

Policy 4.3.3. – Approval to camp for up to 12 months on land owned by the occupier.

1. Policy Purpose

Council may approve a person(s) to camp on land the applicant owns whilst building a permanent dwelling for a period up to 12 months.

2. Policy scope

This Policy clarifies the conditions for approving of person(s) camping on land outside townsite boundaries or on lots zoned "Special Residential" or "Special Rural" within townsite boundaries, whilst building a permanent dwelling.

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Applications for camping on any lots zoned "Residential" within any townsite boundary is generally not permitted.

Applications for camping outside townsite boundaries or on lots zoned "Special Residential" or "Special Rural" within townsite boundaries may be approved by the Manager Environmental Health Services or person acting in that position, with the following conditions:

A building permit for a dwelling has been issued

Construction of the dwelling has been completed to at least floor level

Construction work on the dwelling proceeds at a steady pace as determined by the Manager Environmental Health Services. (If not, the approval may be revoked.)

Satisfactory arrangements are made and maintained with regard to a sufficient potable water supply, sanitation, receptacles for rubbish and electricity supply

A shed shall not be used as a habitable annex to a caravan, unless it complies with the provisions of the National Contruction Code for habitable rooms and has the appropriate Building Permit.

The approval to camp may be granted by the Manager of Environmental Health or Director of Sustainable Development for a maximum period of 12 months and any

period exceeding 12 months will require the approval of the Minister for Local Government in accordance with Section 11 of the Caravan and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997.

Any caravan and all other facilities, where applicable, are to be placed within the building envelope.

4. Strategic objective

The policy aligns to the following strategic objective:



Sustainable built environment

Encompassing everything human-made, a sustainable built environment is one that will meet current needs while considering the needs of future generations.



Effective civic leadership

Effective civic leadership is visionary and influential. It means listening to the community, balancing competing demands, making fair decisions and acting with integrity.

5. Definitions

Nil

6. Legislation

- Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997 s11(2).
- Town Planning Scheme
- National Construction Code

7. Related documents

• Former Council Policy Number 18.3.

Responsible officer	Director of Sustainable Development		
Responsible team	Health		
Responsible area	Health Services		
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