikes/ e-scooters are environmentally friendly and should be encouraged to	
reduce car congestion, and promote aerobic activity	4
More enforcement/ policing of usage required	2
Monkey bikes/ motor bikes should be band	2
Support the proposed changes	2
Review and update laws pertaining to Jet Skis	1
Encourage the correct use of e-bikes they are good for tourism	1
Review the planning scheme to address these issues	1
All vehicles faster than walking pace should be registered	1
Public transport needs to be reviewed to ensure residents can safely go about	
their business.	1
Diesel- and gas-powered vehicles need to be included	1
These vehicles can be an issue over summer periods	1
Noise emissions form vehicles need to be monitored	1
No Feedback	1
Should not be permitted on footpaths	1
Regulated by state law	1
Total	21
n = 19 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Nature Strip Plantings (current clause 66)

This section and the guidelines that currently accompany it, relate to the requirements to occupy a road or Council land. It also incorporates nature strip plantings. We propose to:

- Simplify provisions around permits and requirements for nature strip plantings to make them easier to understand.
- Better align provisions with existing sections of the Local Law that address vegetation obstructing footpaths and roads, and danger to vehicles or pedestrians.

Nature strip plantings	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	4
Council needs to be proactive with planting requirements and encourage planting	3
No feedback	2
Planting edible nature strips should be allowed	2
Council should encourage native planting for wildlife	2
Not a problem unless obstructing views/ not appropriate planting	2
More footpaths are needed	1
Council should be more concerned with Council owned land and not restrict	
residents	1
Council needs to review current plantings on residential nature strips	1
	18
n = 17 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Nuisance (NEW)

New provisions to address nuisance caused by excessive light being emitted from private properties.

Nuisance	
Comment Themes	Count
Ensure clarity on lux levels and colour as streetlights can be a nuisance also	3
Include Air quality	1
Limiting the number of nights a person stays is not practical	1
Dog owners not cleaning up is a nuisance	1
Nuisance provisions need to include structures on neighbouring properties	1
Battery powered power tools should be introduced to reduce noise levels	1
Noise should be monitored for rentals	1
Support Councils proposed changes	1
Barking dogs is a nuisance	1
Greater enforcement needed- police intervention	1
	12
n = 12 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Repair of Vehicles on Roads (current clause 50)

This section relates to the repair of vehicles on roads. We propose to:

- Expand provisions to include Council land (not just roads).
- Include provisions for storage of vehicles (including trailers, caravans and boats etc).
- Include provisions for unregistered or abandoned vehicles on Council land.

Repair of vehicles on roads	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	3
Owners need to be responsible for associated costs	1
Changes seem over the top. What will Council do if damage is due to road	
condition?	1
No Feedback	1
Council needs to bring in laws to protect and provide for homeless (they live in	
caravans on nature strips)	1
Regulation required but not really a problem	1
Residents maintain the verge and Council should have no say in how they are used	1
	9
n = 9 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Roadside Trading or Performing, Sale of Goods and Outdoor Eating (current clauses 56 to 62)

This section refers to roadside trading or performing, sale of goods, and outdoor eating on Council land. We propose to:

- Review these provisions considering the COVID19 global pandemic.
- Include important elements of the guidelines that sit beside the current Local Law in the Local Law to simplify the document, make it easier to understand and streamline processes for businesses.

Roadside trading or performing, sale of goods, outdoor eating	
Comment Themes	Count
Works well, outdoor trade should be encouraged	5
Outdoor eating should not be extended on to roads/ footpaths	2
No Feedback	2
Support Councils proposed changes	2
All future pandemics should be considered not just COVID-19, reword	1
Areas should be contained	1
	13
n = 13 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

Shipping Containers (current clause 35)

This section allows a person to place a shipping container on their private property with a permit. We propose to simplify provisions and ensure that there is no overlap with the Planning Scheme, to ensure that it is clear to everyone what the rules around shipping containers are.

Shipping containers	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	4
No feedback	2
Permit should be required and enforced	2
No issue	2
Integration into landscape is important for visual amenity	1
	11
n = 9 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Shopping Trolleys (NEW)

This would be a new section to address abandoned shopping trolleys.

This would require that businesses making shopping trolleys available do not allow them to be left on Council land or any road and have a service to ensure trolleys are collected in a timely manner.

Shopping trolleys	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	6
Supermarkets should proactively collect them	4
Trolleys should be coin return to promote returning to appropriate location	3
Penalties for dumped trolleys is unfair. Beyond the Business control	2
No Feedback	2
This is not an issue	1
This is caused by tourists not locals	1
	19
n = 14 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Short Stay Accommodation (Holiday Home) (NEW)

The purpose of the new Short Stay Accommodation (holiday home) local law provisions are to:

- Regulate the control and use of short stay rental accommodation.
- Ensure an appropriate standard of management of such accommodation.
- Minimise the risk of such accommodation affecting the peace of neighbours.
- Implement a registration and renewal requirement of such accommodation.
- Include a 'maximum stay' duration for customers.
- Ensure that any waste is managed to protect the environment that visitors come to enjoy.

Previously Council registered holiday homes under *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*. All previously registered properties will be sent an invitation to become registered through this new process in 2022.

Short stay accommodation (holiday home)	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	14
Local residents need to be considered - privacy and nuisance complaints	8
Short Stay accommodation should be registered with Council	7
Council needs to regulate this better	6
Not a Council issue	4
Revenue raising activity	3
Parking considerations need to be addressed.	2
Noise/ waste issues need to be addressed	2
No feedback	1
Too much regulation will affect owners	1
More detail required on how Council will control and regulate	1
Revenue from registration should be redirected to waste services and public	
spaces.	1
	50
n = 34 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Smoke Free Areas in Municipal Places (current clause 74)

This section provides Council with the ability to declare nominated Council areas smoke free. We propose to strengthen the definition of smoking to include 'vaping' and 'e-cigarettes', in line with the *Tobacco Act 1987*.

Smoke-free areas in municipal places	
Comment Themes	Count
All main trading areas/ public spaces (including beaches) should be smoke free	9
Support Councils proposed changes	5
Greater enforcement and deterrents required	3
Signage needs to be increased in key areas - including playgrounds	1
Smoking should be permitted outdoors	1
Council should stay withing Commonwealth regulations	1
	20
n = 19 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Street Parties (current clause 55)

This section relates to permits for street parties, street festival or procession on a road. We propose to review these provisions considering the COVID19 global pandemic.

Street parties	
Comment Themes	Count
Street parties are disruptive, shouldn't take place	2
No Feedback	2
Not an issue for Council concern	2
Greater enforcement required	2
Council should encourage these events to support community connectivity	2
Social distancing and number of persons need to be monitored	1
All future pandemics should be considered not just COVID-19, reword	1
Seasonal issue	1
Support Councils proposed changes	1
All residents in the affected area should be consulted with prior	1
	15
n = 15 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Trees and Plants not to Obstruct or Obscure (current clauses 36 to 37)

This section relates to how we deal with trees or plants obscuring traffic or obstructing footpaths, as well as damage caused to Council land or assets from trees and plants. We propose to:

- Include important elements of the guidelines in the local law to simplify the document and make it easier to understand.
- Be clear on what defines a danger to vehicles or pedestrians.
- Simplify the conditions

Trees and plants not to obstruct or obscure	
Comment Themes	Count
Council needs to audit their own practices before introducing these changes	2
No Feedback	2
Residential amenity and outlook needs to be considered	2
Support the proposed changes	2
Definition of what constitutes an obstruction/ obscuring is required	1
Consideration to valued vegetation should be given prior to removal	1
Council should provide details on what is appropriate to plant	1
Parked cars are an issue for obstruction/ obscuring	1
Tree branches are an issue	1
Trees are important for mental health and well being	1
	14
n = 13 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Tree Protection (NEW)

There are gaps in Planning Scheme vegetation protection overlays, particularly where properties are less than 4000m2 (1 acre). We propose to:

- Define what constitutes a 'significant tree' (eg. trunk circumference).
- Require people to obtain a permit before any works (pruning or removal) are undertaken on a tree deemed to be 'significant'.
- Ensure deference to planning provision exemptions governing vegetation removal for properties mapped as bushfire prone or with bushfire management overlays. (ie. 10/30 exemption and 10/50 exemption).

Tree protection	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	10
Safety considerations need to be addressed for significant trees that pose a danger	5
Consideration needs to be given to impact on wildlife when removing limbs/ trees	5
There should be a public register for significant trees on all land types	4
No change required	2
Location and species of tree needs to be considered at time of planting	2
Heavy fines should be enforced for illegal removal of trees	1
Trees are important to our environment	1
Council needs to be more proactive in protecting mature trees	1
Tree permit requirement should also cover activities in Tree Protection Zone	1
	32
n = 24 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Unsightly Land, Graffiti, Dangerous Land and Dilapidated Buildings (current clause 63)

This section of the Local Law seeks to address the amenity of private property (eg. unsightly land and buildings). We suggest strengthening this section to:

- Include unregistered vehicles, vehicle bodies, parts and machinery on property. Also include provision to address, boats, caravans, trailers and other types of vehicles.
- Include a section on Graffiti a person must keep their land graffiti free (includes buildings, structures or boundary fences). The current Local Law does not include graffiti on permanent dwellings. This would apply to unwanted graffiti such as 'tags', but exclude permitted graffiti art.
- Incorporate dilapidated (derelict) buildings into the Local Law as well as making provision for dangerous structures that are not covered under building regulations. It would also require landowners or occupiers to install temporary fencing whilst issues are being rectified.
- Introduce a new section to address weeds on land that are unsightly or detrimental, with deference to existing State Government legislation (ie. *Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994* and Regulations).

Unsightly land, graffiti, dangerous land and dilapidated buildings	
Comment Themes	Count
Support Councils proposed changes	7
Unsightly land is an issue	4
Support needs to be provided to remove graffiti in a 'timely' manner	4
Long grass/ noxious weeds are a hazard that needs to be addressed	2
Graffiti on private land should be at the discretion of the owner, removed if	
offensive to neighbouring properties	2
Unsightly is open to individual interpretation	2
Should be a standard for building design to minimise unsightly builds	1
Council should address their own unsightly land and lead by example	1
Council needs to provide a definition on graffiti verses art	1
Council needs to address more pressing issues - unfinished homes being lived in	1
Council needs to be proactive in encouraging solutions to problems, not just	
issuing fines.	1
	26
n = 20 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Anything missing?

Respondents were asked they would like to provide additional feedback or suggestions.

Is there anything missing from our current Local Law or our Summary of Key Changes that you think we should include?	
Comment Themes	Count
CASA governs air space, and this is not a function for Council to undertake	5
Short Stay accommodation needs attention - refer other Councils; Noosa City Council/ MPSC laws	3
No	3
Illegal Fireworks need to be better enforced	3
Short Stay accommodation impacts many local business and families and should not be restricted	2
Area needs more 'green space'. Developments should be regulated to ensure vegetation is maintained for ecosystems	2
More parking is required to support local businesses	2
Visual appeal and street amenity should be a focus	2
Difficult to provide feedback when the summary doesn't identify proposed changes, draft of local law would be better	2
Dog local laws need to be better addressed and Rangers should be available after hours	2
More signage and restrictions on dogs on beaches	1
Train volunteers to enforce local laws for dog infringements	1
Motorised pleasure craft and kites should be prohibited from nesting sites	1
Council needs to publicise schedule for road maintenance	1
Traffic management plan needed for Phillip Island (next 10 years), should not include reduction in speed	1
Dogs should be allowed off leash	1
More rubbish bins in public spaces	1
Council needs to go back to basics and not complicate life for rate payers	1
Council needs to promote recycling more	1
Enhance Councils process for community consultation and feedback	1
Town planning need to review line marking, speed signs and road signs	1

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Is there anything missing from our current Local Law or our Summary of Key Changes that you think we should include?	
Comment Themes	Count
Negative comment towards Council	1
Clear reporting lines are needed for nuisance reports	1
Waste of ratepayers' money - a pool would be money better spent	1
Community input is required for Short Stay changes - parking is an issue	1
Dogs on beaches legislation needs to be reviewed	1
Identify noise levels for battery and wind farms	1
Review multiple other local laws to allow greater access/ freedoms for rate payers	1
Parking on corners and bends needs to be addressed	1
Council officers should have more power to address issues	1
Council should review the direction of farm gates opening into other properties/ vehicles	1
Boats and watercraft should have restrictions on where they can moor	1
Council should increase penalties	1
Domestic cats should not be permitted on Phillip Island	1
	50
n = 40 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Additional Feedback

Respondents were asked they would like to provide additional feedback or suggestions.

Do you have any other feedback on this project?	
Comment Themes	Count
CASA governs air space, and this is not a function for Council to undertake	9
Embrace drone users	5
Thank you	4
Key is education of laws - enforcement and penalties	4
Negative comment towards Council	4
Permits should not be required for drones	4
No	3
Council needs stronger laws for Short Stay and a register	2
Difficult to provide feedback when the summary doesn't identify proposed changes.	1
Complete the pathway to Surf Club and beyond	1
Council should only step in when others are impacted	1
Suggest using icons/ pictograms to increase understanding of Local Laws	1
Environmental impacts need to be considered for any laws	1
Council needs to address current issues of their constituents	1
Issues with roads and vegetation on Phillip Island needs addressing	1
Visual appeal and street amenity should be a focus	1
Holiday home changes need to be communicated better	1
Issue with farm gate at 23 Yarramundi Way, Cowes	1
More detail required on Short Stay Accommodation laws	1
	46
n = 36 respondents (some comments contained multiple themes)	

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Written Community Submissions

#	Summary and Comments
1	Remove reference to Control of toy vehicles, model aeroplanes and drones removed from any proposed local law document.
	Recognise that CASA rather than Council is the responsible authority for drone and air safety.
2	It should not be permitted to moor, place, or leave boats or other watercraft in foreshore reserves.
	All animal provisions should be together including protection of wildlife from domestic animals.
	Introduce requirement for dogs on leash within 50m of a signed threatened species wildlife refuge.
	Increase penalties for domestic animal offences.
	Support tree protection / significant tree proposal, include also tree protection zone.
	Support short stay accommodation proposal, consider nuisance elements including noise and light.
	Support smoke free areas, suggest making all beaches, foreshores and reserves smoke free, including signs/bins.
	Recommends user-pay parking at beaches for visitors.
3	Stronger tree protection on public / private land.
	Greater penalties for tree removal and better monitoring by Council.
	New works to minimise/eliminate destruction of native vegetation/trees.
	Off-setting should be at the site, not elsewhere.
4	Shipping container regulations, strengthen to include:
	Use to be subject to planning permit
	Duration of temporary storage 2 years
	Not permitted on block size less than 700m2
	Not be sited where visible from public walking tracks, vantage points, lookouts and roads overlooking significant vistas
5	Keeping of Animals:
	Query about number of animals that may be kept on a block size of 2 hectares – once buildings etc in place, only 3 acres of land are available.
6	Short Term Accommodation – seeking further information / details.
	Suggest Council partners with local tourism / visitor centres etc to provide information on short term accommodation, dog walking, wildlife
	conservation, events etc.
7	Shopping trolleys

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#	Summary and Comments
	Woolworths group does not support fitting and operating trolley containment systems due to cost.
	Woolworths group does not support penalties to trolley owners.
	Offence should lie with the individual who has abandoned a trolley.
	Woolworths group is committed to working with Council and managing its shopping trolleys.
	Suggest instead using Trolley Tracker app to track and report trolleys to Woolworths group without Council becoming involved.
8	Protect hooded plover and other local beach-nesting birds
	Ban dogs and drones Ayr Lagoon (100m of water's edge) year round
	More signs / roped off areas
	Negative impacts of dogs on beaches (on and off leash)
	Dog and drone ban will protect the birds
9	Protect hooded plover and other local beach-nesting birds
	• Introduce signed 'designated beach nesting birds' areas on beaches, with dogs required to be on lead within 50m
	Review current off leash / dog beach access with this in mind
	Improve dog control signage
	• Drones – drones not to be flown within 100m of signed 'designated beach nesting birds' area, educate drone operators via a permit system.
10	Need for increased protection of local and migratory birds from dogs on the Cape Paterson beaches.
	Propose an all-year round ban on all dogs within 100 metres of areas where beach-nesting birds and migratory birds are known to breed, roost,
	shelter and feed.
	Improve dog control signage.
	More signs / roped off areas.
11	Short stay rental accommodation – supportive of Council's proposal.
12	Commentary and suggestions around Council Meeting Procedures Local Law.
13	Summary of Key Changes document does not provide enough detail on proposed changes to Local Law, including Short Stay Rental Accommodation.
	Concerns with domestic wind turbines in residential areas.
	Council should provide dump points for campers.
	Strengthen provisions around use of fireworks.
	Caravans on roads – include provision to load/unload.
	Community has not been provided enough time to give feedback.
14	Domestic waste
	Bins should be put out 48 hours prior to collection, and brought back in 48 hours after collection (maximum – avoid bins being left out for weeks)

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#	Summary and Comments
15 16	 Holiday home bins in particular Health hazard / unsightly / overflowing etc We put away numerous bins each week for our neighbours Seeking protection of the iconic Golden Cypress trees in Cowes through the Local Law review. Process for Local Law Review Concern with process for Local Law Review – initial consultation on summary of key changes did not provide enough / detailed information on actual proposed changes. Request extension of review period and provision of additional information. Request of old and new draft local law comparison. Request analysis of existing local law and where it fails. Request number of infringement notices issued for past 5 years and number of complaints received. Rest staffing FTE for local law officers including expense to council for 2020/21. Leave laws considered working well alone. Need to consider new legislation and address gaps in the local law.
	• Local laws need to be workable, and in best interest of the Shire, with community in agreement, meets expectations of residential, large property owners, farmers, commercial businesses, industries, recreation etc.
	 Current Local Law specific comments: Council's Local Law for alcohol consumption in public places has not been enforced in Cowes, Inverloch and some other waterside locations during peak holiday periods. If council has a law then that law must apply prior to intervention by the Police. Shopping trolley's found outside of the trolley owners property must be impounded and a sizeable penalty incurred upon the owner of the trolley to retake possession.

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Bass Coast Shire

Local Law Review 2022

Community Consultation Phase 2 Summary Report (consultation on draft Local Law No. 1 Neighbourhood Amenity 2022)

Engagement Overview

Introduction

Background

Following initial community consultation during January – February 2022 where Council received feedback from 259 community members, the draft Local Law No. 1 Neighbourhood Amenity 2022 (Local Law) was subsequently developed.

The objectives of the draft Local Law are to:

- (a) Secure community safety
- (b) Protect public assets
- (c) Enhance neighbourhood amenity
- (d) Ensure the peace, order and good governance of the municipal district.

The draft Local Law was developed in consultation with Councillors, internal Council staff, and informed by Phase 1 community and stakeholder consultation outcomes and research activities.

Draft Local Law No. 1 Neighbourhood Amenity 2022

The draft Local Law (Local Law No. 1 Neighbourhood Amenity 2022) covers a range of diverse topics. From unsightly land, roadside and footpath trading, planting on nature strips, to building sites. It empowers Council to respond to local issues and protect public and private space as well as the community's health and safety. Every 10 years, Council is required to review our Local Law to ensure it continues to meet the needs of the community.

New provisions: Short Stay Rental Accommodation

Council has introduced Short Stay Rental Accommodation provisions into the draft Local Law, to help better regulate the use of short stay rental accommodation (holiday homes) in Bass Coast Shire. Previously, holiday homes were registered under the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*.

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Engagement Methodology

Council sought feedback from across the municipality on the draft Local Law between 18 May and 16 June 2022.

The draft Local Law was available to view online or in person at any of Council's service centres. The community was invited to provide written feedback using the following methodologies:

- Council's online engagement portal Engage Bass Coast engage.basscoast.vic.gov.au/llreview-2022
- Upload a detailed written submission.
- Email <u>basscoast@basscoast.vic.gov.au</u>

The following non-digital methodologies were utilised:

Write to Bass Coast Shire, PO Box 118, Wonthaggi 3995.

Further supporting information was provided to assist the community in their assessment of the draft Local Law, including:

- Comparative analysis matrix of 'old' and 'new' draft Local Law (clause-by-clause).
- Draft Local Law Community Impact Statement

A communications plan was developed to coordinate community messaging. The survey was promoted via the following methods:

- Media releases.
- Social media posts (Facebook).
- Published on Council's website.
- Direct email to registered community members / organisations.
- Shire Crier post.
- Councillor workshops / briefings on draft Local Law 6 April 2022 and 11 May 2022.

Consultation activities were available from 18 May 2022 to 16 June 2022.

Listening Posts (drop-in sessions)

Listening Posts were facilitated to provide the community opportunities to visit in person to discuss the Local Law Review project:

- Inverloch Community Centre Friday 27 May 2022, 10.30am 12.30pm (2 people attended).
- Wonthaggi Old Post Office Tuesday 31 May 2022, 2.00pm 4.00pm (0 people attended).
- Newhaven Visitor Information Centre Thursday 2 June 2022, 5.00pm 7.00pm (10 people attended).

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Response Tally

786 people visited the Local Law Review page on Council's online engagement portal Engage Bass Coast engage.basscoast.vic.gov.au/llreview-2022

33 community members and 2 Councillors subsequently provided feedback and submissions the draft Local Law. These have been individually assessed, with a summary of key points developed for each.

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Community feedback and submissions on the draft Local Law

#	Source	Summary					
1	Engage Bass Coast website	Pleased that Local Law does not include regulation of drones.					
2	Engage Bass Coast website	setter identification of property addresses					
3	Engage Bass Coast website	More enforcement needed. Need to better communicate local laws.					
4	Engage Bass Coast website	Bring back roosters / more clarity around keeping of roosters required. Short stay rental issues – noise, rubbish and occupancy numbers					
		Need better regulation of short stay rentals, including 3 strike system					
5	Engage Bass Coast website	Supportive of short stay rental provisions generally. Suggest guide to numbers allowed in these premises.					
6	Engage Bass Coast website	Need more clarity around what is considered to be a Short Stay Rental Accommodation.					
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8	Engage Bass Coast website	Concerns with dog attacks					
9	Engage Bass Coast website	Supportive of short stay rental provisions.					
10	Engage Bass Coast	Short stay rental issues include noise, rubbish and occupancy numbers.					

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	website	
11	Engage Bass Coast website	Short stay rental accommodation 'maximum stay' is unreasonable. Other visitors to the property that are not renters – how to manage? Short stay rental accommodation- take care regarding vexatious complaints
12	Engage Bass Coast website	Short stay rental accommodation – suggest inclusion of parking requirements Too many short stay rentals.
13	Engage Bass Coast website and Email 18 May 2022	Short stay rental accommodation 'maximum stay' is unreasonable. Short stay rental accommodation- take care regarding vexatious complaints Supportive of reasonable guidelines to prevent nuisance.
14	Engage Bass Coast website and Email to Councillors	Supportive of short stay rental provisions generally. Suggest that adjoining properties are provided with a 24/7 Council Authorised Officer contact phone in case of problems.
15	Email 8 Feb 2022	Submission regarding drones – does not support regulation of such via the Local Law.
16	Email 31 May 2022	Short stay rental accommodation. Query around waste collection.

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		Query around whether 2-hour response timeframe is reasonable, when issues arise.					
		Query regarding numbers of guests allowed					
17	Email	Short stay rental accommodation					
	18 May 2022	Need to install privacy screens and walls. Issues with noise / behaviour.					
18	Engage Bass Coast site	Generally supportive of new Local Law.					
	Site	S30 Significant Trees – need to include elements of Planning Scheme.					
		S32/33 Keeping of Animals					
		Register all cats					
		Desex all cats					
19	Email 2 Jun 2022	Cat confinement 24/7 Ensure protection of trees on private land.					
19	Liliali 2 Juli 2022	Interested in nature strip plantings, including permit history etc.					
		Cyleste provided response to customer in terms of queries posed.					
20	Engage Bass Coast	Short stay rental accommodation.					
	website	Query definition of 'occupant'.					
		Query re 99c – 2-hour response timeframe for complaints.					
		Query re need to reference Owners Corporation Act Victoria 2006.					
21	Engage Bass Coast	S20 Unsightly and Dangerous Properties – concerns with wording / inclusion of items below:					
	website	(2)(e) Machinery, vehicles, caravans, boats or any or any parts of them;					
22	Engage Bass Coast	S20 Unsightly and Dangerous Properties - concerns with wording / inclusion of items below:					
	website	(2)(e) Machinery, vehicles, caravans, boats or any or any parts of them;					

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23	Engage Bass Coast	S35 Bees				
	website	Power to direct removal of unmanaged European beehives on private land.				
		Strongly disagrees with clause – member of the South Gippsland Beekeepers.				
		Strongly alsagrees with clause Themsel of the South Sippsiana Secreepers.				
24	Engage Bass Coast	S30 Significant and protected trees				
	website	(1)(a) add word 'poison'.				
	(uploaded					
	submission)	S31 Nature strips				
		1c - add wording 'not used for storage or parking of vehicles including boats and caravans'.				
		To dua wording flot used for storage of parking of verifices melading souts and caravans.				
		S38 Restrictions on burning in the open air – private property				
		Under Section 3 (b) Add the words in brackets: A fire in a chiminea, fire pit or other similar and properly				
		constructed appliance while being (attended to by an occupier/occupant and) used for heating purposes.				
		constructed appliance write being (attended to by an occupier/occupant and) used for heating purposes.				
		Short stay rental accommodation				
		S102 Standards of management				
		Add requirement to provide occupants with Owners Corporation rules.				
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		102(4) add after nuisanceor become detrimental to the amenity of the surrounding area.				
		102(4) and after huisanceor become detrimental to the amenity of the surrounding area.				
		Limit availability of a property for short stay rental accommodation to 90 days per year.				
25	Engage Bass Coast	S31 Nature Strips				
	website	(2) permit to plant				
		Do not prevent nature strip plantings				
		S30 Significant and Protected Trees				
		Don't restrict owners' ability to remove trees on private property.				
26	Engage Bass Coast	Short stay rental accommodation.				
	website					
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	(uploaded submission)	Request information on annual fee to register SSRA.
	Sasimissiony	Provision of owner contact details to neighbours could be problematic.
		Waste – bins out 1 day before / after collection. Should be consistent for all properties (not just SSRA).
		Problems with SSRA excess waste, cars, noise won't be fixed by the Local Law.
27	Engage Bass Coast website	Short Stay Rental Accommodation.
	(uploaded submission)	No maximum stay should be enforced.
	,	Provision of owner contact details to neighbours – disagree. Council's responsibility to enforce if there's a complaint.
		2-hour owner response timeframe for complaints is not reasonable – suggest 24 hours. Urgent response should be from Council or police.
		Substantiated complaints. Need definition
		Substantiated complaints 'located within proximity' More clarity needed.
		Substantiated complaints should be 'reset' with new owner / appointed agent. Addressed already – registration (and therefore offences) are not transferrable to new owners S99(4).
		Substantiated complaints should be against a 'guest' not an 'owner'.
		Registration fees should be refundable pro rata if permit no longer required.
		SSRA local law should not apply when property is not let for such purposes.
		S102(3) – disagree with requirement to make SSRA part of Local Law available to occupants.

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		S102(4) 'reasonable use' 'nuisance' lacks clarity.
		S102(5) maximum occupants – should specify position on infants.
		S102 waste – clarity around bins required
		S102 waste 24 hours for bins to be put out / brought in is unreasonable. Consistency with non SSRA properties needed.
		Suggest free waste drop at transfer centre for owners.
28	Engage Bass Coast website	S25 Noise – add reference to EPA standards.
	Website	S27 Noxious weeds – expand wording to reference planting.
		Short Stay Rental Accommodation.
		No maximum stay should be enforced.
		Provision of owner contact details to neighbours – disagree. Council's responsibility to enforce if there's a complaint.
		2-hour owner response timeframe for complaints is not reasonable – suggest 24 hours. Urgent response should be from Council or police.
		Substantiated complaints. Need definition
		Substantiated complaints 'located within proximity'

		More clarity needed.						
		Substantiated complaints should be 'reset' with new owner / appointed agent. Addressed already – registration (and therefore offences) are not transferrable to new owners S99(4).						
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		S102(3) – disagree with requirement to make SSRA part of Local Law available to occupants.						
		S102(4) 'reasonable use' 'nuisance' lacks clarity.						
		S102(5) maximum occupants – should specify position on infants.						
		S102 waste — clarity around bins required						
		S102 waste 24 hours for bins to be put out / brought in is unreasonable. Consistency with non SSRA properties needed.						
		Suggest free waste drop at transfer centre for owners.						
29	Engage Bass Coast website	Short stay rental accommodation.						
	WCDSILE	Include						
		Mechanism to determine property suitability						
		Maximum number of guests						
		Animals not to be unaccompanied						

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		Number of vehicles
30	Engage Bass Coast website	S32 Keeping of Animals Query animal numbers allowed generally.
		Query keeping of reptiles and other animals not listed.
31	Engage Bass Coast website	Supportive of S26 Wind Energy Facility
32	Engage Bass Coast website	Supportive of S26 Wind Energy Facility
33	Telephone	SSRA owner living onsite – deeply concerned with requirement to provide contact details to neighbours.

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Councillor feedback on the draft Local Law

#	Summary
1	Part 7 - Short Stay Rental Accommodation:
	Include requirements for all properties to have a Waste Management Plan approved by Council as a condition of registration.
	S24 Artificial light:
	Include reference to animals.
	S32 Keeping of animals generally:
	Clarify provision for roosters.
	Better clarity on number of animals that may be kept, particularly on rural properties.
2	S30 Significant and protected trees:
	Email to Councillors requesting support to adopt a detailed tree protection local law, including provision for a significant tree register.

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Section #	Section Title	Section Title Details	
π		AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT LOCAL LAW	
8	Definitions	Updated wording of the following definitions:	
		 Motorised toy vehicle: Any recreational vehicle which may be propelled or operated (including by remote control) by internal combustion, steam, gas, oil, electricity or any other power, but excludes a motor bike or other motorised recreational vehicle 	To avoid unintended duplication or confusion with motor bikes or other motorised recreational vehicles.
		Significant tree: Means a tree that is recorded on Council's significant tree register	Request for significant tree register requirement.
		 Significant tree register: Means the register of significant trees adopted and maintained by Council under clause 30(3), as amended from time to time. 	(also see S30 Significant Trees and Protected Trees)
24	Artificial Light	(1) An occupier of land must not use, or cause to be used, on their land a light which an Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer determines creates a nuisance to any other person or animal.	Added words 'or animal'.
25	Noise Updated wording: (1) An occupier of land must not: (a) Cause a noise; or		Deleted wording further to legal advice, to remove inconsistency with Environment Protection Act 2017.
	Significant Trees and Protected Trees	(b) Knowingly allow or suffer a noise;	
		To emanate from that land, which an Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer determines is unreasonable or which would causing discomfort to another person.	
30		(1) An owner or occupier of private property must not, without a permit: (a) Cut, trim, lop, prune, or otherwise interfere with or cause or allow to be cut, trimmed, lopped, pruned or otherwise interfere with on any private property less than 5000 square metres any significant tree or protected tree; or	Added 'otherwise interfere with or cause' further to legal advice. Removed reference to 5000m2 land size. Refer Statutory Planning.
		(b) Carry out or cause or allow to be carried out any works within the tree protection zone of a significant tree or protected tree, including but not limited	Size. Neiel Statutory Flamming.

Section	Section Title	Details					Reasoning
#		to building, trenching, digging, compacting, excavating, filling, or storing materials and equipment. (2) Sub-clause (1) does not apply to:				Additional wording to clarify what constitutes 'works'. Refer Statutory Planning.	
	 (a) A person whose actions are authorised under a permit under the Planning Scheme. (b) A person whose actions are required by any other legislation, or (c) A person acting in accordance with a direction from Council or an Authorised 				on, or	Amended wording to clarify exemptions. Refer Statutory Planning.	
		(3)	Officer. Council must maintain a Sigr the municipal district and en Council's website and can be business hours.	sure that such Sigr	nificant Tree Register	r is accessible on	Request for significant tree register requirement. (also see updated definition)
31	Nature Strips	(1)	An owner or occupier of private property must ensure that the grass on the nature strip adjacent to or otherwise referable to that land is: (a) Maintained in a neat and tidy condition; and (b) Does not contain grass exceeding 300mm in height. A person must not, without a permit: (a) Plant or remove vegetation from a nature strip or undertake any landscaping on a nature strip, road or municipal place; or (b) Remove soil from a nature strip, road or municipal place.				Amended 31(1) to clarify requirement to maintain nature strip is around mowing the grass only. Refer Statutory Planning.
		(3)	When assessing and determining an application for a permit under this clause 31, regard will be had to Council's Guidelines for Planting in Nature Strips, which are incorporated into this Local Law.				
32	Keeping of Animals		Type of animal Maximum allowed				
	Generally			Flats, units or townhouses	Land less than 5000 square metres	Land 5000 square metres or greater (see below)	Updated table to correct number of poultry allowed on land 5000 square metres or greater.

Section	Section Title	Deta	nils	Reasoning			
#					<u> </u>		
			Dogs	2	2	3	
			Cats	2	2	4	Updated table to correct number of
			Poultry (excluding roosters)	0	12	30	large and/or noisy birds allowed, including clarity around roosters.
			Pigeons	0	10	20	
			Domestic birds (caged, excluding large and/or noisy birds)	6	12	No limit	
			Large and/or noisy birds (including roosters)	0	0	5	
			Domestic rabbits, guinea pigs and mice	2	4	20	
			Horses and donkeys	0	0	5	
			Cattle	0	0	10	
			Sheep and goats	0	0	15	
			Pigs	0	0	1	
			Any other livestock	0	0	2	
38(3)	Restrictions on Burning in the Open Air – Private Property	(3) Sub-clauses (1) and (2) do not apply to fires that are monitored and attended to by the land occupant and are:					Resident suggestion 'attended to by an occupier/occupant'
			(a) A barbecue, pizza oven or other properly constructed appliance while it is being used for cooking food; or				
		(b) A fire in a chiminea, fire pit or other similar and properly constructed appliance while being and used for heating; or					
		(c) A	fire lit for the purpose of the pe				
		may	council staff members and any po , without a permit, undertake co ny Council land; or		-		
		(e) F	ire and emergency services ager	ncies carrying out tr	raining or fire hazar	d reduction activities.	

Section	Section Title	Details	Reasoning
61(3)	Access to Municipal Reserves and Foreshore Reserves	(3) A person must not enter any municipal reserve or foreshore reserve, other than during the hours of opening, from a designated public access point and subject to any conditions or fee imposed on entry, unless directed otherwise by a member of Council staff or an authorised contractor in the course of their employment.	Additional wording to clarify need for the community to access reserves from designated public access points. Refer Statutory Planning.
71	Alcohol-free areas	Correction of reference numbering to previous clause 70.	Correction.
99	Conditions of Registration	(1) The conditions of registration are that the owner or appointed agent must at all times:(a) Comply with this Local Law;	
	(ie. SSRA)	(b) Ensure that Council is provided with contact details for the person(s) who has been designated for the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property who can be contacted at any time of the day or night;	Separated sub-clauses related to providing current owner or appointed agent contact details to:
		(c) Inform Council in writing of any change to the contact details submitted with the application for the registration under sub-clause (b);	CouncilAdjoining neighbours
		(d) Ensure that the occupier of each private property adjoining and immediately across the road from the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property is provided with contact details for the person(s) who has been designated for the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property who can be contacted at any time of the day or night;	New sub-clause 2 exempting owners or appointed agents from providing neighbours their contact details if they reside permanently on the
		(e) Inform the occupier of each private property adjoining and immediately across the road from the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property in writing of any change to the contact details submitted with the application for the registration under sub-clause (d); and	premises. Ref community consultation feedback / Councillor feedback.
		(f) Ensure the designated person referred to in the application for registration responds to any complaint in relation to a breach of this Local Law within two hours of that enquiry being made.	New sub-clause 3. – need to supply a waste management plan
		(2) Sub-clauses (1)(d) and (1)(e) do not apply where the owner or appointed agent of a Short Stay Rental Accommodation property resides permanently on the premises.	
		(3) When assessing an application for registration under this clause the owner or appointed agent of the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property must supply a waste management plan.	

Section #	Section Title	Details	Reasoning
#		(4) Registration operates from the date it is issued and expires 30 June the following year, unless it is cancelled sooner under this Local Law.	
		(5) Registration cannot be transferred to another owner.	
100(1)	Cancellation of a Registration (ie. SSRA)	(1) Council may cancel a registration if:(a) Any material change occurs to the details which formed the basis on which registration was issued; or	
	(ic. 33ivi)	(b) Council receives no less than three (3) substantiated complaints concerning the activities taking place at the Short Stay Accommodation property from other residents located within proximity of the Short Stay Accommodation property over a rolling period of twelve (12) months and such complaints would amount to a breach of this Local Law; or	
		(c) Council receives a single substantiated complaint that it determines is of such severity that immediate cancellation is warranted; or	
		(d) The owner no longer requires the property to be registered as a Short Stay Rental Accommodation property; or	
		(e) There is a breach of any other legislation that has an impact on the safety of occupants.	
102	Standard of Management	(1) The owner or appointed agent must not use or allow to be used a Short Stay Rental Accommodation property in breach of this Local Law.	
	(ie. SSRA)	(2) The owner or appointed agent must provide the occupier of each private property adjoining and immediately across the road from the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property with the current contact details of the person who has been designated as a point of contact for the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property.	
		(3) Sub- clause (2) does not apply where the owner or appointed agent of a Short Stay Rental Accommodation property resides permanently on the premises.	New sub-clause 3 exempting owners or appointed agents from providing
		(4) The owner or appointed agent must display and make Part 7 of this Local Law available to all occupants and visitors to the property, including availability on their website or any social media used by the owner or appointed agent, to promote the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property and must incorporate the Provisions of Part 7 of this Local Law into rental terms and conditions.	neighbours their contact details if they reside on the premises. Ref community and Councillor consultation feedback.

Section #	Section Title	Details	Reasoning
		(5) The owner, appointed agent and occupant must ensure the use of the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property does not interfere with the reasonable use and enjoyment by nearby residents of their land, or otherwise cause a nuisance.	
		(6) The owner or appointed agent must ensure that the number of maximum occupants per booking, as prescribed in the registration, is not exceeded.	
		(7) The owner or appointed agent must ensure that the number of maximum vehicles per booking, as prescribed in the registration, is not exceeded.	New sub-clause 7 addressing vehicles. Ref community
		(8) Additional accommodation must not be provided or permitted on site by way of tents, caravans or similar facilities.	consultation outcomes.
		(9) The owner or appointed agent must have a waste management plan in place that has been approved by Council.	New sub-clause - need for waste management plan
		(10) Where a waste management plan has not been approved by Council, Council will provide for a fee, a 240-litre landfill bin to the owner or appointed agent of the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property, in addition to other residential waste bins.	
		(11) The owner or appointed agent must ensure that occupants are informed of waste disposal arrangements.	
		(12) The owner or appointed agent must ensure that any waste left at the Short Stay Accommodation property by any person that cannot be contained in the bins onsite is removed within twenty-four (24) hours of occupants departing.	
		(13) An owner or appointed agent must not leave a residential waste bin out for more than one day before or after the designated collection day.	



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PART I - PRELIMINARY

I. Title

(1) This Local Law is the "Local Law No. 1 Neighbourhood Amenity 2022".

2. Objectives

- (I) The objectives of this Local Law are to:
 - (a) Secure community safety
 - (b) Protect public assets
 - (c) Enhance neighbourhood amenity
 - (d) Ensure the peace, order and good governance of the municipal district.

3. Authorising Provisions

(1) This Local Law is made under section 71 of the Local Government Act 2020.

4. Commencement

(I) This Local Law commences to operate on DATE, the day after it is made.

5. Cessation

(I) This Local Law ceases to operate on that day that is 10 years after its commencement, unless revoked earlier.

6. Revocation of Earlier Local Law

(1) Council's Local Law No. 1 Neighbourhood Amenity 2012 is revoked.

7. Application

- (1) This Local Law applies throughout the whole of the municipal district.
- (2) This Local Law does not apply where any act or thing is authorised by or under any Act, Rule, Regulation or the **Planning Scheme**.
- (3) The provisions of this Local Law do not apply to Council contractors, agents or employees to the extent that the proper discharge of their duties and obligations would otherwise constitute a breach of this Local Law.

8. Definitions

Words and phrases Meaning

Words and phrases	Meaning
Act	The Local Government Act 2020.
Advertising sign	Includes any placard, inflatable sign, portable electric sign, illuminated,
	revolving, spinning, or flashing sign, flag, banner, A-frame structure and
	other object or similar sign that can be securely and safely positioned,
	being of a fixed or transient nature including being affixed to a vehicle,
	trailer, bicycle, tricycle, trolley, or other object.
Abandoned vehicle	A vehicle which has been abandoned, including a vehicle:
	 the registration of which is listed as expired or cancelled;
	which has no number plates;
	 which is registered but has not moved for at least 2 months; and
	 which is damaged and cannot move under its own power.
Alcohol	Has the same meaning as liquor.
Alcohol free area	Means any area prescribed by Council as alcohol free.
Animal	'Animal' excludes a person but is not limited to of the species or groups
7 tillilai	listed in the first column of the table in clause 23.
Animal waste	The excreta of any animal.
Appointed agent	The person authorised in writing by an owner of a building or land to
Appointed agent	make an application, appeal, referral, or representation on their behalf
	and includes a property manager.
ATM	Aggregate Trailer Mass (ATM) is the total mass of the trailer when
7111	carrying the maximum load recommended by the manufacturer.
Authorised Officer	Any person appointed by Council to be an Authorised Officer under
Additionised Officer	sections 224 and 224A (members of Victoria Police) of the Local
	Government Act 1989.
Barbeque	A device used for the cooking of food outdoors whether constructed or
-u. 5 0 quo	manufactured and whether powered by gas, electricity, liquid or solid fuel, or
	any combination of them and includes a device for spit roasting when used
	outdoors.
Builder	A person who has been nominated as the builder on a building permit and, if
	no building permit has been issued, the person in charge of building work
	being carried out, the person actually conducting building work and the
	owner of the land on which building work is being carried out.
Building works	Works for or in connection with the construction, alteration, demolition or
	removal of a building in respect of which a building permit is required under
	the Building Act 1993.
Built up area	Has the same meaning as in the Road Safety Road Rules 2017.
Bulk rubbish container	A bin, container, skip, mobile storage unit or other structure designed or
	used for holding a substantial quantity of rubbish or storage and which is
	unlikely to be lifted without mechanical assistance but excludes a container
	used in connection with Council's kerbside waste collection services.
Busk / busking	To perform to the public, whether by acting, juggling, singing, playing a
-	musical instrument or otherwise entertaining passers-by, with or without
	collecting money.
Camping / to camp	The occupation or use of a tent, makeshift structure, caravan, mobile home
•	or any other moveable vehicle or relocatable building to provide
	accommodation.
Camping area	Any land within the Municipal District that has been declared by Council or
	or any other moveable vehicle or relocatable building to provide accommodation.

Words and phrases	Meaning
	other public authority to be a 'Camping Area' for the purposes of this Local Law.
Caravan	Any moveable vehicle which includes sleeping and/or living facilities, whether
	manufactured to luxury standard or privately converted from a standard
	vehicle, and includes a caravan, camper trailer, campervan, mobile home and
	other similar towed living/sleeping trailer facility.
Chief Executive Officer	The Chief Executive Officer of Council and any person acting in that
	position, and includes a person authorised by the Chief Executive Officer to
	act on his or her behalf in relation to this Local Law.
Clothing / donation bin	A bin or similar container used for the collection of used clothing and/ or
	other goods.
Council	Bass Coast Shire Council.
Council land	Any land owned, vested in, or under the control or management of Council
	including, but not limited to, a road, municipal reserve or other reservation,
	watercourse, foreshore or boat ramp.
Delegated officer	A staff member of Council staff with delegation to perform a duty or
	function or to exercise a power conferred by this Local Law.
Droving	The movement of livestock along a road or through a public area.
E-cigarette	Has the same meaning as in the Tobacco Act 1987.
Event	An organised recreational, cultural, commercial or social event or
	gathering of people.
E-waste	Any waste item that uses a plug, battery or power cord.
Fence / fencing	An enclosure by design or intent that is used for the confinement of an
	Animal, for security, privacy, amenity or boundary marking and may include
	(but is not limited to) a gate, grid or similar structure.
Film Friendly Principles	Has the same meaning as in the Filming Approval Act 2014.
Filming	The recording of a single image or series of images for any commercial
	purpose and/or television broadcasting purpose by a camera or other
	device equipped with a one or more light sensitive lenses, capable of
	capturing and/or transmitting those images to any form of recording
	media and/or to any commercial and/or television broadcasting
	equipment, including any form of digital storage media in any location but
	excludes television news and any private non-commercial community
	and/or social media purposes.
Fire	Has the same meaning as in the Country Fire Authority Act 1958.
Fire Danger Period	Has the same meaning as in the Country Fire Authority Act 1958.
Fodder	Grass grown for the production of food for grazing animals or livestock
	either by grazing animals directly on the land, or for the production of
	hay.
Footpath	Has the same meaning as in the Road Safety Road Rules 2017.
Foreshore reserve	Any land, whether or not owned, vested in, or under the control or
	management of Council, adjacent to the waters of Westernport or Bass
	Strait or any inland lake, river, stream, creek or other waterway, but does
	not include a road.
Grazing	Allowing livestock to enter and remain on a road for the purpose of
	grazing.
GVM	The Gross Vehicle Mass of a vehicle.

Words and phrases	Meaning
Heavy vehicle	Has the same meaning as in the Heavy Vehicle National Law (Victoria).
Incinerator	Has the same meaning as in Section 38A(IA) of the Country Fire Authority Act 1958.
Infringement Notice	An Infringement Notice issued under the Infringements Act 2006.
Land	Has the same meaning as in the Interpretation of Legislation Act 1984.
Licensed premises	Premises licensed under the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 to sell or
	serve alcohol and includes premises which have been granted a BYO permit under the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998.
Liquor	Has the same meaning as in the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998.
Livestock	Has the same meaning as in the Impounding of Livestock Act 1994.
Long vehicle	Has the same meaning as in the Road Safety Rules 2017.
Manager	A person appointed by Council or the Chief Executive Officer to manage any
	Municipal Building, Municipal Reserve or other Municipal Place, or any other
Motor bike or other	Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer.
	A motor vehicle, whether registered or unregistered, used for
motorised recreational	recreational purposes on any land (excluding a road) and includes, but is
vehicle	not limited to, the following motor vehicles:
	(a) a motor vehicle with two (2) wheels, with or without a sidecar
	attached that is supported by a third wheel:
	(b) a motor vehicle with three (3) wheels that is ridden in the same
	way as a motor vehicle with two (2) wheels; and
	(c) any other motorised, recreational vehicle including, but not
	limited to, mini-bikes, trail bikes, monkey bike, motorised scooters,
	motorised go-carts and quad bikes,
	but excludes:
	(a) a motorised wheelchair, or other aid used by a Person with a disability or limited mobility;
	(b) a motorised farm vehicle that is being used for farming purposes;
	and
	(c) a motorised bicycle with a maximum capacity of 22 watt
	aggregate power.
Motor vehicle	Has the same meaning as in the Road Safety Act 1986.
Motorised toy vehicle	Any recreational vehicle which may be propelled or operated (including
	by remote control) by internal combustion, steam, gas, oil, electricity or
	any other power, but excludes a motor bike or other motorised
	recreational vehicle.
Moveable advertising	Any moveable board, notice, structure, banner, or other similar device
sign	used for the purposes of notifying a sale, soliciting sales, or notifying
	people of the presence of an adjacent property where goods or services
	may be obtained.
Municipal building	Any building (and its grounds) owned by, vested in, or under the control or
	management of Council, which has some or all areas designated for public or
	community access but may also have some or all areas designated for
	employee or staff only access.
Municipal district	The municipal district of the Council.
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Words and phrases	Meaning
Municipal place	Any place within the municipal district that is owned by, vested in, or under
	the control or management of Council, which the public may or may not
	have access to (whether an admittance fee is required or not), including a
	municipal reserve, foreshore reserve, library and municipal building but
	excluding a road.
Municipal reserve	Any land, waterway and water course owned by, vested in, or under the
	control or management of Council, and used or set aside as a reserve but
	excludes a road and any areas leased to other parties.
Notice to Comply	A Notice to Comply issued by Council or by an Authorised Officer or
	Delegated Officer under this Local Law.
Noxious weed	Has the same meaning as in section 3 of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994.
Occupier / occupant	The person or persons in charge, or having the management or control of, or legally entitled to occupy land (including premises) and includes the owner of the land, a lessee and licensee of the land, and a person who occupies short stay rental accommodation for short stay purposes.
Online	Electronically via Council's website.
Outdoor eating facility	Any tables and/or chairs that are used for commercial purposes and are
,	located outdoors at which food or drinks are served and may be consumed.
Owner	In relation to land means the person who is registered on the Certificate
	of Title as the owner of the land, or the person who is entitled to be so
	registered, or the person who is otherwise entitled to
	exercise any rights of ownership of the land.
Penalty unit	Has the same meaning as in the Sentencing Act 1991.
Permit	A permit issued by Council under this Local Law.
Permit holder	The person to whom a permit is issued.
Person	Person includes a natural person and a body corporate.
Planning Scheme	The Bass Coast Shire Planning Scheme.
Policy	A policy applied by Council from time to time for the purpose of the particular provision in which the term is used.
Private property	Any land which is privately owned or occupied, and structures and fixtures on such land.
Property address	The road name and street number allocated to a property within the
• No. • No. Committee Section 1	municipal district and may include, where there are multiple tenements
	within a property or multiple properties at one street number, the use of
	fot or unit numbers.
Procession	An organised group of people progressing along a road or gathering for a
	ceremony or function and includes a fun run and/or bicycle event.
Protected tree	Means a tree with a single trunk circumference or combined trunk
	circumference greater than 155 centimetres measured at one metre above
	ground level but excluding species which are noxious weeds.
Public place landfill or	Means a receptacle provided by Council in a public place for the purpose of
recycling bin	receiving packaging, papers and other litter arising during the occupation or
	use of the public place by any person.
Registered Short Stay Rental Accommodation	Short Stay Rental Accommodation registered under this Local Law.
Registration	Registration under and for the purposes of this Local Law.
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Words and phrases	Meaning
Registration fee	The fee for registration that is determined by Council by resolution from
	time to time.
Residential and non-	Means a landfill bin, recycling bin, organics bin or other designated bin
residential waste bin	provided by Council to a property.
Road	Road has the same meaning as in the Local Government Act 1989.
Service authority	An entity (whether publicly or privately owned) which
,	provides or intends to provide water, sewerage, drainage, gas, electricity,
	telephone, telecommunications or like services under the authority of an
	Act of the Victorian or Commonwealth Parliament.
Shipping container	Has the same meaning as in the Planning Scheme.
Short stay rental	Means accommodation provided by the owner of a property, for fee or
accommodation	reward, to another person, for no more than 30 consecutive days on
	that property but does not include any property that is required to be
	registered under any other Act or regulation.
Short stay rental	Private property used for Short stay rental accommodation.
accommodation	
property	
Significant tree	Means a tree that is recorded on Council's Significant Tree Register.
Significant Tree Register	Means the register of significant trees adopted and maintained by Council
	under clause 30(3), as amended from time to time.
Smoke	Has the same meaning as in the Tobacco Act 1987.
Smoke free area	Means any area prescribed by Council as smoke free.
Substantiated complaint	Means a breach of this Local Law that has been investigated by an
	Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer who has determined that there
	are reasonable grounds for suspecting that an offence has been
	committed.
Street festival	An organised recreational, cultural, commercial or social gathering of people
	that is held in full or in part on a road.
Street party	An organised social gathering of people from one or several adjacent roads
	that is held in full or in part on a road.
Tobacco product	Has the same meaning as in the Tobacco Act 1987.
Total Fire Ban	Has the same meaning as in Section 40 of the Country Fire Authority
	Act 1958
Trade waste	Any waste, refuse, slops, or other matter arising from or generated by
	any trade, industry, or commercial undertaking.
Trade waste bin	A purpose-built container for the deposit of trade waste that is
	ordinarily emptied by mechanical means.
Tree	Includes plants and shrubs.
Tree protection zone	Means the area surrounding a tree's trunk that contains the roots that are
	essential to the tree's continued health, vigour and stability, being a circular
	area below the tree extending at equal distances from the tree base in all
	directions, the radius of which is 12 times the trunk circumference measured
	at 1.4 m above its base.
Unmanaged European	A colony of European honeybees hiving or swarming in an unmanaged
beehive	capacity on private property.
Vehicle	Has the same meaning as in the Road Safety Road Rules 2017.
Vehicle crossing	The constructed surface between the road pavement to the property
	boundary for vehicle access, including any footpath section, crossing culverts,

Words and phrases	Meaning
	kerb and channel or layback.
Vermin	An animal that has been proclaimed as vermin under the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994.
Waffle pods	Polystyrene or foam slabs, used in the construction of concrete slabs on building sites.
Water sensitive urban design	Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) is the design of buildings, subdivisions and works to minimise the impact of development on the surrounding environment and waterways. WSUD involves treating and reducing stormwater flows, increasing soil moisture, urban greening and providing an alternative water source.
Wheeled recreational device	Has the same meaning as in the Road Safety Road Rules 2017.
Wheeled toy	Has the same meaning as in the Road Safety Road Rules 2017.
Wind energy facility	Has the same meaning as in the Clause 73.03 (Land Use Terms) of the Planning Scheme.
Wind turbine	Means a turbine principally used to supply electricity for domestic or rural use of land.

PART 2 – ADMINISTRATION

Division I- Permits

9. Permit Application

- (I) An application for a **permit** under this Local Law must be in a form approved by **Council** or issued by an **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** and accompanied by any appropriate fee prescribed by **Council**.
- (2) **Council**may require an applicant to supply additional information before it dea with the application for a **permit**, renewal of a **permit**, or exemption.
- (3) **Council**may require an applicant to give notice of f an application for a **permit** renewal of a **permit**, or exemption, in the manner determined by **Council**.
- (4) A **permit** issued under this Local Law is non-transferrable to any other **person**. If a business changes ownership, the **permit** will cease and an application for a new **permit** will be required.

10. Granting and Refusal of Permits

- (I) Council may:
 - (a) Issue a permit, with or without conditions; or
 - (b) Refuse to issue a permit.
- (2) In considering an application for a **permit**, Council may take into account any of the following where relevant:
 - (a) Any relevant Council policies, codes of practice, standards and guidelines.
 - (b) Any submission that may be received in respect of the application;
 - (c) Any comments that may be made in respect of the application by any public authority, Government department, community organisation or any other body or **person**;
 - (d) The risk posed to public safety, property or Council assets by the proposed activity;
 - (e) Any anticipated impact or amenity issues of the proposed activity;
 - (f) Whether the concerns or issues raised regarding the proposed activities can be adequately controlled by **permit** conditions;
 - (g) The objectives of this Local Law; and
 - (h) Any other relevant matter.
- (3) Where **Council** has refused to issue a permit under this Local Law, the person seeking the **permit** has twenty-eight (28) days from the date of Council's notice of refusal of **permit** to provide written reasons to **Council** as to why the **permit** should not be refused.

- (4) If a written submission is received by **Council** within the twenty-eight (28) days, the information provided shall be considered, and if applicable the **person** seeking the **permit** will be given an opportunity to be heard in support of their submission.
- (5) All submissions will be considered before a final decision is made on the **permit** and the **person** seeking the **permit** will be advised in writing of that final decision no more than twenty eight (28) days after the submissions are received and/or heard, as the case may be.

II. Permit Conditions

- (I) Councilmay attach such conditions to a permit assiticheems appropriate.
- (2) The conditions of a **permit** must be set out in the **permit**.

12. Duration of Permits

(I) Except where expressly stated in this Local Law or in a **permit**, a **permit** operates from the date it is issued and expires on 30 June the following year.

13. Correction of Permits

- (I) Councilmay correct a permit if the permit contains:
 - (a) A clerical mistake or error arising from any accident, slip or omission; or
 - (b) A material miscalculation of figures or a material mistake in the description of any **person**, premises, thing or property referred to in the **permit**.

14. Cancellation of Permits

- (I) Council may cancel a permit if it considers that:
 - (a) there has been a serious or ongoing breach of any of the conditions of the permit; or
 - (b) a **Notice to Comply** has been issued, but not complied with by the time specified in the **Notice to Comply**; or
 - (c) there was a significant error or misrepresentation in the application for the **permit**; or
 - (d) in the circumstances, the permit should be cancelled.
- (2) Where **Council** has cancelled a **permit** under this Local Law, the **permit holder** has twenty-eight (28) days from the date of **Council's** notice of cancellation of **permit** to provide written reasons to **Council** as to why the permit should not be cancelled.
- (3) If a written submission is received by **Council** within the twenty-eight (28) days, the information provided shall be considered, and if applicable the person seeking the permit will be given an opportunity to be heard in support of their submission.
- (4) All submissions will be considered before a final decision is made on the cancellation of the **permit** and the **permit holder** will be advised in writing of that final decision no more than twenty eight (28) days after the submissions are received and/or heard, as the case may be.

I5. Record of Permits

- (1) A record of **permits** issued by **Council** for the purposes of this Local Law must be maintained by **Council**.
- (2) Any cancellations or corrections of **permits** which have been issued under this Local Law are also to be recorded by **Council**.

Division 2 - Fees, Charges and Costs

16. Setting Fees and Charges

(1) **Council**may determine the fees, charges, bank guarantees or bonds to apply uder this Local Law, which may include an administrative or processing fee or charge.

17. Differential or Structured Fees and Charges

(I) In determining any fees and charges, **Council** may establish a system or structure of fees and charges, including minimum and maximum and pro-rata fees or charges.

18. Waiver of Fees and Charges

(1) Council an Authorised Officer or a Delegated Officer may waive the while or part of any fee or charge otherwise payable under this Local Law, with or without conditions, upon receipt of a written submission from the applicant stating reasons why any such fee or charge should be reconsidered.

PART 3 - PROPERTY AND NEIGHBOURHOOD AMENITY

Division I - Property

19. Property Addresses

- (1) **Council**may allocate a **property address** to each property in the **municipal district** and, from time to time, may make changes to **property addresses**.
- (2) For each property that has been allocated a **property address** under sub-clause (I), the owner or occupier must mark the **private property** with the street number allocated, which number must be of sufficient size, in such a position, made of such material and kept in such state of repair as to be clearly readable from the **road** which the **private property** fronts, under all normal lighting conditions.
- (3) An **owner** or **occupier** must not use an address other than the **property address** for the **private property**.

20. Unsightly and Dangerous Properties

- (I) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must ensure that the **private property** and any structure on the **private property**:
 - (a) Does not constitute a danger to health of a person or animal or property;
 - (b) Is not used in any manner so as to cause a nuisance or become detrimental to the amenity of the surrounding area; and
 - (c) Does not, through a lack of effective maintenance, misuse or ageing, fall into a state which is unsightly, or which detracts from or does not complement the amenity of the surrounding area.
- (2) Without limiting subclause (1), **land** or a structure on the **private property** may be unsightly or detract from or not complement the amenity of the surrounding area by reason of the presence of:
 - (a) Unconstrained rubbish or waste material;
 - (b) Conditions conducive to the harbourage and breeding of vermin;
 - (c) Disused excavations;
 - (d) Excessive vegetation, including grass exceeding 300mm in height;
 - (e) Machinery, **vehicles**, **caravans**, **boats** or any or any parts of them;
 - (f) Scrap metal;
 - (g) Shipping containers, unless exempted under the **Planning Scheme**;
 - (h) A building which is incomplete and not currently being constructed; or
 - (i) A building or other structure or thing which is detrimental to the amenity of the

surrounding area.

- (3) Without limiting subclauses (1) and (2), a **Notice to Comply** issued by an **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** with respect to an offence against this clause may include a direction that the **private property**, building or structure be:
 - (a) Cleared of any substance, material or equipment;
 - (b) Suitably fenced, screened or otherwise enclosed in the manner specified in the **Notice to Comply**;
 - (c) Boarded up or otherwise secured to prevent access or otherwise alleviate the danger, unsightliness, **nuisance**, detriment to general amenity or offending condition; and/or
 - (d) Protected by warning signs or barriers to alert members of the public to the presence on the **private property** of a danger to persons entering the **private property**.
- (4) For the purposes of this clause, a building includes an outbuilding, fence and any other capital improvement on the **land**.

21. Dilapidated Building

- (I) An **owner** or an **occupier** of **private property** which is unoccupied, unfit for occupation or normal use, or not occupied most of the time must:
 - (a) Not allow a building located on the **private property** to become dilapidated or further dilapidated;
 - (b) Take all reasonable steps to secure any building located on the **private property** from unauthorised access; and
 - (c) Maintain any building located on the **private** property in a state of good repair and appearance, including undertaking temporary repairs as required to ensure on-site safety and security and to avoid the appearance of neglect that is out of character with neighbourhood amenity.
- (2) For the purposes of subclause (I), a building is considered dilapidated if the exterior of the building is in a state of disrepair or has deteriorated or fallen into a state of partial ruin as a result of age, neglect, poor maintenance, misuse or has been damaged or defaced.
- (3) For the purposes of this clause, a building includes an outbuilding, fence and any other capital improvement on the **land**.

22. Fireworks

(I) A **person** must not, without a **permit**, light or cause or allow to be lit any fireworks on any land in the municipal district.

23. Camping on Private Property

- (1) The **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not **camp** without a **permit**, on the **private property** for a period exceeding a total of twenty-eight (28) days in any year.
- (2) Subclause (1) does not apply to **persons** within a Caravan Park registered under the

Residential Tenancies Act 1997.

- (3) The **owner** or occupier of **private property** must ensure that sanitation and laundry facilities of a dwelling located on the **private property** are available for use by all **persons camping** on the **private property**.
- (4) All items used for **camping** on **private property** must be removed from the site immediately following the completion of the approved occupancy period to the satisfaction of an **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer**.

24. Artificial Light

(1) An occupier of land must not use, or cause to be used, on their land a light which an Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer determines creates a nuisance to any other person or animal.

25. Noise

- (I) An occupier of land must not:
 - (a) Cause a noise; or
 - (b) Knowingly allow or suffer a noise;

To emanate from that **land**, which an **Authorised Officer** or Delegated **Officer** determines is causing discomfort to another **person**.

26. Wind Energy Facility

(I) Unless permitted under the **Planning Scheme** or other legislation, an **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not, without a **permit**, erect or install, or cause or allow to be erected or installed, a wind turbine or similar device, other than a **wind energy facility**, on any **land** less than 5000 square metres in a **built-up area**.

Division 2 – Trees and Vegetation

27. Noxious Weeds

(I) An owner or occupier of **land** must not allow any **noxious weeds** to be present on that **land**.

28. Obstructions from Private Property (Including Trees)

- (1) The **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not allow any **tree**, sign, fence, structure or other thing on that **private property** to remain in such a manner that it causes danger to traffic, drivers or pedestrians by preventing an unobstructed passage and a clear view of other **vehicles** or signs or signals installed to control, direct, guide, regulate or warn traffic.
- (2) Without limiting sub-clause (1), the **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not allow any **tree**, sign, fence, structure or other thing on that **private property** to:
 - (a) Overhang a footway or other Council land at a height of less than 2.4 metres; or
 - (b) Overhang the carriageway of a **road** at a height of less than 4.5 metres.

29. Trees Causing Damage to a Municipal Place

- (1) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not allow any **tree** or part of a **tree**, to grow on that **land** so as to cause damage to or interference with any:
 - (a) Fixture or other structure in a road, or municipal place; or
 - (b) Drain vested in or under the control of Council.

30. Significant Trees and Protected Trees

- (I) An owner or occupier of private property must not, without a permit:
 - (a) Cut, trim, lop, prune or otherwise interfere with, or cause or allow to be cut, trimmed, lopped, pruned or otherwise interfered with, on any **private property** any **significant tree** or **protected tree**; or
 - (b) Carry out, or cause or allow to be carried out, anyworks within the tree protection zone of a significant tree or protected tree, including but not limited to building, trenching, digging, compacting, excavating, filling, or storing materials and equipment.
- (2) Sub-clause (1) does not apply to:
 - (a) A person whose actions are authorised under a **permit** under the **Planning Scheme**;
 - (b) A person whose actions are required by any other legislation; or
 - (c) A person acting in accordance with a direction from **Council** or an **Authorised Officer**.
- (3) Council must maintain a Significant Tree Register recording all significant trees within the municipal district and ensure that such Significant Tree Register is accessible on Council's website and can be inspected at Council's principal office during normal business hours.

31. Nature Strips

- (1) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must ensure that the grass on the nature strip adjacent to or otherwise referable to that **land** is:
 - (a) Maintained in a neat and tidy condition; and
 - (b) Does not contain grass exceeding 300mm in height.
- (2) A **person** must not, without a **permit**:
 - (a) Plant or remove vegetation from a nature strip or undertake any landscaping on a nature strip, **road** or **municipal place**; or
 - (b) Remove soil from a nature strip, road or municipal place.
- (3) When assessing and determining an application for a **permit** under this clause 31, regard will be had to Council's <u>Guidelines for Planting in Nature Strips</u>, which are incorporated into this Local Law.

Division 3 - Animals

32. Keeping of Animals Generally

- (1) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not, without a **permit**, keep or allow to be kept on the **land** any more of each species or group of **animals** than is stated in the following table.
- (2) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not, without a **permit**, keep or allow to be kept on the **land** any more than six (6) different species of **animals** stated in the following table.
- (3) For the purpose of calculating the numbers of any **animal** kept under sub- clause (1), the progeny of any dog or cat lawfully kept will be counted from twelve (12) weeks after its birth.
- (4) Sub-clauses (1), (2) and (3) do not apply where the keeping of **animals** is regulated by the **Planning Scheme** or other legislation, including agricultural **land** uses.

Type of animal	Maximum allowed		
	Flats, units or townhouses	Land less than 5000 square metres	Land 5000 square metres or greater (see below)
Dogs	2	2	3
Cats	2	2	4
Poultry (excluding roosters)	0	12	30
Pigeons	0	10	20
Domestic birds (caged, excluding large and/or noisy birds)	6	12	No limit

Type of animal	Maximum allowed			
	Flats, units or townhouses	Land less than 5000 square metres	Land 5000 square metres or greater (see below)	
Large and/or noisy birds (including roosters)	0	0	5	
Domestic rabbits, guinea pigs and mice	2	4	20	
Horses and donkeys	0	0	5	
Cattle	0	0	10	
Sheep and goats	0	0	15	
Pigs	0	0	I	
Any other livestock	0	0	2	

(5) Unless permitted under the **Planning Scheme** or other legislation, an **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not, without a **permit**, keep an **animal** of a species not listed in the table in sub-clause (4) on the **land**.

33. Housing of Animals

- (I) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private proper**ty must ensure that any part of the **land** used for housing an **animal** is:
 - (a) Adequately fenced, and the fence and gates maintained in a satisfactory condition, so that any animal kept on the land cannot escape from the land; and
 - (b) Maintained in a clean, inoffensive and sanitary condition and does not cause a nuisance to any other **person**, including:
 - (i) The part of the **land** surrounding the place where the **animal** is kept is free from rubbish or vegetation that could attract or harbour **vermin**;
 - (ii) All **animal** food for consumption kept or stored on the **land** is kept or stored in a **vermin** and fly-proof receptacle;
 - (iii) All animal waste is removed from the land so as not to be offensive or a nuisance to any other person; and
 - (iv) Any **animal** odour emanated does not interfere with the immediate amenity of the area.
- (2) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must not allow a structure used for housing an **animal** to be:
 - (a) Attached to, or within one (I) metre of, any fence or structure designed to separate neighbouring properties.
 - (b) Located within six (6) metres of a dwelling on other **land**, if the structure is intended for keeping poultry or pigeons.

34. Wasps

(1) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must, within seven (7) days of becoming aware of the existence of a wasp nest or nests on the **land**, take steps to cause that nest or those nests to be removed.

35. Bees

- (1) An **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** must, within seven (7) days of becoming aware of the existence of an **unmanaged European beehive** or hives on the **land**, take steps to cause that hive or those hives to be removed.
- (2) An Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer may direct a person to relocate a beehive on any private property if the number or location of beehives gives rise to a risk to safety.



Division 4 - Open Air Burning

36. Restrictions on Burning in the Open Air - Declared Fire Danger Period

(1) Nothing in the following clauses permits a **person** to light a fire during a declared **Fire Danger Period** (including a day of **Total Fire Ban**) or otherwise in contravention of the provisions of the *Country Fire Authority Act* 1958.

37. Burning of Offensive Materials

- (I) A **person** must not burn, or cause or allow to be burned, in any part of the **municipal district** any offensive materials, or any materials that may cause offensive emissions of smoke and odour to enter any neighbouring property. This includes:
 - (a) Manufactured chemicals or pressurised cans;
 - (b) Rubber or plastic;
 - (c) Electronic equipment and recyclable materials (excluding timber)
 - (d) Petroleum, oil or oil-based products
 - (e) Paint or receptacle which contains or contained paint;
 - (f) Food waste, fish or other offensive or noxious matter;
 - (g) Anything else determined by an Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer.

38. Restrictions on Burning in the Open Air - Private Property

- (1) A person must not light, or cause or allow to be lit, a fire in the open air or in any built or manufactured incinerator or similar device on any land less than 5000 square metres in a built-up area.
- (2) A person must not light, or cause or allow to be lit, a **fire** in the open air or in any built or manufactured **incinerator** on any **land** 5000 square metres or greater in a **built-up area**, except where the **fire** is lit for genuine fuel reduction purposes, and:
 - (a) Until any fire lit has been completely extinguished:
 - (i) The perimeter of the burning area is regularly patrolled;
 - (ii) The **fire** is monitored to make sure smoke is not impacting on neighbouring properties or causing a traffic hazard;
 - (iii) An adequate number of adults and adequate **fire** suppression equipment or appliances are present; and
 - (iv) Any **fire** is extinguished before sunrise on the day following the day on which the **fire** was lit: and
 - (b) In the case of any pile **fire** burning, it is undertaken in accordance with the following:
 - (i) On land less than 10,000 square metres in area, with a pile size no more than three (3)

- metres long by three (3) metres wide and three metres in height of vegetation;
- (ii) On **land** 10,000 square metres in area or greater, with a pile size no more than six (6) metres long by six (6) metres wide and three (3) metres in height metres of vegetation;
- (iii) Material can be added to the **fire**, provided that the pile size is never permitted to exceed the area and height restrictions in sub-clauses (i) and (ii); and
- (iv) More than one **fire** is permitted to be alight at any one time as long as there are enough people to monitor, contain and extinguish the **fires** safely and effectively if required; and
- (c) Where a rural farming property manager, as part of their farm management practices, wishes to undertake a linear **fire** burn, being for the creation of a **fire** break along their property boundaries or for the removal of crops, grass or stubble with a slcw burn type of operation, the property manager must ensure Clauses 37 and 38(2)(a) are followed.
- (3) Sub-clauses (1) and (2) do not apply to fires that are monitored and attended to by the **land** occupant and are:
 - (a) A **barbecue**, pizza oven or other properly constructed appliance while it is being used for cooking food; or
 - (b) A **fire** in a chiminea, fire pit or other similar and properly constructed appliance while being used for heating; or
 - (c) A **fire** lit for the purpose of the **person** enjoying their culture or practising their religion; or
 - (d) Council staff members and any person contracted or authorised by Council for the purpose may, without a permit, undertake controlled burning-off as a part of normal parks maintenance on any Council land; or
 - (e) **Fire** and emergency services agencies carryin out training or **fire** hazard reduction activities.
- (4) An **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** may grant exemptions or **permits** to any part of sub-clauses (1) and (2) in special or unusual circumstances, such as for **fires** relating to disease control with dead stock, in emergencies, urgent circumstances or natural disasters.
 - 39. Restrictions on Burning in the Open Air Municipal Places
- (1) A **person** must not, without a **permit** or the relevant **land** manager's consent, light or allow to be lit a **fire** in any **municipal place**.

Division 5 - Waste and Recycling

40. Use of Residential or Non-Residential Waste Bins

- (1) The **occupier** of premises with **residential or non-residential waste bins** supplied by **Council** must deposit or cause to be deposited, all waste, recyclables and organics produced or accumulated in, on or around the premises in Council provided **residential or non-residential waste bin.**
- (2) The occupier of premises with residential or non-residential waste bins supplied by Council for different classes of waste, recyclables or organics must use the residential or non-residential waste bins only for the purposes for which they were provided.
- (3) The occupier of premises to which Council provides a residential or non-residential waste bin must not place, or allow to be placed, in the residential or non-residential waste bin any:
 - (a) Slops or liquid waste;
 - (b) Dirt, dust, or other matter from any vacuum cleaner, hair or other similar matter or moist refuse, unless it has been securely wrapped in paper or some other impermeable cover or container to prevent its escape;
 - (c) Ashes or other like matter unless they have been mixed with water to form a consistency of a stiff paste before being wrapped and placed in the bin;
 - (d) Concrete, masonry, bricks, building debris, soil or machinery, engine or vehicle parts;
 - (e) Trade waste;
 - (f) Hazardous chemicals;
 - (g) Radioactive material;
 - (h) Volatile, explosive or flammable substances;
 - (i) Oil, paint, solvents, acids or similar substance or any other substance that may damage the bin or reduce its strength or effectiveness;
 - (i) The carcass of a deceased animal;
 - (k) Nightsoil (except that sanitary, continence aids and disposable nappies may be placed or caused to be placed in a garbage bin if they are wrapped in impervious material);
 - (I) Needles or syringes;
 - (m) Medical or infectious waste;
 - (n) E-waste; or
 - (o) Any other matter identified by Council from time to time by notice to **occupiers** of a **property**.

41. Collection and Storage of Residential and Non-Residential Waste Bins

- (1) The **occupier** of premises may place the **residential or non-residential waste bin** out for collection on the nature strip or **road** reserve nearest the premises or in such other location as may be approved or permitted by **Council**, but must not:
 - (a) Place the **residential or non-residential waste bin** so as to interfere with the free movement of pedestrian or vehicular traffic;
 - (b) Place the **residential or non-residential waste bin** in a manner that impedes the mechanical collection of waste; or
 - (c) Leave a **residential or non-residential waste bin** out for more than one (1) day before or after the designated collection day.
- (2) All **residential or non-residential waste bins** must be maintained in a clean and tidy manner so as not to cause any health risk or be offensive to any **person** and stored on the property to which they have been issued.

42. Hard Waste Collection

- (1) Where Council provides a hard waste collection, the hard waste to be collected:
 - (a) Must be left for collection in accordance with Council's instructions;
 - (b) Must not be placed there earlier than forty-eight (48) hours earlier prior to the nominated collection date; and
 - (c) If not collected, regardless of the reason, must be removed no later than forty-eight (48) hours after the nominated collection date.
- (2) A **person** must not remove or interfere with any hard waste placed out for collection.

43. Public Place Landfill or Recycling Bins

- (1) A person must not deposit any waste or recyclable material in a public place landfill or recycling bin contrary to any sign, notice or label detailing the type of waste that will be received in the public place landfill or recycling bin.
- (2) A **person** must not deposit, or authorise the deposit of, any household waste, or any waste or recyclable material that has originated from a commercial activity, into a **public place landfill** or recycling bin.

44. Trade Waste Bins (Including Trade Recycling Bins)

- (1) Waste bins used for the collection and storage of **trade waste** or recyclables must:
 - (a) Be constructed of approved impervious material to prevent leakage, absorption or accumulation of any refuse or rubbish that may be deposited in it;
 - (b) Be water-tight, fly and vermin proof;
 - (c) If its capacity exceeds 500 litres, contain a removable drainage plug for the purpose of cleaning; and

- (d) Be fitted with a fly and vermin proof lid with overlapping flanges, which must be kept continuously closed, except when being used for the immediate deposit of **trade waste**.
- (2) Waste bins used for the collection and storage of **trade waste** or recyclables must be regularly emptied to prevent the contents from becoming offensive.
- (3) The **occupier** of any **private property** at which waste bins used for the collection and storage of **trade waste** or recyclables are kept must ensure that the bins are kept on the **private property** on which the **trade waste** is generated except for the period from twelve (12) hours before their collection to (4) hours following their collection.
- (4) The **occupier** of the **private property** must ensure that, in relation to bins used for the collection and storage of **trade waste** or recyclables:
 - (a) The bin is, or bins are, stored and maintained in a clean, sanitary and inoffensive condition and must clean and at all times keep clean any footway, pavement or grounc adjoining the storage area;
 - (b) The surface upon which the bin is, or bins are, stored is impervious and graded and drained to the sewer or an approved outlet with such silt traps or other treatment devices;
 - (c) The site on which the bin is, or bins are, stored is supplied with a tap connection and hose;
 - (d) The bins are screened from public view; and
 - (e) The bin is, or bins are, adequately constructed, located or secured in such a way so as to deny access to the public.
- (5) Waste bins used for the collection and storage of **trade waste** or recyclables must display a notice, sign or label indicating the:
 - (a) Type of trade waste or recyclable material permitted to be deposited in that bin; and
 - (b) **Property address** at which the bin is usuallykept.
- (6) A **person** must not place **trade waste** or recyclables:
 - (a) In a public place landfill or recycling bin;
 - (b) In a clothing/donation bin;
 - (c) On a hard waste collection pile;
 - (d) In a Council supplied bin that is for the purpose of residential collection; or
 - (e) In a **Council** supplied bin that is for commercial collection, for a property they do not own or occupy.

PART 4 – VEHICLES, ROADS AND STOCK MOVEMENTS

45. Motor Bikes and Motorised Recreational Vehicles

- (I) A person must not on any part of any municipal place excluding a road, without a permit:
 - (a) Drive, ride on or otherwise use; or
 - (b) Permit a person under their care or control to drive ride on or otherwise use,
 - a motor bike or other motorised recreational vehicle unless the part of the municipal place has been designated for that purpose.
- (2) A person must not, without a permit:
 - (a) Drive, ride on or otherwise use any **motor bike or other motorised recreational vehicle** on any **private property**, except for the purpose of directly accessing or leaving that **land**; or
 - (b) As theowner or occupier cof any private property, allow a person to dive, ride on or otherwise use any motor bike or other motorised recreational vehicle on that land.
- (3) Sub-clause (2) does not apply to a motorised farm vehicle that is being used for farming purposes.

46. Use of Toy Vehicles

- (I) A person must not use or allow to be used a wheeled toy, wheeled recreational device, or motorised toy vehicle in a municipal place so as to endanger, intimidate or unduly obstruct any other person or vehicle lawfully using or intending to use the same area, or damage property.
- (2) Council may determine a municipal place in which the use of a wheeled toy, wheeled recreational device, or motorised toy vehicle is prohibited, where it considers that the use of these items is reasonably likely to cause physical damage to infrastructure, or would prevent the free passage of other users of the road or municipal place, or damage property, or Council assets.

47. Parking of Vehicles in a Municipal Place

(I) Without a **permit**, a person must not use, or allow to remain, any **vehicle** or **caravan** in a **municipal place**, unless set aside for **vehicle** or **caravan** parking.

48. Display of Vehicles for Sale on a Road or Municipal Place

(1) A person must not display a vehicle, caravan, boat or any other thing for sale on a road or municipal place.

49. Repair of Vehicles on a Road or Municipal Place

(I) A **person** must not paint, service, carry out maintenance on, dismantle or repair a **vehicle**, **caravan**, **boat** or any other thing on a **road** or **municipal place**, or authorise another

person to do so, except in an emergency breakdown for the purpose of removing it.

50. Abandoned Vehicles

- (1) A person must not abandon any vehicle, caravan, boat on any road or municipal place.
- (2) Any vehicle found on a road or municipal place that is determined by an Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer to be abandoned or unregistered may be dealt with under the provisions of Schedule 11 of the Act.

51. Heavy and Long Vehicles - Storing

- (I) A person must not, without a permit, keep or store any heavy vehicle or long vehicle
 - (a) On any **road** or **municipal place**; or
 - (b) On any private property less than 5000 square metres, in a built-up area.
- (2) Sub-clause (1)(b) does not apply to one (1) caravan being stored on private property by the occupier.
- (3) In determining whether to grant a **permit** for the storing of **heavy vehicles** or **long vehicles**, consideration will be given to:
 - (a) The land-use of the applicant's private property and that of adjoining allotments;
 - (b) The proximity of the applicant's private property to adjoining properties;
 - (c) The likely effect of the proposed storage on adjoining owners;
 - (d) The distance of the proposed storage site from dwellings; and
 - (e) Any other matter the **Authorised Officer** or the **Delegated Officer** considers relevant to the application.

52. Livestock - Fencing and Confinement

- (I) The **owner** or **occupier** of **private property** on which **livestock** is kept must ensure that the **land** is adequately fenced and gates maintained, to ensure that the **livestock** are securely confined within the **land**.
- (2) Sub-clause (1) does not apply where it can be shown that extreme or unusual circumstances beyond the control of the owner or occupier of private property (such as wildfire, flood or dog attack) directly resulted in the escape of the livestock through otherwise adequate fencing.

53. Livestock - Grazing, Droving and Movement on a Road or Municipal Place

- (1) A person must not, without a permit, cause, allow or undertake the grazing or droving of livestock on a road or municipal place.
- (2) A person may, without a permit, move livestock across or along a road:
 - (a) from one **private property** to another where both are part of a single farming enterprise; or

- (b) from one part of a private property to another part of the same private property.
- (3) A **person** grazing, droving or undertaking movement of **livestock** on a **road** must comply wholly with provisions of the *Manual for Traffic at Control Stock Crossings (VicRoads, June 2015)*. Compliance with this manual is a requirement under the *Road Safety (Traffic Management)* Regulations 2009.
- (4) A person grazing, droving or undertaking movement of livestock on a road or municipal place must have a current public liability insurance policy and be able to produce proof of that policy upon request by an **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer**.

54. Animal Waste on Roads and in Municipal Places

- (1) A **person** in charge of an **animal** must not allow any part of **animal waste** generated by that **animal** to remain on any **road** or **municipal place** and must immediately collect and dispose of the **animal waste**.
- (2) A person in charge of an animal on any road or municipal place must carry sufficient litter devices to collect and dispose of animal waste and must produce them on the request of an Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer.
- (3) Sub-clause (1) does not apply to **livestock** outside a **built-up area**, except in the case of **livestock** road crossings where the **animal** waste left on a **road** is sufficient to cause a genuine risk to public safety, including but not limited to being a contributory factor in any road accident.
- (4) Sub-clause (2) does not apply to livestock outside a built-up area.

55. Spoil on Roads from Vehicles

- (1) A **person** must not allow any soil, earth, mud, clay, liquid waste or like substance to fall or escape onto a **road** from any **vehicle** which they are driving.
- (2) Any soil, earth, mud, clay, liquid waste or like substance that has been deposited on a **road** and is likely to be a danger to **road** users or offensive to pedestrians or adjacent residents must be removed from the **road** as soon as practical by the person driving the **vehicle**.

56. Transporting Offensive Waste on Roads

- (I) Any **person** that is transporting waste in the **municipal district** in a **vehicle** in the form of manure, a dead **animal** or the remains of an **animal**, offal, bones, hides, skins refuse, rubbish or other offensive matter must cover the **vehicle** so that the possibility of escape of offensive odours or any other materials is reduced.
- (2) Any material or waste that has been dropped on a **road** during the transport of **animal** waste or other waste of a kind described in sub-clause (I) and is likely to be a danger to **road** users or offensive to pedestrians or adjacent residents must be removed from the **road** as soon as practical by the person transporting the waste material.

PART 5 – MUNICIPAL PLACES

This Part contains provisions to protect the amenity of municipal places through controls prohibiting persons from causing damage to or acting in a socially unacceptable manner. Municipal places are areas owned or managed by Council and include buildings, reserves and foreshore reserves.

Division I - Use of Municipal Places

57. Behaviour in a Municipal Place

- (I) A person must not behave in a municipal place in such a manner as to interfere with another person's reasonable use and enjoyment of that municipal place.
- (2) A **person** must not behave in a **municipal place** in such a manner as to endanger or be likely to endanger a person's health or life, property, or an **animal**.

58. Defacing or Damaging a Municipal Place

- (I) Without a **permit**, a **person** must not destroy, damage, deface, remove or interfere with:
 - (a) A municipal place;
 - (b) Any building, structure or infrastructure or any other thing on or in a municipal place;
 - (c) Any thing belonging to **Council** in a **municipal place**, unless authorised by **Council** to do so, whether under this Local Law or otherwise; and
 - (d) Any Council property or Council assets located on or in any municipal place or private property.
- (2) Without a **permit**, a **person** must not build on, erect a **fence**, otherwise occupy or place anything on a **municipal place**;

59. Tree and Vegetation Protection in a Municipal Place

(1) A **person** must not, without a **permit**, on a **road** or **municipal place**, destroy, damage, remove, prune, lop, or otherwise interfere with any **tree** or vegetation or allow any person to destroy, damage, remove, lop, or otherwise interfere with a **tree** or vegetation.

60. Obstructions in a Municipal Place

- (1) Without a permit, a person must not place, permit to be placed, or allow to remain on a road or in a municipal place:
 - (a) A bulk rubbish container;
 - (b) A clothing/donation bin;
 - (c) A shipping container;
 - (d) **Animal fodder**; or
 - (e) Any other thing.

61. Access to Municipal Reserves and Foreshore Reserves

- (1) Council, an Authorised Officer or a Delegated Officer may, in the case of any municipal reserve or foreshore reserve, set aside days and times upon which charges or entrance fees may be made for the use of the municipal reserve or foreshore reserve.
- (2) **Council** an **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** may restrict access to any part of a **municipal reserve** or **foreshore reserve**, whether for temporary works, for short-term or long-term lease or licence or for any other purpose, and public access to such restricted areas may be non-existent, limited by condition or subject to a fee or donation.
- (3) A **person** must not enter any **municipal reserve** or **foreshore reserve**, other than during the hours of opening, from a designated public access point and subject to any conditions or fee imposed on entry, unless directed otherwise by a member of **Council** staff or an authorised contractor in the course of their employment.

62. Camping in a Municipal Place

(I) A person must not, without a permit, camp in a municipal place unless such person is within an area which Council has determined by resolution to be available for camping.

63. Interference with a Water Course

(1) A **person** must not, without a **permit**, destroy, damage or interfere with a water course, ditch, creek, gutter, drain, tunnel, bridge, levee, culvert, **water sensitive urban design** asset, or fence which is the **property** or under the control of **Council**.

64. Availability and Hire of a Municipal Building

- (1) A person must not organise or undertake any event, public meeting, performance or commercial activity within a municipal building without a permit or other consent from Council.
- (2) During any period for which a **municipal building** or any part of it has been hired out, the **manager** may refuse admission to the **municipal building** or any part of it to any **person** who is not connected with the hiring purpose.

65. Events

- (I) A person must not, without a permit, hold or organise any event in any municipal place.
- (2) Sub-clause (1) does not apply to a social gathering of thirty (30) **persons** or less in a **municipal place** (although certain activities may require a **permit** under Clause 66).
- (3) An **event** that is subject to the **Planning Scheme** is exempt from the requirement to obtain a **permit** under sub-clause (1).

66. Street Parties and Street Festivals

- (I) A person must not, without a permit, hold a street party, street festival, procession, or activity on a road.
- (2) Political or industrial marches are exempt under this clause, provided Victoria Police are informed prior to the march.

67. Glass Containers

- (1) **Council** may, by resolution, or as a condition of a **permit**, declare any part of a **municipal place** free of glass containers, and that declaration may be unconditional or limited to certain times of the day, certain days of the year, defined public holiday periods, events or particular places.
- (2) A **person** must not bring into, provide or use any glass container in any part of a municipal place that is declared under sub-clause (1) to be free of glass containers.
- (3) No declaration under this clause will have any force or effect unless signs advising of the prohibitions are erected in a **municipal place** that is declared under sub-clause (I) to be free of glass containers.

68. Filming in a Municipal Place

- (I) A **person** must not, without **permit**, in any **municipal place** conduct or cause to be conducted any **filming** for a commercial purpose.
- (2) Any permit issued under this Clause 68 will be consistent with the Film Friendly Principles.

69. Riding Animals in a Municipal Place

- (I) A **person** must not, without a **permit** or unless the person is a member of Victoria Police acting in the course of their duties, ride or lead a horse, camel or any other mountable animal, or cause or authorise another person to ride or lead such an **animal**, in any **municipal place**.
- (2) An Authorised Officer or a Delegated Officer may issue a permit for a horse or mountable animal to be ridden or led in any municipal place having regard to whether it is reasonably necessary for this to take place and there is no reasonable and safe alternative.
- (3) Sub-clause (1) does not apply where a **person** is riding a horse in a **municipal place** which **Council** has, by resolution, designated for the riding of horses and other mountable **animals**.

Division 2 - Alcohol and Smoking

70. Possession and Consumption of Alcohol in a Municipal Place

- (I) A **person** must not, without a **permit**, consume **alcohol** or have in their possession **alcohol** in an open container on any **road**.
- (2) A **person** must not, without a **permit**, between 7.00pm and 7.00am on the following day consume **alcohol** or have in their possession alcohol in an open container in any **municipal** place.
- (3) Sub-clauses (1) and (2) do not apply where the consumption of **alcohol** is permitted under the **Planning Scheme** or *Liquor Control Reform Act 1998*.

71. Alcohol-Free Areas

- (I) In addition to the restrictions imposed by clause 70, **Council** may, by resolution, declare any **municipal place** or **event** to be an **alcohol-free area**, whether that declaration is unconditional or limited to certain times of the day, certain days of the year, defined public holiday periods, particular places.
- (2) A person must not, without a permit, consume alcohol or have in their possession alcohol in an open container in any municipal place that is declared as an alcohol-free area.
- (3) No declaration under this clause will have any force or effect unless signs advising of the prohibitions are erected in a **municipal place** that is declared as an **alcohol-free area**.

72. Smoke-Free Areas

- (1) Council may, by resolution, declare any municipal place or event to be a smoke-free area.
- (2) A person must not smoke a tobacco product or e-cigarette in a smoke-free area.
- (3) No declaration under this clause will have any force or effect unless signs advising of the prohibitions are erected in a **municipal place** that is declared as a **smoke-free area**.

Division 3 - Trading, Fundraising and Promotional Activities

73. Roadside Trading or Performing

- (I) A person must not, without a permit, erect or place on any road or municipal place, a vehicle, caravan, trailer, table, stall or other similar structure for the purpose of selling or offering for sale any goods or services.
- (2) A **person** must not, without a **permit**, on any **road** or **municipal place**, **busk** or play any musical instrument or use any sound amplification equipment for the purpose of public entertainment or performance.

74. Regulation of Trading Sites

- (I) If **Council** has entered into an arrangement (by way of **permit**, lease, licence or otherwise) in relation to trading from a particular site, a second **person** other than the **person** with whom **Council** has the arrangement must not trade from that site whether or not that second **person** has a **permit** for another site or no particular site.
- (2) A **person** must not, without a **permit** sell or offer for sale of any goods or services from any **private property** or **municipal place** adjacent to a **road** or to any **person** who is on that road or adjacent **private property** or **municipal place**.
- (3) Sub-clause (2) does not apply where the selling or offering for sale of any goods or services from any **private property** is governed by the **Planning Scheme**.

75. Displaying Goods for Sale

(I) A **person** must not, without a **permit**, place or display any goods for sale or cause or allow another **person** under their control to do so on any **road** or **municipal place**.

76. Use of a Municipal Place for Outdoor Eating Facilities

(I) A person must not, without a permit, use any road or municipal place for the purposes of an outdoor eating facility.

77. Removing the Outdoor Eating Facility

(I) The **permit holder** must move or remove the **outdoor eating facility** to which the **permit** relates when requested to do so by an **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** or a member of the Victoria Police or an emergency service to facilitate cleaning of the site or for public safety reasons.

78. Advertising Signs

- (I) A **person** must not, without a **permit**, erect, place or display on any part of a **road** or **municipal place**:
 - (a) An advertising sign; or
 - (b) A sign promoting a candidate or political party associated with a local, state or federal election

Or cause or in any way authorise another **perso**n to do so.

(2) Sub-clause (1) does not apply to **moveable advertising signs** that are placed for the purpose of real estate open for inspections or auctions, no more than one (1) hour before and removed no more than one (1) hour after a real estate open for inspection or auction has occurred.

79. Shopping Trolleys

- (I) A **person** must not leave a shopping trolley on a **road** or in a **municipal place**, except in an area designated for the leaving of shopping trolleys.
- (2) The **owner** of a shopping trolley must ensure that their name and trading name are clearly marked on the shopping trolley.
- (3) The **owner** of a shopping trolley must not allow the shopping trolley to be left on a **road** or in a **municipal place**, except in an area designated for the leaving of **shopping trolleys**.

80. Collections

- (I) A person must not, without a permit:
 - (a) Solicit or collect any waste materials, gifts of money or subscriptions; or
 - (b) Distribute any handbills

from any municipal place, or from house to house adjacent to any road or cause or authorise another person to do so.

- (2) Sub-clause (1) includes the distribution of information brochures, books and solicitation of anything from members of the general public.
- (3) Sub-clause (1) does not apply to
 - (a) Hand delivering printed matter to street-side letterboxes;
 - (b) Delivery of newspapers, magazines and goods at the request of the **occupier** of the premises;
 - (c) Solicitation or distribution of printed electoral material; or
 - (d) The collection of signatures for a petition.
- (4) A **person** must not, without a permit, from house to house, sell or offer goods or services for sale.

PART 6 – COUNCIL ASSET PROTECTION AND BUILDING SITE AMENITY

Division I - Council Asset Protection

81. Drainage Tapping and Discharging Groundwater

- (1) A person must not, without a permit:
 - (a) Tap into, destroy, damage or interfere with any drain which is the property or under the control of **Council**; or
 - (b) Discharge groundwater into any drain which is the property or under the control of **Council** or into or onto any **road** or **Council land**.

82. Occupation of Roads and Council Land

- (1) Unless a written consent under section 63(1) of the Road Management Act 2004 has been given, or a **person** is exempt under the Road Management Act 2004 from the requirement to obtain that written consent, a **person** must not, without a **permit**, occupy (whether wholly or partially) a **road** or **Council land:**
 - (a) For any works that involve:
 - (i) fencing off or blocking part of a road or Council land;
 - (ii) erecting a hoarding, scaffolding or overhead protective awning;
 - (iii) using a mobile crane or travel tower for any building works;
 - (iv) making a hole or excavation;
 - (v) reinstating a hole or excavation;
 - (vi) service connections including stormwater, water, electricity, telecommunications, gas and any other service;
 - (vii) removing or planting vegetation or a tree on the road reserve other than grass;
 - (viii) ploughing or cultivating for firebreaks or cropping; and
 - (ix) leaving or storing any building, paving or other construction materials or any tools, machinery, plant, equipment or temporary structure; or
 - (b) for any other activity.
- (2) The requirement to obtain a **permit** does not apply to the works of a **service authority**:
 - (a) in an emergency or urgent circumstances; or
 - (b) when works are being carried out in accordance with the Road Management Act 2004.

- (3) The requirement to obtain a **permit** does not apply:
 - (a) to the works of contractors undertaking any works within a **road** or **Council land** for or on behalf of **Council**; or
 - (b) if a **person** has been granted a **permit** under another provision of this Local Law which permits that **person** to occupy a **road** or structure or thing on a **road** or **Council land**.
- (4) Nothing in sub-clause (2) or (3) exempts a **person** from an obligation to notify **Council** of the location of the works prior to them beginning or, in an emergency or urgent circumstances, on the next working day following the works beginning.

83. Council Asset Protection - Building Works

- (1) A builder, owner or appointed agent must not carry out or allow to be carried out building works on or in respect of private property unless Council has issued an Asset Protection Permit in respect of that private property.
- (2) An Asset Protection **Permit** may be subject to such conditions as **Council** or the relevant **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** deems appropriate.

84. Damage to Council Assets - Building Works

- (1) The **builder**, **owner** or **appointed agent** of **private property** on or in respect of which **building works** have been carried out must repair any damage to the kerb, drains, footpath, street trees, vegetation and existing **road**, as the case may be, caused by the carrying out of the **building works** to the satisfaction of **Council**.
- (2) Where an **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** determines that an existing **vehicle crossing**, footpath, kerb, street tree or other part of the **road** has been damaged as a result of or arising out of the **building works**, the **builder**, **owner** or **appointed agent** of the **private property** on which the **building works** have been carried out must repair the damage or, when requested to do so by **Council**, reimburse **Council** for the cost and expense of the repair of such damage.
- (3) The amount of reimbursement for such repairs under sub-clause (3) must be proportionate to the cost of repairing any damage.

85. Security Bonds - Building Works

- (1) If an Asset Protection **Permit** includes a condition that a **security bond** is paid to Council, the amount of that security bond will be determined by reference to the likely cost of repairing any potential damage to any existing **road** (including carriageway), channel, drain, **vehicle crossing** or other **Council** asset arising from the building works.
- (2) A security bond or part of it may be retained and applied by **Council** to offset the costs incurred, or expected to be incurred, by **Council** in carrying out any repairs to **Council** assets which are required as a result of, or are associated with, the **building works**.
- (3) A security bond, or such part of a security bond that remains after it has been applied by **Council** for the purposes of and in accordance with this clause 85, must be refunded by **Council** upon:

- (a) An application for a refund of the security bond by the **person** who paid it being made within six (6) months of the date of completion of the **building works**; and
- (b) **Council**being satisfied that no damage has been caused, or that any damage caused has been repaired by, or on behalf of, that person to **Council's** satisfaction.
- (4) **Council** must refund a security bond, or such part of a security bond that remains after it has been applied by **Council** for the purposes of and in accordance with this clause 85, within twenty eight (28) days of sub-clause (3) being satisfied.
- (5) If a security bond, or any part of a security bond that remains after it has been applied by **Council** for the purposes of and in accordance with this clause 85, is not required to be retained by **Council** for repairs in accordance with this clause 85 but is not claimed within twelve (12) months of completion of the **building works**, the security bond or remaining part of it will be forwarded by **Council** to the Registrar of Unclaimed Money, in accordance with the requirements of the *Unclaimed Money Act 2008*.
- (6) For the purposes of this clause 85 the completion of **building works** includes abandonment of a building site.

86. Requirement for Vehicle Crossings

- (1) An **owner** of **private property** must ensure that each point of **vehicle** access from a **road** to the **private property** has a properly constructed **vehicle crossing** between the **road** and the boundary of such **private property** abutting the **road**.
- (2) Any vehicle crossing must be properly constructed at the cost of the owner of the private property and in accordance with Council's specifications.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-clause (2), a vehicle crossing is properly constructed if:
 - (a) It was constructed by, or in accordance with the terms of an approval given by, **Council**; or
 - (b) Council has approved in writing the method of construction of the particular vehicle crossing and the vehicle crossing has been constructed in accordance with that approved method.
- (4) An **owner** of **private property** must, at their own cost, ensure that the **vehicle crossing** between the **road** and the boundary of such **private property** is maintained.
- (5) In the event that a **vehicle crossing** becomes redundant, **Council** or an **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** may direct the **owner** or **occupier** of the **private property** to which the **vehicle crossing** provides access to remove it.

87. Constructing a Vehicle Crossing

- (1) A **person** must not, without a **permit,** construct, install, remove or alter a **vehicle crossing**, whether temporarily or permanently.
- (2) A **person** must not remove, prune or damage any tree growing on a **road** in the course of, or in connection with, the construction, installation, removal or alteration of a **vehicle crossing**.

Division 2 – Building and Construction Site Amenity

88. Site Identification

- (1) The **builder**, **owner** or **appointed agent**, prior to the commencement of any **building works**, must erect and maintain site identification in a conspicuous position accessible to the public, close to the main entrance to the **building site** which:
 - (a) Is at least 600 millimetres in height and 400 millimetres in width; and
 - (b) Is clearly visible and legible from the **road**; and
 - (c) Contains the lot number, as described on the Certificate of Title, relevant to the land; and
 - (d) Identifies the name, registration number, telephone contact number and postal address of the **owner**, **builder** or **appointed agent**; and
 - (e) Identifies the name, registration number and contact details of the relevant building surveyor; and
 - (f) Identifies the building **permit** number and the date of issue of the building **permit**.
- (2) The site identification must continue to be displayed and remain visible and legible for the duration of the **building works**.

89. Site Fencing

- (1) The **builder**, **owner** or **appointed agent** must ensure that, prior to the commencement of any **building works** and for the duration of the **building works**, the site is provided with adequate site **fencing** or gates of a temporary or permanent nature, that:
 - (a) Are not less than 1500mm in height; and
 - (b) Are capable of ensuring all materials and waste for or from the building site are contained within the boundaries of the building site; and
 - (c) Are capable of preventing litter from being transported from the **building site** by wind; and
 - (d) Have not more than one access opening to the **building site** which is located to correspond with the location of the existing or temporary **vehicle crossing** for the **building site**, and is kept closed at all times when **building work** is not in progress; and
 - (e) When erected on the boundary of the **building site's** property line, it do not protrude into or onto any **land** other than the **building site**; and
 - (f) May enclose more than one **building site** where the **owner**, **builder** or **appointed agent** is responsible for adjoining **building sites**.

90. Vehicular Site Access

(1) The **builder**, **owner** or **appointed agent** must ensure that vehicular entry to the building site takes place other than across the existing **vehicle crossing** or a temporary **vehicle crossing**.

91. Site Toilets

- (1) Where any **building works** are carried out on a **building site** that necessitates the employment of staff, or the engagement of other contractors or sub-contractors, the **builder**, **owner** or **appointed agent** must ensure that adequate toilet facilities are provided on the **building site**.
- (2) Where a temporary toilet is required to comply with sub-clause (1):
 - (a) The temporary toilet must:
 - (i) Include hand washing facilities;
 - (ii) Be provided on the building site at all times; and
 - (iii) Be of a type approved by Council; and
 - (b) Servicing, maintenance and location of temporary toilets must be to the satisfaction of an **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer**.

92. Stormwater Protection

- (1) The builder, owner or appointed agent must ensure that, for the duration of the building works, the building site is developed and managed to minimise the risks of stormwater pollution, through the contamination of run-off by chemicals, sediments, animal waste or gross pollutants or other associated builder's waste in accordance with currently accepted best practice. This includes, but is not limited to, adoption of measures to:
 - (a) Minimise the amount of mud, dirt, sand, soil or stones deposited on the **road**, abutting **roads**, adjoining **land** or washed into stormwater system; and
 - (b) Prevent building clean-up, wash down and other wastes and builder's refuse being discharged offsite or allowed to enter the stormwater system; and
 - (C) Ensure all **vehicles** delivering materials to the site are prevented from depositing mud, sand, soil, or stones onto **roads**; and
 - (d) Ensure that any waste which has spilled onto the **road**, nature strip or surrounding area is removed as soon as practicable so that any residues are prevented from entering the stormwater system; and
 - (e) Ensure that any footpath adjacent to the **building site** or likely to be affected by the **building works** is kept clear of mud, dirt, stones and all loose debris at all times.

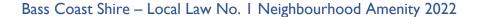
93. Containment and Removal of Building Site Waste

- (1) The **builder**, **owner** or **appointed agent**, prior to the commencement of any **building** works, and for the duration of the **building works**, must:
 - (a) Provide a closed waste facility suitable for the disposal of **builder's** waste which may become wind-blown;
 - (b) Place the waste facility on the **building site** and keep it in place (except for such periods as are necessary to empty the facility) for the duration of the **building works**;

- (c) Ensure that all **builder's** waste which requires containment is placed in the waste facility;
- (d) Keep the waste facility closed to prevent wind-blown litter escaping from the waste facility;
- (e) Empty the waste facility whenever full and, if necessary, provide a replacement facility during the emptying process; and
- (f) Ensure any **waffle pods** are secured in a fashion that will not allow them to break free in any wind conditions.
- (2) The **builder**, **owner** or **appointed agent**, upon completion of any **building works**, must remove and lawfully dispose of all **builder's** waste within fourteen (14) days of completion of the **building works** or issuing of an occupancy **permit**, whichever occurs last.

94. Direction to Cease Building Works

(1) An **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** may inspect a **building site** at any time and may direct any person found carrying out **building works** in contravention of the Local Law or a **permit** issued under this Local Law to cease carrying out those **building works** immediately or within any period the **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** deems as being reasonable.



PART 7 – SHORT STAY RENTAL ACCOMMODATION

The purpose of the Short Stay Rental Accommodation local law provisions are to:

- Regulate the control and use of short stay rental accommodation.
- Ensure an appropriate standard of management of such accommodation.
- Minimise the risk of such accommodation affecting the peace of neighbours.
- Implement a registration and renewal requirement of such accommodation.
- Include a 'maximum stay' duration for customers.
- Ensure that any waste is managed to protect the environment that visitors come to enjoy.

Division I - Registration

95. Registration Required

- (I) The **owner** or **appointed agent** of any **private property** must not advertise, use, or allow to be used, the **private property** for **Short Stay Rental Accommodation**
 - (a) Unless the **private property** is currently **registered** with **Council** under this Local Law; and
 - (b) Other than in accordance with
 - (i) the conditions of registration; and
 - (ii) the provisions of this Local Law.
- (2) **Registration** does not affect the requirement of an **owner** or **appointed agent** or any other **person** to comply with any relevant law.

96. Application for Registration

- (1) An application to Council for the issue or renewal of registration in respect of a Short Stay Rental Accommodation property must:
 - (a) Be in writing, including online;
 - (b) Be made by the owner of the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property;
 - (c) Contain the details specified and required in **Council's** application form including but not limited to a proposed maximum number of **occupants** per booking; and
 - (d) Be forwarded or lodged with the applicable **registration fee** to **Council**.

97. Application Details

(I) The details referred to in the application for **registration** must be completed in full before the application will be accepted by **Council** for consideration.

98. Determining an Application

(I) If an application for registration of a Short Stay Rental Accommodation property

complies with the requirements of **registration** and the applicant pays the applicable **registration fee**, **Council**, an **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** may issue to the applicant a certificate of **registration** and **registration** number.

99. Conditions of Registration

- (1) The conditions of **registration** are that the **owner** or **appointed agent** must at all times:
 - (a) Comply with this Local Law;
 - (b) Ensure that **Council** is provided with contact details for the **person**(s) who has been designated for the **Short Stay Rental Accommodation property** who can be contacted at any time of the day or night;
 - (c) Inform **Council** in writing of any change to the contact details submitted with the application for the **registration** under sub-clause (b);
 - (d) Ensure that the occupier of each private property adjoining and immediately across the road from the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property is provided with contact details for the person(s) who has been designated for the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property who can be contacted at any time of the day or night;
 - (e) Inform the **occupier** of each **private property** adjoining and immediately across the road from the **Short Stay Rental Accommodation property** in writing of any change to the contact details submitted with the application for the **registration** under sub-clause (d); and
 - (f) Ensure the designated **person** referred to in the application for **registration** responds to any complaint in relation to a breach of this Local Law within two hours of that enquiry being made.
- (2) Sub-clauses (1)(d) and (1)(e) do not apply where theowner or appointed agent of a Short Stay Rental Accommodation property resides permanently on the premises.
- (3) When assessing an application for registration under this clause theowner or appointed agent of the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property must supply a waste management plan.
- (4) **Registration** operates from the late it is issued and expires 30 June the following year, unless it is cancelled sooner under this Local Law.
- (5) **Registration**cannot be transferred to another **owner**.

100. Cancellation of Registration

- (1) Councilmay cancel a registration if:
 - (a) Any material change occurs to the details which formed the basis on which **registration** was issued; or
 - (b) Councilreceives no less than three (3) substantiated complaints concerning the activities taking place at the Short Stay Accommodation property from residents located within the proximity of the Short Stay Accommodation property over a

- rolling period of twelve (12) months and such complaints would amount to a breach of this Local Law; or
- (c) **Council**receives a single **substantiated complaint** that it determines is of such severity that immediate cancellation is warranted; or
- (d) The **owner** no longer requires the **property** to be registered as a **Short Stay Rental Accommodation property**; or
- (e) There is a breach of any other legislation that has an impact on the safety of **occupants**.
- (2) Subclause (1) does not apply where there is a change of **appointed agent** or the **person** designated as the point of contact for the **Short Stay Accommodation property** in the application for **registration**, provided that the updated details are given to **Council** within fourteen (14) days of the change occurring.
- (3) **Council**is not required to refund any partt of the **registration fee** paid by the pplicant in respect of a cancelled **registration**.
- (4) Where **Council** has cancelled a **registration**, the **owner** has twenty-eight (28) days from the date of **Council's** notice of cancellation of **registration** to provide written reasons to **Council** as to why the **registration** should not be cancelled.
- (5) If a written submission is received by **Council** under sub-clause (4) within twenty-eight (28) days of cancellation, the information provided shall be considered and the **owner** will be given an opportunity to be heard by **Council** or a **Delegated Officer** and any such verbal submissions shall also be considered.

101. Record of Registrations

- (1) A record of **registrations** issued by **Council** for the purposes of this Local Law must be maintained by **Council**.
- (2) Any cancellations and corrections of **registrations** which have been issued under this Local Law are also to be recorded by **Council**.

Division 2 - Standard of Management

102. Standard of Management

- (I) The owner or appointed agent must not use or allow to be used a **Short Stay Rental**Accommodation property in breach of this Local Law.
- (2) The **owner** or **appointed agent** must provide the **occupier** of each **private property** adjoining and immediately across the road from the **Short Stay Rental Accommodation property** with the current contact details of the **person** who has been designated as a point of contact for the **Short Stay Rental Accommodation property**.
- (3) Sub-clause (2) does not apply where the **owner** or **appointed agent** of a **Short Stay Rental Accommodation property** resides permanently on the premises.
- (4) The **owner** or **appointed agent** must display and make Part 7 of this Local Law available to all **occupants** and visitors to the property, including availability on their website or any social

- media used by the **owner** or **appointed agent**, to promote the **Short Stay Rental Accommodation property** and must incorporate the Provisions of Part 7 of this Local Law into rental terms and conditions.
- (5) The **owner, appointed agent** and **occupant** must ensure the use of the **Short Stay Rental Accommodation property** does not interfere with the reasonable use and enjoyment by nearby residents of their **land**, or otherwise cause a nuisance.
- (6) The **owner** or **appointed agent** must ensure that the number of maximum **occupants** per booking, as prescribed in the **registration**, is not exceeded.
- (7) The **owner** or **appointed agent** must ensure that the maximum number of **vehicles** per booking, as prescribed in the **registration**, is not exceeded.
- (8) Additional accommodation must not be provided or permitted on site by way of tents, caravans or similar facilities.
- (9) The **owner** or **appointed agent** must have a waste management plan in place that has been approved by **Council**.
- (10) Where a waste management plan is not approved by Council, Council will provide for a fee a 240 litre landfill bin to the owner or appointed agent of the Short Stay Rental Accommodation property, in addition to other residential waste bins.
- (11) The **owner** or **appointed agent** must ensure that **occupants** are informed of waste disposal arrangements.
- (12) The **owner** or **appointed agent** must ensure that any waste left at the **Short Stay Accommodation property** by any **person** that cannot be contained in the bins onsite is removed within twenty-four (24) hours of **occupants** departing.
- (13) An **owner** or **appointed agent** must not leave a **residential waste bin** out for more than one day before or after the designated collection day.

PART 8 - ENFORCEMENT, OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

103. Exemptions

- (1) Council an Authorised Officer or a Delegated Officer may exempt a person or class of persons from the operation of any provision of this Local Law if it is in the public interest to do so.
- (2) Any exemption under sub-clause (1):
 - (a) must be in writing; and
 - (b) may be subject to conditions.

104. Notice to Comply

- (I) An **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** may, by serving a **Notice to Comply**, direct any owner, occupier or other relevant **person** to remedy any situation that constitutes a breach of this Local Law.
- (2) A Notice to Comply must:
 - (a) specify the act, matter or thing that must be done or cease to be done;
 - (b) specify the time within which the person on whom the **Notice to Comply** is served is required to do or cease to do the act, matter or thing;
 - (c) specify the consequences or penalties that may apply if the person served with the Notice to Comply fails to remedy the situation in accordance with the Notice to Comply;
 - (d) be signed by the Authorised Officer or a Delegated Officer issuing it; and
 - (e) be served on the **person** named therein.
- (3) The time to comply specified in a **Notice to Comply** must be reasonable in the circumstances having regard to:
 - (a) the amount of work involved; and
 - (b) the degree of difficulty; and
 - (c) the availability of necessary materials or other necessary items; and
 - (d) climatic conditions; and
 - (e) the degree of risk or potential risk posed by the situation; and
 - (f) any other relevant factor.

105. Urgent Circumstances

- (I) An **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** may take action to remove, remedy or rectify circumstances which threaten a **person's** life, health or property, or an **animal**, without serving a notice provided:
 - (a) they consider the circumstances or situation to be sufficiently urgent and that the time involved or difficulties associated with the serving of a notice, may place a **person**, **animal**, premises or thing at risk or in danger;
 - (b) details of the circumstances and remedying action are as soon as possible forwarded to the **person** on whose behalf the action was taken; and
 - (c) the action taken does not extend beyond what is necessary to cause the immediate abatement of or to minimise the risk or danger involved.

106. Power to Issue a Direction

- (I) An **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** may, by serving a direction, request any **owner** or **occupier** of property, or other **person** apparently responsible for a situation existing on that property, to remedy any situation that constitutes a breach of this Local Law.
- (2) A direction may be verbal or written.
- (3) An **owner** or **occupier** of property or other **person** to whom a direction is issued must comply with that direction.

107. Impounding

- (1) If an Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer detects a thing in breach of, or being used contrary to, the provisions of this Local Law the Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer, may impound that thing provided:
 - (a) A person has failed to comply with a direction to cease the contravention; or
 - (b) A hazard arises.
- (2) If an **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** impounds a thing in accordance with this Local Law, **Council** may refuse to release it until the **appropriate fee** or charge for its release has been paid.
- (3) As soon as possible after impounding, the **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** must, if practicable, serve a notice in writing on the owner or **person** responsible for the thing which has been impounded setting out the fees and charges payable and the time by which the thing must be collected.
- (4) If, after the time required in the notice, a thing is not collected, an **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** may take action to dispose of or destroy the impounded thing.
- (5) When the identity or whereabouts of the owner or **person** responsible for the impounded thing is unknown, an **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** must take reasonable steps to ascertain the identity or whereabouts of that **person** and contact that **person**, after which

- the **Authorised Officer** or **Delegated Officer** may proceed to dispose of or destroy the impounded thing in accordance with sub-clause (4).
- (6) Any proceeds from the disposal of any impounded thing, except for all reasonable costs, charges and expenses properly incurred by **Council** in and incidental to the sale or any attempted sale or otherwise, may be claimed by the owner within six (6) months of sale.

108. Offences

- (I) A **person** is guilty of an offence if the **person**:
 - (a) does something which a provision of this Local Law prohibits to be done or makes an offence;
 - (b) fails to do something which a provision of this Local Law requires to be done;
 - (c) engages in an activity without a **permit** or **registration** where a provision of this Local Law requires that **person** to obtain a **permit** or **registration** before engaging in that activity;
 - (d) breaches or fails to comply with a condition of a **permit** or **registration** issued or an exemption given under this Local Law;
 - (e) fails to comply with a **Notice to Comply** as directed under this Local Law;
 - (f) fails to comply with a direction by an Authorised Officer or Delegated Officer; or
 - (g) fails to comply with a sign erected by Council.

109. Offence to Falsify Information

- (I) A person who:
 - (a) makes a false representation or declaration (whether oral or in writing) or allows such a representation or declaration to be made in or in relation to an application under this Local Law;
 - (b) omits or allows to be omitted relevant information from an application for a **permit,** registration or exemption; or
 - (c) falsifies or tampers or allows to falsified or tampered with any **permit** or **registration** is guilty of an offence.

110. Penalties

(1) The maximum penalty for an offence against this Local Law is 20 penalty units.

111. Infringement Notices

- (I) As an alternative to prosecution, an **Authorised Officer** or a **Delegated Officer** may serve an **infringement notice** on a **person** who they believe on reasonable grounds to have committed an offence against this Local Law.
- (2) The penalties for Infringement notices are set out in Schedule 1.
- (3) If no penalty for an **infringement notice** in respect of an offence is set out in Schedule 1, the

penalty for an **infringement notice** is 4 penalty units.

112. Appeals

- (1) Any **person** who is aggrieved by any matter under this Local Law may make a written submission for consideration by **Council** within twenty-eight (28) days of the date of the matter concerned, but the making of any submission will not in any way remove that **person's** obligation to act in accordance with any obligations, directions or notices which are applicable under this Local Law.
- (2) Sub-clause (1) does not confer a right for a person to make a submission under section 223 of the Act.
- (3) A person may, in accordance with the *Infringements Act 2006*, apply for an internal review of a decision to serve an **Infringement Notice** on them.
- (4) Councilwill inform all parties to an appeal of its decision in writing.
- (5) On any submission on any matter under this Local Law (other than an appeal from an **Infringement Notice**) the decision of **Council** is final, excepting only review on legal grounds to the Supreme Court of Victoria.

SCHEDULE I – PENALTIES FOR INFRINGEMENT NOTICES

Clause	Topic	Infringement
	Part 3 – Property and Neighbourhood Amenity	
	Division I - Property	
19	Property addresses	2
20	Unsightly and dangerous properties	3
21	Dilapidated building	3
22	Fireworks	5
23	Camping on private property	3
24	Artificial light	2
25	Noise	2
26	Wind energy facility	5
	Division 2 – Trees and Vegetation	
27	Noxious weeds	2
28	Obstructions from private property (including trees)	2
29	Trees causing damage to a municipal place	3
30	Significant trees and protected trees	5
31	Nature strips	2
	Division 3 - Animals	
32	Keeping of animals generally	2
33	Housing of animals	2
34	Wasps	2
35	Bees	2
	Division 4 – Open Air Burning	
37	Burning of offensive materials	3
38	Restrictions on burning in the open air - private property	3
39	Restrictions on burning in the open air – municipal places	3
	Division 5 – Waste and Recycling	
40	Use of residential and non-residential waste bins	2
41	Collection and storage of residential and non-residential waste	2
	bins	
42	Hard waste collection	2
43	Public place landfill or recycling bin	2
44	Trade waste bins (including trade recycling bins)	3
	Part 4 – Vehicles, Roads and Stock Movement	
45	Motor bikes and motorised recreational vehicles	2
46	Use of toy vehicles	2
47	Parking of vehicles in a municipal place	2
48	Display of vehicles for sale on a road or municipal place	2
49	Repair of vehicles on a road or municipal place	2
51	Heavy and long vehicles – storing	2
52	Livestock – fencing and confinement	3
53	Livestock – grazing, droving and movement on a road or	3
	municipal place	
54	Animal waste on roads and in municipal places	2
55	Spoil on roads from vehicles	3

Clause	Topic	Infringement
56	Transporting offensive waste on roads	2
	Part 5 – Municipal Places	
	Division I – Use of Municipal Places	
57	Behaviour in a municipal place	2
58	Defacing or damaging a municipal place	5
59	Tree and vegetation protection in a municipal place	3
60	Obstructions in a municipal place	3
61	Access to municipal reserves and foreshore reserves	2
62	Camping in a municipal place	3
63	Interference with a water course	3
64	Availability and hire of a municipal building	3
65	Events	2
66	Street parties and street festivals	2
67	Glass containers	2
68	Filming in a municipal place	2
69	Riding animals in a municipal place	2
	Division 2 – Alcohol and Smoking	
70	Possession and consumption of alcohol in a municipal place	2
71	Alcohol free areas	2
72	Smoke free areas	2
	Division 3 – Trading, Fundraising and Promotional Activities	
73	Roadside trading or performing	2
74	Regulation of trading sites	2
75	Displaying of goods for sale	2
76	Use of a municipal place for outdoor eating facilities	2
77	Removing the outdoor eating facility	2
78	Advertising signs	2
79	Shopping trolleys	2
80	Collections	2
	Part 6 - Council Asset Protection and Building Site Amenity	
	Division - Council Asset Protection	
81	Drainage, tapping and discharging groundwater	3
82	Occupation of roads or Council land	3
83	Council asset protection - building works	3
84	Damage to Council assets – building works	5
86	Requirement for vehicle crossings	3
87	Constructing a vehicle crossing	3
	Division 2 – Building Site Amenity	
88	Site identification	3
89	Site fencing	3
90	Vehicular site access	3
91	Site toilets	3
92	Stormwater protection	3
93	Containment and removal of building site waste	3
94	Direction to cease building works	3
	Part 7 – Short Stay Rental Accommodation	
	Division I - Registration	

Clause	Topic	Infringement
95	Registration required	3
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102	Standard of management	3
	Part 8 – Enforcement, Offences and Penalties	
104	Notice to comply	5
106	Power to issue direction	5
109	Offence to falsify information	5



RESOLUTION

The resolution for the making of this Local Law was made by Bass Coast Shire Council on DATE.

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