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# **Sustainable Planning Act 2009**

[as amended by all amendments that commenced on or before 1 July 2010]

**An Act for a framework to integrate planning and development assessment so that development and its effects are managed in a way that is ecologically sustainable, and for related purposes**

## **Chapter 1 Preliminary**

### **Part 1 Introduction**

#### **1 Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*.

#### **2 Commencement**

This Act commences on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

### **Part 2 Purpose and advancing the purpose**

#### **3 Purpose of Act**

The purpose of this Act is to seek to achieve ecological

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sustainability by—

- (a) managing the process by which development takes place, including ensuring the process is accountable, effective and efficient and delivers sustainable outcomes; and
- (b) managing the effects of development on the environment, including managing the use of premises; and
- (c) continuing the coordination and integration of planning at the local, regional and State levels.

#### **4 Advancing Act's purpose**

- (1) If, under this Act, a function or power is conferred on an entity, the entity must—
  - (a) unless paragraph (b) or (c) applies—perform the function or exercise the power in a way that advances this Act's purpose; or
  - (b) if the entity is an assessment manager other than a local government—in assessing and deciding a matter under this Act, have regard to this Act's purpose; or
  - (c) if the entity is a referral agency other than a local government (unless the local government is acting as a referral agency under devolved or delegated powers)—in assessing and deciding a matter under this Act, have regard to this Act's purpose.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to code assessment or compliance assessment under this Act.

#### **5 What advancing Act's purpose includes**

- (1) Advancing this Act's purpose includes—
  - (a) ensuring decision-making processes—

- (i) are accountable, coordinated, effective and efficient; and
  - (ii) take account of short and long-term environmental effects of development at local, regional, State and wider levels, including, for example, the effects of development on climate change; and
  - (iii) apply the precautionary principle; and
  - (iv) seek to provide for equity between present and future generations; and
- (b) ensuring the sustainable use of renewable natural resources and the prudent use of non-renewable natural resources by, for example, considering alternatives to the use of non-renewable natural resources; and
- (c) avoiding, if practicable, or otherwise lessening, adverse environmental effects of development, including, for example—
- (i) climate change and urban congestion; and
  - (ii) adverse effects on human health; and
- (d) considering housing choice and diversity, and economic diversity; and
- (e) supplying infrastructure in a coordinated, efficient and orderly way, including encouraging urban development in areas where adequate infrastructure exists or can be provided efficiently; and
- (f) applying standards of amenity, conservation, energy, health and safety in the built environment that are cost-effective and for the public benefit; and
- (g) providing opportunities for community involvement in decision making.
- (2) For subsection (1)(a)(iii), the precautionary principle is the principle that lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for postponing a measure to prevent

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degradation of the environment if there are threats of serious or irreversible environmental damage.

(3) In this section—

*natural resources* includes biological, energy, extractive, land and water resources that are important to economic development because of their contribution to employment generation and wealth creation.

## **Part 3                      Interpretation**

### **Division 1                      Dictionary**

#### **6                      Definitions**

The dictionary in schedule 3 defines particular words used in this Act.

### **Division 2                      Key definitions**

#### **7                      Meaning of *development***

*Development* is any of the following—

- (a) carrying out building work;
- (b) carrying out plumbing or drainage work;
- (c) carrying out operational work;
- (d) reconfiguring a lot;
- (e) making a material change of use of premises.

## 8 Meaning of *ecological sustainability*

*Ecological sustainability* is a balance that integrates—

- (a) protection of ecological processes and natural systems at local, regional, State and wider levels; and
- (b) economic development; and
- (c) maintenance of the cultural, economic, physical and social wellbeing of people and communities.

## 9 Meaning of *lawful use*

A use of premises is a *lawful use* of the premises if—

- (a) the use is a natural and ordinary consequence of making a material change of use of the premises; and
- (b) the making of the material change of use was in compliance with this Act.

# Division 3 Supporting definitions and explanations for key definitions

## 10 Definitions for terms used in *development*

(1) In this Act—

*building work*—

1 *Building work* means—

- (a) building, repairing, altering, underpinning (whether by vertical or lateral support), moving or demolishing a building or other structure; or
- (b) work regulated under the building assessment provisions, other than IDAS; or
- (c) excavating or filling—
  - (i) for, or incidental to, the activities mentioned in paragraph (a); or

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- (ii) that may adversely affect the stability of a building or other structure, whether on the land on which the building or other structure is situated or on adjoining land; or
  - (d) supporting (whether vertically or laterally) land for activities mentioned in paragraph (a).
- 2 *Building work*, for administering IDAS in relation to a Queensland heritage place, includes any of the following—
  - (a) altering, repairing, maintaining or moving a built, natural or landscape feature on the place;
  - (b) excavating, filling or other disturbances to land that damage, expose or move archaeological artefacts, as defined under the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*, on the place;
  - (c) altering, repairing or removing artefacts that contribute to the place's cultural heritage significance, including, for example, furniture and fittings;
  - (d) altering, repairing or removing building finishes that contribute to the place's cultural heritage significance, including, for example, paint, wallpaper and plaster.
- 3 *Building work*, for administering IDAS in relation to a Queensland heritage place, does not include development for which an exemption certificate has been issued under the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*.
- 4 *Building work* does not include undertaking—
  - (a) operations of any kind and all things constructed or installed that allow taking or interfering with water, other than using a water truck to pump water, under the *Water Act 2000*; or
  - (b) tidal works; or
  - (c) work for reconfiguring a lot.

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*Example for paragraph (c)—*

building a retaining wall

**lot** means—

- (a) a lot under the *Land Title Act 1994*; or
- (b) a separate, distinct parcel of land for which an interest is recorded in a register under the *Land Act 1994*; or
- (c) common property for a community titles scheme under the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997*; or
- (d) a lot or common property to which the *Building Units and Group Titles Act 1980* continues to apply; or
- (e) a community or precinct thoroughfare under the *Mixed Use Development Act 1993*; or
- (f) a primary or secondary thoroughfare under the *Integrated Resort Development Act 1987* or the *Sanctuary Cove Resort Act 1985*.

*Note—*

The *Building Units and Group Titles Act 1980* may continue to apply to the following Acts—

- *Integrated Resort Development Act 1987*
- *Mixed Use Development Act 1993*
- *Registration of Plans (H.S.P. (Nominees) Pty. Limited) Enabling Act 1980*
- *Registration of Plans (Stage 2) (H.S.P. (Nominees) Pty. Limited) Enabling Act 1984*
- *Sanctuary Cove Resort Act 1985*.

**material change of use**, of premises, means—

- (a) generally—
  - (i) the start of a new use of the premises; or
  - (ii) the re-establishment on the premises of a use that has been abandoned; or

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- (iii) a material increase in the intensity or scale of the use of the premises; or
- (b) for administering IDAS in relation to an environmentally relevant activity, other than for an agricultural ERA under the Environmental Protection Act, section 75, a mining activity, a chapter 5A activity or a mobile and temporary environmentally relevant activity—
  - (i) the start of a new environmentally relevant activity on the premises; or
  - (ii) an increase in the threshold of an environmentally relevant activity on the premises; or
  - (iii) the re-establishment on the premises of an environmentally relevant activity that has been abandoned; or
  - (iv) a material increase in the intensity or scale of an environmentally relevant activity on the premises; or
- (c) the continuation of an environmentally relevant activity on the premises if—
  - (i) an approval for the activity ceases to have effect because of the operation of the Environmental Protection Act, section 619(2)(e) or 624(2)(b); or
  - (ii) there is no development approval for the activity and it was, at any time before 4 October 2004, carried out without an environmental authority as required under the Environmental Protection Act; or
- (d) the continuation on the premises, of an environmentally relevant activity, carried out under an approval mentioned in the Environmental Protection Act, section 624(1)(b); or

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- (e) the continuation of an activity on the premises, after the activity becomes an environmentally relevant activity, if—
- (i) there is no development approval for the activity; and
  - (ii) the activity was, at any time before it became an environmentally relevant activity, lawfully carried out on the premises while there was no development approval for the activity.

***operational work—***

1 *Operational work* means—

- (a) extracting gravel, rock, sand or soil from the place where it occurs naturally; or
- (b) conducting a forest practice; or
- (c) excavating or filling that materially affects premises or their use; or
- (d) placing an advertising device on premises; or
- (e) undertaking work in, on, over or under premises that materially affects premises or their use; or
- (f) clearing vegetation, including vegetation to which the Vegetation Management Act applies; or
- (g) undertaking operations of any kind and all things constructed or installed that allow taking or interfering with water, other than using a water truck to pump water, under the *Water Act 2000*; or
- (h) undertaking—
  - (i) tidal works; or
  - (ii) work in a coastal management district; or
- (i) constructing or raising waterway barrier works; or
- (j) performing work in a declared fish habitat area; or

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- (k) removing, destroying or damaging a marine plant;  
or
  - (l) undertaking roadworks on a local government road.
- 2 *Operational work* does not include—
- (a) for item 1(a) to (f) and (j), any element of work that is—
    - (i) building work; or
    - (ii) drainage work; or
    - (iii) plumbing work; or
  - (b) clearing vegetation on—
    - (i) a forest reserve under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*; or
    - (ii) a protected area under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, section 28; or
    - (iii) an area declared as a State forest or timber reserve under the *Forestry Act 1959*; or
    - (iv) a forest entitlement area under the *Land Act 1994*.

***reconfiguring a lot*** means—

- (a) creating lots by subdividing another lot; or
- (b) amalgamating 2 or more lots; or
- (c) rearranging the boundaries of a lot by registering a plan of subdivision; or
- (d) dividing land into parts by agreement rendering different parts of a lot immediately available for separate disposition or separate occupation, other than by an agreement that is—
  - (i) a lease for a term, including renewal options, not exceeding 10 years; or

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- (ii) an agreement for the exclusive use of part of the common property for a community titles scheme under the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997*; or
  - (e) creating an easement giving access to a lot from a constructed road.
- (2) For the definition of *building work* in subsection (1), item 1(b), work includes a management procedure or other activity relating to a building or structure even though the activity does not involve a structural change to the building or structure.

*Example—*

a management procedure under the fire safety standard under the Building Act relating to a budget accommodation building

## 11 Explanation of terms used in *ecological sustainability*

For section 8—

- (a) ecological processes and natural systems are protected if—
  - (i) the life-supporting capacities of air, ecosystems, soil and water are conserved, enhanced or restored for present and future generations; and
  - (ii) biological diversity is protected; and
- (b) economic development takes place if there are diverse, efficient, resilient and strong economies (including local, regional and State economies) enabling communities to meet their present needs while not compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs; and
- (c) the cultural, economic, physical and social wellbeing of people and communities is maintained if—
  - (i) well-serviced and healthy communities with affordable, efficient, safe and sustainable development are created and maintained; and

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- (ii) areas and places of special aesthetic, architectural, cultural, historic, scientific, social or spiritual significance are conserved or enhanced; and
- (iii) integrated networks of pleasant and safe public areas for aesthetic enjoyment and cultural, recreational or social interaction are provided; and
- (iv) potential adverse impacts on climate change are taken into account for development, and sought to be addressed through sustainable development, including, for example, sustainable settlement patterns and sustainable urban design.

## **Division 4                    General matters**

### **12            Meaning of words in Act prevail over planning instruments**

If a word in a planning instrument has a meaning that is inconsistent with the meaning of the same word in this Act, the meaning of the word in this Act prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

### **13            References in Act to particular terms**

In a provision of this Act about a development application, a reference to—

- (a) the applicant is a reference to the person who made the application; and
- (b) development, or the development, is a reference to development the subject of the application; and
- (c) the assessment manager is a reference to the assessment manager for the application; and
- (d) a referral agency, concurrence agency or advice agency is a reference to a referral agency, concurrence agency or advice agency for the application; and



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- (2) However, the Commonwealth or a State can not be prosecuted for an offence against this Act.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to the functions and powers of the Coordinator-General under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*.

## **Chapter 2 State planning instruments**

### **Part 1 Preliminary**

#### **15 State planning instruments under Act**

The following are State planning instruments under this Act—

- (a) a State planning regulatory provision;
- (b) a regional plan;
- (c) a State planning policy;
- (d) the standard planning scheme provisions.

### **Part 2 State planning regulatory provisions**

#### **Division 1 Preliminary**

#### **16 What is a *State planning regulatory provision***

- (1) A *State planning regulatory provision* is an instrument made under division 2 and part 6 for an area to advance the purpose of this Act by—

- (a) providing regulatory support for regional planning or master planning; or
  - (b) providing for a charge for the supply of infrastructure; or
  - (c) protecting planning scheme areas from adverse impacts.
- (2) A *State planning regulatory provision* includes a draft State planning regulatory provision that under section 73 has effect as a State planning regulatory provision.

*Note—*

See also section 858 (Transition of validated planning documents to master planning documents).

## **17 Status of State planning regulatory provision**

- (1) A State planning regulatory provision is a statutory instrument under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992* and has the force of law as provided for under this Act.
- (2) A State planning regulatory provision is not subordinate legislation.

## **18 State interest**

For this Act, a State planning regulatory provision is taken to be a State interest.

## **19 Relationship with other instruments**

- (1) If there is an inconsistency between a State planning regulatory provision and another planning instrument, or any plan, policy or code under an Act, the State planning regulatory provision prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.
- (2) A State planning regulatory provision may suspend or otherwise affect the operation of another planning instrument, but does not amend the planning instrument.



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- (a) the matter to which the State planning regulatory provision relates is a matter administered by the eligible Minister; and
  - (b) the Minister is satisfied—
    - (i) there is a significant risk of serious environmental harm or serious adverse cultural, economic or social conditions happening in a planning scheme area; and
    - (ii) giving a direction under section 126 would not be the most appropriate way to address the risk.

*Note—*

Section 858 (Transition of validated planning documents to master planning documents) also allows the making of State planning regulatory provisions.

## **21 Content of State planning regulatory provision**

A State planning regulatory provision may—

- (a) declare development to be—
  - (i) self-assessable development; or
  - (ii) development requiring compliance assessment; or
  - (iii) assessable development; or
  - (iv) prohibited development; and
- (b) require impact or code assessment, or both impact and code assessment, for assessable development, including assessable development mentioned in paragraph (a); and
- (c) include a code for IDAS, or other criteria for the assessment of development applications; and
- (d) otherwise regulate development by, for example, stating aspects of development that may not take place in stated localities until—

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- (i) a stated structure plan within a planning scheme or another stated planning instrument has been made; or
  - (ii) a stated master plan has been approved; or
  - (iii) a stated development application has been approved; and
- (e) state transitional arrangements for development applications or master plan applications affected by the provision; and
- (f) provide for a matter mentioned in section 20.

*Note—*

For other matters that may be included in a State planning regulatory provision, see chapter 6, part 10 (Compliance stage).

## **Part 3                      Regional plans**

### **Division 1                Preliminary**

#### **22      What is a *designated region***

- (1) A *designated region* is—
- (a) the local government areas, or the parts of local government areas, prescribed as a designated region under a regulation; and
  - (b) Queensland waters adjacent to the local government areas or parts.
- (2) A regulation under subsection (1)(a) must give a name to each designated region it prescribes.

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## **Division 2                      Regional plans for designated regions**

### **Subdivision 1              Preliminary**

#### **23              What is a *regional plan***

A *regional plan*, for a designated region, is an instrument that—

- (a) is made under subdivision 2 and part 6 by the regional planning Minister for the region; and
- (b) advances the purpose of this Act by providing an integrated planning policy for the region.

#### **24              Status of regional plan**

A regional plan is a statutory instrument under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992* and has the force of law as provided for under this Act.

#### **25              State interest**

For this Act, a designated region's regional plan is taken to be a State interest.

#### **26              Relationship with other instruments**

- (1) This section does not apply to a State planning regulatory provision.
- (2) An entity responsible for preparing or amending a planning instrument, or a plan, policy or code under an Act, that may affect a matter under section 28 must—
  - (a) in preparing the planning instrument, plan, policy or code, or the amendment of the planning instrument,

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plan, policy or code, take account of the region's regional plan; and

- (b) state in the planning instrument, plan, policy or code how the planning instrument, plan, policy or code, or the amendment of the planning instrument, plan, policy or code, will reflect the region's regional plan for the matters under section 28.
- (3) If there is an inconsistency between a regional plan and another planning instrument or any other plan, policy or code under an Act, the regional plan prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

## **Subdivision 2      Requirement to make, and key elements of, regional plans**

### **27      Requirement to make regional plan**

The regional planning Minister for a designated region must make a regional plan for the region.

### **28      Key elements of regional plan**

The regional planning Minister for a designated region must be satisfied its regional plan—

- (a) identifies—
  - (i) the desired regional outcomes for the region; and
  - (ii) the policies and actions for achieving the desired regional outcomes; and
- (b) identifies the desired future spatial structure of the region including—
  - (i) a future regional land use pattern; and
  - (ii) provision for regional infrastructure to service the future regional land use pattern, to inform—

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- (A) local governments when preparing priority infrastructure plans; and
  - (B) the State, local governments and other entities about infrastructure plans and investments; and
  - (iii) key regional environmental, economic and cultural resources to be preserved, maintained or developed; and
  - (iv) the way the resources are to be preserved, maintained or developed; and
  - (v) for paragraph (b)(iii), regional landscape areas; and
  - (c) includes any other relevant regional planning matter for this Act.

### **Subdivision 3 Requirement to amend planning schemes to reflect regional plans**

#### **29 Amending planning schemes to reflect regional plan**

- (1) This section applies to a local government if its local government area or part of its area is prescribed under section 22(1) as a designated region, unless the regional planning Minister for the region gives the local government a written direction to the contrary.
- (2) The local government must amend its planning scheme, under the process stated in the guideline mentioned in section 117(1), to reflect the designated region's regional plan as made, amended or replaced.
- (3) The regional planning Minister for the designated region may amend the planning scheme if—
  - (a) the regional planning Minister is satisfied a local government must amend its planning scheme under subsection (2); and

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- (b) the local government has not, within 90 business days after the day notice of the making of the designated region's regional plan was gazetted—
  - (i) made the amendment; or
  - (ii) complied with the guideline mentioned in section 117(1) to the extent it requires the local government to give the Minister a copy of the proposed amendment.
- (4) Anything done by the regional planning Minister under subsection (3) is taken to have been done by the local government and has the same effect as it would have had if the local government had done it.
- (5) An expense reasonably incurred by the regional planning Minister in taking an action under subsection (3) may be recovered from the local government as a debt owing to the State.
- (6) The regional planning Minister may, in writing, extend the period mentioned in subsection (3)(b).
- (7) Nothing in this section affects or is affected by chapter 3, part 6.

## **Division 3                      Regional planning committees**

### **30            What are regions**

In this Act—

- (a) there are no fixed geographical areas of the State constituting regions, other than designated regions; and
- (b) a region may include the combined area of all or parts of 2 or more local government areas and an area not included in a local government area.

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**31 Establishment of regional planning committee**

- (1) The Minister may establish as many regional planning committees as the Minister considers appropriate.
- (2) The regional planning Minister for a designated region must establish a regional planning committee for the region.
- (3) However, subsection (4) applies if—
  - (a) there is a regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region; and
  - (b) the area covered by the region is the same or substantially the same as a designated region.
- (4) The regional planning committee for the region is taken to be the regional planning committee established for the designated region.
- (5) Before establishing a regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region, the Minister must—
  - (a) prepare draft terms of reference for the proposed committee; and
  - (b) identify the proposed region and local governments likely to be affected by the advice of the proposed committee; and
  - (c) consult with the local governments and interest groups the Minister considers appropriate about—
    - (i) the draft terms of reference, including the term of the proposed committee; and
    - (ii) the membership of the proposed committee; and
    - (iii) the extent of their, the Commonwealth's and the State's, proposed participation in, and support for, the proposed committee.
- (6) In establishing a regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region, the Minister must state—
  - (a) the committee's name; and
  - (b) the membership of the committee; and

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- (c) the area covered by the region for which the committee is established; and
- (d) the committee's terms of reference.

### **32 Functions of regional planning committee**

- (1) The functions of a regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region are the functions stated in the committee's terms of reference.
- (2) The function of a designated region's regional planning committee is to advise the regional planning Minister for the region about the development and implementation of the region's regional plan.

### **33 Membership of regional planning committee**

- (1) A designated region's regional planning committee has the membership decided by the regional planning Minister for the region and notified in the gazette.
- (2) A member of a designated region's regional planning committee must be—
  - (a) a Minister; or
  - (b) a mayor or councillor of a local government of the region; or
  - (c) a person who has the appropriate qualifications, experience or standing to be a member of the committee.
- (3) However, this section does not apply if section 31(4) applies to the designated region.
- (4) The membership of a regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region—
  - (a) may be identified in general or specific terms; and

- (b) without limiting the scope of possible membership, must include representatives of appropriate local governments.
- (5) However, a local government may elect not to be represented on a regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region.

### **34 Changing particular committee**

After consulting the regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region and any other entities the Minister considers appropriate, the Minister may change any aspect of the committee, including, for example, its name, membership, region and terms of reference.

### **35 Dissolution of regional planning committee**

- (1) The Minister may dissolve the regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region at any time.
- (2) The regional planning Minister for a designated region may dissolve its regional planning committee at any time.

### **36 Quorum**

A quorum for a meeting of a regional planning committee is 1 more than half the number of members of the committee.

### **37 Presiding at meetings**

- (1) The regional planning Minister for a designated region presides at all meetings of its regional planning committee.
- (2) If the regional planning Minister for the designated region is absent, the member nominated by the regional planning Minister must preside.

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### **38 Conduct of meetings**

- (1) Meetings of a designated region's regional planning committee must be conducted at the time and place the regional planning Minister for the region decides.
- (2) A regional planning committee must conduct its business and proceedings at meetings in the way it decides.

### **39 Reports of particular committee**

A regional planning committee for a region that is not a designated region must report its findings under its terms of reference to the Minister and the local governments of its region.

## **Part 4 State planning policies**

### **Division 1 Preliminary**

#### **40 What is a *State planning policy***

A *State planning policy* is an instrument that—

- (a) is made under division 2 and part 6, or division 3; and
- (b) advances the purpose of this Act by stating the State's policy about a matter of State interest.

#### **41 Status of State planning policy**

A State planning policy is a statutory instrument under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992* and has the force of law as provided for under this Act.

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**42 Area to which State planning policy applies**

A State planning policy has effect throughout the State unless the policy states otherwise.

**43 Relationship with local planning instruments**

If there is an inconsistency between a State planning policy and a local planning instrument, the State planning policy prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

**Division 2 General matters about State planning policies**

**44 Power to make State planning policy—generally**

- (1) The Minister may, under part 6, make a State planning policy.
- (2) Also, the Minister and an eligible Minister may, under part 6, jointly make a State planning policy if the State interest addressed by the policy is a matter administered by the eligible Minister.

**45 Duration of State planning policy made under pt 6**

- (1) A State planning policy mentioned in section 44 ceases to have effect on—
  - (a) the day the policy is repealed under part 6; or
  - (b) the day that is 10 years after the day the policy had effect.
- (2) Despite subsection (1)(b), if a day for the ending of the State planning policy is prescribed under a regulation made before the period mentioned in the subsection ends, the policy ends on the prescribed day.
- (3) The prescribed day must not be more than 12 years after the day the State planning policy had effect.

## **Division 3                      Temporary State planning policies**

### **46            Power to make temporary State planning policy**

- (1) The Minister may, under section 47, make a State planning policy (a *temporary State planning policy*) if the Minister considers the policy is urgently required to protect or give effect to a State interest.
- (2) Also, the Minister and an eligible Minister may, under section 47, jointly make a State planning policy (also a *temporary State planning policy*) if—
  - (a) the State interest addressed by the policy is a matter administered by the eligible Minister; and
  - (b) the Minister considers the policy is urgently required to protect or give effect to the State interest.
- (3) Part 6, divisions 1 to 3, do not apply to the making of a temporary State planning policy.

### **47            Making temporary State planning policy**

- (1) The Minister, or the Minister and an eligible Minister jointly, may make a temporary State planning policy by publishing a notice about the policy—
  - (a) in the gazette; and
  - (b) if the policy is to have effect throughout the State—in a newspaper circulating generally in the State; and
  - (c) if the policy is to have effect only in a part of the State—in a newspaper circulating generally in the part.
- (2) If the Minister and an eligible Minister propose to jointly make a temporary State planning policy, the policy is validly made if—
  - (a) the eligible Minister publishes a notice about the policy under subsection (1); and

- (b) the policy is endorsed by the Minister and the eligible Minister before the eligible Minister publishes the notice.
- (3) The notice mentioned in subsection (1) must state the following—
- (a) the name of the State planning policy;
  - (b) if the policy applies only to a particular part of the State—the name of the part or other information necessary to adequately describe the part;
  - (c) the period for which the policy has effect;
  - (d) where a copy of the policy may be inspected and purchased.

#### **48 Effect of temporary State planning policy**

A temporary State planning policy may suspend or otherwise affect the operation of a State planning policy, but does not amend the State planning policy.

#### **49 Duration of temporary State planning policy**

A temporary State planning policy has effect for—

- (a) 1 year after the day it is made; or
- (b) if the policy states a lesser period of effect—the lesser period.

## **Part 5**                      **Standard planning scheme provisions**

### **Division 1**                **Preliminary**

#### **50**      **What are *standard planning scheme provisions***

The *standard planning scheme provisions* are the provisions that—

- (a) are made under division 2 and part 6 by the Minister; and
- (b) advance the purpose of this Act by providing for—
  - (i) a consistent structure for planning schemes; and
  - (ii) standard provisions for implementing integrated planning at the local level.

#### **51**      **Status of standard planning scheme provisions**

The instrument consisting of the standard planning scheme provisions is a statutory instrument under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992* and has the force of law as provided for under this Act.

#### **52**      **Effect of standard planning scheme provisions**

The standard planning scheme provisions do not regulate or affect development unless, under section 53, the provisions have effect in a planning scheme area.

#### **53**      **Relationship with local planning instruments**

If a local planning instrument for a planning scheme area is inconsistent with the standard planning scheme provisions, the standard planning scheme provisions—





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- (3) If a regulation under subsection (2) states an additional requirement, the requirement must be complied with.

## **57 Compliance with divs 2 and 3**

Despite divisions 2 and 3, if a State planning instrument is made or amended in substantial compliance with the process stated in the divisions, the State planning instrument or amendment is valid so long as any noncompliance has not—

- (a) adversely affected the awareness of the public of the existence and nature of the proposed State planning instrument or amendment; or
- (b) restricted the opportunity of the public to make properly made submissions about the proposed instrument or amendment under the process stated in the divisions.

## **Division 2 Process for making State planning instruments**

### **58 Preparation of draft instrument**

- (1) Before making a State planning instrument, the Minister must prepare a draft of the proposed instrument.
- (2) In preparing a draft regional plan, the regional planning Minister must consult with the region's regional planning committee about preparing the draft.
- (3) In subsection (1)—

*Minister* means—

- (a) if the State planning instrument is to be jointly made by the Minister and an eligible Minister—the eligible Minister; or
- (b) otherwise—the Minister proposing to make the State planning instrument.

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## **59 Endorsing particular draft instrument**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if a draft State planning regulatory provision or State planning policy is prepared by an eligible Minister.
- (2) The Minister and the eligible Minister must endorse the instrument before the eligible Minister acts under section 60.

## **60 Notice about draft instrument**

- (1) The Minister who prepared the draft State planning instrument must publish a notice—
  - (a) in the gazette; and
  - (b) if the draft instrument is to have effect throughout the State or is made for the whole of the State—in a newspaper circulating generally in the State; and
  - (c) if the draft instrument is to have effect only in a part of the State—in a newspaper circulating generally in the part.
- (2) The notice must state the following—
  - (a) that the draft State planning instrument is available for inspection and purchase;
  - (b) where copies of the draft instrument may be inspected and purchased;
  - (c) a contact telephone number for information about the draft instrument;
  - (d) that written submissions about any aspect of the draft instrument may be given by any person to the Minister who prepared the draft;
  - (e) the period (the *consultation period*) during which the submissions may be made;
  - (f) the requirements for a properly made submission.
- (3) The consultation period must be for at least—

- (a) for a draft regional plan—60 business days after the day the notice is gazetted; or
  - (b) for a draft State planning regulatory provision—30 business days after the day the notice is gazetted; or
  - (c) otherwise—40 business days after the day the notice is gazetted.
- (4) The Minister who prepared the draft State planning instrument must give a copy of the notice and the draft instrument to each of the following—
- (a) for a draft State planning instrument other than draft standard planning scheme provisions—each local government whose local government area includes a part of the State in which the draft instrument is to have effect;
  - (b) for draft standard planning scheme provisions—each local government;
  - (c) any other person or entity prescribed under a regulation.

## **61 Keeping draft instrument available for inspection and purchase**

For all of the consultation period, the Minister who prepared the draft State planning instrument must keep a copy of the draft instrument available for inspection and purchase by members of the public.

## **62 Dealing with draft State planning regulatory provision**

- (1) The Minister who prepared a draft State planning regulatory provision may, during the consultation period, amend, replace or remove the draft State planning regulatory provision, other than to change the relevant area.
- (2) If an eligible Minister prepared the draft State planning regulatory provision, an amended or replacement instrument must be endorsed by the eligible Minister and the Minister.

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### **63 Making State planning instruments**

- (1) The Minister who prepared the draft State planning instrument must—
  - (a) consider each properly made submission about the draft instrument; and
  - (b) for a draft regional plan for a designated region—consult with the designated region’s regional planning committee about making the regional plan.
- (2) After acting under subsection (1), the Minister may—
  - (a) make the State planning instrument as provided for in the draft State planning instrument as published; or
  - (b) make the State planning instrument and include any amendments of the draft State planning instrument the Minister considers appropriate; or
  - (c) for a State planning instrument other than a regional plan—decide not to make the State planning instrument as mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b).
- (3) If an eligible Minister prepared the draft State planning instrument, the eligible Minister and the Minister must jointly—
  - (a) make the State planning instrument as mentioned in subsection (2)(a) or (b); or
  - (b) decide not to make the State planning instrument.
- (4) A State planning instrument is taken to be jointly made when the instrument is endorsed by both Ministers.

### **64 Notice about making State planning instrument**

- (1) After the State planning instrument is made, the Minister who prepared the draft instrument must publish a notice about its making—
  - (a) in the gazette; and

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- (b) if the instrument has effect throughout the State or is made for the whole of the State—in a newspaper circulating generally in the State; and
  - (c) if the instrument has effect only in a part of the State—in a newspaper circulating generally in the part.
- (2) The notice must state—
- (a) the day the State planning instrument was made; and
  - (b) where a copy of the instrument may be inspected and purchased.
- (3) The Minister mentioned in subsection (1) must give a copy of the State planning instrument to—
- (a) for a State planning instrument other than the standard planning scheme provisions—each local government whose local government area includes a part of the State in which the instrument has effect; or
  - (b) for the standard planning scheme provisions—each local government.

**65 Notice about decision not to make State planning instrument**

If a decision is made not to make a State planning instrument, the Minister who prepared the draft instrument must publish notice of the decision in the gazette.

**66 Particular State planning regulatory provisions to be ratified by Parliament**

- (1) This section applies to a State planning regulatory provision made to—
- (a) implement a regional plan; or
  - (b) prevent a compromise of the implementation of a proposed regional plan for a designated region or a proposed designated region.

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- (2) Within 14 sitting days after the State planning regulatory provision is made, a copy of the provision must be tabled in the Legislative Assembly by the Minister who made the State planning regulatory provision.
- (3) If the provision is not ratified by Parliament within 14 sitting days after the day the copy is tabled, the provision ceases to have effect.

**67 State planning regulatory provisions that are subject to disallowance**

- (1) This section applies to a State planning regulatory provision made because the Minister was satisfied there is a significant risk of serious environmental harm or serious adverse cultural, economic or social conditions happening in a planning scheme area.
- (2) The *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*, sections 49, 50 and 51, apply to the provision as if it were subordinate legislation.

*Editor's note—*

*Statutory Instruments Act 1992*, sections 49 (Subordinate legislation must be tabled), 50 (Disallowance) and 51 (Limited saving of operation of subordinate legislation that ceases to have effect)

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## **Division 3                      Amending State planning instruments**

### **Subdivision 1                Administrative and minor amendments, and particular amendments to reflect documents**

#### **68            Administrative and minor amendment or amendment to reflect other documents**

- (1) The Minister who made a State planning instrument may make an administrative amendment or minor amendment of the instrument.
- (2) If the State planning instrument was jointly made by 2 Ministers—
  - (a) for an administrative amendment—either Minister may make the amendment; and
  - (b) for a minor amendment—
    - (i) the amendment must be jointly made by both Ministers; and
    - (ii) the amendment is taken to be jointly made when the amendment is endorsed by both Ministers.
- (3) The regional planning Minister for a designated region also may amend the region’s regional plan to include a document to be made under the plan that—
  - (a) has been prepared by a public sector entity; and
  - (b) the regional planning Minister is satisfied—
    - (i) demonstrates how the regional plan will be implemented; and
    - (ii) has been subject to adequate public consultation.
- (4) Division 2 does not apply to the making of an amendment under this section.

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## **69 Notice of amendment under s 68**

- (1) After the State planning instrument is amended, the Minister who made the amendment, or the eligible Minister if the amendment was jointly made, must publish a notice about the amendment—
  - (a) in the gazette; and
  - (b) if the instrument has effect throughout the State or is made for the whole of the State—in a newspaper circulating generally in the State; and
  - (c) if the instrument has effect only in a part of the State—in a newspaper circulating generally in the part.
- (2) The notice must state—
  - (a) the day the amendment was made; and
  - (b) where a copy of the State planning instrument, as amended, may be inspected and purchased.

## **Subdivision 2 Other amendments**

### **70 Other amendments**

- (1) The Minister who made a State planning instrument may make an amendment of the instrument, other than an amendment under section 68, only if the process under division 2 for the making of the State planning instrument has been followed.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that if the State planning instrument was jointly made by 2 Ministers, the amendment must be jointly made by both Ministers.
- (3) For subsection (1), division 2 applies—
  - (a) as if a reference in the division to preparing a draft State planning instrument were a reference to preparing a draft amendment; and

- (b) as if a reference in the division to a draft State planning instrument were a reference to the draft amendment; and
- (c) as if a reference in the division to making a State planning instrument were a reference to the making of the amendment; and
- (d) as if a reference in the division to a State planning instrument were a reference to the amendment; and
- (e) as if the reference in section 60(3)(a) to 60 business days were a reference to 30 business days; and
- (f) as if the reference in section 60(3)(c) to 40 business days were a reference to 20 business days; and
- (g) with other necessary changes.

#### **71 Decision not to proceed with amendment of regional plan**

When acting under division 2, the Minister also may decide not to proceed with the amendment of a regional plan.

### **Division 4 When State planning instrument or amendment has effect**

#### **72 When State planning instrument or amendment has effect**

- (1) A State planning instrument, or an amendment of a State planning instrument, has effect on—
  - (a) the day the notice about the making of the instrument or amendment is gazetted; or
  - (b) if a later day for the commencement of the instrument or amendment is stated in the instrument or amendment—the later day.
- (2) Subsection (1) is subject to sections 66 and 67.

### **73 Effect of draft State planning regulatory provision and draft amendments**

- (1) This section applies to—
  - (a) a draft State planning regulatory provision under this part (the *draft provision*); or
  - (b) a State planning regulatory provision as amended by a draft amendment of the provision under this part (also the *draft provision*).
- (2) The Minister may state in the gazette notice for the draft instrument, or amendment, that the draft provision has effect as if it were a State planning regulatory provision on the day the notice of the draft instrument, or amendment, is gazetted if the Minister is satisfied any delay in the commencement would increase the risk of—
  - (a) serious harm to the environment or serious adverse cultural, economic or social conditions happening in a planning scheme area; or
  - (b) compromising the implementation of a regional plan, structure plan or proposed regional plan or structure plan.
- (3) If the Minister states a draft provision has effect as mentioned in subsection (2), the draft provision has effect as if it were a State planning regulatory provision from the day the notice of the draft instrument, or amendment, is gazetted until the first of the following happens—
  - (a) a decision to make a State planning regulatory provision is made under section 63(2)(a) or (b) relating to the draft provision and the State planning regulatory provision takes effect under section 72;
  - (b) a decision not to make a State planning regulatory provision is made under section 63(2)(c) relating to the draft provision and is gazetted;
  - (c) the day that is 12 months after the day the notice of the draft instrument, or amendment, is gazetted ends.



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- (6) If the State planning instrument was jointly made by the Minister and an eligible Minister, the eligible Minister must act under subsections (3) and (5) in relation to the repeal of the instrument.

#### **75 When repeal has effect**

The repeal of a State planning instrument has effect on the day the notice of the repeal is gazetted.

#### **76 Replacement of regional plans**

If a regional plan (the *replacement plan*) states that it replaces an existing regional plan, it replaces the existing regional plan on and from the day the replacement plan takes effect.

## **Chapter 3 Local planning instruments**

### **Part 1 Preliminary**

#### **77 Local planning instruments under Act**

The following are local planning instruments under this Act—

- (a) a planning scheme;
- (b) a temporary local planning instrument;
- (c) a planning scheme policy.

#### **78 Infrastructure intentions in local planning instruments not binding**

- (1) If a local planning instrument indicates the intention of a local government or a supplier of State infrastructure to supply

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infrastructure, it does not create an obligation on the local government or the supplier to supply the infrastructure.

- (2) If a local government or a supplier of State infrastructure states a desired standard of service in a priority infrastructure plan, an entity does not have a right to expect or demand the standard.

## **Part 2                      Planning schemes**

### **Division 1                Preliminary**

#### **79        What is a *planning scheme***

A *planning scheme* is an instrument that—

- (a) is made by a local government under division 2 and part 5; and
- (b) advances the purpose of this Act by providing an integrated planning policy for the local government's planning scheme area.

#### **80        Status of planning scheme**

A planning scheme is a statutory instrument under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992* and has the force of law as provided for under this Act.

#### **81        Effects of planning scheme**

A planning scheme for a planning scheme area—

- (a) becomes the planning scheme for the area; and
- (b) replaces any existing planning scheme applying to the area.

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## **82 Area to which planning scheme applies**

- (1) A local government's planning scheme applies to all of the local government's area (the *planning scheme area*).
- (2) The local government also may apply its planning scheme for assessing prescribed tidal work in its tidal area to the extent stated in a code for prescribed tidal work.

## **83 Relationship with planning scheme policies**

If there is an inconsistency between a planning scheme and a planning scheme policy for a planning scheme area, the planning scheme prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

*Note—*

For the relationship between planning schemes and State planning instruments, see sections 19 (Relationship with other instruments), 26 (Relationship with other instruments), 43 (Relationship with local planning instruments) and 53 (Relationship with local planning instruments).

## **Division 2 General provisions about planning schemes**

### **84 Power to make planning scheme**

A local government may make a planning scheme for its planning scheme area.

### **85 Documents planning scheme may adopt**

- (1) The only documents made by a local government that the local government's planning scheme may, under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*, section 23, apply, adopt or incorporate are—
  - (a) a planning scheme policy; or
  - (b) a structure plan; or

- (c) a priority infrastructure plan; or
  - (d) an infrastructure charges schedule.
- (2) In this section—
- documents* does not include the following—
- (a) a development approval;
  - (b) a master plan;
  - (c) an approval for an application mentioned in repealed IPA, section 6.1.26.

## 86 Relationship between planning schemes and Building Act

- (1) A planning scheme must not include provisions about building work, to the extent the building work is regulated under the building assessment provisions, unless permitted under the Building Act.

*Note—*

See, for example, the Building Act, sections 32 and 33.

- (2) To the extent a planning scheme does not comply with subsection (1), the planning scheme has no effect.
- (3) In this section—
- building assessment provisions* does not include IDAS or a provision of a planning scheme.

## 87 Covenants not to conflict with planning scheme

Subject to section 349, a covenant under the *Land Act 1994*, section 373A(4) or the *Land Title Act 1994*, section 97A(3)(a) or (b) is of no effect to the extent it conflicts with a planning scheme—

- (a) for the land subject to the covenant; and
- (b) in effect when the document creating the covenant is registered.

*Editor's note—*

*Land Act 1994, section 373A (Covenant by registration) or Land Title Act 1994, section 97A (Covenant by registration)*

## **Division 3                      Key concepts for planning schemes**

### **88            Key elements of planning scheme**

- (1) A local government and the Minister must be satisfied the local government's planning scheme—
  - (a) appropriately reflects the standard planning scheme provisions; and
  - (b) identifies the strategic outcomes for the planning scheme area; and
  - (c) includes measures that facilitate achieving the strategic outcomes; and
  - (d) coordinates and integrates the matters, including the core matters, dealt with by the planning scheme, including any State and regional dimensions of the matters; and

*Note—*

State and regional dimensions of matters are explained in section 90.

  - (e) includes a priority infrastructure plan; and
  - (f) if land in the planning scheme area is a declared master planned area—includes a structure plan for the master planned area.
- (2) Measures facilitating achievement of the strategic outcomes include the identification of relevant—
  - (a) self-assessable development; and
  - (b) development requiring compliance assessment; and
  - (c) assessable development requiring code or impact assessment, or both code and impact assessment; and

- (d) prohibited development, but only if the standard planning scheme provisions state the development may be prohibited development.

## 89 Core matters for planning scheme

- (1) Each of the following are *core matters* for the preparation of a planning scheme—
  - (a) land use and development;
  - (b) infrastructure;
  - (c) valuable features.
- (2) In this section—

*infrastructure* includes the extent and location of proposed infrastructure, having regard to existing infrastructure networks, and their capacities and thresholds for augmentation.

*land use and development* includes each of the following—

- (a) the location of, and the relationships between, various land uses;
- (b) the effects of land use and development;
- (c) how mobility between places is facilitated;
- (d) accessibility to areas;
- (e) development constraints, including, but not limited to, population and demographic impacts.

*valuable features* includes each of the following, whether terrestrial or aquatic—

- (a) resources or areas that are of ecological significance, including, for example, habitats, wildlife corridors, buffer zones, places supporting biological diversity or resilience, and features contributing to the quality of air, water (including catchments or recharge areas) and soil;

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- (b) areas contributing significantly to amenity, including, for example, areas of high scenic value, physical features that form significant visual backdrops or that frame or define places or localities, and attractive built environments;
- (c) areas or places of cultural heritage significance, including, for example, areas or places of indigenous cultural significance, or aesthetic, architectural, historical, scientific, social or technological significance, to the present generation or past or future generations;
- (d) resources or areas of economic value, including, for example, extractive deposits, fishery resources, forestry resources, water resources, sources of renewable and non-renewable energy and good quality agricultural land.

**90 State, regional and local dimensions of planning scheme matters**

- (1) A matter, including a core matter, in a planning scheme may have local, regional or State dimensions.
- (2) A local dimension of a planning scheme matter is a dimension that is within the jurisdiction of local government but is not a regional or State dimension.
- (3) A regional dimension of a planning scheme matter is a dimension—
  - (a) about which a regional planning committee report makes a recommendation; or
  - (b) reflected in a regional plan; or
  - (c) that can best be dealt with by the cooperation of 2 or more local governments.
- (4) A State dimension of a planning scheme matter, including a matter reflected in a State planning policy, is a dimension of a State interest.

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## **Division 4                      Reviewing planning schemes**

### **91            Local government must review planning scheme every 10 years**

- (1) Each local government must complete a review of its planning scheme—
  - (a) within 10 years after the planning scheme was originally made; or
  - (b) if a review of the planning scheme has been previously completed—within 10 years after the completion of the last review.
- (2) The review must include an assessment of the achievement of the strategic outcomes stated in the planning scheme.

### **92            Action local government may take after review**

After reviewing its planning scheme, the local government must, by resolution—

- (a) propose to prepare a new scheme; or
- (b) propose to amend the scheme; or
- (c) if the local government is satisfied the scheme is suitable to continue without amendment—decide to take no further action.

### **93            Report about review if decision is to take no action**

If a local government decides to take no further action under section 92(c), the local government must—

- (a) prepare a report stating the reasons why the local government decided to take no further action; and
- (b) give a copy of the report to the chief executive.

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## **94 Notice about report to be published**

- (1) After preparing the report mentioned in section 93, the local government must publish, in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area, a notice stating the following—
  - (a) the name of the local government;
  - (b) that the local government has prepared a report stating the reasons why the local government decided to take no further action under section 92(c);
  - (c) that the report is available for inspection and purchase;
  - (d) a contact telephone number for information about the report;
  - (e) the period (the *inspection period*), of at least 40 business days, during which the report is available for inspection and purchase.
- (2) For all of the inspection period the local government must display a copy of the notice in a conspicuous place in the local government's public office.

## **Division 5 Application of superseded planning schemes**

### **95 Request for application of superseded planning scheme**

- (1) A person may, by written notice given to a local government, ask the local government—
  - (a) to apply a superseded planning scheme to the carrying out of assessable development, prohibited development or development requiring compliance assessment that was, under the superseded planning scheme, exempt development or self-assessable development; or
  - (b) to assess and decide a proposed development application under a superseded planning scheme; or

- (c) to—
    - (i) accept a development application for development that is prohibited development under the planning scheme and was assessable development under a superseded planning scheme; and
    - (ii) assess and decide the application under the superseded planning scheme; or
  - (d) to assess and decide a request for compliance assessment under a superseded planning scheme; or
  - (e) to—
    - (i) accept a request for compliance assessment of development that is assessable development or prohibited development, and was development requiring compliance assessment under a superseded planning scheme; and
    - (ii) assess and decide the request under the superseded planning scheme.
- (2) However, the notice may be given to the local government only within 1 year after the day—
- (a) the planning scheme or planning scheme policy creating the superseded planning scheme took effect; or
  - (b) the amendment of a planning scheme or planning scheme policy creating the superseded planning scheme took effect.
- (3) The notice must—
- (a) be in the approved form; and
  - (b) be accompanied by the fee fixed by resolution of the local government; and
  - (c) contain a description of the proposed development or be accompanied by a copy of the proposed development application or request for compliance assessment.

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- (4) The local government must keep the notice available for inspection and purchase from when the local government receives it until the request is decided under this division.

## **96 Decision on request**

- (1) The local government must decide to agree to the request, or refuse the request, within 30 business days after receiving it (the *request period*).
- (2) However, the local government may, by written notice given to the person making the request and without the person's agreement, extend the request period by not more than 10 business days.
- (3) Only 1 notice may be given under subsection (2), and it must be given before the request period ends.
- (4) However, the request period may be further extended if the person making the request gives written agreement to the extension before the period ends.
- (5) The local government is taken to have decided to agree to the request if the local government does not decide the request within the latest of the following periods to end—
  - (a) the request period;
  - (b) if the request period is extended under subsections (2) and (3)—the extended period;
  - (c) if the request period is further extended under subsection (4)—the further extended period.

## **97 Notice of decision**

The local government must give the person making the request written notice of the local government's decision within 5 business days after making the decision.

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**98 When development under superseded planning scheme must start**

- (1) If the local government agrees or is taken to have agreed to a request made under section 95(1)(a), the superseded planning scheme applies for carrying out the development if—
  - (a) for development that is a material change of use—the first change of use started within 4 years after the person is given, or was entitled to be given, notice of the decision under this division; or
  - (b) for development that is reconfiguring a lot—a plan for the reconfiguration is given to the local government within 2 years after the person is given, or was entitled to be given, notice of the decision under this division; or
  - (c) for other development—the development is substantially started within 2 years after the person is given, or was entitled to be given, notice of the decision under this division.
- (2) A person may, by written notice given to the local government before the end of the period stated in subsection (1) for the development, ask the local government to extend the period.
- (3) A request under subsection (2)—
  - (a) must be accompanied by the fee fixed by resolution of the local government; and
  - (b) if the local government has a form for the request—must be in that form; and
  - (c) may not be withdrawn.
- (4) The local government must give the person written notice of the local government’s decision within 30 business days after receiving the request.
- (5) If a person makes a request under subsection (2), the period stated in subsection (1) for the development does not end until the local government gives the person notice of its decision.

**99 When development application (superseded planning scheme) can be made**

- (1) If the local government agrees or is taken to have agreed to a request made under section 95(1)(b) or (c), a development application (superseded planning scheme) for the development may be made to the assessment manager.
- (2) However, the development application (superseded planning scheme) must be made within 6 months after the day the person is given, or was entitled to be given, notice of the decision.
- (3) Despite section 239, a development application can be made for development that is prohibited development under a planning scheme if—
  - (a) the local government agrees or is taken to have agreed to assess and decide the development application under a superseded planning scheme; and
  - (b) the development was not prohibited development under the superseded planning scheme.

**100 When request for compliance assessment under a superseded planning scheme can be made**

- (1) If the local government agrees or is taken to have agreed to a request made under section 95(1)(d) or (e), a request for compliance assessment of the development under the superseded planning scheme may be made to the assessment manager.
- (2) However, the request must be made within 6 months after the day the person is given, or was entitled to be given, notice of the decision.
- (3) Despite section 239, a request for compliance assessment can be made for development that is prohibited development under a planning scheme if—

- (a) the local government agrees or is taken to have agreed to assess and decide the request under a superseded planning scheme; and
- (b) the development was not prohibited development under the superseded planning scheme.

## **Part 3                      Temporary local planning instruments**

### **Division 1                Preliminary**

#### **101    What is a *temporary local planning instrument***

A *temporary local planning instrument* is an instrument that—

- (a) is made by a local government under division 2 and part 5; and
- (b) advances the purpose of this Act by protecting a planning scheme area from adverse impacts.

#### **102    Status of temporary local planning instrument**

A temporary local planning instrument is a statutory instrument under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992* and has the force of law as provided for under this Act.

#### **103    Area to which temporary local planning instrument applies**

A temporary local planning instrument may apply to all or only part of a planning scheme area.

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## **104 Relationship with planning scheme**

A temporary local planning instrument may suspend or otherwise affect the operation of a planning scheme for up to 1 year, but—

- (a) does not amend a planning scheme; and
- (b) is not a change to a planning scheme under section 703.

*Note—*

For the relationship between temporary local planning instruments and State planning instruments, see sections 19 (Relationship with other instruments), 26 (Relationship with other instruments), 43 (Relationship with local planning instruments) and 53 (Relationship with local planning instruments).

## **Division 2 General matters about temporary local planning instruments**

### **105 Power to make temporary local planning instrument**

A local government may make a temporary local planning instrument for all or part of its planning scheme area only if the Minister is satisfied—

- (a) there is a significant risk of serious environmental harm, or serious adverse cultural, economic or social conditions happening in the planning scheme area; and
- (b) the delay involved in using the process stated in the guideline mentioned in section 117(1) to amend the planning scheme would increase the risk; and
- (c) State interests would not be adversely affected by the proposed temporary local planning instrument; and
- (d) the proposed temporary local planning instrument appropriately reflects the standard planning scheme provisions.

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## 106 Content of temporary local planning instrument

- (1) A temporary local planning instrument may—
  - (a) declare development to be—
    - (i) self-assessable development; or
    - (ii) development requiring compliance assessment; or
    - (iii) assessable development; and
  - (b) require impact or code assessment, or both impact and code assessment, for assessable development; and
  - (c) state that development is prohibited development, but only if the standard planning scheme provisions state the development may be prohibited development.
- (2) This section does not limit the matters that may be included in a temporary local planning instrument.

## 107 Documents temporary local planning instrument may adopt

- (1) The only documents made by a local government that a temporary local planning instrument of the local government may, under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*, section 23, apply, adopt or incorporate are—
  - (a) a planning scheme policy; or
  - (b) a structure plan.
- (2) In this section—

**documents** does not include the following—

  - (a) a development approval;
  - (b) a master plan;
  - (c) an approval for an application mentioned in repealed IPA, section 6.1.26.

## **Part 4                      Planning scheme policies**

### **Division 1                Preliminary**

#### **108    What is a *planning scheme policy***

A *planning scheme policy* is an instrument that—

- (a) is made by a local government under division 2 and part 5; and
- (b) supports the local dimension of a planning scheme; and
- (c) supports local government actions under this Act for IDAS and for making or amending its planning scheme.

#### **109    Status of planning scheme policy**

A planning scheme policy is a statutory instrument under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992* and has the force of law as provided for under this Act.

#### **110    Effect of planning scheme policy**

A planning scheme policy for a planning scheme area—

- (a) becomes a policy for the area; and
- (b) if the policy states that it replaces an existing policy—replaces the existing policy.

#### **111    Area to which planning scheme policy applies**

A planning scheme policy may apply to all or only part of a planning scheme area.

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## **112 Relationship with other planning instruments**

To the extent a planning scheme policy is inconsistent with another planning instrument, the other planning instrument prevails.

## **Division 2 General matters about planning scheme policies**

### **113 Power to make planning scheme policy**

A local government may make a planning scheme policy for all or a part of its planning scheme area.

### **114 Content of planning scheme policy**

- (1) A planning scheme policy may only do 1 or more of the following—
  - (a) state information a local government may request for a development application;
  - (b) state the consultation the local government may carry out under section 256;
  - (c) state actions a local government may take to support the process for making or amending its planning scheme;
  - (d) contain standards identified in a code;
  - (e) include guidelines or advice about satisfying assessment criteria in the planning scheme.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies despite section 109.

### **115 Planning scheme policy can not adopt particular documents**

- (1) A planning scheme policy must not apply, adopt or incorporate another document made by the local government.
- (2) In this section—

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*document* does not include the following—

- (a) a development approval;
- (b) a master plan;
- (c) an approval for an application mentioned in repealed IPA, section 6.1.26.

## **Part 5                      Making, amending or repealing local planning instruments**

### **Division 1                Preliminary**

#### **116      Application of pt 5**

This part does not apply to amendments of a local government's planning scheme to include a structure plan.

*Note—*

For declared master planned areas, see chapter 4.

### **Division 2                Making or amending local planning instruments**

#### **117      Process for making or amending local planning instruments**

- (1) For making or amending a planning scheme or planning scheme policy, a local government must follow the process stated in a guideline—
  - (a) made by the Minister; and
  - (b) prescribed under a regulation.

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- (2) For making a temporary local planning instrument, a local government must follow the process stated in a guideline—
- (a) made by the Minister; and
  - (b) prescribed under a regulation.

**118 Content of guideline for making or amending local planning instrument**

- (1) The guideline mentioned in section 117(1) must make provision for—
- (a) the local government to publish at least once in a newspaper circulating in the local government's area, notice about a proposal to make—
    - (i) a planning scheme; or
    - (ii) a planning scheme policy; and
  - (b) the local government to carry out public consultation about a proposal mentioned in paragraph (a) for a period (the *consultation period*) of at least—
    - (i) for a proposed planning scheme—30 business days; and
    - (ii) for a proposed planning scheme policy—20 business days; and
  - (c) if public consultation about a proposal mentioned in paragraph (a) must be carried out—
    - (i) the local government to have available for inspection and purchase during all of the consultation period a copy of the proposed planning scheme or planning scheme policy; and
    - (ii) members of the public to make submissions to the local government about the proposed planning scheme or planning scheme policy; and

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- (iii) the local government to consider all properly made submissions about the proposed planning scheme or planning scheme policy; and
  - (iv) the local government to advise persons who make a properly made submission about how the local government has dealt with the submission; and
  - (v) the local government to give the Minister a notice containing a summary of matters raised in the properly made submissions and stating how the local government dealt with the matters; and
- (d) any proposed planning scheme to be approved by the Minister; and
  - (e) the making of a proposed planning scheme, or amendment of a planning scheme, to be notified in the gazette; and
  - (f) the making of a proposed planning scheme policy, or amendment of a planning scheme policy, to be notified in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area.
- (2) The guideline mentioned in section 117(2) must make provision for—
- (a) any proposed temporary local planning instrument to be approved by the Minister; and
  - (b) the making of a proposed temporary local planning instrument to be notified in the gazette.

## **119 Compliance with guideline**

- (1) Despite section 117(1), if a planning scheme or planning scheme policy is made or amended in substantial compliance with the process stated in the guideline mentioned in the subsection, the planning scheme, planning scheme policy or amendment is valid so long as any noncompliance has not—

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- (a) adversely affected the awareness of the public of the existence and nature of the proposed planning scheme, planning scheme policy or amendment; or
  - (b) restricted the opportunity of the public to make properly made submissions about the proposed planning scheme, planning scheme policy or amendment under the guideline; or
  - (c) for a planning scheme or amendment of a planning scheme—restricted the opportunity of the Minister to consider whether State interests would be adversely affected.
- (2) Despite section 117(2), if a temporary local planning instrument is made in substantial compliance with the process stated in the guideline mentioned in the subsection, the instrument is valid.

**120 When planning scheme, temporary local planning instrument and amendments have effect**

- (1) A planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument for a planning scheme area has effect on and from—
- (a) the day the making of the planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument is notified in the gazette; or
  - (b) if a later day for the commencement of the planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument is stated in the planning scheme or instrument—the later day.
- (2) If a planning scheme is amended, the amendment has effect on and from—
- (a) the day the making of the amendment is notified in the gazette; or
  - (b) if a later day for the commencement of the amendment is stated in the amendment—the later day.
- (3) A temporary local planning instrument has effect until the instrument expires or is repealed.

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*Note—*

For when particular provisions of a planning scheme have no effect for development in the SEQ region, see the SEQ Water Act, section 78A.

## **121 When planning scheme policy and amendments have effect**

A planning scheme policy or amendment of a planning scheme policy for a planning scheme area has effect on and from—

- (a) the day the making of the policy or amendment is first notified in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area; or
- (b) if a later day for the commencement of the policy or amendment is stated in the policy or amendment—the later day.

## **122 Consolidating planning schemes**

- (1) A local government may prepare and adopt a consolidated planning scheme.
- (2) The guideline mentioned in section 117(1) does not apply to the preparation or adoption of the consolidated planning scheme.
- (3) The consolidated planning scheme is, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, taken to be the local government's planning scheme on and from the day the consolidated planning scheme is adopted by the local government.
- (4) As soon as practicable after the local government adopts the consolidated planning scheme, the local government must give the chief executive a certified copy of the consolidated planning scheme.

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## **Division 3                      Repealing local planning instruments**

### **123      Repealing temporary local planning instruments**

- (1) A temporary local planning instrument may be repealed by—
  - (a) a resolution of a local government; or
  - (b) the adoption of a planning scheme or an amendment of a planning scheme that specifically repeals the instrument.
- (2) However, a local government must have the Minister's written approval to make a resolution under subsection (1)(a) if the temporary local planning instrument—
  - (a) was made by the local government under the direction of the Minister under section 126; or
  - (b) was made by the Minister under section 128 after the local government did not comply with a direction of the Minister under section 126; or
  - (c) was made by the Minister under section 129.
- (3) The local government must publish, in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area and in the gazette, a notice stating the following—
  - (a) the name of the local government;
  - (b) the name of the temporary local planning instrument being repealed;
  - (c) the day the resolution was made;
  - (d) the purpose and general effect of the resolution.
- (4) On the day the notice is published in the gazette, or as soon as practicable after the day, the local government must give the chief executive a copy of the notice.
- (5) The repeal takes effect—

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- (a) if the resolution is made under subsection (1)(a)—on the day the resolution is notified in the gazette; or
- (b) if the temporary local planning instrument is repealed by the making of a planning scheme or an amendment of a planning scheme—on the day the planning scheme or amendment takes effect.

## **124 Repealing planning scheme policies**

- (1) A local government may, by resolution, repeal a planning scheme policy, other than a planning scheme policy that is replaced by another planning scheme policy.
- (2) If a local government makes a resolution under subsection (1), the local government must give the Minister a copy of the resolution.
- (3) The local government must publish, in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area, a notice stating the following—
  - (a) the name of the local government;
  - (b) the name of the planning scheme policy being repealed;
  - (c) the day the resolution was made.
- (4) On the day the notice is published, or as soon as practicable after the notice is published, the local government must give the chief executive a copy of the notice.
- (5) The repeal takes effect—
  - (a) on the day the notice is first published in the newspaper; or
  - (b) if the notice states a later day—on the later day.
- (6) Also, if a new planning scheme, other than an amendment of a planning scheme, is made for a planning scheme area, all existing planning scheme policies for the area are repealed on the day the planning scheme takes effect.

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## **Part 6 Powers of State in relation to local planning instruments**

### **Division 1 Direction to take action about local planning instruments**

#### **125 Procedures before exercising particular power**

- (1) Before a power is exercised under section 126 or 127, the Minister must give written notice of the proposed exercise of the power to the local government to be affected by the exercise of the power.
- (2) However, notice need not be given if the power is proposed to be exercised at the local government's request.
- (3) The notice must state—
  - (a) the reasons for the proposed exercise of the power; and
  - (b) a period within which the local government may make submissions to the Minister about the proposed exercise of the power.
- (4) The Minister must consider any submissions made under subsection (3) and advise the local government that the Minister has decided—
  - (a) not to exercise the power; or
  - (b) to exercise the power.
- (5) If the Minister decides to exercise the power, the Minister must advise the local government the reasons for deciding to exercise the power.

#### **126 Power of Minister to direct local government to take particular action about local planning instrument**

- (1) This section applies if the Minister is satisfied it is necessary to give a direction to a local government—

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- (a) to protect or give effect to a State interest; or
  - (b) to ensure a local planning instrument or a proposed local planning instrument appropriately reflects the standard planning scheme provisions.
- (2) The Minister may direct the local government to take an action in relation to a local planning instrument or a proposed local planning instrument.
- (3) The direction may be as general or specific as the Minister considers appropriate and must state the reasonable period within which the local government must comply with the direction.
- (4) Without limiting subsection (2), the direction may require the local government to—
- (a) review its planning scheme; or
  - (b) make a planning scheme or amend its planning scheme; or
  - (c) make or repeal a temporary local planning instrument; or
  - (d) make, amend or repeal a planning scheme policy.

**127 Power of Minister to direct local government to prepare a consolidated planning scheme**

The Minister may direct a local government to prepare a consolidated planning scheme.

**128 Power of Minister if local government does not comply with direction**

- (1) If the local government does not comply with the Minister's direction under section 126 or 127 within the reasonable period stated in the direction, the Minister may take the action the Minister directed the local government to take.
- (2) Anything done by the Minister under subsection (1) is taken to have been done by the local government and has the same

effect as it would have had if the local government had done it.

- (3) An expense reasonably incurred by the Minister in taking an action under subsection (1) may be recovered from the local government as a debt owing to the State.

## **Division 2                    Making or amending local planning instrument without direction**

### **129    Power of Minister to take action about local planning instrument without direction to local government**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if the Minister is satisfied urgent action is necessary to protect or give effect to a State interest.
- (2) The Minister may make or amend a local planning instrument without giving a direction under section 126 to the local government about the making or amendment of the local planning instrument.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if the Minister is satisfied a local planning instrument does not appropriately reflect the standard planning scheme provisions.
- (4) The Minister may amend the local planning instrument without giving a direction under section 126 to the local government about the amendment of the instrument.
- (5) Before acting under subsection (2) or (4), the Minister must give written notice of the proposed action to the local government to be affected by the action.
- (6) The notice must state the reasons for taking the action.
- (7) Anything done by the Minister under this section is taken to have been done by the local government and has the same effect as it would have had if the local government had done it.



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## **Chapter 4      Planning partnerships**

### **Part 1              Master planning for particular                          areas of State interest**

#### **Division 1        Preliminary**

##### **131      Purpose of ch 4**

The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the following—

- (a) the identification, by local governments, regional planning Ministers for designated regions and the Minister, of areas (called master planned areas) to be the subject of integrated land use and infrastructure planning;
- (b) for declared master planned areas, local governments to make, in conjunction with the State, integrated land use plans (called structure plans) setting out the broad environmental, infrastructure and development intent to guide detailed planning for the areas;
- (c) the processes for making structure plans;
- (d) plans (called master plans) about the detailed planning of the areas;
- (e) the processes for making and approving master plans;
- (f) particular State assessment manager and referral agency functions under IDAS to be replaced with the role of State agencies who coordinate or participate in the making of structure plans and the approval of master plans for the areas.

## Division 2                      Master planned areas

### 132      Identification of master planned areas

- (1) A local government may identify an area as a master planned area in its planning scheme or in a document made under a regional plan.
- (2) The regional planning Minister for a designated region may identify an area as a master planned area for the region in—
  - (a) the regional plan for the region or in a document made under the regional plan; or
  - (b) a State planning regulatory provision; or
  - (c) a declaration made under section 133 (a *master planned area declaration*).
- (3) The Minister may identify an area as a master planned area in—
  - (a) a State planning regulatory provision; or
  - (b) a declaration made under section 133 (also a *master planned area declaration*).
- (4) A master planned area identified in a master planned area declaration is a *declared master planned area*.
- (5) A master planned area must be identified by reference to cadastral boundaries or metes and bounds.
- (6) Despite subsections (1) to (4), a wild river area can not be included in a master planned area.

### 133      Master planned area declarations

- (1) A master planned area declaration is made by a notice published—
  - (a) in the gazette; and
  - (b) in at least 1 newspaper circulating in the area of the local government.

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- (2) The declaration must identify the master planned area and state—
    - (a) the coordinating agency for the structure plan for the area; and
    - (b) the participating agencies for the structure plan for the area; and
    - (c) the jurisdiction or jurisdictions that the coordinating agency and each participating agency has under IDAS and for which they are the coordinating agency or a participating agency for the structure plan for the area; and
    - (d) the timeframes for the making of the structure plan.
  - (3) The declaration may identify other matters the Minister considers appropriate for the making of the structure plan or the master planning of the area.

#### **134 Restriction on particular development applications in master planned area**

- (1) A development application for a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies may be made for a master planned area only—
  - (a) after the structure plan for the area takes effect; and
  - (b) if the structure plan states that a development application for a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies can be made.
- (2) A development application for a preliminary approval permitted to be made under subsection (1) can not seek to vary the effect of the structure plan area code included in the structure plan.
- (3) If the preliminary approval is issued, it is of no effect to the extent it purports to vary the effect of the structure plan area code.

### **135 Notation of master planned areas on planning scheme**

- (1) The local government must note on its planning scheme for its planning scheme area each master planned area identified in—
  - (a) a regional plan or a document made under a regional plan; or
  - (b) a State planning regulatory provision; or
  - (c) a master planned area declaration.
- (2) The note is not an amendment of the planning scheme.
- (3) Failure to comply with subsection (1) does not affect the validity of the identification of the master planned area.

## **Part 2 Structure plans for master planned areas declared by the Minister or regional planning Minister**

### **Division 1 Preliminary**

#### **136 Application of pt 2**

This part applies only for a declared master planned area.

#### **137 What is a *structure plan***

A *structure plan* for a declared master planned area is the structure plan for the area made under division 4.

**138 Relationship with regulation under s 232**

- (1) The structure plan must be consistent with a regulation made under section 232(1) or (2).
- (2) To the extent the structure plan is inconsistent with a regulation made under section 232(1) or (2), the structure plan is of no effect.

**139 Relationship with State planning instruments**

If there is an inconsistency between a structure plan and a State planning instrument, the State planning instrument prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

**Division 2                      General matters about structure plans**

**140 Local government's obligation to have structure plan**

The local government must have a structure plan for the declared master planned area.

**141 Content of structure plan**

- (1) The structure plan must—
  - (a) be a part of the local government's planning scheme; and
  - (b) be an integrated land use plan, setting out the broad environmental, land use, infrastructure and development intended to guide detailed planning for the area; and
  - (c) appropriately reflect the standard planning scheme provisions.
- (2) The structure plan must—
  - (a) include a structure plan area code that—

- (i) states the development entitlements and development obligations for the area; and
  - (ii) includes a structure plan map that gives a spatial dimension to the matters the subject of the code; and
- (b) identify master planning requirements for all or part of the area, including, for example—
  - (i) any master plans required to be made for the area or the part; and
  - (ii) any requirements with which master plans must comply; and
  - (iii) whether a master plan is required to be assessed by the State, and if so—
    - (A) the coordinating agency and the participating agencies for the master plan application for the master plan; and
    - (B) their jurisdiction for the application; and
  - (iv) any requirements for public notification of master plans; and
  - (v) any period that, under part 3, division 3, may be provided for in the structure plan; and

*Note—*

For the periods, see sections 162(2) and 174(2).

- (c) for development in the area—
  - (i) state development that is—
    - (A) exempt development; and
    - (B) self-assessable development; and
    - (C) development requiring compliance assessment; and

- (D) assessable development requiring code or impact assessment, or both code and impact assessment; and
  - (ii) identify or include codes for the development.
- (3) The structure plan may—
  - (a) state strategic outcomes for the area; or
  - (b) state assessable development requiring impact assessment that a master plan may state is—
    - (i) self-assessable development or assessable development requiring code assessment; or
    - (ii) development requiring compliance assessment; or
  - (c) state that development can not be carried out in the area until there is a master plan for the area; or

*Note—*

See also section 583(4) (Compliance with master plans).

- (d) state that a development application for a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies can be made for development in the area; or
- (e) include a regulated State infrastructure charges schedule.

*Note—*

For other matters that may be included in a structure plan, see chapter 6, part 10 (Compliance stage).

## **142 Prohibited development under structure plan**

A structure plan may state that development is prohibited development, but only if the standard planning scheme provisions state the development may be prohibited development.

## **Division 3                      Funding for structure plans**

### **143      Agreement to fund structure plan**

- (1) A local government may enter into an agreement with owners or occupiers of land in a declared master planned area, or another person who has an interest in the matter, to fund the preparation of a structure plan.
- (2) However, the agreement may be entered into only if the local government has adopted a policy that prescribes the basis on which the funding is to be provided.

*Note—*

Funding for a structure plan may also be the subject of an infrastructure agreement. See section 661.

### **144      Special charge for making a structure plan**

- (1) A local government may, by resolution, make and levy on an owner or occupier of rateable land in a declared master planned area a special charge on the land if—
  - (a) the charge is for making the structure plan for the area; and
  - (b) in the local government's opinion—
    - (i) the land, or the owner or occupier of the land, has or will specially benefit from the making of the structure plan; or
    - (ii) the owner or occupier of the land, or the use made or to be made of the land, has specially contributed, or will specially contribute, to the need for the making of the structure plan.
- (2) The charge may be made and levied on the bases the local government considers appropriate.
- (3) However, if an amount has been paid, or is payable, to the local government under an agreement under section 143 or an infrastructure agreement for the making of the structure plan,

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the local government must take into account the amount in levying the charge.

- (4) The local government may fix a minimum amount of the charge.
- (5) Without limiting subsection (2), the amount of the charge may vary according to the extent to which, in the local government's opinion—
  - (a) the land, or the owner or occupier of the land, has or will specially benefit from the making of the structure plan; or
  - (b) the owner or occupier of the land, or the use made or to be made of the land, has specially contributed, or will specially contribute, to the need for the making of the structure plan.
- (6) The local government's resolution making the charge must identify—
  - (a) the rateable land to which the charge applies; and
  - (b) the overall plan for the making of the structure plan.
- (7) The overall plan must—
  - (a) be adopted by the local government by resolution either before, or at the same time as, the local government first makes the charge; and
  - (b) identify the rateable land to which the charge applies; and
  - (c) describe the process for the making of the structure plan; and
  - (d) state the estimated cost of implementing the overall plan; and
  - (e) state the estimated time for implementing the overall plan.
- (8) The local government may identify parcels of rateable land to which the charge applies in any way it considers appropriate.

- (9) For making and levying the charge, a regulation under the Local Government Act, section 96(a) about concessions for rates applies as if the charge were rates under that Act.
- (10) In this section—  
*rateable land* see the Local Government Act, section 93(2).

## **Division 4                    Making structure plans**

### **145    Making structure plan**

The structure plan must be prepared and made as required by a guideline—

- (a) made by the Minister; and
- (b) prescribed under a regulation.

### **146    Content of guideline for making structure plan**

The guideline mentioned in section 145 must make provision for the following—

- (a) the local government to publish notice about the proposed structure plan at least once in a newspaper circulating in the local government's area;
- (b) the local government to carry out public consultation about the proposed structure plan for a period (the *consultation period*) of at least 30 business days;
- (c) the local government to have available for inspection and purchase during all of the consultation period a copy of the proposed structure plan;
- (d) members of the public to make submissions to the local government about the proposed structure plan;
- (e) the local government to consider all properly made submissions about the proposed structure plan;

- (f) the local government to advise persons who make a properly made submission about how the local government has dealt with the submission;
- (g) the proposed structure plan to be approved by the Minister;
- (h) the making of the structure plan by the local government to be notified in the gazette.

#### **147 Compliance with guideline**

Despite section 145, if the structure plan is made in substantial compliance with the guideline mentioned in the section, the structure plan is valid so long as any noncompliance has not—

- (a) adversely affected the awareness of the public of the existence and nature of the proposed structure plan; or
- (b) restricted the opportunity of members of the public to make properly made submissions under the guideline; or
- (c) restricted the opportunity of the Minister to consider whether any State interests would be adversely affected.

#### **148 When structure plan takes effect**

The structure plan has effect on and from—

- (a) the day the making of the plan is notified in the gazette; or
- (b) if a later day for the commencement of the plan is stated in the plan—the later day.

#### **149 Provisions for new planning schemes**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if the local government has complied with the guideline mentioned in section 145 for making a structure plan but the planning scheme in which the plan was being sought to be included ceases to have effect.

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- (2) The Minister may approve the inclusion of the structure plan in a new planning scheme with changes the Minister considers appropriate without the local government having to comply again with the guideline.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if the local government has a structure plan (the *existing plan*) and it proposes to make a new planning scheme.
- (4) A structure plan (the *remade plan*) may be included in the new planning scheme without having to comply with the guideline if the Minister has agreed that the remade plan is substantially consistent with the existing plan.

## **Part 3                      Master plans**

### **Division 1                Preliminary**

#### **150      Application of pt 3**

This part applies if the structure plan for a declared master planned area requires a master plan for all or part of the area.

#### **151      What is a *master plan***

A *master plan* is a master plan approved under section 181 that is still in force, and includes any conditions included in the plan.

#### **152      Relationship with regulation under s 232**

- (1) The master plan must be consistent with a regulation made under section 232(1) or (2).

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- (2) To the extent the master plan is inconsistent with a regulation made under section 232(1) or (2), the master plan is of no effect.

### **153 Relationship with other planning instruments**

- (1) If there is an inconsistency between a master plan and a State planning instrument, the State planning instrument prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.
- (2) To the extent the master plan is, by doing either or both of the things provided for under section 155(1)(c)(i) or (ii), different from a local planning instrument, the master plan prevails.
- (3) Subsection (1) is subject to section 154.

### **154 New planning instruments can not affect approved master plan**

If, after a master plan is approved, a new planning instrument or an amendment of a planning instrument commences, neither the planning instrument nor the amendment can change or otherwise affect the master plan.

## **Division 2 General matters about master plans**

### **155 Content of master plan**

- (1) The master plan must—
- (a) include a master plan area code that—
- (i) states the development entitlements and development obligations for the master planning unit for the plan; and
- (ii) includes a master plan map that gives a spatial dimension to the matters the subject of the code; and

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- (b) appropriately reflect the standard planning scheme provisions; and
- (c) for development in the master planning unit—
  - (i) state whether the development is—
    - (A) exempt development; or
    - (B) self-assessable development; or
    - (C) development requiring compliance assessment; or
    - (D) assessable development requiring code or impact assessment, or both code and impact assessment; or
  - (ii) identify or include codes for the development; and
  - (iii) state when the development must be completed.

*Note—*

If the development is not completed by the stated time, see section 158 (When master plan ceases to have effect).

- (2) For subsection (1)(c)(i), the master plan may, for development in the master planning unit, state levels of assessment that vary the effect of a level of assessment stated in the structure plan for the master planning unit, in 1 or more of the following ways—
  - (a) if the structure plan provides that a master plan may state that assessable development requiring impact assessment is self-assessable development, development requiring compliance assessment or assessable development requiring code assessment—vary the level of assessment;
  - (b) for development stated in the structure plan as code assessable development—vary its level of assessment to self-assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment;
  - (c) increase any level of assessment stated in the structure plan.

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- (3) For subsection (1)(c)(ii), the master plan may, for development in the master planning unit, identify or include a code for development that varies the effect of a code in the local government's planning scheme included in the structure plan for the master planning unit.
  - (4) However, the code for development—
    - (a) can not vary the effect of the structure plan area code identified or included in the structure plan; and
    - (b) must be substantially consistent with the code that it varies the effect of.
  - (5) The master plan may—
    - (a) require later master plans for the master planning unit; and
    - (b) state requirements with which a later master plan must comply.

*Note—*

For other matters that may be included in a master plan, see chapter 6, part 10 (Compliance stage).

## **156 Master plan attaches to land in master planning unit**

- (1) The master plan attaches to all land in the master planning unit, and binds the owner, the owner's successors in title and any occupier of the land.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that subsection (1) applies even if later development, including reconfiguring a lot, is carried out or approved for the land, or the land is reconfigured.

## **157 Local government approval required**

A person preparing a proposed master plan under the structure plan must apply for and obtain the local government's approval of the proposed plan, under division 3.

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## **158 When master plan ceases to have effect**

A master plan ceases to have effect—

- (a) at the time stated in the plan as the time by which development in the master planning unit must be completed, whether or not the development has been completed; or
- (b) the earlier time when all development in the master planning unit has been carried out in accordance with the master plan.

## **Division 3 Applying for and obtaining approval of proposed master plan**

### **Subdivision 1 Application stage for proposed master plan**

#### **159 Who may apply**

A person may, under this division, apply (a *master plan application*) to the local government for the approval of a proposed master plan for a declared master planned area.

#### **160 Requirements for application**

- (1) The master plan application must—
  - (a) be written; and
  - (b) if the application is made other than by the owner of the land in the master planning unit for the proposed master plan—contain, or be supported by, the owner's written consent to the making of the application; and
  - (c) state—
    - (i) the proposed master plan; and
    - (ii) the master planning unit; and

- (iii) the street address, property description and area of the master planning unit; and
  - (iv) the full name and postal address of the owner and the applicant; and
- (d) be signed by the applicant; and
- (e) be accompanied by the number of copies of the proposed master plan required by the local government and any coordinating agency to allow compliance with section 161; and
- (f) be accompanied by—
  - (i) any relevant regulatory fee fixed by a resolution of the local government; and
  - (ii) any other fee prescribed under a regulation.
- (2) The application is a properly made master plan application only if—
  - (a) it complies with subsection (1); or
  - (b) the local government receives and, after considering any noncompliance with subsection (1), accepts the application.

## **Subdivision 2 Information and response stage**

### **161 Local government gives application to coordinating agency**

- (1) The local government must give any coordinating agency a copy of the properly made master plan application within 10 business days after receiving it.
- (2) The coordinating agency must give a copy of the application to the participating agencies within 5 business days after the day the application is received by the coordinating agency.

## **162 Request for information from applicant**

- (1) The participating agencies, the coordinating agency and the local government may ask the applicant, by written request (a *request for information*), to give further information needed to assess the master plan application.
- (2) A participating agency must, within 40 business days or any lesser period provided for under the structure plan after the day (the *request date*) the application is received by the participating agency, give the coordinating agency a written notice—
  - (a) making a request for information; or
  - (b) stating that the participating agency will not be making a request for information.
- (3) If there are participating agencies, the coordinating agency must—
  - (a) coordinate (the *coordinated request*) any requests for information by the participating agencies and its own request; and
  - (b) give the local government a written request making the coordinated request within 10 business days after the request date.
- (4) If there are no participating agencies, the coordinating agency must, within 40 business days after it receives the application, give the local government a written notice—
  - (a) making a request for information; or
  - (b) stating that the coordinating agency will not be making a request for information.
- (5) The local government must give any request for information received from the coordinating agency, as well as any request for information to be issued by the local government, to the applicant within—

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- (a) 5 business days after the day the local government receives a request for information from the coordinating agency; or
  - (b) 15 business days after the request date if the local government does not receive a request for information from the coordinating agency; or
  - (c) if there is no coordinating agency—40 business days, or any lesser period provided for under the structure plan, after the day the application is received by the local government.
- (6) If a purported request for information by the coordinating agency is made after the period required under this section, the local government must give the applicant the purported request within 5 business days after receiving the request.

### **163 Applicant responds to any request for information**

- (1) If the applicant receives a request for information from the local government, the applicant must give the local government a written response to each request for information that—
  - (a) gives all of the information requested; or
  - (b) gives part of the information requested together with a written notice asking the coordinating agency and the local government to proceed with the assessment of the master plan application; or
  - (c) is a written notice—
    - (i) stating that the applicant does not intend to supply any of the information requested; and
    - (ii) asking the coordinating agency and the local government to proceed with the assessment of the application.
- (2) The applicant must give the local government the response within—

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- (a) generally—the period that ends 6 months after the day the applicant received the request for information from the local government (the *usual period*); or
  - (b) if, within the usual period, the local government and any coordinating agency agree with the applicant to extend the usual period—that extended period.
- (3) The response must be accompanied by enough copies of it to allow subsections (4) and (5) to be complied with.
- (4) The local government must give the coordinating agency a copy of the response within 5 business days after the day the local government receives it.
- (5) The coordinating agency must give a participating agency a copy of the response within 5 business days after the day the coordinating agency receives it.
- (6) To remove any doubt, it is declared that this section does not prevent the applicant from responding to a purported request for information mentioned in section 162(6).

#### **164 Lapsing of application if applicant does not respond**

- (1) The master plan application lapses if the applicant does not comply with section 163(2).
- (2) However, if the application is revived under section 165(1), the master plan application lapses if the applicant does not comply with section 165(2).

#### **165 When application taken not to have lapsed**

- (1) A master plan application that, other than for this section, would lapse under section 164(1) is revived if, within 5 business days after the application would otherwise have lapsed, the applicant gives the local government written notice that the applicant seeks to revive the application.

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- (2) If the master plan application is revived under subsection (1), the applicant must give the local government the response mentioned in section 163 before the end of—
    - (a) 5 business days after giving the notice mentioned in subsection (1); or
    - (b) the further period agreed between the local government and the applicant.
  - (3) If the application is revived under subsection (1), for this division the application is taken not to have lapsed under section 164(1).

### **Subdivision 3      Consultation stage**

#### **166      When consultation is required**

- (1) The applicant must give public notice of the master plan application—
  - (a) in the circumstances stated in the structure plan for the master planned area; or
  - (b) if the proposed master plan seeks to reduce the level of assessment of assessable development requiring impact assessment stated in the structure plan as being capable of being reduced in a master plan to—
    - (i) self-assessable development; or
    - (ii) development requiring compliance assessment; or
    - (iii) assessable development requiring code assessment.
- (2) The public notice must comply with sections 167 and 168.
- (3) If the public notice is required, the applicant must give the local government a copy of the notice.

## **167 Content requirements for public notice**

- (1) Any required public notice of the master plan application must be the publication, at least once in a newspaper circulating in the master planned area, of a notice stating the following—
  - (a) that the applicant has applied for approval of a proposed master plan;
  - (b) a description of the master plan and the master planning unit;
  - (c) a contact telephone number of the local government for information about the proposed master plan;
  - (d) that the application is open for inspection and purchase;
  - (e) that written submissions about any aspect of the application may be made to the local government by any person;
  - (f) the period (the *consultation period*) during which a submission may be made;
  - (g) that the making of a submission does not give rise to a right of appeal against a decision about the application;
  - (h) the requirements for a properly made submission.
- (2) The consultation period—
  - (a) must be at least 20 business days after the publication; and
  - (b) must not include any business day from 20 December in a particular year to 5 January in the following year, both days inclusive.

## **168 When public notice must be given**

- (1) Any required public notice of the master plan application must be published within 20 business days after—

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- (a) if a request for information is made under section 162—the response to the request mentioned in section 163 is given to the local government; or
  - (b) if no request for information is made under section 162—the end of the period mentioned in section 162(5)(b) or (c).
- (2) However, if—
- (a) a purported request for information is made after the period required under section 162; and
  - (b) the applicant elects to comply with the request within the 20 business days mentioned in subsection (1);
- the public notice must be given within 20 business days after the applicant complies with the request.

### **169 Notice to comply with public notice requirement**

- (1) This section applies if public notice of the master plan application is required and the applicant does not comply with section 168.
- (2) The local government may give the applicant written notice requiring the public notice under section 168 to be published within a stated period after the giving of the notice.
- (3) The stated period must be at least 10 business days after the giving of the notice.

### **170 Lapsing of application if notice not complied with**

If the applicant does not comply with a notice under section 169, the master plan application lapses.

### **171 Making submissions**

- (1) During the consultation period, any person may make a submission to the local government about the master plan application.

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- (2) The local government must accept a submission if the submission is a properly made submission.
- (3) However, the local government may accept a written submission even if the submission is not a properly made submission.
- (4) If the local government has accepted a submission, the person who made the submission may, by written notice—
  - (a) during the consultation period, amend the submission; or
  - (b) at any time before a decision on the application is made by the local government, withdraw the submission.

## **172 Distribution of submissions**

- (1) The local government must, if asked by the coordinating agency, give a copy of each properly made submission or other submission accepted under section 171(3) or amended under section 171(4)(a) to the coordinating agency—
  - (a) for a properly made submission—within 5 business days after the end of the consultation period; or
  - (b) for a submission accepted under section 171(3) or amended under section 171(4)(a)—within 5 business days after the submission is accepted or amended.
- (2) The local government must also advise the coordinating agency of any withdrawn submission within 5 business days after the local government is advised a submission is withdrawn.
- (3) The coordinating agency must give a copy of the submissions received by it under subsection (1) to the participating agencies within 5 business days after the day the coordinating agency receives the submissions from the local government.
- (4) The coordinating agency must advise the participating agencies of any withdrawn submission within 5 business days after the day the coordinating agency receives an advice under subsection (2).

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## **Subdivision 4 State government decision stage**

### **173 Assessment by participating agency and coordinating agency**

- (1) Any participating agency and any coordinating agency must assess the master plan application—
  - (a) for participating agencies, within the limits of their jurisdiction as stated in the structure plan; and
  - (b) against the following—
    - (i) State planning regulatory provisions;
    - (ii) a regional plan not identified as appropriately reflected in the structure plan;
    - (iii) State planning policies, to the extent the policies are not identified in—
      - (A) any relevant regional plan as being appropriately reflected in the regional plan; or
      - (B) the structure plan as being appropriately reflected in the structure plan;
    - (iv) if the master planning unit contains designated land, its designation;
    - (v) the structure plan for the master planned area;
    - (vi) other master plans applicable to the master planning unit for the proposed master plan;
    - (vii) State infrastructure agreements for the master planned area; and
  - (c) having regard to—
    - (i) the planning scheme and any other relevant local planning instrument; and
    - (ii) other master plans applicable to the master planned area.

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- (2) In assessing the application, a participating agency or the coordinating agency may give the weight it is satisfied is appropriate to a document of a type mentioned in subsection (1)(b) or (c) that came into effect after the application was made but before it acts under section 174 or 178.

#### **174 When participating agency's response must be given**

- (1) A participating agency must advise the coordinating agency of its recommendation within the required period after—
  - (a) if the participating agency does not make a request for information—the day it received the master plan application; or
  - (b) if the participating agency makes a request for information—the day it receives the response to the request.
- (2) In this section—

*required period* means—

  - (a) generally—60 business days; or
  - (b) if the structure plan states a lesser period for the giving of the recommendation—the lesser period.

#### **175 Participating agency's response powers**

- (1) A participating agency may, within the limits of its jurisdiction as stated in the structure plan, recommend to the coordinating agency one or more of the following—
  - (a) that it has no conditions to include in an approval of the proposed master plan;
  - (b) conditions that must be included in an approval of the proposed master plan;
  - (c) that any approval must be for part only of the proposed master plan;

- (d) that the master plan application be refused.
- (2) Subsection (1) is subject to section 183.

### **176 Coordinating agency's assessment**

The coordinating agency must, within 20 business days after receiving the last response from a participating agency (the *coordinating agency assessment period*)—

- (a) consider each participating agency's response; and
- (b) make a preliminary assessment of the application, based on the assessment carried out under section 173; and
- (c) if there is a conflict between the preliminary assessment and a participating agency's response, or between the responses of participating agencies, seek to achieve in consultation with the relevant participating agency or agencies an agreed State government response to the master plan application.

### **177 Resolution of conflict by Minister**

- (1) If the coordinating agency can not resolve an agreed State government response to the master plan application, the coordinating agency must, within the coordinating agency assessment period, refer the matter to the Minister.
- (2) If a matter is referred to the Minister, the Minister must—
  - (a) establish a committee to prepare a report on the matters and, having considered the report, decide the response to be provided by the coordinating agency; or
  - (b) having considered the written views of the parties, decide the response to be provided by the coordinating agency.
- (3) The Minister's decision must not be contrary to any relevant law.

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## **178 Coordinating agency's decision**

- (1) The coordinating agency must advise the local government of the coordinating agency's decision within 5 business days after—
  - (a) the end of the coordinating agency assessment period if there is an agreed State government response to the master plan application; or
  - (b) receiving the Minister's decision.
- (2) The coordinating agency's decision must tell the local government one or more of the following—
  - (a) that it has no conditions to include in an approval of the proposed master plan;
  - (b) conditions (*coordinating agency conditions*) that must be included in an approval of the proposed master plan;
  - (c) that any approval must be for part only of the proposed master plan;
  - (d) that the master plan application be refused.
- (3) Subsection (2) is subject to section 183.
- (4) To remove any doubt, it is declared that the coordinating agency may exercise any power of the participating agency that the participating agency would have exercised if it had been making the decision.

## **Subdivision 5 Local government decision stage**

### **179 Decision-making period**

- (1) If there is a coordinating agency for the master plan application, the local government must decide the application within the later of—
  - (a) 60 business days after the day the applicant gave a response to a request for information under section 163; or

- (b) 40 business days after the day any coordinating agency advises the local government of its decision under section 178.
- (2) If there is no coordinating agency for the master plan application, the local government must decide the application within 60 business days after—
- (a) if a request for information has been made for the application within the period (the *request period*) under section 162(5)—the day the applicant gave a response to the request; or
  - (b) if no request for information has been made for the application within the request period—the end of the request period.

## **180 Assessment by local government**

- (1) The local government must assess the master plan application—
- (a) against the following—
    - (i) State planning regulatory provisions;
    - (ii) a regional plan not identified as appropriately reflected in the structure plan;
    - (iii) State planning policies, to the extent the policies are not identified in—
      - (A) any relevant regional plan as being appropriately reflected in the regional plan; or
      - (B) the structure plan as being appropriately reflected in the structure plan;
    - (iv) the structure plan for the master planned area;
    - (v) other master plans applicable to the master planning unit for the proposed master plan;

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- (vi) the planning scheme and any other relevant local planning instrument;
    - (vii) local infrastructure agreements for the master planned area; and
  - (b) having regard to the following—
    - (i) any requests for information and responses to them;
    - (ii) submissions accepted by the local government;
    - (iii) any coordinating agency's decision;
    - (iv) other master plans applicable to the master planned area.
- (2) In assessing the application, the local government may give the weight it is satisfied is appropriate to a document of a type mentioned in subsection (1) that came into effect after the application was made but before the local government makes its decision on the application.

### **181 Local government's decision generally**

- (1) In deciding the master plan application, the local government must—
- (a) approve all or part of the proposed master plan and include in it, in the exact form given by any coordinating agency, any coordinating agency conditions; or
  - (b) approve all or part of the proposed master plan subject to conditions decided by the local government and include in it, in the exact form given by any coordinating agency, any coordinating agency conditions; or
  - (c) refuse the application.
- (2) An approval under subsection (1) may be given with or without changes to the proposed master plan.
- (3) The local government's decision must be based on the assessment carried out under section 180.

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- (4) For an approval under subsection (1)(a) or (b), if the coordinating agency's decision has under section 178(2) stated an action that must be taken, the local government must also take the action.

## 182 Restrictions on giving approval

- (1) The local government can not approve the proposed master plan if—
- (a) it does not comply with, or would be inconsistent with the requirements for a master plan under, section 155; or
  - (b) it is contrary to a State planning regulatory provision; or
  - (c) it conflicts with a regional plan not identified as appropriately reflected in the structure plan; or
  - (d) it conflicts with a State planning policy not identified in—
    - (i) any relevant regional plan as being appropriately reflected in the regional plan; or
    - (ii) the structure plan as being appropriately reflected in the structure plan; or
  - (e) it compromises the achievement of the strategic outcomes for—
    - (i) the local government's planning scheme area; or
    - (ii) the master planned area, as stated in the structure plan for the area; or
  - (f) it conflicts with the structure plan area code for the master planned area; or
  - (g) it conflicts with a master plan that already applies to the master planning unit; or
  - (h) any coordinating agency has stated that the proposed master plan must not be approved.
- (2) A decision to approve the proposed master plan (the *relevant plan*) must not be made before a decision has been made to

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approve another proposed master plan that the structure plan for the master planned area requires to be approved before the relevant plan.

- (3) If a master plan application for approval of the other proposed master plan is refused, the master plan application for the relevant plan must be refused.

### **183 Conditions**

- (1) A condition included in a master plan must—
  - (a) be relevant to, but not an unreasonable imposition on, the development or use of premises as a consequence of the development provided for in the master plan; or
  - (b) be reasonably required for the development or use of premises as a consequence of the development provided for in the master plan.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), a condition included in a master plan may—
  - (a) limit how long a lawful use may continue or works may remain in place; or
  - (b) state that development in the master planning unit can not start until—
    - (i) other master plans for the master planning unit have taken effect; or
    - (ii) development permits for assessable development in the master planning unit have taken effect; or
    - (iii) compliance permits for development requiring compliance assessment in the master planning unit have taken effect; or
    - (iv) other development in the master planning unit has been substantially started or completed; or
  - (c) relate to infrastructure if the condition is of a type that could have been imposed had the master plan

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application been a development application made at the same time as the master plan application; or

- (d) require compliance with an infrastructure agreement relating to the master planned area.

*Note—*

See also section 196 (Modified application of provisions about infrastructure for master plan).

- (3) A condition imposed under subsection (2)(d) is taken to comply with subsection (1).

## **184 Notice of decision**

- (1) The local government must, within 5 business days after the day the local government decides the master plan application, give written notice about the decision to—
  - (a) the applicant; and
  - (b) any coordinating agency.
- (2) The local government must give the coordinating agency enough copies of the notice to allow the coordinating agency to comply with subsection (4).
- (3) The notice must—
  - (a) state the decision and the day it was made; and
  - (b) include a copy of any master plan as approved; and
  - (c) if the application is refused, state whether—
    - (i) the local government was directed to refuse the application; and
    - (ii) the refusal was solely because of the coordinating agency's direction; and
  - (d) state the applicant's rights of appeal against the decision.
- (4) The coordinating agency must give a copy of the notice to each participating agency within 5 business days after the

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coordinating agency receives the notice from the local government.

## **185 Representations about conditions and other matters**

- (1) This section applies if the applicant makes written representations to the local government about a matter stated in the notice given under section 184 (the *original notice*), within the applicant's appeal period.
- (2) If the matter relates to coordinating agency conditions—
  - (a) the local government must give any coordinating agency a copy of the representations; and
  - (b) the coordinating agency must advise the local government whether or not it agrees with the representations.
- (3) If the relevant entity agrees with any of the representations, the local government must give a new notice under section 184 (a *negotiated notice*) to—
  - (a) the applicant; and
  - (b) the coordinating agency.
- (4) Only 1 negotiated notice may be given.
- (5) The negotiated notice—
  - (a) must be given within 5 business days after the day the relevant entity agrees with the representations; and
  - (b) must be in the same form as the original notice; and
  - (c) must state the nature of the changes; and
  - (d) replaces the original notice.
- (6) If the relevant entity does not agree with any of the representations, the local government must, within 5 business days after the day it decides not to agree with any of the representations, give written notice to the applicant stating the decision on the representations.

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- (7) Before the relevant entity agrees to a change under this section, it must reconsider the matters considered when the original decision was made by the relevant entity, to the extent the matters are relevant.
  - (8) If the master plan approved by the negotiated notice is different from the master plan approved under section 184 in a way that affects the amount of an infrastructure charge, regulated infrastructure charge or regulated State infrastructure charge—
    - (a) the local government may give the applicant an infrastructure charges notice or a regulated infrastructure charges notice that replaces an existing infrastructure charges notice, negotiated infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice; or
    - (b) the coordinating agency may give the applicant a new regulated State infrastructure charges notice that replaces an existing regulated State infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice.
  - (9) In this section—

*relevant entity*, for the representations, means—

    - (a) to the extent the representations relate to coordinating agency conditions—the coordinating agency; or
    - (b) otherwise—the local government.

## **186 Applicant may suspend applicant's appeal period**

- (1) If the applicant needs more time to make the written representations, the applicant may, by written notice given to the local government (the *suspension notice*), suspend the applicant's appeal period.
- (2) The applicant may act under subsection (1) only once.

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- (3) If the representations are not made within 20 business days after the giving of the suspension notice, the balance of the applicant's appeal period restarts.
- (4) If the representations are made within 20 business days after the giving of the suspension notice—
  - (a) if the applicant gives the local government a notice withdrawing the suspension notice—the balance of the applicant's appeal period restarts the day after the local government receives the notice; or
  - (b) if the local government gives the applicant a notice under section 185(6)—the balance of the applicant's appeal period restarts the day after the applicant receives the notice; or
  - (c) if the local government gives the applicant a negotiated notice for the master plan application—the applicant's appeal period starts again the day after the applicant receives the notice.

## **187 When approval takes effect**

If the proposed master plan is approved, or approved subject to conditions, the plan takes effect—

- (a) if, after receiving notice of the decision under section 184, the applicant gives the local government written notice that it will not be appealing the decision—from when the written notice is given; or
- (b) if, at the end of the applicant's appeal period, the applicant has not appealed against the decision and no notice has been given under paragraph (a)—at the end of the applicant's appeal period; or
- (c) if an appeal is made to the court, subject to the decision of the court under section 496, when the appeal is finally decided or withdrawn.

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**188 Effect on decision stage if action taken under Native Title Act (Cwlth)**

- (1) This section applies if a local government takes action under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth), section 24HA or 24KA relating to the master plan application.
- (2) If the local government takes the action before deciding the application, the deciding of the application must not start until the action is completed.
- (3) If the local government takes the action after the local government decision stage under this subdivision has started, that stage stops the day after the action is taken and starts again the day after the action is completed.

**Subdivision 6 Ministerial directions about application**

**189 Ministerial directions to local government**

- (1) This section applies if the Minister considers the local government has not—
  - (a) taken an action within the period required of it under this division; or
  - (b) made a decision on representations made to it under section 185.
- (2) The Minister may, by written notice, direct the local government to, within a stated reasonable period, take the action or make a decision on the representations.
- (3) The notice must state the reasons for deciding to give the direction.
- (4) The Minister must give the applicant and any coordinating agency a copy of the notice.
- (5) The local government must comply with the direction.

## **190 Ministerial directions to applicant**

- (1) This section applies if the Minister considers the applicant has not taken an action required of it under this division.
- (2) The Minister may, by written notice, direct the applicant to take the action within a stated reasonable period.
- (3) The notice must state the reasons for deciding to give the direction.
- (4) The Minister must give the local government and any coordinating agency a copy of the notice.
- (5) The applicant must comply with the direction.

## **Subdivision 7 Changing or withdrawing applications**

### **191 Changing application**

- (1) Before the master plan application is decided by the local government, the applicant may change the application by giving the local government written notice of the change.
- (2) The local government must give any coordinating agency a copy of the notice as soon as practicable after receiving it.
- (3) The steps under this division must be repeated for the application as changed.
- (4) However, subsection (3) does not apply if—
  - (a) the change is—
    - (i) to correct or change a matter mentioned in subsection (5); or
    - (ii) in response to a request for information; and
  - (b) the local government is satisfied the change would not adversely affect the ability of a person to assess the changed application.

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- (5) For subsection (4)(a)(i), the matters are any of the following—
- (a) an explanatory matter about the proposed master plan;
  - (b) the format or presentation of the plan;
  - (c) a spelling, grammatical or mapping error in the plan;
  - (d) a factual error in the plan;
  - (e) a redundant or outdated term in the plan;
  - (f) a mistake about the applicant's name or address or the owner of land in the master planning unit;
  - (g) a mistake about the street address, property description or area of the master planning unit;
  - (h) the inconsistent numbering of provisions;
  - (i) a cross-reference in the plan.

## **192    Withdrawing application**

- (1) At any time before the master plan application is decided by the local government, the applicant may withdraw the application by giving written notice of the withdrawal to the local government.
- (2) The local government must give any coordinating agency a copy of the notice as soon as practicable after receiving it.

## **Subdivision 8    Miscellaneous provisions**

### **193    Agreements about master plan**

The applicant may enter into an agreement with an entity, including, for example, the local government or coordinating agency or participating agency, to establish the obligations or secure the performance of the proposed master plan or the master plan when it takes effect.

## **194 Substantial compliance**

If the master plan is approved in substantial compliance with this division and has taken effect, it is valid so long as any noncompliance has not—

- (a) adversely affected the awareness of the public of the existence and nature of the proposed master plan; or
- (b) restricted the opportunity of the public to make a properly made submission about the relevant master plan application; or
- (c) restricted the opportunity of a coordinating agency, a participating agency or the local government to perform their functions under this division.

## **195 Additional third party advice or comment**

- (1) The local government may, at any time before it decides the master plan application, ask any person for advice or comment about the application.
- (2) However, asking for and receiving advice or comment does not extend any period under this division.
- (3) There is no particular way advice or comment may be asked for and received and the request may be by publicly notifying the application.
- (4) To remove any doubt, it is declared that public notification under subsection (3) does not constitute a public notice of the application by the applicant.

## **196 Modified application of provisions about infrastructure for master plan**

- (1) Chapter 8, parts 1 and 3 apply for a master plan and the relevant master plan application for it—
  - (a) as if a reference in the parts to a development application were a reference to the master plan application; and

- (b) as if a reference in the parts to an applicant were a reference to a person who made the master plan application; and
  - (c) as if a reference in the parts to a development approval were a reference to an approval of a master plan; and
  - (d) as if a reference in the parts to a condition were a reference to a condition included in a master plan; and
  - (e) as if a reference in the parts to a State infrastructure provider were a reference to a coordinating agency; and
  - (f) as if a reference in the parts to an assessment manager were a reference to the local government; and
  - (g) as if a reference in the parts to a concurrence agency were a reference to a coordinating agency; and
  - (h) with other necessary changes.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that subsection (1) does not affect the operation of chapter 8, parts 1 and 3, for a development application.

### **197 Notation of master plan on planning scheme**

- (1) This section applies if the master plan is approved and is in force.
- (2) The local government must—
  - (a) note the master plan on its planning scheme; and
  - (b) give the chief executive written notice of the notation and the land to which the note relates.
- (3) The note is not an amendment of the planning scheme.
- (4) Failure to comply with subsection (2) does not affect the validity of the master plan.

## **Division 4                      Amending or cancelling master plans**

### **198      Application to amend master plan**

- (1) A person may apply to amend a master plan.
- (2) The application must be made and decided under division 3 in the same way as a master plan application as if the proposed amendment were a proposed master plan.
- (3) However, the written consent of an owner of land in the master planning unit is not required if, in the local government's opinion, the proposed amendment does not materially affect the land.
- (4) Subject to subsection (3), the local government may accept the application even if it does not comply with the requirements applying for an application under division 3.

### **199      Cancellation of master plan by local government**

- (1) The local government may cancel a master plan only if—
  - (a) all owners of land in the master planning unit have given written consent to the cancellation; and
  - (b) development under the plan has not started.
- (2) In this section—  
*cancel* does not include amend or replace.

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## Chapter 5      Designation of land for community infrastructure

### Part 1              Preliminary

#### 200      Who may designate land

A Minister or a local government may, under this chapter, designate land for community infrastructure prescribed under a regulation for this section.

*Note—*

In this chapter, *Minister* includes any Minister. See definition *Minister* in schedule 3 (Dictionary).

#### 201      Matters to be considered when designating land

Land may be designated for community infrastructure only if the Minister or local government is satisfied the community infrastructure will—

- (a) facilitate the implementation of legislation and policies about environmental protection or ecological sustainability; or
- (b) facilitate the efficient allocation of resources; or
- (c) satisfy statutory requirements or budgetary commitments of the State or local government for the supply of community infrastructure; or
- (d) satisfy the community's expectations for the efficient and timely supply of the infrastructure.

#### 202      What designations may include

A designation may include—

- (a) requirements about works or the use of the land for the community infrastructure, including the height, shape,

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bulk or location of the works on the land, vehicular access to the land, vehicular and pedestrian circulation on the land, hours of operation of the use, landscaping on the land and ancillary uses of the land; and

- (b) other requirements designed to lessen the impacts of the works or the use of the land for community infrastructure, including procedures for environmental management.

### **203 How IDAS applies to designated land**

Development under a designation is exempt development, to the extent the development is either, or both, of the following—

- (a) self-assessable development, development requiring compliance assessment or assessable development under a planning scheme;
- (b) reconfiguring a lot.

### **204 Relationship of designation to State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if land in a declared State development area under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* is designated under this part.
- (2) Despite section 84 of that Act, use of the land in accordance with the designation—
  - (a) is taken to be a use of the land in accordance with the approved development scheme for the land under that Act; and
  - (b) is not a use that contravenes section 84 of that Act.

### **205 How infrastructure charges apply to designated land**

If a public sector entity that is a department or part of a department proposes or starts development under a

designation, the entity is not required to pay any charge for infrastructure under chapter 8, part 1 for the development.

## **206 How designations must be shown in planning schemes**

- (1) If a local government designates land, or notes a designation of land by the Minister on its planning scheme, the designation or note must—
  - (a) identify the land; and
  - (b) state the type of community infrastructure for which the land was designated; and
  - (c) state the day the designation was made; and
  - (d) refer to any matters included as part of the designation under section 202; and
  - (e) be shown in the planning scheme in a way that other provisions in the planning scheme applying to the land remain effective even if the designation is repealed or ceases to have effect.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that—
  - (a) a designation is part of a planning scheme; and
  - (b) designation is not the only way community infrastructure may be identified in a planning scheme; and
  - (c) the provisions of a planning scheme, other than the provision that designates land, applying to designated land remain effective even if the designation is repealed or ceases to have effect.



- (a) the assessment and consultation has been carried out as required by guidelines made by the chief executive under section 760 for assessing the impacts of the development; or
- (b) the processes under chapter 6, part 4 and part 5, division 2, have been completed for a development application for the community infrastructure to which the designation relates; or
- (c) the process under chapter 9, part 2, division 2, has been completed for an EIS for development for the community infrastructure; or
- (d) public notification has been carried out for a planning scheme, or an amendment of a planning scheme, that includes the community infrastructure, under the guideline mentioned in section 117(1); or
- (e) public notification has been carried out for a structure plan for a declared master planned area that includes the community infrastructure, under the guideline mentioned in section 145; or
- (f) the coordinator-general has, under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*, section 35, prepared a report evaluating an EIS for, or including, development for the community infrastructure; or
- (g) the process under the Environmental Protection Act, chapter 3, part 1 has been completed for an EIS for development for the community infrastructure.

*Editor's note—*

Environmental Protection Act, chapter 3 (Environmental impact statements), part 1 (EIS process)

- (4) However, if written notice of the proposed designation has not been given to each of the following entities about an action mentioned in subsection (3), the Minister must give written notice of the proposed designation to the entities inviting submissions about the proposed designation—

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- (a) the owner of any land to which the proposed designation applies;
  - (b) each local government the Minister is satisfied the designation affects.
- (5) A notice given under subsection (4) must give the entities at least 15 business days to make a submission.

## **208 Procedures after designation**

- (1) If the Minister designates land, the Minister must give a notice to—
- (a) each owner of the land; and
  - (b) each local government the Minister is satisfied the designation affects; and
  - (c) the chief executive.
- (2) The notice must state each of the following—
- (a) that the designation has been made;
  - (b) the description of the land;
  - (c) the type of community infrastructure for which the land has been designated;
  - (d) any matters mentioned in section 202 and included as part of the designation.
- (3) The Minister must also publish a gazette notice stating the matters mentioned in subsection (2)(a) to (c).

## **209 Procedures if designation does not proceed**

If the Minister decides not to proceed with a proposed designation, the Minister must give a notice, stating that the designation will not proceed, to the persons mentioned in section 208(1)(a) and (b).

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## **210 Effects of ministerial designations**

A designation made under this part—

- (a) if the designation states that it replaces an existing designation—replaces the existing designation; and
- (b) has effect on and from—
  - (i) the day the designation is notified in the gazette; or
  - (ii) if a later day for the commencement of the designation is stated in the notice—the later day.

## **211 When local government must include designation in planning scheme**

- (1) If a local government receives a notice from a Minister stating that the Minister has made a designation in or near its planning scheme area, the local government must note the designation on—
  - (a) its planning scheme (if any); and
  - (b) any new planning scheme it makes before the designation ceases to have effect.
- (2) The note is not an amendment of the planning scheme.

# **Part 3 Local government designations**

## **212 Designation of land by local government**

- (1) A local government may only designate land by using the process stated in the guideline mentioned in section 117(1) to include the designation as a substantive provision of its planning scheme.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies whether or not the local government owns the land.

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- (3) However, land identified in a priority infrastructure plan as land for community infrastructure is not designated land unless it is also specifically identified as designated land.

### **213 Designating land the local government does not own**

- (1) This section applies if the local government proposes to designate land it does not own.
- (2) Before the start of the consultation period for making or amending a planning scheme intended to include the designation, the local government must give written notice of the proposed designation to the owner of the land.
- (3) The notice must state the following—
  - (a) the description of the land proposed to be designated, including a plan of the land;
  - (b) the type of community infrastructure for which the designation is proposed;
  - (c) the reasons for the designation;
  - (d) that written submissions about any aspect of the proposed designation may be given to the local government during the consultation period.

## **Part 4 Duration and reconfirmation of designations**

### **214 Duration of designations**

- (1) A designation ceases to have effect—
  - (a) if the designation is made by a Minister—6 years after notice of the designation was published in the gazette (the *designation cessation day*); or

- (b) if the designation is made by a local government—6 years after the planning scheme or amendment that incorporated the designation took effect (also the *designation cessation day*).
- (2) If, after designating land but before the designation cessation day, a local government makes a new planning scheme and includes an existing designation as a substantive provision of the new planning scheme—
  - (a) the existing designation continues to have effect until its designation cessation day under subsection (1); and
  - (b) section 213 does not apply to remaking the designation in the new planning scheme.

## **215 When designations do not cease**

- (1) A designation does not cease to have effect on the designation cessation day if—
  - (a) on the designation cessation day, an entity other than a public sector entity or the local government owns, or has a public utility easement over, the designated land and construction of community infrastructure started before the designation cessation day; or
  - (b) on the designation cessation day, a public sector entity or the local government owns, or has a public utility easement, for the same purpose as the designation, over, the designated land; or
  - (c) before the designation cessation day, a public sector entity or the local government gave a notice of intention to resume the designated land under the Acquisition Act, section 7; or
  - (d) before the designation cessation day, a public sector entity or the local government signed an agreement to take under the Acquisition Act or to otherwise buy the designated land; or

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- (e) for a designation made by the Minister—before the designation cessation day, the Minister gave the local government written notice reconfirming the designation.
- (2) However, if a public sector entity or a local government discontinues proceedings to resume designated land, whether before or after the designation cessation day, the designation ceases to have effect the day the proceedings are discontinued.
- (3) To remove any doubt, it is declared that a designation of land or any notice given to an owner about a designation of land does not constitute a notice of intention to resume under the Acquisition Act, section 7.

## **216 Reconfirming designation**

- (1) If the Minister gives a local government written notice under section 215(1)(e) reconfirming a designation—
  - (a) the local government must display the notice in a conspicuous place in the local government’s public office; and
  - (b) the Minister must—
    - (i) give the owner of the land a copy of the notice; and
    - (ii) publish the notice in the gazette; and
  - (c) the designation has effect for another 6 years after the notice is published in the gazette.
- (2) When a local government receives a notice from the Minister reconfirming a designation in or near its planning scheme area, the local government must again note the designation on—
  - (a) its planning scheme (if any); and
  - (b) any new planning scheme it makes before the designation ceases to have effect.
- (3) The note is not an amendment of the planning scheme.

- (4) A reconfirmation of a designation is taken to be a designation to which sections 214 and 215 apply.

## **Part 5 Repealing designations**

### **217 Who may repeal designations**

- (1) A Minister may repeal a designation made by the Minister.
- (2) A local government may repeal a designation made by the local government.

### **218 Notice of repeal**

- (1) The repeal of a designation must be made by publishing a notice of repeal of the designation—
- (a) in the gazette; and
  - (b) in a newspaper circulating generally in the area where the designated land is situated.
- (2) The notice must state the following—
- (a) that the designation has been repealed;
  - (b) the description of the land to which the designation applied;
  - (c) the purpose of the community infrastructure for which the land was designated;
  - (d) the reasons for the decision.

### **219 Minister or local government to give notice of repeal to particular entities**

- (1) If the repeal is made by a Minister, the Minister must give a copy of the notice to—

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- (a) each local government to which a notice about the making of the designation was given; and
  - (b) if the land is owned by an entity other than the State or the local government—the owner; and
  - (c) the chief executive.
- (2) If the repeal is made by a local government and the land is owned by an entity other than the local government, the local government must give a copy of the notice to the owner.

## **220 When designation ceases to have effect**

The designation ceases to have effect on the day the notice is published in the gazette.

## **221 Local government to note repeal on planning scheme**

- (1) If a local government repeals a designation or receives a notice from the Minister advising that the Minister has repealed a designation, the local government must note the repeal on its planning scheme.
- (2) The note is not an amendment of the planning scheme.

# **Part 6 Acquiring designated land**

## **222 Request to acquire designated land under hardship**

- (1) Subsection (3) applies if the owner of an interest in designated land (the *designated interest*) is suffering hardship because of the designation.
- (2) However, subsection (3) does not apply if—
  - (a) the designated land is land—

- (i) over which there is an existing public utility easement; or
    - (ii) for which a process has started under the Acquisition Act to acquire a public utility easement; and
  - (b) the designation is for community infrastructure for which the easement exists or is being acquired.
- (3) The owner may ask the designator to buy—
- (a) the designated interest; or
  - (b) if the owner has an interest in land adjoining the designated land and retaining the interest without the designated interest would also cause the owner hardship—the designated interest and the interest in the land adjoining the designated land.

### **223 Decision about request**

- (1) The designator must, within 40 business days after the request is received, decide to—
  - (a) grant the request; or
  - (b) take other action under section 226; or
  - (c) refuse the request.
- (2) In deciding whether or not the owner is suffering hardship, the designator must consider each of the following—
  - (a) whether the owner must sell an interest mentioned in section 222(3)(a) or (b) without delay for personal reasons, including to avoid loss of income, and has tried unsuccessfully to sell the interest at a fair market value (disregarding the designation);
  - (b) whether the owner has a genuine intent to develop the interest, but development approval has been, or is likely to be, refused because of the designation;

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- (c) the extent to which development would be viable because of the designation if the owner exercised rights conferred under any development approval.

#### **224 Notice about grant of request**

If the designator decides to grant the request, the designator must, within 5 business days after deciding the request, give the owner a notice stating the designator proposes to buy the nominated interest.

#### **225 Notice about refusal of request**

If the designator decides to refuse the request, the designator must, within 5 business days after deciding the request, give the owner a notice stating—

- (a) the request has been refused; and
- (b) the owner may appeal against the decision.

#### **226 Alternative action designator may take**

If the designator decides not to buy the nominated interest, the designator may, instead of taking action under section 225 and within 5 business days after deciding the request, give the owner a notice stating that the designator proposes to—

- (a) exchange the nominated interest for property held by the designator; or
- (b) repeal the designation or remove the designation from the designated interest; or
- (c) investigate the removal of the designation from the designated interest.

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**227 If the designator does not act under the notice**

- (1) This section applies if the designator gave a notice under section 224 or 226 and, within 40 business days after giving the notice, the designator has not—
  - (a) signed an agreement with the owner to buy the nominated interest or to take the nominated interest under the Acquisition Act, section 15; or
  - (b) signed an agreement with the owner to exchange the nominated interest; or
  - (c) repealed the designation or removed the designation from the designated interest.
- (2) The designator must, within 5 business days after the end of the period mentioned in subsection (1), give the owner a notice of intention to resume the nominated interest.
- (3) The notice given under subsection (2) is taken to be a notice of intention to resume given under the Acquisition Act, section 7.
- (4) However, the Acquisition Act, sections 13 and 41, do not apply to the resumption.

*Editor's note—*

Acquisition Act, sections 7 (Notice of intention to take land), 13 (Provision for taking particular additional land), 15 (Taking by agreement) and 41 (Disposal of land)

**228 How value of interest is decided**

If an interest in designated land is taken under the Acquisition Act, the effect of the designation must be disregarded in deciding the value of the interest taken.



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- (c) development requiring compliance assessment;
  - (d) assessable development;
  - (e) prohibited development.
- (2) Under this Act, all development is exempt development unless it is—
- (a) self-assessable development; or
  - (b) development requiring compliance assessment; or
  - (c) assessable development; or
  - (d) prohibited development.

**232 Regulation may prescribe categories of development or require code or impact assessment**

- (1) A regulation may prescribe that development is—
- (a) self-assessable development; or
  - (b) development requiring compliance assessment; or
  - (c) assessable development.

*Note—*

See section 397(3) for matters a regulation under subsection (1)(b) must state.

- (2) Also, a regulation may prescribe development that a planning scheme, a temporary local planning instrument, a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies or a master plan can not declare to be self-assessable development, development requiring compliance assessment, assessable development or prohibited development.
- (3) In addition, a regulation may require code or impact assessment, or both code and impact assessment, for assessable development.

*Note—*

Under this Act, the following also may state that development is self-assessable development, development requiring compliance

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assessment or assessable development requiring code or impact assessment, or both code and impact assessment—

- (a) a State planning regulatory provision;
- (b) a structure plan;
- (c) a master plan;
- (d) a temporary local planning instrument;
- (e) a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies;
- (f) a planning scheme.

### **233 Relationship between regulation and planning scheme, temporary local planning instrument or local law**

- (1) To the extent a planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument is inconsistent with a regulation made under section 232(1) or (2), the planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument is of no effect.
- (2) However, to the extent a planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument is inconsistent with a regulation made under section 232(1) because the planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument states development is self-assessable but the regulation states the development is assessable—
  - (a) codes in the planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument for the development are not applicable codes; but
  - (b) must be complied with.
- (3) If a regulation requires code assessment for development, a planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument can not require impact assessment instead of code assessment for the aspect of development the code is about.
- (4) To the extent a planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument is inconsistent with a regulation mentioned in

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section 232(3), for assessable development, the planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument is of no effect.

- (5) Subsections (3) and (4) apply whether the regulation was made before or after the commencement of the planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument.
- (6) A regulation under this or another Act may also identify a code, or a part of a code, as a code, or a part of a code, that can not be changed under a local planning instrument or a local law.
- (7) To the extent a local planning instrument or a local law is inconsistent with the scope of a code, or a part of a code, identified in the regulation mentioned in subsection (6), the local planning instrument or local law is of no effect.

## **234 Relationship between sch 1 and planning instruments**

To the extent a planning instrument purports to provide for any matter about development that is prohibited development under schedule 1, the planning instrument is of no effect.

## **Division 2 Particular provisions about categories of development**

### **235 Exempt development**

- (1) A development permit is not necessary for exempt development.
- (2) Also, exempt development need not comply with master plans for declared master planned areas or planning instruments, other than a State planning regulatory provision.
- (3) Nothing in subsection (2) stops a planning instrument, a master plan for a declared master planned area, a development approval or compliance permit affecting exempt development if—

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- (a) the development is the natural and ordinary consequence of another aspect of development that is self-assessable development, development requiring compliance assessment or assessable development; and
- (b) the effect mitigates impacts of the self-assessable development, development requiring compliance assessment or assessable development.

*Example for subsection (3)—*

A development approval for a material change of use may include conditions, including, for example, conditions about landscaping, parking or buildings that are the natural and ordinary consequence of the material change of use if the conditions would mitigate impacts, including, for example, visual amenity, noise or traffic generation, of the material change of use.

### **236 Self-assessable development**

- (1) A development permit is not necessary for self-assessable development.
- (2) However, self-assessable development must comply with applicable codes.

*Note—*

It is an offence to carry out self-assessable development in contravention of applicable codes. See section 574 (Self-assessable development must comply with codes).

### **237 Development requiring compliance assessment**

- (1) A development permit is not necessary for development requiring compliance assessment.
- (2) A compliance permit is necessary for development requiring compliance assessment.

*Note—*

It is an offence to carry out development requiring compliance assessment without a compliance permit. See section 575 (Carrying out development without compliance permit).

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**238 Assessable development**

A development permit is necessary for assessable development.

*Note—*

It is an offence to carry out assessable development without a development permit. See section 578 (Carrying out assessable development without permit).

**239 Prohibited development**

- (1) An application or request for compliance assessment can not be made for development if the development is prohibited development.
- (2) If an application or request for compliance assessment is made and any part of the development applied for is prohibited development, the application or request is taken not to have been made and IDAS does not apply to it.

*Note—*

It is an offence to carry out development that is prohibited development. See section 581 (Offence to carry out prohibited development).

**Division 3 Approvals for IDAS**

**Subdivision 1 Preliminary**

**240 Types of approval**

The types of approval under this Act for IDAS are—

- (a) a preliminary approval; and
- (b) a development permit; and
- (c) a compliance permit; and
- (d) a compliance certificate.

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*Note—*

See part 10 (Compliance stage) for provisions about compliance permits and compliance certificates.

## **Subdivision 2 Preliminary approvals**

### **241 Preliminary approvals**

- (1) A *preliminary approval*—
  - (a) approves development, but does not authorise assessable development to take place; and
  - (b) approves development—
    - (i) to the extent stated in the approval; and
    - (ii) subject to the conditions of the approval.
- (2) However, there is no requirement to get a preliminary approval for development.

*Note—*

Preliminary approvals assist in the staging of approvals.

### **242 Preliminary approval may affect a local planning instrument**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) an applicant applies for a preliminary approval; and
  - (b) part of the application states the way in which the applicant seeks the approval to vary the effect of any local planning instrument for the land.

*Note—*

A preliminary approval to which this section applies may be made for a master planned area only if so permitted under the structure plan for the area. See section 134 (Restriction on particular development applications in master planned area).

- (2) Subsection (3) applies to the extent the application is for—

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- (a) development that is a material change of use; and
  - (b) the part mentioned in subsection (1)(b).
- (3) If the preliminary approval approves the material change of use, the preliminary approval may, in addition to the things an approval may do under part 5, do either or both of the following for the material change of use or development relating to the material change of use—
- (a) state that the development is—
    - (i) exempt development; or
    - (ii) self-assessable development; or
    - (iii) development requiring compliance assessment; or
    - (iv) assessable development requiring code or impact assessment, or both code and impact assessment;
  - (b) identify or include codes for the development.

*Note—*

For other things that a preliminary approval to which this section applies may do, see part 10 (Compliance stage).

- (4) Subsection (5) applies to the extent the application is for—
- (a) development other than a material change of use; and
  - (b) the part mentioned in subsection (1)(b).
- (5) If the preliminary approval approves the development, the preliminary approval may, in addition to the things an approval may do under part 5, do either or both of the following for the development—
- (a) state that the development is—
    - (i) exempt development; or
    - (ii) self-assessable development; or
    - (iii) development requiring compliance assessment; or
    - (iv) assessable development requiring code or impact assessment, or both code and impact assessment;

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- (b) identify or include codes for the development.
- (6) To the extent the preliminary approval, by doing either or both of the things mentioned in subsection (3) or (5), is different from the local planning instrument, the approval prevails.
- (7) However, subsection (3) or (5) no longer applies to development mentioned in subsection (3)(a) or (5)(a) when the first of the following happens—
  - (a) the development approved by the preliminary approval and authorised by a later development permit or compliance permit is completed;
  - (b) the time limit for completing the development ends.

*Note—*

For the time limit for completing development, see section 343 (When approval lapses if development started but not completed—preliminary approval).

- (8) To the extent the preliminary approval is inconsistent with a regulation made under section 232(1), (2) or (3), the preliminary approval is of no effect.

## **Subdivision 3      Development permits**

### **243      Development permits**

A *development permit* authorises assessable development to take place—

- (a) to the extent stated in the permit; and
- (b) subject to—
  - (i) the conditions of the permit; and
  - (ii) any preliminary approval relating to the development the permit authorises, including any conditions of the preliminary approval.

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## **Subdivision 4      Other matters about development approvals**

### **244      Development approval includes conditions**

A development approval includes any conditions—

- (a) imposed by the assessment manager; and
- (b) that a concurrence agency has given in a response under section 285 or 290, or an amended response under section 290; and
- (c) that the Minister has directed the assessment manager to attach to the approval under section 419; and
- (d) that under another Act must be imposed on the development approval.

*Example for paragraph (d)—*

The conditions taken to be imposed under the Building Act, chapter 4, part 5, division 1.

### **245      Development approval attaches to land**

- (1) A development approval—
  - (a) attaches to the land the subject of the application to which the approval relates; and
  - (b) binds the owner, the owner's successors in title and any occupier of the land.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that subsection (1) applies even if later development, including reconfiguring a lot, is approved for the land or the land as reconfigured.

## **Division 4                      Assessment managers and referral agencies**

### **Subdivision 1                Assessment managers**

#### **246      Who is the assessment manager**

- (1) The *assessment manager* for an application is the entity prescribed under a regulation as the assessment manager for the application.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the regulation may state that the assessment manager for an application is the entity decided by the Minister.
- (3) If, under the regulation, the assessment manager is to be decided by the Minister, the Minister may instead require the application to be split into 2 or more applications.

#### **247      Role of assessment manager**

The assessment manager for an application administers and decides the application, but may not always assess all aspects of development for the application.

*Note—*

See section 312 (When assessment manager must not assess part of an application).

#### **248      Jurisdiction of local government as assessment manager for particular development**

If a local government is the assessment manager for development not completely within the local government's planning scheme area—

- (a) sections 246(1) and 247 apply despite the Local Government Act, section 9; and

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*Editor's note—*

Local Government Act, section 9 (Powers of local governments generally)

- (b) to the extent the application is for development for prescribed tidal work, the local government has the jurisdiction to assess the application in addition to any other jurisdiction it may have for assessing the application.

## **249 When assessment manager also has jurisdiction as concurrence agency**

If an entity is the assessment manager and has 1 or more jurisdictions as a concurrence agency, whether or not the jurisdiction has been devolved or delegated to the entity—

- (a) the entity is not a concurrence agency; but
- (b) the entity's jurisdiction as assessment manager includes each jurisdiction the entity would have had as a concurrence agency.

## **Subdivision 2 Referral agencies**

### **250 Who is an *advice agency***

An *advice agency*, for an application, is—

- (a) an entity prescribed under a regulation as an advice agency for the application; or
- (b) if the functions of the entity in relation to the application have been devolved or delegated to another entity—the other entity.

### **251 Who is a *concurrence agency***

A *concurrence agency*, for an application, is—

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- (a) an entity prescribed under a regulation as a concurrence agency for the application; or
- (b) if the functions of the entity in relation to the application have been devolved or delegated to another entity—the other entity.

### **252 Who is a *referral agency***

A *referral agency* is an advice agency or a concurrence agency.

### **253 Exclusion of particular entities as referral agency for a master planned area**

- (1) This section applies to an application for land in a declared master planned area.
- (2) Despite sections 250 and 251, to the extent an entity has exercised a coordinating agency's or participating agency's jurisdiction for the structure plan or a master plan for the master planned area, the entity is a referral agency for the application only if a regulation for this subsection provides that the entity is a referral agency for the application.

### **254 Jurisdiction of referral agencies for applications—generally**

- (1) A referral agency has, for assessing and responding to the part of an application giving rise to the referral, the jurisdiction or jurisdictions prescribed under a regulation.
- (2) If 2 or more entities prescribed as referral agencies are the same entity (however called), the entities are taken to be a single referral agency with multiple jurisdictions.

### **255 Concurrence agencies if Minister decides assessment manager**

- (1) This section applies if—

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- (a) the assessment manager for an application is decided by the Minister; and
  - (b) the Minister is satisfied 1 or more other entities, that are not concurrence agencies for the application, could have been the assessment manager for the application.
- (2) The Minister may state that 1 or more of the entities are to be a concurrence agency for the application.
  - (3) An entity that becomes a concurrence agency under subsection (2) has the jurisdiction it would have had if it were the assessment manager.

### **Subdivision 3      Additional third party advice or comment about applications**

#### **256      Assessment manager or concurrence agency may seek advice or comment about application**

- (1) The assessment manager or a concurrence agency for an application may ask any person for advice or comment about the application at any stage of IDAS, other than the compliance stage.
- (2) There is no particular way advice or comment may be asked for and received and the request may be by publicly notifying the application.
- (3) To remove any doubt, it is declared that—
  - (a) asking for and receiving advice or comment does not extend any stage; and
  - (b) public notification under subsection (2) is not notification under part 4, division 2.

## **Division 5                      Stages of IDAS**

### **257      Stages of IDAS**

- (1) IDAS involves the following possible stages—
  - application stage
  - information and referral stage
  - notification stage
  - decision stage
  - compliance stage.
- (2) Not all stages, or all parts of a stage, apply to all applications.

*Example—*

An application for development approval for a factory requiring code assessment and a referral for workplace health and safety purposes involves 3 stages—the application, information and referral and decision stages.

- (3) For development requiring compliance assessment only, the compliance stage is the only stage that applies to the development.

## **Division 6                      Application of IDAS in declared    master planned areas**

### **258      Exclusion of particular provisions about making                  application for declared master planned area**

- (1) This section applies to the making of an application, or proposed application, for development in a declared master planned area if there is a structure plan in force for the area.
- (2) The following do not apply to the making of the application or proposed application—
  - (a) section 239, to the extent the development includes prohibited development under schedule 1;

- (b) the requirements of a regulation under section 264(1);
- (c) a requirement for, or a restriction on, the making of the application under any other Act, if the requirement or restriction relates to a State resource prescribed under section 264(1);
- (d) a provision of any other Act that imposes a requirement for, or a restriction on, the making of the application.

*Example of a provision for paragraph (d)—*

*the Water Act 2000, section 967*

- (3) This section applies despite any other Act and prevails to the extent of any inconsistency with another provision of this chapter.

## **Division 7                      Giving notices electronically**

### **259      Giving notices using e-IDAS**

- (1) This section applies if, under the application stage, information and referral stage, notification stage or decision stage of IDAS, an entity (the *first entity*) is required to give another entity a notice in writing about an application made using e-IDAS.
- (2) The first entity may comply with the requirement by electronically sending to the other entity, using e-IDAS, the information required to be given in the notice.

## **Part 2                      Application stage**

### **Division 1                Application process**

#### **Subdivision 1        Applying for development approvals**

##### **260    Applying for development approval**

- (1) Each application must—
  - (a) be made to the assessment manager; and
  - (b) be in the approved form or made electronically under section 262(3); and
  - (c) be accompanied by any supporting information the approved form states is mandatory supporting information for the application; and
  - (d) be accompanied by—
    - (i) if the assessment manager is a local government—the fee for administering the application fixed by resolution of the local government; or
    - (ii) if the assessment manager is another public sector entity—the fee prescribed under a regulation under this or another Act; and
  - (e) if, under section 263, the consent of the owner of the land the subject of the application is required for the making of the application—
    - (i) contain or be accompanied by the owner’s written consent; or
    - (ii) include a declaration by the applicant that the owner has given written consent to the making of the application; and

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- (f) if, under section 264(1), the application is required to be supported by evidence mentioned in the subsection—contain or be accompanied by the evidence.

*Note—*

A single application may be made for both a preliminary approval and a development permit.

- (2) The approved form—
- (a) must contain a mandatory requirements part; and
  - (b) may make provision for mandatory supporting information for the application.
- (3) In making an application, the applicant must give the information required under the mandatory requirements part of the approved form.

## **261 When application is a *properly made application***

An application is a *properly made application* if—

- (a) the application is made in compliance with section 260(1) and (3); and
- (b) if the application relates to land in a declared master planned area and the structure plan for the master planned area requires a master plan for the development—the master plan has been approved or a master plan application for the master plan was made with or before the making of the application.

## **262 Special provision about electronic applications**

- (1) The chief executive may approve an electronic system to send and receive electronic communications for carrying out actions involved in IDAS.
- (2) The electronic system approved by the chief executive under subsection (1) is called *e-IDAS*.

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- (3) If an applicant can use e-IDAS for making an application—
  - (a) the application may be made by electronically sending to the assessment manager, using e-IDAS, the information required in the approved form for the application in the format provided for under e-IDAS; and
  - (b) electronic communications for carrying out actions involved in IDAS may be made using e-IDAS.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if—
  - (a) an applicant uses e-IDAS for making an application; and
  - (b) an action required to be taken under IDAS for the application has not been taken by the end of the last day for taking the action; and
  - (c) e-IDAS does not operate for any period on the last day.
- (5) The person required to take the action may extend the period for taking the action under IDAS by not more than 2 business days after the end of the day on which e-IDAS begins to operate again by—
  - (a) taking the action within 2 business days after the end of that day; and
  - (b) giving each other party to the application written notice of the extension at the same time as the action is taken using e-IDAS.
- (6) If a person acts under subsection (5), the period for taking the action under IDAS is extended until the time the action is taken using e-IDAS and the notice is given.
- (7) In this section—

**party**, to an application, means each of the following—

  - (a) the applicant;
  - (b) the assessment manager;
  - (c) any referral agency to which the action required to be taken relates.

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**263 When owner's consent is required for application**

- (1) The consent of the owner of the land the subject of an application is required for its making if the application is for—
  - (a) a material change of use of premises or reconfiguring a lot; or
  - (b) work on land below high-water mark and outside a canal as defined under the *Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995*; or
  - (c) work on rail corridor land as defined under the Transport Infrastructure Act.
- (2) Despite subsection (1)—
  - (a) to the extent the land the subject of the application has the benefit of an easement, and the development is not inconsistent with the terms of the easement, the consent of the owner of the servient tenement is not required; and
  - (b) to the extent section 264(1) applies to the application, the consent of the owner of the land the subject of the application is not required; and
  - (c) to the extent another Act requires an application to be supported by 1 or more of the things mentioned in section 264(1)(a), (b) or (c), the consent of the owner of the land the subject of the application is not required; and
  - (d) the consent of the owner of the land is not required to the extent—
    - (i) the land the subject of the application is acquisition land; and
    - (ii) the application relates to the purpose for which the land is to be taken or acquired.

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## **264 Development involving a State resource**

- (1) To the extent the development to which an application relates involves a State resource prescribed under a regulation, the regulation may require the application to be supported by 1 or more of the following prescribed under the regulation for the development—
  - (a) evidence of an allocation of, or an entitlement to, the resource;
  - (b) evidence the chief executive of the department administering the resource is satisfied the development is consistent with an allocation of, or an entitlement to, the resource;
  - (c) evidence the chief executive of the department administering the resource is satisfied the development application may proceed in the absence of an allocation of, or an entitlement to, the resource.
- (2) The document containing the evidence may state a day, at least 6 months after the date of the document, after which an application to which the evidence in the document relates may not be made using the evidence.

## **265 Approved material change of use required for particular developments**

- (1) This section applies if, at the time an application for a development permit is made—
  - (a) a structure or works, the subject of the application, may not be used unless a development permit exists for the material change of use of premises for which the structure is, or works are, proposed; and
  - (b) there is no development permit for the change of use; and
  - (c) approval for the material change of use has not been applied for in the application or a separate application.
- (2) The application is taken also to be for the change of use.

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## **Subdivision 2      Notices about receipt of applications**

### **266      Notice about application that is not a properly made application**

- (1) If the application is not a properly made application, the assessment manager must give the applicant a notice stating—
  - (a) that the application is not a properly made application; and
  - (b) the reasons the assessment manager is satisfied the application is not a properly made application; and
  - (c) the action the assessment manager is satisfied the applicant must take for the application to comply with section 261.
- (2) The assessment manager must give the applicant the notice within 10 business days after the assessment manager receives the application.
- (3) If the applicant does not take the action mentioned in subsection (1)(c) within 20 business days after receiving the notice, or the further period agreed between the assessment manager and the applicant—
  - (a) the application lapses; and
  - (b) the assessment manager must as soon as practicable—
    - (i) return the application to the applicant, other than any part of the application made electronically; and
    - (ii) refund to the applicant the fee mentioned in section 260(1)(d) that accompanied the application, less a reasonable fee, if any, decided by the assessment manager for processing the application.

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## **267 Notice about properly made application**

- (1) This section applies if the application is a properly made application.
- (2) The assessment manager must give the applicant a notice (the *acknowledgement notice*) unless—
  - (a) the application relates to development that requires code assessment only; and
  - (b) there are no referral agencies, or all referral agencies have stated in writing that they do not require the application to be referred to them under the information and referral stage.
- (3) The acknowledgement notice must be given to the applicant within 10 business days after the assessment manager receives the properly made application (the *acknowledgement period*).

## **268 Content of acknowledgement notice**

The acknowledgement notice must state the following—

- (a) the type of approval applied for;
- (b) which of the following aspects of development the application seeks a development approval for—
  - (i) carrying out building work;
  - (ii) carrying out plumbing or drainage work;
  - (iii) carrying out operational work;
  - (iv) reconfiguring a lot;
  - (v) making a material change of use of premises;
- (c) whether an aspect of the development applied for requires code assessment, and if so, the names of all the codes the assessment manager considers to be applicable codes for the development;

- (d) whether an aspect of the development applied for requires impact assessment, and if so, the public notification requirements;
- (e) the name and address of each referral agency for the application, and whether the referral agency is an advice or concurrence agency;
- (f) if the assessment manager does not intend to make an information request under section 276—the assessment manager does not intend to make an information request;
- (g) if there are referral agencies for the application—the application will lapse unless the applicant gives to each referral agency the referral agency material within the period mentioned in section 272(2).

## **Division 2                      End of application stage**

### **269      When does application stage end**

The application stage for a properly made application ends—

- (a) if the application is an application that requires an acknowledgement notice to be given—the day the acknowledgement notice is given; or
- (b) if the application is an application that does not require an acknowledgement notice to be given—the day the properly made application was received.

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## **Part 3 Information and referral stage**

### **Division 1 Preliminary**

#### **270 Purpose of information and referral stage**

The information and referral stage for an application—

- (a) gives the assessment manager and any concurrence agencies the opportunity to ask the applicant for further information needed to assess the application; and
- (b) gives concurrence agencies the opportunity to exercise their concurrence powers; and
- (c) gives the assessment manager the opportunity to receive advice about the application from referral agencies.

#### **271 Referral agency responses before application is made**

- (1) Nothing in this Act stops a referral agency from giving a referral agency's response on a matter within its jurisdiction about a development before an application for the development is made to the assessment manager.
- (2) However, a referral agency is not obliged to give a referral agency's response mentioned in subsection (1) before the application is made.
- (3) If a concurrence agency gives a referral agency's response before an application for the development is made to the assessment manager, the applicant must, if asked by the concurrence agency, give the concurrence agency the agency's application fee mentioned in section 272(1)(c).

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## Division 2 Giving material to referral agencies

### 272 Applicant gives material to referral agency

- (1) The applicant must give each referral agency the following things (the *referral agency material*)—
  - (a) a copy of the application, unless the referral agency already has a copy;
  - (b) a copy of the acknowledgement notice, unless the referral agency was the entity that gave the notice;
  - (c) if the referral agency is a concurrence agency—
    - (i) generally—the agency’s application fee prescribed under a regulation under this or another Act; or
    - (ii) if the functions of the concurrence agency in relation to the application have been devolved or delegated to a local government, the fee that is, by resolution, adopted by the local government.
- (2) The referral agency material must be given to all referral agencies within—
  - (a) 20 business days after the applicant receives the acknowledgement notice; or
  - (b) the further period agreed between the assessment manager and the applicant.
- (3) However, the applicant need not give a referral agency the referral agency material if—
  - (a) the applicant gave the assessment manager a copy of the referral agency’s response mentioned in section 271(1) with the application; and
  - (b) the referral agency’s response states that—
    - (i) the agency does not require a referral under this section; or

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- (ii) the agency does not require a referral under this section if any conditions, including a time limit within which the application must be made, stated in the response are satisfied; and
  - (c) any conditions mentioned in paragraph (b)(ii) are satisfied.
- (4) The assessment manager may, if asked by the applicant, give the referral agency material to a referral agency on behalf of the applicant for a fee, not more than the assessment manager's reasonable costs of giving the material.
- (5) To the extent the functions of a referral agency in relation to the application have been lawfully devolved or delegated to the assessment manager, subsections (1) to (4), other than subsection (1)(c), do not apply.

### **273 Lapsing of application if material not given**

- (1) The application lapses if the applicant does not comply with section 272.
- (2) However, if the application is revived under section 274(1), the application lapses if the applicant does not comply with section 274(2).

### **274 When application taken not to have lapsed**

- (1) An application that, other than for this section, would lapse under section 273(1) is revived if, within 5 business days after the application would otherwise have lapsed, the applicant gives the assessment manager written notice that the applicant seeks to revive the application.
- (2) If the application is revived under subsection (1), the applicant must comply with section 272 before the end of—
  - (a) 5 business days after giving the notice mentioned in subsection (1); or

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- (b) the further period agreed between the assessment manager and the applicant.
  - (3) If the application is revived under subsection (1), for the purpose of the IDAS process the application is taken not to have lapsed under section 273(1).

**275 Applicant to advise assessment manager when material given**

- (1) After complying with section 272, the applicant must give the assessment manager written notice of the day the applicant gave each referral agency the referral agency material.
- (2) To the extent the functions of a referral agency in relation to the application have been lawfully devolved or delegated to the assessment manager, subsection (1) does not apply.

**Division 3 Information requests**

**276 Information request to applicant**

- (1) The assessment manager and each concurrence agency may ask the applicant, by written request (an *information request*), to give further information needed to assess the application.
- (2) A concurrence agency may only ask for information about a matter that is within its jurisdiction.
- (3) An information request must state that the application will lapse unless the applicant gives the assessment manager or concurrence agency a response under section 278.
- (4) If the assessment manager makes the request, the request must be made—
  - (a) for an application requiring an acknowledgement notice to be given—within 10 business days after giving the acknowledgement notice (the *information request period*); and

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- (b) for an application that does not require an acknowledgement notice to be given—within 10 business days after the day the properly made application was received (also the *information request period*).
- (5) If a concurrence agency makes the request—
  - (a) the request must be made within 10 business days after the agency's referral day (also the *information request period*); and
  - (b) the concurrence agency must—
    - (i) give the assessment manager a copy of the request; and
    - (ii) advise the assessment manager of the day the request was made.
- (6) Without limiting subsection (1), an assessment manager or concurrence agency may, within the limits of their jurisdiction, include in an information request advice to the applicant about how the applicant may change the application.

## **277 Extending information request period**

- (1) The assessment manager or a concurrence agency may, by written notice given to the applicant and without the applicant's agreement, extend the information request period by not more than 10 business days.
- (2) Only 1 notice may be given by each entity under subsection (1) and the notice must be given before the entity's information request period ends.
- (3) The information request period may be further extended if the applicant, at any time, gives written agreement to the extension.
- (4) If the information request period is extended for a concurrence agency, the concurrence agency must advise the assessment manager of the extension.

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**278 Applicant responds to any information request**

- (1) If the applicant receives an information request from the assessment manager or a concurrence agency (the *requesting authority*), the applicant must respond by giving the requesting authority—
  - (a) all of the information requested; or
  - (b) part of the information requested together with a written notice asking the requesting authority to proceed with the assessment of the application; or
  - (c) a written notice—
    - (i) stating that the applicant does not intend to supply any of the information requested; and
    - (ii) asking the requesting authority to proceed with the assessment of the application.
- (2) If the requesting authority is a concurrence agency, the applicant must also give a copy of the applicant's response to the assessment manager.

**279 Lapsing of application if no response to information request**

- (1) The application lapses if the applicant does not comply with section 278 within—
  - (a) for an application required by an enforcement notice or in response to a show cause notice—3 months after receiving the information request (the *response period*) or the further period agreed between the applicant and the entity making the information request; or
  - (b) for any other application—6 months after receiving the information request (also the *response period*) or the further period agreed between the applicant and the entity making the information request.

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- (2) However, if the application is revived under section 280(1), the application lapses if the applicant does not comply with section 280(2).
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if—
  - (a) the applicant asks the entity making the information request to agree to extend the response period; and
  - (b) the entity does not respond to the request until 5 business days before the response period ends, or later; and
  - (c) the entity does not agree to the extension.
- (4) The response period does not end until 10 business days after the response, advising that the entity does not agree to the extension, is received.
- (5) The entity making the information request must not unreasonably refuse to extend the response period.

## **280 When application taken not to have lapsed**

- (1) An application that, other than for this section, would lapse under section 279(1) is revived if, within 5 business days after the application would otherwise have lapsed, the applicant gives the assessment manager and the concurrence agency that made the information request written notice that the applicant seeks to revive the application.
- (2) If an application is revived under subsection (1), the applicant must comply with section 278 before the end of—
  - (a) 5 business days after giving the notice mentioned in subsection (1); or
  - (b) the further period agreed between the assessment manager and the applicant.
- (3) If the application is revived under subsection (1), for the purpose of the IDAS process the application is taken not to have lapsed under section 279(1).

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**281 Referral agency to advise assessment manager of response**

Each referral agency must, after receiving the applicant's response, advise the assessment manager of the day of the applicant's response under section 278.

**Division 4 Referral agency assessment**

**Subdivision 1 Assessment generally**

**282 Referral agency assesses application**

- (1) Each referral agency must, to the extent relevant to the development and within the limits of its jurisdiction, assess the application against each of the following—
  - (a) the State planning regulatory provisions applied by the referral agency;
  - (b) the regional plan for a designated region, to the extent it is not identified in the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
  - (c) for a concurrence agency—any applicable concurrence agency codes that are identified as a code for IDAS in this or another Act;
  - (d) State planning policies applied by the referral agency, to the extent the policies are not identified in—
    - (i) any relevant regional plan as being appropriately reflected in the regional plan; or
    - (ii) the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
  - (e) the laws that are administered by, and the policies that are reasonably identifiable as policies applied by, the referral agency.

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- (2) Also, each referral agency must, to the extent relevant to the development and within the limits of its jurisdiction, assess the application having regard to each of the following—
  - (a) the State planning regulatory provisions not applied by the referral agency;
  - (b) State planning policies not applied by the referral agency, to the extent the policies are not identified in—
    - (i) any relevant regional plan as being appropriately reflected in the regional plan; or
    - (ii) the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
  - (c) the structure plan for any declared master planned area;
  - (d) the master plan for any declared master planned area;
  - (e) a temporary local planning instrument for the planning scheme area;
  - (f) the planning scheme;
  - (g) if the land to which the application relates is designated land—its designation.
- (3) Despite subsections (1) and (2) a referral agency—
  - (a) may give the weight it considers appropriate to any planning instruments, laws, policies and codes, of the type mentioned in subsection (1) or (2), coming into effect after the application was made, but before the agency's referral day; but
  - (b) must disregard any planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument for the planning scheme area if the referral agency's jurisdiction is limited to considering the effect of the building assessment provisions on building work.

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**283 Referral agency's assessment period**

- (1) The period a referral agency has to assess the application (the *referral agency's assessment period*) is—
  - (a) the number of business days, starting on the day immediately after the agency's referral day and being less than 30 business days, prescribed under a regulation; or
  - (b) if there is no regulation under paragraph (a)—30 business days, starting on the day after the agency's referral day.
- (2) A referral agency's assessment period includes the information request period.
- (3) The referral agency's assessment period mentioned in subsection (1) applies even if there is no information request period for the application because an EIS is required.
- (4) The referral agency's assessment period does not include—
  - (a) any extension for giving an information request; or
  - (b) any period in which the agency is waiting for a response to an information request.

**284 Extending referral agency's assessment period**

- (1) A concurrence agency may, by written notice given to the applicant and without the applicant's agreement, extend its referral agency's assessment period by not more than—
  - (a) if a regulation under section 283(1)(a) has prescribed the referral agency's assessment period—the number of business days, being less than 20 business days, prescribed under a regulation; or
  - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—20 business days.
- (2) A notice under subsection (1) may be given only before the referral agency's assessment period ends.

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- (3) The referral agency's assessment period may be further extended, including for the purpose of providing further information to the referral agency, if the applicant, before the period ends, gives written agreement to the extension.
- (4) If the referral agency's assessment period is extended for a concurrence agency, the agency must advise the assessment manager of the extension.

## **Subdivision 2      Concurrence agency responses**

### **285      When concurrence agency must give response for particular matters**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if a concurrence agency—
  - (a) wants the assessment manager to include concurrence agency conditions in the development approval, or to refuse the application; or
  - (b) under this Act, requires the assessment manager to do something else in relation to the application.
- (2) The concurrence agency must give its response (a *concurrence agency's response*) to the assessment manager, and give a copy of its response to the applicant, before the referral agency's assessment period for the application and any extension of that period ends.

*Note—*

Under section 271, a referral agency may give a referral agency's response about development before an application for the development is made.

### **286      Effect if concurrence agency does not give response**

- (1) If a concurrence agency does not give a response under section 285, the assessment manager must decide the application as if the agency had assessed the application and had no concurrence agency requirements.

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- (2) However, the concurrence agency's response is taken to be a refusal of the application if—
- (a) the application is a building development application; and
  - (b) the concurrence agency is the local government; and
  - (c) the matter being decided by the concurrence agency is a matter other than assessing the amenity and aesthetic impact of a building or structure; and
  - (d) the concurrence agency does not give a response under section 285.

## **287 Concurrence agency's response powers**

- (1) A concurrence agency's response may, within the limits of the concurrence agency's jurisdiction, tell the assessment manager 1 or more of the following—
- (a) the conditions that must attach to any development approval;
  - (b) that any approval must be for part only of the development;
  - (c) that any approval must be a preliminary approval only;
  - (d) a different period for section 341(1)(b), (2)(c) or (3)(b).
- (2) Alternatively, a concurrence agency's response must, within the limits of the concurrence agency's jurisdiction, tell the assessment manager—
- (a) the concurrence agency has no requirements relating to the application; or
  - (b) to refuse the application.
- (3) However, subsection (2)(b) does not apply to the extent a concurrence agency's jurisdiction is about the assessment of the cost impacts of supplying infrastructure to development.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if a concurrence agency's response is about the part of an application for a preliminary approval

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mentioned in section 242 that states the way in which the applicant seeks approval to vary the effect of any applicable local planning instrument for the land.

- (5) The concurrence agency's response may, within the limits of the concurrence agency's jurisdiction, tell the assessment manager in relation to the part of the application—
  - (a) that the concurrence agency has no requirements relating to the part of the application; or
  - (b) if an approval is given, to do any of the following—
    - (i) approve only some of the variations sought;
    - (ii) subject to section 242(3) and (5)—approve different variations from those sought; or
  - (c) to refuse the variations sought.
- (6) A concurrence agency's response may also offer advice to the assessment manager about the application.

## **288 Limitation on concurrence agency's power to refuse application**

- (1) To the extent a concurrence agency's jurisdiction is about assessing the effects of development on designated land, the concurrence agency may only tell the assessment manager to refuse the application if—
  - (a) the concurrence agency is satisfied the development would compromise the intent of the designation; and
  - (b) the intent of the designation could not be achieved by imposing conditions on the development approval.
- (2) To the extent a local government's concurrence agency jurisdiction is about assessing the amenity and aesthetic impact of a building or structure, the concurrence agency may only tell the assessment manager to refuse the application if the concurrence agency considers—

- (a) the building or structure, when built, will have an extremely adverse effect on the amenity or likely amenity of its neighbourhood; or
- (b) the aesthetics of the building or structure, when built, will be in extreme conflict with the character of its neighbourhood.

**289 Concurrency agency's response to include reasons for refusal or conditions**

- (1) If a concurrence agency's response, other than a refusal taken to have been given under section 286(2), requires an application to be refused or requires a development approval to include conditions, the response must include reasons for the refusal or inclusion.
- (2) If—
  - (a) a concurrence agency's response is for the part of an application for a preliminary approval mentioned in section 242 that states the way in which the applicant seeks approval to vary the effect of any applicable local planning instrument for the land; and
  - (b) the response requires the assessment manager to take an action mentioned in section 287(5)(b) or to refuse the variations sought;

the response must include reasons for the requirement.

**290 How a concurrence agency may change its response or give late response**

- (1) Despite section 285, a concurrence agency may, after its referral agency's assessment period and any extension of that period ends but before the application is decided—
  - (a) give a response (a *concurrency agency's response*) if the applicant has given written agreement to the content of the response or the Minister has given the concurrence agency a direction under section 420; or

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- (b) amend its response if—
  - (i) the applicant has given written agreement to the amended response or the Minister has given the concurrence agency a direction under section 420; or
  - (ii) the amended response relates directly to a change made to a development application in response to an information request or a matter raised in a properly made submission for the application.
- (2) If a concurrence agency proposes to amend a response under subsection (1)(b)(ii), the concurrence agency must give written notice of the proposal to the assessment manager and the applicant within 5 business days after receiving notice of the change under section 352.
- (3) The assessment manager must not decide the application until the first of the following happens—
  - (a) the assessment manager receives a copy of the amended response;
  - (b) the end of 10 business days after the notice is given under subsection (2).
- (4) If a concurrence agency gives or amends a response under subsection (1), the concurrence agency must give—
  - (a) to the assessment manager—the response or the amended response and a copy of any agreement under subsection (1)(a) or (b)(i); and
  - (b) to the applicant—a copy of the response or the amended response.

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## **Subdivision 3 Advice agency responses**

### **291 When advice agency must give response for particular matters**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if an advice agency wants the assessment manager to consider its advice or recommendations when assessing the application.
- (2) The advice agency must give its response (an *advice agency's response*) to the assessment manager, and give a copy of its response to the applicant, before the referral agency's assessment period for the application and any extension of that period ends.

*Note—*

Under section 271, a referral agency may give a referral agency's response about development before an application for the development is made.

### **292 Advice agency's response powers**

- (1) An advice agency's response may, within the limits of the advice agency's jurisdiction, make a recommendation to the assessment manager about any aspect of the application relevant to the assessment manager's decision on the application, including, for example—
  - (a) the conditions that should attach to any development approval; and
  - (b) that any approval should be for part only of the application; and
  - (c) that any approval should be a preliminary approval only.
- (2) Alternatively, an advice agency's response may, within the limits of the advice agency's jurisdiction, advise the assessment manager that—
  - (a) the advice agency has no recommendations relating to the application; or

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- (b) it should refuse the application.
- (3) An advice agency's response may also tell the assessment manager to treat the response as a properly made submission.

## **Division 5                      End of information and referral stage**

### **293      When does information and referral stage end**

- (1) If there are no referral agencies for the application, the information and referral stage ends when—
  - (a) the assessment manager states in the acknowledgement notice that it does not intend to make an information request; or
  - (b) if a request has been made—the applicant has finished responding to the request; or
  - (c) if neither paragraph (a) nor paragraph (b) applies—the assessment manager's information request period has ended.
- (2) If there are referral agencies for the application, the information and referral stage ends when—
  - (a) the assessment manager has received the notice from the applicant under section 275; and
  - (b) an action mentioned in subsection (1)(a) or (b) has happened or the assessment manager's information request period has ended; and
  - (c) all referral agency's responses have been received by the assessment manager or, if all the responses have not been received, all referral agency's assessment periods have ended.

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## **Part 4                      Notification stage**

### **Division 1                Preliminary**

#### **294    Purpose of notification stage**

The notification stage gives a person—

- (a) the opportunity to make submissions, including objections, that must be taken into account before an application is decided; and
- (b) the opportunity to secure the right to appeal to the court about the assessment manager's decision.

#### **295    When notification stage applies**

- (1) The notification stage applies to an application if either of the following applies—
  - (a) any part of the application requires impact assessment;
  - (b) the application is an application to which section 242 applies.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies even if—
  - (a) code assessment is required for another part of the application; or
  - (b) a concurrence agency advises the assessment manager it requires the application to be refused.
- (3) However, subsection (1)(b) does not apply if—
  - (a) a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies has been given for land; and
  - (b) the application does not seek to change the type of assessment for the development or, if it does, it seeks only 1 or both of the following—

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- (i) to change development requiring code assessment to self-assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment;
  - (ii) to increase the level of assessment for development; and
- (c) a code proposed as part of the application is substantially consistent with a code in the preliminary approval.
- (4) However, this part does not apply for an application to which chapter 9, part 7 applies.

*Note—*

See chapter 9 (Miscellaneous), part 7 (Notification stage for particular aquaculture development) for the notification stage that applies for development applications to which that part applies.

## **296 When notification stage can start**

- (1) If there are no concurrence agencies and the assessment manager has stated in the acknowledgement notice that the assessment manager does not intend to make an information request, the applicant may start the notification stage as soon as the acknowledgement notice is given.
- (2) If no information requests have been made during the last information request period, the applicant may start the notification period as soon as the last information request period ends.
- (3) If an information request has been made during the information request period, the applicant may start the notification period as soon as the applicant gives—
  - (a) all information request responses to all information requests made; and
  - (b) copies of the responses to the assessment manager.

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## Division 2                      Public notification

### 297      Applicant or assessment manager to give public notice of application

- (1) The applicant or, with the applicant's written agreement, the assessment manager must—
  - (a) publish a notice at least once in a newspaper circulating generally in the locality of the land; and
  - (b) place a notice on the land in the way prescribed under a regulation; and
  - (c) give a notice to the owners of all land adjoining the land.
- (2) If the assessment manager carries out notification for the applicant, the assessment manager may require the applicant to pay a fee, of not more than the assessment manager's reasonable costs for carrying out the notification.
- (3) For subsection (1)(c), roads, land below high-water mark and the beds and banks of rivers are taken not to be adjoining land.
- (4) In this section—

**owner**, for land adjoining the land the subject of the application, means—

  - (a) if the adjoining land is subject to the *Integrated Resort Development Act 1987* or the *Sanctuary Cove Resort Act 1985*—the primary thoroughfare body corporate; or
  - (b) if the adjoining land is subject to the *Mixed Use Development Act 1993*—the community body corporate; or
  - (c) subject to paragraphs (a) and (b), if the adjoining land is subject to the *Building Units and Group Titles Act 1980*—the body corporate; or
  - (d) if the adjoining land is, under the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997*, scheme land for a community titles scheme—

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- (i) the body corporate for the scheme; or
  - (ii) if the adjoining land is scheme land for more than 1 community titles scheme—the body corporate for the community titles scheme that is a principal scheme; or
- (e) if there is a time share scheme, as defined under the Local Government Act, for a structure on the adjoining land—the person notified to the local government concerned as the person responsible for the administration of the scheme as between the participants in the scheme; or
- (f) if the adjoining land is land being bought from the State for an estate in fee simple under the *Land Act 1994*—the buyer; or
- (g) if the adjoining land is land granted in trust or reserved and set apart and placed under the control of trustees under the *Land Act 1994*—the trustees of the land; or
- (h) if paragraphs (a) to (g) do not apply—the person for the time being entitled to receive the rent for the land or who would be entitled to receive the rent if the land were let to a tenant at a rent.

## **298 Notification period for applications**

- (1) The *notification period* for the application must be at least—
- (a) 30 business days starting on the day after the last action under section 297(1) is carried out, if any of the following apply for the application—
    - (i) there are 3 or more concurrence agencies;
    - (ii) all or part of the development—
      - (A) is assessable under a planning scheme; and
      - (B) is prescribed under a regulation for this subparagraph;

- (iii) all or part of the development is the subject of an application for a preliminary approval mentioned in section 242; or
  - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—15 business days starting on the day after the last action under section 297(1) is carried out.
- (2) The notification period must not include any business day from 20 December in a particular year to 5 January in the following year, both days inclusive.

### **299 Requirements for particular notices**

- (1) The notices mentioned in section 297(1) must be in the approved form.
- (2) The notice placed on the land must remain on the land for all of the notification period.
- (3) All actions mentioned in section 297(1) must be completed within 5 business days after the first of the actions is carried out.
- (4) A regulation may prescribe different notification requirements for an application for development on land located—
  - (a) outside any local government area; or
  - (b) within a local government area but in a location where compliance with section 297(1) would be unduly onerous or would not give effective public notice.

### **300 Applicant to give assessment manager notice about particular matters**

If the applicant carries out notification, the applicant must, within 5 business days after the day the last of the actions mentioned in section 297(1) is carried out, give the assessment manager written notice of the day the last of the actions is carried out.

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### **301 Notice of compliance to be given to assessment manager**

If the applicant carries out notification, the applicant must, within 20 business days after the notification period ends, give the assessment manager written notice that the applicant has complied with the requirements of this division.

### **302 Application lapses if notification not carried out or notice of compliance not given**

- (1) An application to which the notification stage applies lapses if—
  - (a) the last action under section 297(1) is not carried out before the end of 20 business days after the applicant was entitled to start the notification stage or the further period agreed between the assessment manager and the applicant; or
  - (b) the applicant has not complied with section 301 within the period stated in the section or the further period agreed between the assessment manager and the applicant.
- (2) However, if the application is revived under section 303(1), the application lapses if the applicant does not comply with—
  - (a) if subsection (1)(a) applies to the application—section 303(2); or
  - (b) if subsection (1)(b) applies to the application—section 303(3).

### **303 When application taken not to have lapsed**

- (1) An application that, other than for this section, would lapse under section 302(1) is revived if, within 5 business days after the application would otherwise have lapsed, the applicant gives the assessment manager written notice that the applicant seeks to revive the application.

- (2) If the application is revived under subsection (1) and section 302(1)(a) applies to the application, the applicant must, within 10 business days after giving the notice under subsection (1) or the further period agreed between the assessment manager and the applicant, carry out the actions under section 297(1).
- (3) If the application is revived under subsection (1) and section 302(1)(b) applies to the application, the applicant must, within 5 business days after giving the notice under subsection (1) or the further period agreed between the assessment manager and the applicant, comply with section 301.
- (4) If the application is revived under subsection (1), for the purpose of the IDAS process the application is taken not to have lapsed under section 302(1).

**304 Assessment manager may assess and decide application if some requirements not complied with**

- (1) Despite section 301, the assessment manager may assess and decide an application even if some of the requirements of this division have not been complied with, if the assessment manager is satisfied any noncompliance has not—
  - (a) adversely affected the awareness of the public of the existence and nature of the application; or
  - (b) restricted the opportunity of the public to make properly made submissions.
- (2) However, the assessment manager can not assess and decide an application that has lapsed and has not been revived under this division.

## **Division 3                      Submissions about applications**

### **305      Making submissions**

- (1) During the notification period, any person other than the applicant or a concurrence agency may make a submission to the assessment manager about the application.
- (2) The assessment manager must accept a submission if the submission is a properly made submission.
- (3) However, the assessment manager may accept a written submission even if the submission is not a properly made submission.
- (4) If the assessment manager has accepted a submission, the person who made the submission may, by written notice—
  - (a) amend the submission during the notification period; or
  - (b) withdraw the submission at any time before a decision about the application is made.

### **306      Submissions made during notification period effective for later notification period**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a person makes a submission under section 305(1) and the submission is a properly made submission or the assessment manager accepts the submission under section 305(3); and
  - (b) the notification stage for the application is repeated for any reason.
- (2) The properly made submission is taken to be a properly made submission for the later notification period and the submitter may, by written notice—
  - (a) amend the submission during the later notification period; or

- (b) withdraw the submission at any time before a decision about the application is made.
- (3) The submission the assessment manager accepted under section 305(3) is taken to be part of the common material for the application unless the person who made the submission withdraws the submission before a decision is made about the application.

## **Division 4                      End of notification stage**

### **307      When does notification stage end**

The notification stage ends—

- (a) if notification is carried out by the applicant—when the assessment manager receives the written notice mentioned in section 301; or
- (b) if notification is carried out by the assessment manager for the applicant—when the notification period ends.

## **Part 5                              Decision stage**

### **Division 1                      Preliminary**

#### **308      Assessment necessary even if concurrence agency refuses application**

This part applies even if a concurrence agency advises the assessment manager the concurrence agency requires the application to be refused.

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### **309 When does decision stage start**

- (1) If an acknowledgement notice for an application is required, the decision stage for the application starts the day after all other stages applying to the application, other than the compliance stage, have ended.
- (2) If subsection (1) does not apply to an application, the decision stage for the application starts—
  - (a) if an information request has been made about the application—the day the applicant responds to the information request; or
  - (b) if an information request has not been made about the application—the day the properly made application was received.
- (3) However, the assessment manager may start assessing the application before the start of the decision stage.

### **310 Effect on decision stage if action taken under Native Title Act (Cwlth)**

- (1) This section applies if an assessment manager takes action under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth), section 24HA or 24KA.
- (2) If the assessment manager takes the action before the decision stage starts, the decision stage does not start until the action is completed.
- (3) If the assessment manager takes the action after the decision stage has started, the decision stage stops the day after the action is taken and starts again the day after the action is completed.

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## **Division 2                      Assessment process**

### **311      References in div 2 to planning instrument, code, law or policy**

In this division, other than section 317, a reference to a planning instrument, code, law or policy is a reference to a planning instrument, code, law or policy in effect when the application was properly made.

### **312      When assessment manager must not assess part of an application**

- (1) This section applies to the part of an application (the *coordinated part*) for which, were it a separate development application, there would be a different assessment manager.
- (2) Despite sections 313 to 315, the assessment manager must not assess the development the subject of the coordinated part.

### **313      Code assessment—generally**

- (1) This section applies to any part of the application requiring code assessment.
- (2) The assessment manager must assess the part of the application against each of the following matters or things to the extent the matter or thing is relevant to the development—
  - (a) the State planning regulatory provisions;
  - (b) the regional plan for a designated region, to the extent it is not identified in the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
  - (c) any applicable codes, other than concurrence agency codes the assessment manager does not apply, that are identified as a code for IDAS under this or another Act;
  - (d) State planning policies, to the extent the policies are not identified in—

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- (i) any relevant regional plan as being appropriately reflected in the regional plan; or
- (ii) the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
- (e) any applicable codes in the following instruments—
  - (i) a structure plan;
  - (ii) a master plan;
  - (iii) a temporary local planning instrument;
  - (iv) a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies;
  - (v) a planning scheme;
- (f) if the assessment manager is an infrastructure provider—the priority infrastructure plan.

*Note—*

See chapters 2 to 4 for particular provisions about the relationship between the matters or things mentioned in subsection (2).

- (3) In addition to the matters or things against which the assessment manager must assess the application under subsection (2), the assessment manager must assess the part of the application having regard to the following—
  - (a) the common material;
  - (b) any development approval for, and any lawful use of, premises the subject of the application or adjacent premises;
  - (c) any referral agency's response for the application;
  - (d) the purposes of any instrument containing an applicable code.
- (4) If the assessment manager is not a local government, the laws that are administered by, and the policies that are reasonably identifiable as policies applied by, the assessment manager and that are relevant to the application, are taken to be

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applicable codes in addition to the applicable codes mentioned in subsection (2)(c) or (e).

- (5) The assessment manager must not assess the application against, or having regard to, anything other than a matter or thing mentioned in this section.
- (6) Subsection (2)(a), (b) and (d) does not apply for the part of an application involving assessment against the Building Act.

### **314 Impact assessment—generally**

- (1) This section applies to any part of the application requiring impact assessment.
- (2) The assessment manager must assess the part of the application against each of the following matters or things to the extent the matter or thing is relevant to the development—
  - (a) the State planning regulatory provisions;
  - (b) the regional plan for a designated region, to the extent it is not identified in the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
  - (c) if the assessment manager is not a local government—the laws that are administered by, and the policies that are reasonably identifiable as policies applied by, the assessment manager and that are relevant to the application;
  - (d) State planning policies, to the extent the policies are not identified in—
    - (i) any relevant regional plan as being appropriately reflected in the regional plan; or
    - (ii) the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
  - (e) a structure plan;
  - (f) for development in a declared master planned area—all master plans for the area;

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- (g) a temporary local planning instrument;
- (h) a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies;
- (i) a planning scheme;
- (j) for development not in a planning scheme area—any planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument for a planning scheme area that may be materially affected by the development;
- (k) if the assessment manager is an infrastructure provider—the priority infrastructure plan.

*Note—*

See chapters 2 to 4 for particular provisions about the relationship between the matters or things mentioned in subsection (2).

- (3) In addition to the matters or things against which the assessment manager must assess the application under subsection (2), the assessment manager must assess the part of the application having regard to the following—
  - (a) the common material;
  - (b) any development approval for, and any lawful use of, premises the subject of the application or adjacent premises;
  - (c) any referral agency's response for the application.

### **315 Code and impact assessment—superseded planning scheme**

- (1) If the application is a development application (superseded planning scheme), the assessment manager must assess and decide the application as if—
  - (a) the application were an application to which the superseded planning scheme applied; and
  - (b) the existing planning scheme was not in force; and
  - (c) for chapter 8, part 1, the infrastructure provisions of the existing planning scheme applied; and

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- (d) for section 848, the existing planning scheme policy applied.
  - (2) This section applies despite sections 81, 120 and 121.

**316 Assessment for s 242 preliminary approvals that affect a local planning instrument**

- (1) This section applies to an application for a preliminary approval mentioned in section 242.
- (2) Sections 313 and 314 apply to any part of the application requiring code or impact assessment.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies to the part of the application that states the way in which the applicant seeks to vary the effect of any applicable local planning instrument for the land.
- (4) The assessment manager must assess the part of the application having regard to—
  - (a) the common material; and
  - (b) the result of the assessment manager’s assessment of any parts of the application requiring code or impact assessment; and
  - (c) all of the following to the extent they are relevant to the application—
    - (i) the State planning regulatory provisions;
    - (ii) the regional plan for a designated region, to the extent it is not identified in the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
    - (iii) State planning policies, to the extent the policies are not identified in—
      - (A) any relevant regional plan as being appropriately reflected in the regional plan;
      - or

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- (B) the planning scheme as being appropriately reflected in the planning scheme;
- (iv) a structure plan;
- (v) a master plan; and
- (d) the consistency of the proposed variations with aspects of the local planning instrument, other than the aspects sought to be varied; and
- (e) the effect the proposed variations would have on any right of a submitter for following applications, with particular regard to the amount and detail of supporting material for the current application available to any submitters; and
- (f) any referral agency's response for the application.

**317 Assessment manager may give weight to later planning instrument, code, law or policy**

- (1) In assessing the application, the assessment manager may give the weight it is satisfied is appropriate to a planning instrument, code, law or policy that came into effect after the application was made, but—
  - (a) before the day the decision stage for the application started; or
  - (b) if the decision stage is stopped—before the day the decision stage is restarted.
- (2) However, for a development application (superseded planning scheme), subsection (1) does not apply to an existing local planning instrument, other than any infrastructure provisions or planning scheme policy applied in relation to the assessment of the application under section 315(1)(c) and (d).

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## **Division 3                      Decision**

### **Subdivision 1              Decision-making period**

#### **318      Decision-making period—generally**

- (1) The assessment manager must decide the application within 20 business days after the day the decision stage starts (the *decision-making period*).
- (2) The assessment manager may, by written notice given to the applicant and without the applicant's agreement, extend the decision-making period by not more than 20 business days.
- (3) Only 1 notice may be given under subsection (2) and it must be given before the decision-making period ends.
- (4) However, the decision-making period may be further extended, including for the purpose of providing further information to the assessment manager, if the applicant, at any time before the decision is made, gives written agreement to the extension.
- (5) If there is a concurrence agency for the application, the decision must not be made before 10 business days after the day the information and referral stage ends, unless the applicant gives the assessment manager written notice that it does not intend to take action under section 320 or 321.
- (6) Despite subsections (2) and (4), the decision-making period can not be extended or further extended if the assessment manager has been given a direction under section 418(1)(c) to decide the application.

#### **319      Decision-making period—changed circumstances**

Despite section 318, the decision-making period starts again from its beginning—

- (a) if a concurrence agency gives a concurrence agency's response or an amended concurrence agency's response

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- under section 290—the day after the response or amended response is received by the assessment manager; or
- (b) if the decision-making period is stopped under section 320—the day after the assessment manager receives further written notice withdrawing the notice stopping the decision-making period; or
  - (c) if the decision-making period is stopped under section 321, the day after the first of the following to happen—
    - (i) the assessment manager receives, under section 321, a copy of all reissued concurrence agency's responses for the application;
    - (ii) the assessment manager receives further written notice withdrawing the notice stopping the decision-making period.

**320 Applicant may stop decision-making period to make representations**

- (1) If the applicant wishes to make representations to a referral agency about the agency's response, the applicant may, by written notice given to the assessment manager, for not more than 3 months, stop the decision-making period at any time before the decision is made.
- (2) If a notice is given, the decision-making period stops the day the assessment manager receives the notice.
- (3) The applicant may withdraw the notice at any time.

**321 Applicant may stop decision-making period to request chief executive's assistance**

- (1) The applicant may, at any time before the application is decided—
  - (a) by written notice (the *request*) given to the chief executive, ask the chief executive to resolve conflict

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- between 2 or more concurrence agency's responses containing conditions the applicant is satisfied are inconsistent; and
- (b) by written notice given to the assessment manager, for not more than 3 months, stop the decision-making period.
- (2) The request must identify the conditions in the concurrence agency's responses the applicant is satisfied are inconsistent.
- (3) After receiving the request, the chief executive must give a notice acknowledging receipt of the request to the applicant and each affected concurrence agency.
- (4) In responding to the request, the chief executive may, after consulting the concurrence agencies, exercise all the powers of the concurrence agencies necessary to reissue 1 or more concurrence agency's responses to address any inconsistency.
- (5) If the chief executive reissues a concurrence agency's response, the chief executive must give the response to the applicant and give a copy of the response to—
- (a) the affected concurrence agency; and
- (b) the assessment manager.
- (6) The applicant may withdraw the notice given under subsection (1)(b) at any time.

**322 Decision-making period suspended until approval of master plan**

- (1) This section applies if—
- (a) the application relates to land in a declared master planned area; and
- (b) the structure plan for the master planned area requires a master plan for the development; and
- (c) a proposed master plan for the development has not been approved.

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- (2) Until the approval for the master plan has been given—
  - (a) the assessment manager’s decision can not be made; and
  - (b) the decision-making period for the application is suspended.

## **Subdivision 2      Decision rules—generally**

### **323      Application of sdiv 2**

This subdivision does not apply to the part of an application for a preliminary approval mentioned in section 242 that states the way in which the applicant seeks approval to vary the effect of any applicable local planning instrument for the land.

### **324      Decision generally**

- (1) In deciding the application, the assessment manager must—
  - (a) approve all or part of the application; or
  - (b) approve all or part of the application subject to conditions decided by the assessment manager; or
  - (c) refuse the application.
- (2) The assessment manager’s decision must be based on the assessments made under division 2.
- (3) The assessment manager’s decision must not be inconsistent with a State planning regulatory provision.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies for an application for development in a master planned area if the structure plan for the area requires a master plan for the development.
- (5) If a master plan application for the master plan is refused, the development application must be refused.
- (6) To remove any doubt, it is declared that—

- (a) the assessment manager may give a preliminary approval, other than a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies, even though the applicant sought a development permit; and
- (b) if the assessment manager approves only part of an application, the balance of the application is refused.

### **325 Effect of concurrence agency's response**

- (1) If a concurrence agency's response requires conditions to be attached to a development approval for the application, the assessment manager must attach to any approval, in the exact form given by the concurrence agency, the concurrence agency conditions.
- (2) If a concurrence agency's response has, under section 287(1)(b) or (c), stated an action that must be taken, the assessment manager must take the action.
- (3) If a concurrence agency's response has, under section 287(1)(d), stated a different period for section 341(1)(b), (2)(c) or (3)(b), the assessment manager must, on any development approval, state the period.
- (4) If a concurrence agency's response requires the application to be refused, the assessment manager must refuse it.

### **326 Other decision rules**

- (1) The assessment manager's decision must not conflict with a relevant instrument unless—
  - (a) the conflict is necessary to ensure the decision complies with a State planning regulatory provision; or
  - (b) there are sufficient grounds to justify the decision, despite the conflict; or
  - (c) the conflict arises because of a conflict between—

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- (i) 2 or more relevant instruments of the same type, and the decision best achieves the purposes of the instruments; or

*Example of a conflict between relevant instruments—*

a conflict between 2 State planning policies

- (ii) 2 or more aspects of any 1 relevant instrument, and the decision best achieves the purposes of the instrument.

*Example of a conflict between aspects of a relevant instrument—*

a conflict between 2 codes in a planning scheme

- (2) In this section—

***relevant instrument*** means a matter or thing mentioned in section 313(2) or 314(2), other than a State planning regulatory provision, against which code assessment or impact assessment is carried out.

### **Subdivision 3      Decision rules—application under section 242**

#### **327      Decision if application under s 242 requires assessment**

- (1) In deciding the part of an application for a preliminary approval mentioned in section 242 that states the way in which the applicant seeks approval to vary the effect of any applicable local planning instrument for the premises, the assessment manager must—
  - (a) approve all or some of the variations sought; or
  - (b) subject to section 242(3) and (5)—approve different variations from those sought; or
  - (c) refuse the variations sought.
- (2) The assessment manager's decision must be based on the assessments made under division 2.

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- (3) The assessment manager's decision must not be inconsistent with a State planning regulatory provision.
  - (4) To the extent development applied for under other parts of the application is refused, any variation relating to the development must also be refused.

### **328 Effect of concurrence agency's response**

- (1) If the part of the application is approved and a concurrence agency's response has, under section 287(5)(b), stated an action that must be taken, the assessment manager must take the action.
- (2) If a concurrence agency's response requires the variations to be refused, the assessment manager must refuse the variations.

### **329 Other decision rules**

- (1) The assessment manager's decision must not conflict with a relevant instrument unless—
  - (a) the conflict is necessary to ensure the decision complies with a State planning regulatory provision; or
  - (b) there are sufficient grounds to justify the decision, despite the conflict; or
  - (c) the conflict arises because of a conflict between—
    - (i) 2 or more relevant instruments of the same type, and the decision best achieves the purposes of the instruments; or  
*Example of a conflict between relevant instruments—*  
a conflict between 2 State planning policies
    - (ii) 2 or more aspects of any 1 relevant instrument, and the decision best achieves the purposes of the instrument.

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*Example of a conflict between aspects of a relevant instrument—*

a conflict between 2 codes

(2) In this section—

***relevant instrument*** means a matter or thing mentioned in section 316(4)(c) or (d), other than a State planning regulatory provision, the assessment manager must have regard to in assessing the part of the application.

## **Subdivision 4 Deemed decision for particular applications**

### **330 Application of sdiv 4**

This subdivision applies to an application requiring code assessment only, other than—

- (a) an application for a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies; or
- (b) an application that a concurrence agency has directed the assessment manager to refuse or approve in part only; or
- (c) an application for development—
  - (i) in a wet tropics area under the *Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993*; or
  - (ii) in a wild river area; or
  - (iii) on a Queensland heritage place; or
  - (iv) in a protected area, critical habitat or area of major interest under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*; or
- (d) a vegetation clearing application under the *Vegetation Management Act*; or
- (e) a building development application; or

- (f) an application for which chapter 9, part 7 applies; or
- (g) an application relating to an iconic place under the *Iconic Queensland Places Act 2008*.

### 331 Deemed approval of applications

- (1) If the assessment manager does not decide the application within the decision-making period, including any extension of the period, the applicant may before the application is decided give written notice (a *deemed approval notice*) to the assessment manager that the application should be deemed to have been approved by the assessment manager.
- (2) A deemed approval notice for an application must be in the approved form.
- (3) If the applicant acts under subsection (1), the applicant must at the same time give a copy of the deemed approval notice to each entity mentioned in section 334(1)(b) or (c) that would be entitled to receive a decision notice for the application.
- (4) Subsections (5) to (9) apply if the applicant gives the assessment manager a deemed approval notice for an application.
- (5) For this Act, the assessment manager is taken to have decided to approve the application on the day the deemed approval notice is received.
- (6) Despite section 334(2), the assessment manager must, within 10 business days after receiving the deemed approval notice, give the applicant a decision notice approving the application or approving the application subject to conditions.
- (7) Despite section 324(6)(a), a decision notice given for the application after a deemed approval notice is received must state that the approval is—
  - (a) if a concurrence agency has directed that any approval for the application must be a preliminary approval only—a preliminary approval; or

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- (b) if the application is for a preliminary approval—a preliminary approval; or
  - (c) if the application is for a development permit and paragraph (a) does not apply—a development permit; or
  - (d) if the application is for a preliminary approval and a development permit, and paragraph (a) does not apply—a combined preliminary approval and development permit.
- (8) If a decision notice or negotiated decision notice is not given for the application, the approval is taken to be a development approval given by the assessment manager in the form of—
- (a) if a concurrence agency has directed that any approval for the application must be a preliminary approval only—a preliminary approval; or
  - (b) if the application is for a preliminary approval—a preliminary approval; or
  - (c) if the application is for a development permit and paragraph (a) does not apply—a development permit; or
  - (d) if the application is for a preliminary approval and a development permit, and paragraph (a) does not apply—a combined preliminary approval and development permit.
- (9) If a decision notice is not given and a concurrence agency's response tells the assessment manager a different period for section 341(1)(b), (2)(c) or (3)(b), the different period applies for the deemed approval.

### **332 Standard conditions for deemed approvals**

- (1) If the assessment manager does not give a decision notice for the application, the deemed approval is subject to the conditions (the *standard conditions*) made by the Minister and in effect at the time the deemed approval notice was given to the assessment manager.

- (2) Before making or amending the standard conditions, the Minister must consult with the persons or entities the Minister considers appropriate.
- (3) The Minister must notify the making or amendment of the standard conditions in the gazette.
- (4) If a deemed approval is subject to the standard conditions, the conditions are taken to have been imposed by the assessment manager.
- (5) This section does not limit section 244.

*Example for subsection (5)—*

If an assessment manager does not give a decision notice for an application and a concurrence agency's response required conditions to be imposed on the development approval, the concurrence agency conditions apply to the approval in addition to the standard conditions.

### **333 Limitation on giving deemed approval notice**

- (1) If, under a provision of an Act, the assessment manager can not decide an application until an action or thing is done or happens, the applicant can not give a deemed approval notice for an application to which this subdivision applies until the action or thing is done or happens.
- (2) If the Minister gives the assessment manager a direction under section 418(1)(b) for a particular application, the applicant can not give a deemed approval notice for the application until the end of the period stated in the direction for deciding the application.
- (3) This section applies despite section 331(1).

## **Division 4 Notice of decision**

### **334 Assessment manager to give notice of decision**

- (1) The assessment manager must give written notice of the decision in the approved form (the *decision notice*) to—

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- (a) the applicant; and
  - (b) each referral agency; and
  - (c) if the assessment manager is not the local government and the development is in a local government area—the local government; and
  - (d) if the application is a building development application—each designated person for the application.
- (2) The decision notice must be given within 5 business days after the day the decision is made.
- (3) In this section—
- designated person***, for a building development application, means—
- (a) if the building to which the application relates is, under the BCA, a single detached class 1a building or a class 10 building or structure—the owner of the building; and
  - (b) any other person nominated on the approved form under section 260(2), as the person to receive documents.

### **335 Content of decision notice**

- (1) The decision notice must state the following—
- (a) the day the decision was made;
  - (b) the name and address of each referral agency;
  - (c) whether the application is approved, approved subject to conditions or refused;
  - (d) whether the assessment manager is taken to have approved the application under section 331;
  - (e) if the application is approved subject to conditions—
    - (i) the conditions; and
    - (ii) whether each condition is a concurrence agency or assessment manager condition, and if a

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- concurrence agency condition, the name of the concurrence agency;
- (f) if the application is refused—
    - (i) whether the assessment manager was directed to refuse the application and, if so, the name of the concurrence agency directing refusal and whether the refusal is solely because of the concurrence agency's direction; and
    - (ii) for a refusal for any reason other than because of a concurrence agency's direction—the reasons for the refusal;
  - (g) if the application is approved—whether the approval is a preliminary approval, a development permit or a combined preliminary approval and development permit;
  - (h) if all or part of the application is for a preliminary approval mentioned in section 242 and a variation to an applicable local planning instrument has been approved under this Act—the variation;
  - (i) any other development permits or compliance permits necessary to allow the development to be carried out;
  - (j) any code the applicant may need to comply with for self-assessable development related to the development approved;
  - (k) details of any compliance assessment required under part 10 for documents or work in relation to the development;
  - (l) whether or not there were any properly made submissions about the application and for each properly made submission, the name and address of the principal submitter;
  - (m) whether the assessment manager considers the assessment manager's decision conflicts with a relevant instrument;

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- (n) if the assessment manager is satisfied the decision conflicts with a relevant instrument—the reasons for the decision, including a statement of the sufficient grounds mentioned in sections 326(1)(b) and 329(1)(b);
- (o) the rights of appeal for the applicant and any submitters.
- (2) To remove doubt, it is declared that subsection (1)(n) does not require the assessment manager to give reasons for each condition of approval.
- (3) Also, if the application is a building development application, the decision notice must—
  - (a) include the approved drawings for the development approval; and
  - (b) if the development involves building work that is building, repairing or altering a building—state the classification or proposed classification of the building or parts of the building under the BCA.
- (4) If the application is taken to have been approved under section 331, the decision notice need not include the matters mentioned in subsection (1)(m) or (n).
- (5) In this section—

*relevant instrument*, in relation to an assessment manager's decision, means a matter or thing mentioned in section 313(2), 314(2) or 316(4)(c) or (d), other than a State planning regulatory provision, against which the assessment was carried out or to which the assessment manager had regard.

### **336 Material to be given with decision notice**

When the assessment manager gives a decision notice under section 334, the assessment manager must also give a copy of—

- (a) any relevant appeal provisions; and
- (b) any plans and specifications approved by the assessment manager in relation to the decision notice.

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**337 Assessment manager to give copy of decision notice to principal submitter**

- (1) If the application is approved, the assessment manager must give a copy of the decision notice to each principal submitter within 5 business days after the earliest of the following happens—
  - (a) the applicant gives the assessment manager a written notice stating that the applicant does not intend to make representations mentioned in section 361(1);
  - (b) the applicant gives the assessment manager notice of the applicant's appeal;
  - (c) the applicant's appeal period ends.
- (2) If the application is refused, the assessment manager must give a copy of the decision notice to each principal submitter at about the same time as the decision notice is given to the applicant.
- (3) A copy of the relevant appeal provisions must also be given with each copy of the decision notice.

**338 Decision notice given by private certifier**

If the decision notice is given by a private certifier, sections 334 to 337 apply subject to the Building Act, chapter 4, part 6.

*Editor's note—*

Building Act, chapter 4, part 6 (Regulation of building assessment work and the issuing of building development approvals by private certifiers)

## **Division 5 Approvals**

**339 When approval takes effect**

- (1) If the application is approved, or approved subject to conditions, the decision notice, or if a negotiated decision

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notice is given, the negotiated decision notice, is taken to be the development approval and has effect—

- (a) if there is no submitter and the applicant does not appeal the decision to the court or a building and development committee, from when—
    - (i) the decision notice is given; or
    - (ii) if a negotiated decision notice is given—the negotiated decision notice is given; or
  - (b) if there is a submitter and the applicant does not appeal the decision to the court or a building and development committee—
    - (i) when the submitter's appeal period ends; or
    - (ii) if the last submitter gives the assessment manager written notice that the submitter will not be appealing the decision before the period mentioned in subparagraph (i) ends—on the day the last submitter gives the notice; or
  - (c) if an appeal is made to the court or a building and development committee, subject to sections 490(3) and 553(3) and the decision of the court or committee under section 496 or 564—when the appeal is finally decided or withdrawn.
- (2) However, if the approval relates to land that was acquisition land to which section 263(2)(d) applied when the application was made, the development approval does not have effect until the later of the following—
- (a) the day the land is taken or acquired under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* or the Acquisition Act;
  - (b) the time the development approval would, other than for this subsection, have effect.
- (3) If a decision notice or negotiated decision notice is not given for an application to which a deemed approval relates, the deemed approval has effect—

- (a) if the applicant does not appeal the decision to the court or a building and development committee, from when the decision notice should have been given under section 331(6); or
  - (b) if an appeal is made to the court or a building and development committee, subject to sections 490(3) and 553(3) and the decision of the court or committee under section 496 or 564—when the appeal is finally decided or withdrawn.
- (4) If a submitter acts under subsection (1)(b)(ii), the assessment manager must give the applicant a copy of the submitter's notice.
- (5) In this section—  
*submitter* includes an advice agency that has told the assessment manager to treat its response as a properly made submission.

### **340 When development may start**

- (1) Development may start—
- (a) when a development permit for the development takes effect; or
  - (b) if an application for a development permit is taken to have been approved under section 331 and the assessment manager does not give a decision notice for the application—when the deemed approval for the application has effect.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies subject to any condition applying under section 346(1)(b) to a development approval for the development.
- (3) However, for development on land in a declared master planned area, the development can not start until all master plans that the structure plan requires for the land have taken effect.

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### **341 When approval lapses if development not started**

- (1) To the extent a development approval is for a material change of use of premises, the approval lapses if the first change of use under the approval does not start within the following period (the *relevant period*)—
  - (a) 4 years starting the day the approval takes effect;
  - (b) if the approval states a different period from when the approval takes effect—the stated period.
- (2) To the extent a development approval is for reconfiguring a lot, the approval lapses if a plan for the reconfiguration is not given to the local government within the following period (also the *relevant period*)—
  - (a) for reconfiguration not requiring operational works—2 years starting the day the approval takes effect;
  - (b) for reconfiguration requiring operational works—4 years starting the day the approval takes effect;
  - (c) if the approval states a different period from when the approval takes effect—the stated period.
- (3) To the extent a development approval is for development other than a material change of use of premises or reconfiguring a lot, the approval lapses if the development does not substantially start within the following period (also the *relevant period*)—
  - (a) 2 years starting the day the approval takes effect;
  - (b) if the approval states a different period from when the approval takes effect—the stated period.
- (4) Despite subsections (1) and (2), if there are 1 or more related approvals for a development approval mentioned in subsection (1) or (2), the relevant period is taken to have started on the day the latest related approval takes effect.
- (5) If a monetary security has been given in relation to any development approval, the security must be released if the approval lapses under this section.

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- (6) The lapsing of a development approval for a material change of use of premises or reconfiguring a lot does not cause an approval mentioned in subsection (3) to lapse.
- (7) In this section—
- related approval***, for a development approval for a material change of use of premises (the ***earlier approval***), means—
- (a) the first development approval for a development application made to a local government or private certifier, or first compliance permit for a request for compliance assessment made to a local government or entity nominated by a local government, within 2 years of the start of the relevant period, that is—
    - (i) to the extent the earlier approval is a preliminary approval—a development permit or compliance permit for the material change of use of premises; or
    - (ii) to the extent the earlier approval is a development permit or a preliminary approval for development mentioned in section 242(3)(a)(i) or (ii)—a development permit or compliance permit for building work or operational work necessary for the material change of use of premises to take place; and
  - (b) each further development permit, for a development application made to a local government or private certifier within 2 years of the day the last related approval takes effect, that is for building work or operational work necessary for the material change of use of premises to take place; and
  - (c) each further compliance permit, for a request for compliance assessment made to a local government or entity nominated by a local government within 2 years of the day the last related approval takes effect, that is for building work or operational work necessary for the material change of use of premises to take place.

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*related approval*, for a development approval for reconfiguring a lot (also the *earlier approval*), means—

- (a) the first development permit for a development application made to a local government, or first compliance permit for a request for compliance assessment made to a local government or entity nominated by a local government, within 2 years of the start of the relevant period, that is—
  - (i) to the extent the earlier approval is a preliminary approval—for the reconfiguration; or
  - (ii) to the extent the earlier approval is a development permit for reconfiguring a lot—for operational work related to the reconfiguration; and
- (b) each further development permit, for a development application made to a local government within 2 years of the day the last related approval takes effect, that is for operational work related to the reconfiguration; and
- (c) each further compliance permit, for a request for compliance assessment made to a local government or entity nominated by a local government within 2 years of the day the last related approval takes effect, that is for operational work related to the reconfiguration.

**342 When approval lapses if development started but not completed—general**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) a condition requires assessable development, or an aspect of assessable development, to be completed within a particular time; and
  - (b) the assessable development, or aspect, is started but not completed within the time.
- (2) The approval, to the extent it relates to the assessable development or aspect not completed, lapses.

- (3) However, even though the approval has lapsed, any security paid under a condition mentioned in section 346(1)(f) may be used in a way stated by the approval, including, for example, to finish the development.
- (4) This section does not apply to a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies.

**343 When approval lapses if development started but not completed—preliminary approval**

- (1) This section applies to a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies if development, or an aspect of development, to which the approval relates is started but not completed within the prescribed period for the approval.
- (2) The approval, to the extent it relates to the development or aspect not completed, lapses at the end of the prescribed period.
- (3) In this section—  
*prescribed period*, for a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies, means—
  - (a) if a condition of the approval requires development, or an aspect of development, to which the approval relates to be completed within a stated period—the stated period; or
  - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—the period, if any, nominated by the applicant for that purpose and stated in the application to which the approval relates; or
  - (c) if paragraphs (a) and (b) do not apply—
    - (i) 5 years after the day the preliminary approval takes effect; or
    - (ii) if there is 1 or more related approvals for the preliminary approval—5 years after the day the last related approval takes effect.

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*related approval*, for a preliminary approval, means a related approval for the preliminary approval under section 341(7).

## **Division 6                      Conditions**

### **344      Application of div 6**

This division applies to each condition in a development approval whether the condition is a condition—

- (a) a concurrence agency directs an assessment manager to impose; or
- (b) decided by an assessment manager; or
- (c) attached to the approval under the direction of the Minister.

### **345      Conditions must be relevant or reasonable**

- (1) A condition must—
  - (a) be relevant to, but not an unreasonable imposition on, the development or use of premises as a consequence of the development; or
  - (b) be reasonably required in relation to the development or use of premises as a consequence of the development.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies despite the laws that are administered by, and the policies that are reasonably identifiable as policies applied by, an assessment manager or concurrence agency.

### **346      Conditions generally**

- (1) A condition may—
  - (a) place a limit on how long a lawful use may continue or works may remain in place; or
  - (b) state a development may not start until other development permits or compliance permits, for

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development on the same premises, have been given or other development on the same premises, including development not covered by the development application, has been substantially started or completed; or

- (c) require compliance with an infrastructure agreement relating to the land; or
  - (d) require a document or work to be subject to compliance assessment; or
  - (e) require development, or an aspect of development, to be completed within a particular time; or
  - (f) require the payment of security under an agreement under section 348 to support a condition mentioned in paragraph (e).
- (2) A condition imposed under subsection (1)(c) is taken to comply with section 345.

*Note—*

See chapter 8, part 1 for other conditions that may be imposed on a development approval.

### **347 Conditions that can not be imposed**

- (1) A condition must not—
- (a) be inconsistent with a condition of an earlier development approval or compliance permit still in effect for the development; or
  - (b) for infrastructure to which chapter 8, part 1 applies, require (other than under chapter 8, part 1)—
    - (i) a monetary payment for the establishment, operating and maintenance costs of the infrastructure; or
    - (ii) works to be carried out for the infrastructure; or

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- (c) state that works required to be carried out for a development must be undertaken by an entity other than the applicant; or
  - (d) require an access restriction strip; or
  - (e) limit the time a development approval has effect for a use or work forming part of a network of community infrastructure, other than State-owned or State-controlled transport infrastructure.
- (2) This section does not stop a condition being imposed that requires a monetary payment, or works to be carried out—
- (a) to protect or maintain—
    - (i) the safety or efficiency of existing or proposed State-owned or State-controlled transport infrastructure; or
    - (ii) the safety or efficiency of railways ports or airports under the Transport Infrastructure Act; or
  - (b) to ensure the efficient provision of public passenger transport through public passenger transport infrastructure within the meaning of the *Transport Planning and Coordination Act 1994*, whether or not the infrastructure is State-owned or State-controlled.
- (3) In subsection (2)—

***State-owned or State-controlled transport infrastructure*** means transport infrastructure under the Transport Infrastructure Act that is owned or controlled by the State.

### **348 Agreements**

The applicant may enter into an agreement with an entity, including, for example, an assessment manager or a concurrence agency, to establish the obligations, or secure the performance, of a party to the agreement about a condition.

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**349 Covenants not to be inconsistent with development approvals**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if a covenant under the *Land Act 1994*, section 373A(4) or the *Land Title Act 1994*, section 97A(3)(a) or (b) is entered into in connection with a development application.

*Editor's note—*

*Land Act 1994*, section 373A (Covenant by registration) or *Land Title Act 1994*, section 97A (Covenant by registration)

- (2) The covenant is of no effect unless it is entered into—
- (a) as a requirement of a condition of a development approval for the application; or
  - (b) under an infrastructure agreement.

## **Part 6 Changing or withdrawing development applications**

### **Division 1 Preliminary**

**350 Meaning of *minor change***

- (1) A *minor change* in relation to an application, is any of the following changes to the application—
- (a) a change that merely corrects a mistake about the name or address of the applicant or owner, or the address or other property details of the land to which the application applies, if the assessment manager is satisfied the change would not adversely affect the ability of a person to assess the changed application;

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- (b) a change of applicant, if the assessment manager is satisfied the change would not adversely affect the ability of a person to assess the changed application;
  - (c) a change that merely corrects a spelling or grammatical error;
  - (d) a change that—
    - (i) does not result in a substantially different development; and
    - (ii) does not require the application to be referred to any additional referral agencies; and
    - (iii) does not change the type of development approval sought; and
    - (iv) does not require impact assessment for any part of the changed application, if the original application did not involve impact assessment.
- (2) In deciding whether a change is a minor change under subsection (1)(d), the planning instruments or law in force at the time the change was made apply (the *applicable law*).
- (3) Application of the applicable law does not stop a change mentioned in subsection (1)(d)(ii) or (iv) from being a minor change only because the applicable law, if applied to the application as originally made, would require referral to any additional referral agencies or involve impact assessment.

## **Division 2                      Procedure for changing applications**

### **351      Changing application**

- (1) Before an application is decided, the applicant may change the application by giving the assessment manager written notice of the change.

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*Note—*

An assessment manager or concurrence agency may, in an information request, advise an applicant about changing an application. See section 276 (Information request to applicant).

- (2) An applicant can not change an application if the change would, if the application were remade including the change, result in the application—
  - (a) not being a properly made application; or
  - (b) involving prohibited development.
- (3) Subsection (2)(a) does not apply to the applicant if the applicant takes the action that would be necessary to make the application a properly made application if it were remade.
- (4) If the change to the application is, or includes, a change of applicant, the notice of the change—
  - (a) may be given to the assessment manager by the person proposing to become the applicant; and
  - (b) must be accompanied by the written consent of the person who is the applicant immediately before the change.

### **352 Assessment manager to advise referral agencies about changed applications**

When the assessment manager receives notice of the change, the assessment manager must give a copy of the notice to the following entities and advise them of its effect under division 3—

- (a) any referral agencies for the original application;
- (b) if the change requires the application to be referred to a referral agency, other than a referral agency mentioned in paragraph (a)—the referral agency.

*Note—*

Under section 290(1)(b)(ii), a concurrence agency may amend its concurrence agency's response for particular changes to the application.

## **Division 3                      Changed applications—effect on IDAS**

### **353      Effect on IDAS—minor change**

- (1) IDAS does not stop for a changed application if the change is a minor change of the application.
- (2) For a changed application, the notification stage does not again apply, and is not required to restart, if—
  - (a) the change is a minor change; and
  - (b) the notification stage applied to the original application; and
  - (c) the change was made during the notification stage or after the notification stage ended.

### **354      Effect on IDAS—changes about matters relating to submissions or information requests**

- (1) This section applies to a changed application if—
  - (a) the change is not a minor change of the application; and
  - (b) the assessment manager is satisfied the change—
    - (i) only deals with a matter raised in a properly made submission for the application; or
    - (ii) is in response to an information request.
- (2) IDAS does not stop for the changed application.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if the notification stage applied to the original application and the change was made during the notification stage or after the notification stage ended.
- (4) The notification stage must restart or be repeated unless the assessment manager is satisfied the change would not be likely to attract a submission objecting to the thing comprising the change, if the notification stage were to apply to the change.

- (5) Also, if the notification stage applies to the changed application, the assessment manager can not decide the application until the notification stage has ended.

**355 Effect on IDAS—other changes**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to a changed application if—
- (a) the change is not a minor change; and
  - (b) the assessment manager is satisfied the change is not a change that—
    - (i) only deals with a matter raised in a properly made submission for the application; or
    - (ii) is in response to an information request.
- (2) The IDAS process stops on the day the notice of the change is received by the assessment manager and starts again from the start of the acknowledgement period.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies to a changed application if—
- (a) the IDAS process has stopped under subsection (2) for the application; and
  - (b) the notification stage applied to the original application; and
  - (c) the change was made during the notification stage or after the notification stage ended.
- (4) The notification stage must be repeated unless the assessment manager is satisfied the change would not be likely to attract a submission objecting to the thing comprising the change, if the notification stage were to apply to the change.

## Division 4                      **Withdrawing applications**

### **356      Withdrawing an application**

- (1) At any time before the application is decided, the applicant may withdraw the application by giving written notice of the withdrawal to—
  - (a) the assessment manager; and
  - (b) any referral agency.
- (2) If within 1 year of withdrawing the application, the applicant makes a later application that is not substantially different from the withdrawn application, any properly made submission about the withdrawn application is taken to be a properly made submission about the later application.

## Part 7                              **Missed referral agencies**

### **357      Notice of missed referral agency**

- (1) This section applies if an applicant has not referred an application to a referral agency (the *missed referral agency*) as required under section 272.
- (2) A party to the application may, by written notice given to each other party to the application, advise the other parties that the applicant has not referred the application as required under section 272.
- (3) In this section—

*party*, to an application, means the applicant, assessment manager and each referral agency for the application.

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**358 Effect of missed referral agency on information and referral stage and notification stage**

- (1) This section applies if a notice is given under section 357(2) during the information and referral stage or the notification stage for the application.
- (2) Despite section 273, the application does not lapse.
- (3) The IDAS process for the application does not stop.
- (4) However, the decision stage for the application does not start until—
  - (a) the information and referral stage is carried out in relation to the missed referral agency; and
  - (b) either—
    - (i) all referral agency's responses for the application have been received; or
    - (ii) all referral agency's assessment periods for the application have ended; and
  - (c) the notification stage has ended.
- (5) If the applicant gives the notice under section 357(2), the applicant must comply with section 272 for the missed referral agency within 10 business days after giving the notice.
- (6) If another party to the application gives the notice under section 357(2), the applicant must comply with section 272 for the missed referral agency within 10 business days after receiving the notice.
- (7) If the notice under section 357(2) is given during the notification stage for the application and the applicant has started or carried out notification under section 297, notification under section 297 need not be restarted or carried out again for the application.

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### **359 Effect of missed referral agency on decision stage**

- (1) This section applies if a notice is given under section 357(2) during the decision stage for the application and before the application is decided.
- (2) Despite section 273, the application does not lapse.
- (3) The application can not be decided until the information and referral stage for the application is carried out in relation to the missed referral agency.
- (4) If the applicant gives the notice under section 357(2), the applicant must comply with section 272 for the missed referral agency within 10 business days after giving the notice.
- (5) If another party to the application gives the notice under section 357(2), the applicant must comply with section 272 for the missed referral agency within 10 business days after receiving the notice.
- (6) The applicant is not required to again carry out notification under section 297 for the application, if the notification has been carried out.
- (7) The decision stage for the application starts again—
  - (a) on the day the referral agency's response for the missed referral agency is received by the assessment manager; or
  - (b) if the missed referral agency does not give a referral agency's response—on the day the referral agency's assessment period of the missed referral agency ends.

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## **Part 8                      Dealing with decision notices and approvals**

### **Division 1                Changing decision notices and approvals during applicant's appeal period**

#### **360      Application of div 1**

This division applies only during the applicant's appeal period.

#### **361      Applicant may make representations about decision**

- (1) The applicant may make written representations to the assessment manager about—
  - (a) a matter stated in the decision notice, other than a refusal or a matter about which a concurrence agency told the assessment manager under section 287(1) or (5); or
  - (b) the standard conditions applying to a deemed approval.
- (2) However, the applicant can not make representations under subsection (1)(a) about a condition attached to an approval under the direction of the Minister.

#### **362      Assessment manager to consider representations**

The assessment manager must consider any representations made to the assessment manager under section 361.

#### **363      Decision about representations**

- (1) If the assessment manager agrees with any of the representations about a decision notice or a deemed approval,

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the assessment manager must give a new decision notice (the *negotiated decision notice*) to—

- (a) the applicant; and
  - (b) each principal submitter; and
  - (c) each referral agency; and
  - (d) if the assessment manager is not the local government and the development is in a local government area—the local government.
- (2) Before the assessment manager agrees to a change under this section, the assessment manager must consider the matters the assessment manager was required to consider in assessing the application, to the extent the matters are relevant.
- (3) Only 1 negotiated decision notice may be given.
- (4) The negotiated decision notice—
- (a) must be given within 5 business days after the day the assessment manager agrees with the representations; and
  - (b) must comply with section 335; and
  - (c) must state the nature of the changes; and
  - (d) replaces—
    - (i) the decision notice previously given; or
    - (ii) if a decision notice was not previously given and the negotiated decision notice relates to a deemed approval—the standard conditions applying to the deemed approval.
- (5) If the assessment manager does not agree with any of the representations, the assessment manager must, within 5 business days after the day the assessment manager decides not to agree with any of the representations, give written notice to the applicant stating the decision about the representations.

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**364 Giving new infrastructure charges notice or regulated infrastructure charges notice**

- (1) This section applies if the development approved by the negotiated decision notice is different from the development approved in the decision notice or deemed approval in a way that affects the amount of an infrastructure charge or regulated infrastructure charge.
- (2) The local government may give the applicant a new infrastructure charges notice under section 633 or regulated infrastructure charges notice under section 643 to replace the original notice.

**365 Giving new regulated State infrastructure charges notice**

- (1) This section applies if the development approved by the negotiated decision notice is different from the development approved in the decision notice or deemed approval in a way that affects the amount of a regulated State infrastructure charge.
- (2) The relevant State infrastructure provider may give the applicant a new regulated State infrastructure charges notice under section 669 to replace the original notice.

**366 Applicant may suspend applicant's appeal period**

- (1) If the applicant needs more time to make the representations, the applicant may, by written notice given to the assessment manager, suspend the applicant's appeal period.
- (2) The applicant may act under subsection (1) only once.
- (3) If the representations are not made within 20 business days after the day written notice was given to the assessment manager, the balance of the applicant's appeal period restarts.
- (4) If the representations are made within 20 business days after the day written notice was given to the assessment manager—

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- (a) if the applicant gives the assessment manager a notice withdrawing the notice under subsection (1)—the balance of the applicant’s appeal period restarts the day after the assessment manager receives the notice of withdrawal; or
- (b) if the assessment manager gives the applicant a notice under section 363(5)—the balance of the applicant’s appeal period restarts the day after the applicant receives the notice; or
- (c) if the assessment manager gives the applicant a negotiated decision notice—the applicant’s appeal period starts again the day after the applicant receives the negotiated decision notice.

## **Division 2                      Changing approvals—request for change after applicant’s appeal period ends**

### **Subdivision 1                  Preliminary**

#### **367      What is a *permissible change* for a development approval**

- (1) A *permissible change*, for a development approval, is a change to the approval that would not—
  - (a) result in a substantially different development; or
  - (b) if the application for the approval were remade including the change—
    - (i) require referral to additional concurrence agencies; or
    - (ii) for an approval for assessable development that previously did not require impact assessment—require impact assessment; or

- (c) for an approval for assessable development that previously required impact assessment—be likely, in the responsible entity’s opinion, to cause a person to make a properly made submission objecting to the proposed change, if the circumstances allowed; or
  - (d) cause development to which the approval relates to include any prohibited development.
- (2) For deciding whether a change is a permissible change under subsection (1)(b) or (d), the planning instruments or law in force at the time the request for the change was made apply (the *applicable law*).
  - (3) Application of the applicable law does not stop a change mentioned in subsection (1)(b) from being a permissible change only because the applicable law, if applied to the application as originally made, would require referral to any additional referral agencies or involve impact assessment.

### **368 Notice about proposed change before request is made**

- (1) This section applies if a person proposes to make a request under section 369 to change a development approval.
- (2) Before making the request, the person may advise any relevant entity about the person’s intention to make the request and the details of the proposed change.
- (3) The relevant entity may give the person a written notice (a *pre-request response notice*) stating whether or not the entity objects to the proposed change.
- (4) In this section—  
*relevant entity* means an entity to whom the person would, under section 372, be required to give a copy of the request if it were made.

## **Subdivision 2 Procedure for changing approvals**

### **369 Request to change development approval**

- (1) If a person wants to make a permissible change to a development approval, the person must by written notice ask the following entity (the *responsible entity*) stated for the change or approval to make the change—
  - (a) if the change is to a condition imposed by the Minister under part 11, division 1—the Minister;
  - (b) if the approval was given by the Minister under part 11, division 2—the Minister;
  - (c) if the change is to a condition of the approval imposed by a concurrence agency—the concurrence agency;
  - (d) if the approval was given by the court—the court;
  - (e) for another change or approval—the assessment manager for the application to which the approval relates.
- (2) If a request is made to the Minister under subsection (1)(b) and the Minister is satisfied the change does not affect a State interest, the Minister may refer the request to the original assessment manager.
- (3) If the Minister refers the request to the original assessment manager, the original assessment manager is taken to be the responsible entity for the development approval.
- (4) If the development approval is for building work or operational work for the supply of community infrastructure on land designated for the community infrastructure, a request under subsection (1) may be made only by the person who intends to supply, or is supplying, the infrastructure.

### **370 Notice of request**

- (1) If the responsible entity has a form for the request under section 369, the request must be in the form.

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- (2) Also, the request must be accompanied by—
    - (a) the fee for the request—
      - (i) if the responsible entity is a local government—fixed by a resolution of the local government; or
      - (ii) if the responsible entity is another public sector entity or the Minister—prescribed under a regulation under this or another Act; and
    - (b) a copy of any pre-request response notice relevant to the request; and
    - (c) evidence to show the person making the request has complied with section 372.
  - (3) Subsection (4) applies if an application for the development approval were made at the time the request is made and evidence under section 264(1) would be required to support the application.
  - (4) The request must also be accompanied by the written agreement of the chief executive from whom evidence would need to be obtained under section 264(1).
  - (5) The request may be accompanied by other information the person making the request considers relevant.

### **371 When owner's consent required for request**

If the person making the request is not the owner of the land to which the development approval attaches, the request must be accompanied by the owner's consent unless—

- (a) the approval relates to land that was acquisition land to which section 263(2)(d) applied when the application for the approval was made; or
- (b) the approval is for building work or operational work for the supply of community infrastructure on land designated for the community infrastructure; or

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- (c) the consent of the owner would not be required under section 263(1) if a development application were made for the requested change; or
- (d) the responsible entity is satisfied that—
  - (i) having regard to the nature of the proposed change, the owner has unreasonably withheld consent; and
  - (ii) the requested change does not materially affect the owner's land; or
- (e) the responsible entity is satisfied that—
  - (i) because of the number of owners of the land, it is not practicable to obtain the owners' consent; and
  - (ii) the requested change does not materially affect the owners' land.

*Example for paragraph (e)(i)—*

It may not be practicable to obtain the consent of all the owners of land if the land was subdivided, after the development approval was given, and is subsequently owned by multiple persons.

### **372 Copy of request to be given to particular entities**

- (1) When the person makes the request, the person must give a copy of the request to the following—
  - (a) if the responsible entity is a concurrence agency—the assessment manager for the application to which the development approval applies (the **original application**);
  - (b) if the responsible entity is the Minister or the court—the assessment manager and any concurrence agencies for the original application;
  - (c) if the responsible entity is the assessment manager—any concurrence agencies for the original application;
  - (d) another entity prescribed under a regulation.

- (2) Despite subsection (1), the person need not give a copy of the request to an entity that has given the person a pre-request response notice for the request.

### **Subdivision 3      Assessing and deciding request for change**

#### **373      Particular entities to assess request for change**

- (1) An entity given a copy of the request under section 372 must, within 20 business days after receiving the request, give the responsible entity a written notice advising—
  - (a) it has no objection to the change being made; or
  - (b) it objects to the change being made and the reasons for the objection.
- (2) If the entity (the *relevant entity*) does not give a written notice within 20 business days after receiving the copy of the request, the responsible entity must decide the request as if the relevant entity had no objection to the request.

#### **374      Responsible entity to assess request**

- (1) To the extent relevant, the responsible entity must assess the request having regard to—
  - (a) the information the person making the request included with the request; and
  - (b) the matters the responsible entity would have regard to if the request were a development application; and
  - (c) if submissions were made about the original application—the submissions; and
  - (d) any notice about the request given under section 373 to the entity; and
  - (e) any pre-request response notice about the request given to the entity.

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- (2) For subsection (1)(b), the responsible entity must have regard to the planning instruments, plans, codes, laws or policies applying when the original application was made, but may give the weight it considers appropriate to the planning instruments, plans, codes, laws or policies applying when the request was made.

### **375 Responsible entity to decide request**

- (1) After assessing the request under section 374, the responsible entity must decide to—
  - (a) approve the request, with or without conditions; or
  - (b) refuse the request.
- (2) A condition imposed under subsection (1)(a) must—
  - (a) be relevant to the proposed change; and
  - (b) comply with section 345.
- (3) If no other entity is required to be given a copy of the request under section 372, the responsible entity must decide the request within 30 business days after receiving the request.
- (4) If another entity is required to be given a copy of the request under section 372, the responsible entity—
  - (a) must not decide the request until the first of the following happens—
    - (i) a written notice has been received under section 373 from each entity given a copy of the request;
    - (ii) the period of 25 business days after the responsible entity received the request ends; but
  - (b) must decide the request within 30 business days after receiving the request.
- (5) However, the responsible entity and the person making the request may agree to extend the period within which the entity must decide the request by not more than 20 business days.

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- (6) Subsections (3) to (5) do not apply if the responsible entity is the court.

### **376 Notice of decision**

- (1) The responsible entity must give written notice of the decision to each of the following—
- (a) the person who made the request;
  - (b) if the responsible entity is not the assessment manager—the assessment manager;
  - (c) any referral agency for the original application;
  - (d) if the responsible entity is not a local government and the development approval relates to land in a local government area—the local government whose local government area includes the land;
  - (e) if the request relates to a development approval given by the Minister under part 11, division 2 and the Minister referred the request to the original assessment manager—the Minister.
- (2) The notice must—
- (a) state all of the following—
    - (i) the day the request was made;
    - (ii) the day the development approval for the original application was decided;
    - (iii) the decision;
    - (iv) if the request was refused—the reasons for the decision; and
  - (b) if the request was approved—be accompanied by a copy of the decision notice, if any, for the original application showing the changes.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if—

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- (a) the responsible entity is the assessment manager for the application to which the approval relates; and
  - (b) the decision is to refuse the request or approve the request on conditions.
- (4) If the notice is given to the person who made the request or an entity that gave the responsible entity a notice under section 373 or a pre-request response notice, the notice also must state—
- (a) that the person or entity may appeal against the decision; and
  - (b) how the person or entity may appeal.
- (5) Subsection (6) applies if—
- (a) the responsible entity is a concurrence agency; and
  - (b) the decision is to refuse the request or approve the request on conditions.
- (6) If the notice is given to the person who made the request, the notice also must state—
- (a) that the person may appeal against the decision; and
  - (b) how the person may appeal.

### **377 When decision has effect**

If the decision is to approve the request for a permissible change, the decision takes effect—

- (a) on the day the notice mentioned in section 376(1) is given to the person who made the request; or
- (b) if a person has appealed against the decision—on the day the appeal is finally decided or withdrawn.



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the land to which the approval attaches and any occupier of the land.

- (8) The notice must—
  - (a) state the following—
    - (i) the proposed change or cancellation and the reasons for the change or cancellation;
    - (ii) that each person to whom the notice is given may make a written submission to the entity about the proposed change or cancellation;
    - (iii) the period, which must be at least 15 business days after the notice is given to the holder, within which the submission may be made; and
  - (b) be accompanied by a copy of the decision notice, if any, for the original application showing the changes.
- (9) After considering any submissions, the entity must give to each person to whom the notice was given—
  - (a) if the entity is not satisfied the change or cancellation is necessary—written notice stating it has decided not to change or cancel the condition; or
  - (b) if the entity is satisfied the change or cancellation is necessary—written notice stating it has decided to change or cancel the condition, and include details of the changed conditions or cancellation.
- (10) If the entity was a concurrence agency, the entity must also give the entity that was the assessment manager written notice of the change or cancellation.
- (11) The changed condition or cancellation takes effect from the day the notice is given to the owner of the land.

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## **Division 4                      Cancelling approvals**

### **379      Request to cancel development approval**

- (1) The owner of the land the subject of an application, or another person with the owner's consent, may by written notice ask the assessment manager to cancel the development approval.
- (2) The request must be accompanied by the fee for the request—
  - (a) if the assessment manager is a local government—fixed by a resolution of the local government; or
  - (b) if the assessment manager is another public sector entity—prescribed under a regulation under any Act.
- (3) Subsection (1) applies to an owner of land designated for community infrastructure only if the owner is the entity who intends, or intended, to supply the infrastructure.

### **380      Restriction on making request**

- (1) Cancellation can not be requested under section 379(1) if development under the development approval has started.
- (2) Also, cancellation can not be requested under section 379(1) unless written consent to the cancellation is given by—
  - (a) if there is a written arrangement between the owner and another person under which the other person proposes to buy the land—the person proposing to buy the land; or
  - (b) if the application is for land the subject of a public utility easement—the entity in whose favour the easement is given; or
  - (c) if an application for the approval were made at the time the request is made and evidence under section 264(1) would be required to support the application—the chief executive from whom evidence would need to be obtained under that section.

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### **381 Assessment manager to cancel approval**

After receiving the request under section 379, the assessment manager must—

- (a) cancel the approval; and
- (b) give notice of the cancellation to the person who applied for the cancellation and to each concurrence agency.

### **382 Release of monetary security**

If a monetary security has been given in relation to the approval, the security must be released if the approval is cancelled.

## **Division 5 Extending period of approvals**

### **383 Request to extend period in s 341**

- (1) If, before a development approval lapses under section 341, a person wants to extend a period mentioned in that section, the person must, by written notice—
  - (a) advise each entity that was a concurrence agency that the person is asking for an extension of the period; and
  - (b) ask the assessment manager to extend the period.
- (2) The notices must be given at about the same time.
- (3) The notice to the assessment manager must—
  - (a) if the assessment manager has a form for the request—be in the form; and
  - (b) include a copy of each notice given under subsection (1)(a); and
  - (c) be accompanied by the fee—

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- (i) if the assessment manager is a local government—fixed by a resolution of the local government; or
  - (ii) if the assessment manager is another public sector entity—prescribed under a regulation under any Act; and
- (d) if the person making the request is not the owner of the land to which the approval attaches—be accompanied by the owner’s consent if, under section 263(1), the written consent of the owner of the land the subject of the application for the approval was required for the making of the application; and
- (e) if an application for the approval were made at the time the request is made and evidence under section 264(1) would be required to support the application, be accompanied by—
- (i) the written agreement of the chief executive from whom evidence would need to be obtained under section 264(1); or
  - (ii) evidence showing that the person has asked the chief executive mentioned in subparagraph (i) for the chief executive’s written agreement to the extension.
- (4) Despite subsection (3)(d), the notice to the assessment manager need not be accompanied by the owner’s consent if the assessment manager is satisfied that—
- (a) having regard to the nature of the request, the owner has unreasonably withheld consent; or
  - (b) because of the number of owners of the land, it is not practicable to obtain the owners’ consent.

*Example for subsection (4)(b)—*

It may not be practicable to obtain the consent of all the owners of land if the land was subdivided, after the development approval was given, and is subsequently owned by multiple persons.

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**384 Request can not be withdrawn**

A request under this division may not be withdrawn.

**385 Concurrence agency may advise assessment manager about request**

A concurrence agency given a notice under section 383(1)(a) may give the assessment manager a written notice—

- (a) stating it has no objection to the extension being approved; or
- (b) stating it objects to the extension being approved and giving reasons for the objection.

**386 Deciding particular requests**

- (1) This section applies if the request for the extension was accompanied by evidence showing that the person asked a chief executive for the chief executive's written agreement to the extension.
- (2) The assessment manager must refuse the request if the chief executive gives the assessment manager written notice that the chief executive does not agree to the extension.
- (3) If the chief executive agrees to the extension, the assessment manager must decide the request within 30 business days after receiving the written agreement.
- (4) Subsection (3) applies despite section 387(1).

**387 Assessment manager to decide request**

- (1) The assessment manager must approve or refuse the extension within 30 business days after receiving the request.
- (2) If there was a concurrence agency, the assessment manager must not approve or refuse the extension until at least 20 business days after receiving the request.

- (3) The assessment manager and the person making the request may agree to extend the period within which the assessment manager must decide the request.
- (4) The assessment manager may decide the request even if the development approval was granted by the court.

### **388 Deciding request**

- (1) In deciding a request under section 383, the assessment manager must only have regard to—
  - (a) the consistency of the approval, including its conditions, with the current laws and policies applying to the development, including, for example, the amount and type of infrastructure contributions, or infrastructure charges payable under an infrastructure charges schedule; and
  - (b) the community's current awareness of the development approval; and
  - (c) whether, if the request were refused—
    - (i) further rights to make a submission may be available for a further development application; and
    - (ii) the likely extent to which those rights may be exercised; and
  - (d) the views of any concurrence agency for the approval given under section 385.
- (2) If the assessment manager does not receive a notice under section 385 from a concurrence agency within 20 business days after the day the request was received by the assessment manager, the assessment manager must decide the request as if the concurrence agency had no objection to the request.
- (3) Despite subsection (2), if the development approval is subject to a concurrence agency condition about the period mentioned in section 341, the assessment manager must not approve the

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request unless the concurrence agency advises it has no objection to the extension being approved.

- (4) If the assessment manager receives a notice under section 385 from a concurrence agency within 20 business days after the day the request was received by the assessment manager, the assessment manager must have regard to the notice when deciding the request.

### **389 Assessment manager to give notice of decision**

After deciding the request, the assessment manager must give written notice of the decision to the person asking for the extension and any concurrence agency that gave the assessment manager a notice under section 385.

### **390 Approval does not lapse until request is decided**

Despite section 341, the development approval does not lapse until the assessment manager decides the request.

## **Division 6 Recording approvals on planning scheme**

### **391 Particular approvals to be recorded on planning scheme**

- (1) This section applies if a local government—
- (a) gives a development approval, other than a deemed approval, and is satisfied the approval conflicts with the planning scheme; or
  - (b) gives a development approval mentioned in section 242; or
  - (c) decides to agree or is taken to have decided to agree under chapter 3, part 2, division 5 to a request for a superseded planning scheme to apply for particular development.



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- (f) written consent of the person (the *applicant*) who applied for the development approval is required for any one who carries out the activity the subject of the approval who is not an agent or employee of the applicant.

## **Part 10 Compliance stage**

### **Division 1 Preliminary**

#### **393 Purpose of compliance stage**

The compliance stage allows for development, or a document or work relating to development, to be assessed for compliance with—

- (a) a matter or thing prescribed under a regulation; or
- (b) a planning instrument; or
- (c) a master plan; or
- (d) a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies; or
- (e) a condition of a development approval or compliance permit.

#### **394 Compliance permit**

A *compliance permit* authorises development requiring compliance assessment to take place—

- (a) to the extent stated in the permit; and
- (b) subject to the conditions in the permit.

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**395 Compliance certificate**

A *compliance certificate* approves documents or works requiring compliance assessment—

- (a) to the extent stated in the certificate; and
- (b) subject to the conditions in the certificate.

**396 What does compliance stage apply to**

The compliance stage applies to—

- (a) development that under section 232(1) requires compliance assessment; or
- (b) a document or work relating to development that, under section 397, requires compliance assessment.

**397 Nominating a document or work for compliance assessment—generally**

- (1) A regulation may declare that a document or work is a document or work requiring compliance assessment.

*Note—*

Under section 232(1), a regulation may prescribe that development is development requiring compliance assessment.

- (2) Any of the following also may state that a document or work is a document or work requiring compliance assessment—
  - (a) a State planning regulatory provision;
  - (b) a structure plan;
  - (c) a master plan;
  - (d) a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies;
  - (e) a temporary local planning instrument;
  - (f) a planning scheme.
- (3) A regulation under subsection (1), or a regulation under section 232(1) prescribing development requiring compliance

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assessment, or an instrument mentioned in subsection (2) must state—

- (a) the matters or things against which the development, document or work must be assessed; and
  - (b) the entity to whom a request for compliance assessment under this part must be made (the *compliance assessor*).
- (4) The regulation or other instrument also may state, for documents or work, when the request for compliance assessment must be made.
- (5) An instrument mentioned in subsection (2)(b), (c), (d), (e) or (f) is a *relevant instrument*.

**398 Nominating document or work for compliance assessment—condition of development approval or compliance permit**

- (1) A condition of a development approval or compliance permit may state that a document or work is a document or work requiring compliance assessment.
- (2) The condition must state—
  - (a) the matters or things against which the document or work must be assessed; and
  - (b) the entity to whom a request for compliance assessment under this part must be made (the *compliance assessor*); and
  - (c) when the request for compliance assessment under this part must be made.
- (3) However, the condition may only require the document or work to be assessed for compliance with any of the following—
  - (a) a matter or thing prescribed under a regulation;
  - (b) a State planning regulatory provision or part of a State planning regulatory provision;

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- (c) a State planning policy or part of a State planning policy;
  - (d) a planning scheme or part of a planning scheme;
  - (e) a temporary local planning instrument or part of a temporary local planning instrument;
  - (f) if the development approval relates to an application made under a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies—a matter or thing stated in the preliminary approval;
  - (g) if the development approval relates to an application for development in a declared master planned area—a matter or thing stated in a structure plan or master plan for the area.

### **399 Who may carry out compliance assessment**

- (1) Compliance assessment of development, a document or work must be carried out by—
  - (a) a local government; or
  - (b) a nominated entity of a local government; or
  - (c) a public sector entity.
- (2) A nominated entity of a local government may carry out compliance assessment under this part for development, a document or work only if, under a relevant instrument or a local government condition, a nominated entity may be the compliance assessor for the development, document or work.
- (3) In this section—

***local government condition*** means a condition of—

  - (a) a development approval imposed by a local government as assessment manager; or
  - (b) a compliance permit imposed by a local government as compliance assessor.

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*nominated entity*, of a local government, means a suitably qualified entity that, by resolution of the local government, is nominated to carry out compliance assessment for the local government.

#### **400 When compliance stage starts**

The compliance stage starts on the day a request for compliance assessment is given to the compliance assessor under section 401.

### **Division 2 Compliance assessment**

#### **Subdivision 1 Request for compliance assessment**

##### **401 Request for compliance assessment**

A request for compliance assessment of development, a document or work must—

- (a) be given to the compliance assessor for the development, document or work; and
- (b) be in the approved form; and
- (c) be accompanied by—
  - (i) if the compliance assessor is a local government—the fee fixed by resolution of the local government; or
  - (ii) if the compliance assessor is a public sector entity—the fee prescribed under a regulation under this or another Act; or
  - (iii) if the compliance assessor is a nominated entity of a local government—the fee agreed between the person making the request and the nominated entity; and

- (d) for work yet to be completed—be supported by any document, relevant to the work, that is subject to compliance assessment.

## **Subdivision 2 Referring request to local government**

### **402 Aspects of development requiring compliance assessment to be referred to local government**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) the compliance assessor for development requiring compliance assessment is a nominated entity of a local government; and
  - (b) under a relevant instrument an aspect of the development must be referred to the local government.
- (2) The nominated entity must give the local government a copy of the request for compliance assessment.
- (3) The local government’s jurisdiction is limited to assessing the aspect of development referred to the local government.
- (4) The local government must assess the aspect of development against the matters or things mentioned in section 403 that are relevant to the aspect.
- (5) The local government must, within 10 business days after receiving the copy of the request—
  - (a) assess the aspect of development referred to the local government; and
  - (b) give the compliance assessor written notice of its response.
- (6) The local government’s response may, within the limits of its jurisdiction, tell the compliance assessor—
  - (a) the conditions that must attach to the compliance permit; or

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- (b) that the local government is satisfied the development does not achieve compliance; or
  - (c) that it has no requirements relating to the request.
- (7) If the local government is satisfied the development does not achieve compliance, the local government's response must include—
- (a) the reasons the local government is satisfied the development does not achieve compliance; and
  - (b) the action required for the development to comply.
- (8) If the local government does not give the compliance assessor written notice of its response within 10 business days after receiving the copy of the request, the local government is taken to have no requirements relating to the request.
- (9) For assessing the aspect of development referred to the local government, the local government may charge the applicant the fee fixed by resolution of the local government.

### **Subdivision 3 Compliance assessor to assess and decide request**

#### **403 Assessment of request**

The compliance assessor must assess the development, document or work only against the matters or things against which the development, document or work must be assessed under the regulation, State planning regulatory provision, relevant instrument or condition requiring the compliance assessment.

#### **404 Assessment of request under superseded planning scheme**

- (1) If, under chapter 3, part 2, division 5, a local government has agreed or is taken to have agreed to assess a request for compliance assessment under a superseded planning scheme,

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the compliance assessor must assess and decide the request as if—

- (a) the request were a request to which the superseded planning scheme applied; and
  - (b) the existing planning scheme was not in force; and
  - (c) for chapter 8, part 1, the infrastructure provisions of the existing planning scheme applied.
- (2) This section applies despite sections 81, 120 and 121.

#### **405 Deciding request**

- (1) Subsections (2) and (3) apply if the compliance assessor is satisfied the development, document or work achieves compliance, or would achieve compliance if particular conditions were complied with.
- (2) The compliance assessor must approve the request, unless a local government has, under section 402, told the compliance assessor that it considers the development does not achieve compliance.
- (3) The request may be approved with or without conditions.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if—
  - (a) the compliance assessor is satisfied the development, document or work does not achieve compliance; or
  - (b) a local government has, under section 402, told the compliance assessor that it considers the development does not achieve compliance.
- (5) The compliance assessor must give the person making the request written notice (an *action notice*) stating—
  - (a) the day the notice is given; and
  - (b) the reasons the development, document or work does not achieve compliance; and
  - (c) the action required for the development, document or work to comply; and

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- (d) the reasonable period within which the person may again make a request for compliance assessment of the development, document or work after taking the action; and
  - (e) that the person may make written representations to the compliance assessor about the matters mentioned in paragraph (b), (c) or (d); and
  - (f) that the request may lapse under section 411 if the person does not again make a request for the compliance assessment within the period mentioned in paragraph (d); and
  - (g) the rights of appeal of the person making the request.
- (6) If the compliance assessor gives a person an action notice, the person may, after carrying out the stated action required for the development, document or work to comply, again apply for compliance assessment of the development, document or work under section 401 within the period stated in the notice for that purpose.
- (7) However, sections 401(c) and 402(9) do not apply to the request.

#### **406 Conditions must be relevant and reasonable**

- (1) A condition imposed on development or work requiring compliance assessment must—
  - (a) be relevant to, but not an unreasonable imposition on the development or work, or use of premises as a consequence of the development or work; or
  - (b) be reasonably required in relation to the development or work, or use of premises as a consequence of the development or work.
- (2) A condition imposed on a document requiring compliance assessment must be relevant to the matters dealt with in the document.

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- (3) If the compliance assessor is a public sector entity or a local government, subsections (1) and (2) apply despite the laws that are administered by, and the policies that are reasonably identifiable as policies applied by, the compliance assessor.

**407 Compliance assessor to give compliance permit or certificate on approval of request**

- (1) If the compliance assessor approves the request, the assessor must give the person making the request—
- (a) if the request is for compliance assessment of development—a compliance permit; or
  - (b) if the request is for compliance assessment of a document or work—a compliance certificate.
- (2) The compliance permit or certificate must state the conditions, if any, imposed on the permit or certificate.
- (3) The compliance permit must include any conditions that a local government has, under section 402(6)(a), told the compliance assessor to attach to the permit.
- (4) If the compliance permit or certificate states any conditions, the permit or certificate must be accompanied by a written notice stating the rights of appeal of the person making the request.

**408 When notice about decision must be given**

- (1) The compliance assessor must, within the period prescribed under a regulation—
- (a) decide the request; and
  - (b) give the person making the request—
    - (i) a compliance permit or compliance certificate; or
    - (ii) an action notice.
- (2) If the compliance assessor is a nominated entity of a local government and a copy of the request for compliance

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assessment is given to the local government under section 402, the compliance assessor must not decide the request until at least 15 business days after giving the copy to the local government.

- (3) If the compliance assessor does not comply with subsection (1) for a request—
  - (a) the request is taken to have been approved by the assessor without conditions; and
  - (b) the assessor must as soon as practicable give the person making the request—
    - (i) if the request is for compliance assessment of development—a compliance permit; or
    - (ii) if the request is for compliance assessment of a document or work—a compliance certificate.
- (4) If a compliance assessor, other than a local government, gives a person a compliance permit or compliance certificate, the compliance assessor must give a copy of the permit or certificate to the local government for the area to which the permit or certificate relates.

#### **409 Duration and effect of compliance permit**

- (1) A compliance permit for development takes effect—
  - (a) if the person who requested the permit does not appeal the decision to the court or a building and development committee—on the day the permit is given; or
  - (b) if the person who requested the permit appeals the decision to the court or a building and development committee, subject to sections 490(3) and 553(3) and the decision of the court or committee under section 496 or 564—when the appeal is finally decided or withdrawn.
- (2) A compliance permit for development lapses if the development is not completed within—

- (a) the period stated for that purpose in a condition of the permit; or
  - (b) if no period is stated for that purpose in a condition of the permit—the period prescribed under a regulation.
- (3) A compliance permit attaches to the land the subject of the request and binds the owner, the owner's successors in title and any occupier of the land.

#### **410 When development may start**

Development requiring compliance assessment may start when a compliance permit for the development takes effect.

### **Subdivision 4 Lapsing of request**

#### **411 When request for compliance assessment lapses**

- (1) This section applies if a person requesting compliance assessment of development, a document or work is given an action notice about the request.
- (2) If the person—
  - (a) has not made written representations about the action notice under section 412; and
  - (b) does not again apply for compliance assessment of the development, document or work within the period stated in the notice for that purpose;the request lapses at the end of the stated period.
- (3) If the person—
  - (a) is given a new action notice under section 412(4) or (5) for the development, document or work; and
  - (b) does not again apply for compliance assessment of the development, document or work within the period stated in the new notice for that purpose;

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the request lapses at the end of the stated period.

- (4) If the person—
- (a) is given a notice (the *assessment notice*) under section 412(9) for the development, document or work; and
  - (b) does not again apply for compliance assessment of the development, document or work within the period stated in the assessment notice for that purpose;
- the request lapses at the end of the stated period.

## **Division 3                      Changing notices, compliance permits and certificates**

### **412      Changing and withdrawing action notice**

- (1) This section applies if a person is given an action notice.
- (2) The person may, before the period mentioned in section 405(5)(d) and stated in the notice ends, make written representations to the compliance assessor about a matter mentioned in section 405(5)(b), (c) or (d) and stated in the notice.
- (3) If the compliance assessor agrees with all the written representations about a matter mentioned in section 405(5)(b)—
  - (a) the compliance assessor must withdraw the action notice; and
  - (b) the period prescribed under section 408 for deciding the request starts on the day the notice is withdrawn.
- (4) If the compliance assessor agrees with some, but not all, of the written representations about a matter mentioned in section 405(5)(b), the compliance assessor must give a new action notice to the person.
- (5) If the compliance assessor agrees with any written representations about a matter mentioned in section 405(5)(c)

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or (d), the compliance assessor must give a new action notice to the person.

- (6) If the compliance assessor is a nominated entity of a local government and the local government's response under section 402 states the development does not achieve compliance, the compliance assessor must not withdraw the action notice, or give a new action notice, without the written agreement of the local government.
- (7) Only 1 new action notice may be given.
- (8) The new action notice replaces the notice initially given under section 405(5).
- (9) If the compliance assessor does not agree with all the written representations about a matter mentioned in section 405(5)(b), (c) or (d), the compliance assessor must give the person a written notice stating—
  - (a) the decision about the representations; and
  - (b) the reasonable period within which the person may again make a request for compliance assessment of the development, document or work.

#### **413 Changing compliance permit or compliance certificate**

- (1) A person may, by written notice given to the compliance assessor that gave a compliance permit or compliance certificate, ask the compliance assessor to change the permit or certificate.
- (2) The compliance assessor must, as soon as practicable after receiving the request—
  - (a) decide to change or refuse to change the compliance permit or compliance certificate; and
  - (b) if the compliance assessor decides to change the compliance permit or compliance certificate—give the person a new permit or certificate showing the change; and

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- (c) if the compliance assessor decides to refuse to change the compliance permit or compliance certificate—give the person a written notice stating—
  - (i) the decision and the reasons for the decision; and
  - (ii) the rights of appeal for the person seeking the change.
- (3) If the compliance assessor is a nominated entity of a local government and the change is to a condition of a compliance permit imposed by a local government, the compliance assessor must not change the condition without the written agreement of the local government.
- (4) For subsection (1), if the entity that gave the compliance permit or compliance certificate was a nominated entity of a local government and the entity is no longer a nominated entity, the person may ask the local government to change the permit or certificate.

#### **414 When decision about change has effect**

If the compliance assessor decides to change the compliance permit or compliance certificate, the change takes effect—

- (a) on the day the new compliance permit or compliance certificate is given to the person who requested the change; or
- (b) if a person has appealed against the decision—on the day the appeal is finally decided or withdrawn.

### **Division 4 Other matters**

#### **415 Regulation may prescribe additional requirements and actions**

A regulation may prescribe—

- (a) requirements, for example, scale, for the document for which compliance assessment is requested; or
- (b) additional actions that may, or must, be taken by the compliance assessor; or
- (c) the form of a compliance permit or compliance certificate.

**416 Effect on deciding request if action taken under Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth)**

- (1) This section applies if a compliance assessor takes action under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth), section 24HA or 24KA.
- (2) If the compliance assessor takes the action before the request is decided, the request can not be decided until the action is completed.

## **Part 11 Ministerial IDAS powers**

### **Division 1 Ministerial directions**

**417 Ministerial directions to assessment managers—future applications**

- (1) The Minister may give a direction to an assessment manager requiring a copy of all applications for particular development or for development in a particular area to be given to the Minister.
- (2) The Minister may give the direction only in relation to development or an area involving a State interest.
- (3) The direction must be given by publishing a notice—
  - (a) in a newspaper circulating generally in the State; and

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- (b) in the gazette.
- (4) The notice must state—
  - (a) details of the development or area to which the direction relates; and
  - (b) the reasons for deciding to give the direction; and
  - (c) the State interest giving rise to the direction; and
  - (d) the point in the IDAS process when the copy of the application must be given to the Minister; and
  - (e) the material that must be given to the Minister.
- (5) The Minister must give a copy of the notice to each entity the Minister considers is likely to be an assessment manager or referral agency for an application to which the direction relates.

#### **418 Ministerial directions to assessment managers—particular applications**

- (1) The Minister may, by written notice, give a direction to an assessment manager for an application—
  - (a) to not decide the application until the end of the stated period of not more than 20 business days after the direction is given, if—
    - (i) the assessment manager has not decided the application; and
    - (ii) the development involves, or may involve, a State interest; or
  - (b) to decide the application within a stated period of at least 20 business days, if the assessment manager has not decided the application by the end of the decision-making period, including any extension of the decision-making period; or
  - (c) to decide the application within the decision-making period, if the development involves a State interest; or

- (d) to decide whether to give a negotiated decision notice within a stated period of at least 20 business days, if the assessment manager has not made a decision on representations made to the assessment manager under section 361; or
  - (e) to take an action under IDAS within the reasonable period stated in the direction, if the assessment manager has not otherwise complied with the period for taking the action; or
  - (f) to take an action under IDAS within the reasonable period stated in the direction, if the Minister is satisfied the development involves a State interest.
- (2) The notice must state—
- (a) the reasons for deciding to give the direction; and
  - (b) for a direction under subsection (1)(a)—
    - (i) the State interest giving rise to the direction; and
    - (ii) that the Minister may, within the period in which the assessment manager can not decide the application, call in the application under division 2 or give a further direction; and
  - (c) for a direction under subsection (1)(c) or (f)—the State interest giving rise to the direction.
- (3) The Minister must give the applicant and any referral agencies a copy of the notice.
- (4) The assessment manager must comply with the direction.
- (5) If the Minister gives the assessment manager a direction under subsection (1)(a)—
- (a) the IDAS process stops on the day the direction is given and starts again—
    - (i) when the period mentioned in subsection (1)(a) ends; or

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- (ii) if the Minister calls in the application under division 2 or gives a new direction before the period mentioned in subsection (1)(a) ends—on the day the Minister calls in the application or gives the new direction; and

*Note—*

A notice of call in under division 2 also may affect the IDAS process.

- (b) the Minister must not call in the application under division 2 after the period mentioned in subsection (1)(a) ends.

#### **419 Ministerial directions to assessment managers—conditions**

- (1) The Minister may, by written notice, give a direction to an assessment manager for an application to attach to any development approval the conditions stated in the notice if—
  - (a) the assessment manager has not decided the application, or a deemed approval for the application has not taken effect under section 339; and
  - (b) the development involves a State interest; and
  - (c) the matter the subject of the direction is not within the jurisdiction of a concurrence agency for the application.
- (2) The notice must state—
  - (a) the reasons for deciding to give the direction; and
  - (b) the State interest giving rise to the direction.
- (3) The Minister must give the applicant and any referral agencies a copy of the notice.
- (4) The assessment manager must comply with the direction.

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**420 Ministerial directions to concurrence agencies**

- (1) The Minister may, by written notice, give a direction to a concurrence agency for an application—
  - (a) if the Minister is satisfied there are inconsistencies between 2 or more concurrence agency's responses—to reissue the concurrence agency's response to address the inconsistency; or
  - (b) if the Minister is satisfied the concurrence agency's response contains a condition that does not comply with section 345 or 347—to reissue the concurrence agency's response without the condition or with a modified condition; or
  - (c) if the Minister is satisfied the concurrence agency's response is not within the limits of its jurisdiction—to reissue the concurrence agency's response in a stated way to ensure the concurrence agency's response is within the limits of its jurisdiction; or
  - (d) if the Minister is satisfied the concurrence agency has not assessed an application under the Act—to reissue the concurrence agency's response in a stated way to ensure the concurrence agency has assessed the application under the Act; or
  - (e) if the Minister is satisfied the concurrence agency has not complied with the reasonable period for taking an action under IDAS—to take the action within the reasonable period stated in the direction; or
  - (f) if the Minister is satisfied the development involves a State interest—to take an action under IDAS within the reasonable period stated in the direction.
- (2) The notice must state the reasons for deciding to give the direction.
- (3) The Minister must give the assessment manager, the applicant and any other referral agency a copy of the notice.
- (4) The concurrence agency must comply with the direction.

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- (5) The Minister may give a direction under this section even if the referral agency's assessment period for the concurrence agency has ended.
- (6) If the Minister gives a direction under this section, the assessment manager can not decide the application until the concurrence agency's response is reissued or the action is taken.

*Note—*

If the Minister gives a direction under this section, the concurrence agency may give or amend its response after the end of the assessment period for the application. See section 290(1).

#### **421 Ministerial directions to applicants**

- (1) The Minister may, by written notice, give a direction to an applicant who has not complied with a stage of IDAS, or an aspect of a stage of IDAS, to take stated action relating to the stage or aspect to ensure compliance with IDAS.
- (2) The notice must state—
  - (a) the reasons for deciding to give the direction; and
  - (b) the reasonable period within which the action must be taken.
- (3) The notice may also state the point in the IDAS process from which the process must restart.
- (4) The Minister must give the assessment manager and the referral agencies a copy of the notice.
- (5) The applicant must comply with the direction.
- (6) If the direction states the point in the IDAS process from which the process must restart and the applicant complies with the direction, the process must, for the application, restart at that point.

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## 422 Report about decision

- (1) If the Minister gives a direction under section 419, the Minister must, after giving the direction, prepare a report about the Minister's decision.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the Minister must include the following in the report—
  - (a) a copy of the application;
  - (b) a copy of the notice given under section 419;
  - (c) the Minister's reasons for the decision.
- (3) The Minister must cause a copy of the report to be tabled in the Legislative Assembly within 14 sitting days after the Minister's decision is made.

## Division 2 Ministerial call in powers

### 423 Definitions for div 2

In this division—

*assessment and decision provisions* means sections 313, 314, 316, 326 and 329.

*Minister* includes the Minister administering the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*.

### 424 When a development application may be called in

The Minister may, under this division, call in an application—

- (a) only if the development involves a State interest; and
- (b) at any time after the application is made until the latest of the following—
  - (i) 15 business days after the day the chief executive receives notice of an appeal about the application;

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- (ii) if there are any submitters for the application—50 business days after the day the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the applicant;
- (iii) if there are no submitters for the application and a decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given—25 business days after the day the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the applicant;
- (iv) if the application is taken to have been approved under section 331 and a decision notice or negotiated decision notice is not given—25 business days after the day the decision notice was required to be given to the applicant.

#### **425 Notice of call in**

- (1) The Minister may, by written notice given to the assessment manager, call in the application.
- (2) The notice must state—
  - (a) the reasons for calling in the application; and
  - (b) whether the Minister intends to assess and decide, or reassess and re-decide, the application having regard only to the State interest for which the application was called in; and
  - (c) if the Minister intends to assess and decide, or reassess and re-decide, the application having regard only to the State interest—that the assessment and decision provisions do not apply to the Minister’s assessment of, and decision on, the application; and
  - (d) if the application is called in after the assessment manager makes a decision on the application—the point in the IDAS process from which the process must restart.

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- (3) If the application is called in before the assessment manager makes a decision on the application, the Minister may, in the notice, direct the assessment manager—
    - (a) to assess, or continue to assess, the application; and
    - (b) to refer the application to the Minister for decision.
  - (4) The Minister must not give the assessment manager a direction under subsection (3) if the Minister intends to assess and decide the application having regard only to the State interest for which the application was called in.
  - (5) The Minister must give a copy of the notice to—
    - (a) the applicant; and
    - (b) any concurrence agency; and
    - (c) any submitter.

#### **426 Minister's action on calling in application**

- (1) If the application is called in before the assessment manager makes a decision on the application—
  - (a) the Minister may assess and decide the application in the place of the assessment manager; or
  - (b) the Minister may—
    - (i) direct the assessment manager to assess or continue to assess the application; and
    - (ii) decide the application in the place of the assessment manager.
- (2) If the application is called in after the assessment manager makes a decision on the application, the Minister may reassess and re-decide the application in the place of the assessment manager.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if the Minister assesses and decides, or reassesses and re-decides, the application.

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- (4) The Minister may, if the Minister considers it appropriate in the circumstances, assess and decide, or reassess and re-decide, the application having regard only to the State interest for which the application was called in.

#### **427 Effect of call in**

- (1) If the Minister calls in an application, the Minister is the assessment manager from when the application is called in until the Minister gives the decision notice.
- (2) If the application is called in before the assessment manager makes a decision on the application, the IDAS process must continue from the point at which the application is called in.
- (3) If the application is called in after the assessment manager makes a decision on the application, the IDAS process starts again from a point in the IDAS process the Minister decides, but before or at the start of the decision stage.
- (4) Until the Minister gives the decision notice on the application, a concurrence agency is taken to be an advice agency.
- (5) The Minister's decision on the application is taken to be the original assessment manager's decision but a person may not appeal against the Minister's decision.

*Note—*

Also, see sections 456(1)(a) and (2) (Court may make declarations and orders) and 508 (Jurisdiction of committees).

- (6) If an appeal was made before the application was called in, the appeal is of no further effect.
- (7) If the Minister assesses and decides or reassesses and re-decides the application, part 5, division 3, subdivision 4 does not apply to the application.
- (8) Despite subsections (2) and (3), if the Minister assesses and decides or reassesses and re-decides the application having regard only to the State interest for which it was called in—

- (a) the assessment and decision provisions do not apply to the Minister's assessment of, and decision on, the application; and
- (b) in assessing the application, the Minister may have regard to the common material for the application and any other matter the Minister considers relevant to the State interest.

#### **428 Original assessment manager to assist Minister**

The entity that was the assessment manager before the application was called in (the *original assessment manager*) must give the Minister all reasonable assistance the Minister requires to assess or decide the application, including giving the Minister—

- (a) all material about the application the assessment manager had before the application was called in; and
- (b) any material received by the assessment manager after the application is called in; and
- (c) any other material relevant to the assessment of the application.

#### **429 Minister's decision notice**

- (1) The Minister must give a copy of the decision notice to the original assessment manager when the Minister gives the decision notice to the applicant.
- (2) Section 335(1)(e)(ii), (f)(i), and (o) does not apply for the decision notice.
- (3) Also, if the Minister assesses and decides, or reassesses and re-decides, the application having regard only to the State interest stated in the call in notice, section 335(1)(m) and (n) does not apply for the decision notice.

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**430 Provision for application called in by regional planning Minister**

- (1) This section applies despite section 427(2) and (3) for an application called in by the regional planning Minister for a designated region.
- (2) The regional planning Minister for the designated region may, by written notice given to the applicant and the relevant local government, suspend the IDAS process until the number of days stated in the notice after—
  - (a) publication of a notice under section 60 about the designated region’s draft regional plan; or
  - (b) publication of a notice under section 64 about the designated region’s regional plan.
- (3) Despite section 427, the regional planning Minister for the designated region may by written notice, at the end of the suspension of the IDAS process, refer the application to the original assessment manager to assess and decide.
- (4) The notice mentioned in subsection (3) must state the point in the IDAS process from which, and the day on which, the process must restart for the application.
- (5) For assessing the application, whether by the regional planning Minister for the designated region after acting under subsection (2) or the original assessment manager, section 311 does not apply to the designated region’s regional plan or a planning scheme amendment reflecting the designated region’s regional plan.

**431 Process if call in decision does not deal with all aspects of the application**

- (1) If the Minister’s decision notice does not decide all aspects of the application, the Minister must, by written notice, refer the aspects not decided back to the assessment manager.
- (2) If the Minister gives a notice under subsection (1), the notice must state the point in the IDAS process from which the

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process must restart for the aspects of the application not decided by the Minister.

### **432 Report about decision**

- (1) If the Minister calls in an application, the Minister must, after deciding the application, prepare a report about the Minister's decision.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the Minister must include the following in the report—
  - (a) a copy of the application;
  - (b) a copy of the notice given under section 425;
  - (c) a copy of any referral agency's response;
  - (d) an analysis of any submissions made about the application;
  - (e) a copy of the decision notice;
  - (f) the Minister's reasons for the decision;
  - (g) a copy of any notice given under section 431.
- (3) The Minister must cause a copy of the report to be tabled in the Legislative Assembly within 14 sitting days after the Minister's decision is made.

### **433 Report about compliance with development approval**

- (1) The Minister may, by written notice given to the assessment manager, require the assessment manager to give the Minister a report about a person's compliance with a development approval given by the Minister for aspects of the application decided by the Minister.
- (2) The notice must include—
  - (a) details about the matters to be included in the report;  
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- (b) the period within which the assessment manager must give the report.
- (3) The assessment manager must comply with the requirement.

## **Part 12                      Miscellaneous provision**

### **434      Refunding fees**

An assessment manager or a concurrence agency may, but need not, refund all or part of the fee paid to it to assess an application.

## **Chapter 7                      Appeals, offences and enforcement**

### **Part 1                              Planning and Environment Court**

#### **Division 1                      Establishment and jurisdiction of court**

##### **435      Continuance of Planning and Environment Court**

- (1) The Planning and Environment Court, continued in existence under repealed IPA, section 4.1.1, is continued in existence under this Act.
- (2) The court is a court of record.
- (3) The court has a seal that must be judicially noticed.

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**436 Jurisdiction of court**

- (1) The court has the jurisdiction given to it under any Act, including the jurisdiction to hear and decide every appeal made under this Act for the review of a decision of a building and development committee.
- (2) Subject to section 508, the jurisdiction given to the court under this Act is exclusive.
- (3) Subject to division 14, every decision of the court is final and conclusive and is not to be impeached for any informality or want of form or be appealed against, reviewed, quashed or in any way called into question in any court.
- (4) If a proceeding comes before the court under another Act, subsection (3) applies subject to the other Act.

**437 Proceedings open to public**

Each proceeding must be open to the public, unless the rules of court provide otherwise.

**Division 2 Powers of court**

**438 Subpoenas**

- (1) The court may summon a person as a witness and may—
  - (a) require the person to produce in evidence documents in the person's possession or power; and
  - (b) examine the person; and
  - (c) punish the person for not attending under the summons or for refusing to give evidence or for neglecting or refusing to produce the documents.
- (2) Despite subsection (1), a person is not required to give evidence that may tend to incriminate the person.

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- (3) For subsection (1), a judge of the court has the same powers as a District Court judge.

#### **439 Contempt and contravention of orders**

- (1) A judge of the court has the same power to punish a person for contempt of the court as the judge has to punish a person for contempt of the District Court.
- (2) The *District Court of Queensland Act 1967*, section 129, applies in relation to the court in the same way as it applies in relation to the District Court.
- (3) If a person at any time contravenes an order of the court, the person is also taken to be in contempt of the court.

#### **440 How court may deal with matters involving noncompliance**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if the court finds a provision of this Act, or another Act in its application to this Act, has not been complied with, or has not been fully complied with.
- (2) The court may deal with the matter in the way the court considers appropriate.
- (3) To remove any doubt, it is declared that this section applies in relation to a development application that has lapsed or is not a properly made application.

#### **441 Terms of orders etc.**

The court may make an order, give leave or do anything else it is authorised to do on the terms the court considers appropriate.

#### **442 Taking and recording evidence etc.**

The court must take evidence on oath, affirmation, affidavit or declaration and must record the evidence.



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- (a) required or permitted to be prescribed by the rules; or
  - (b) necessary or convenient to be prescribed for the purposes of the court.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the rules may provide for the procedures of the court, including matters that may be dealt with by a court officer.
  - (3) The procedures of the court are governed by the rules.
  - (4) The rules may be uniform rules that apply to other courts.
  - (5) The rules are subordinate legislation.

#### **446 Orders or directions**

- (1) The court may make an order or direction about the conduct of a proceeding it considers appropriate, even though the order or direction may be inconsistent with a provision of the rules.
- (2) The Chief Judge of the District Court may issue directions of general application about the procedure of the court, even though the direction may be inconsistent with a provision of the rules.
- (3) In deciding whether to make an order or direction, the interests of justice are paramount.
- (4) If an order or direction of the court or the Chief Judge is inconsistent with a provision of the rules, the order or direction prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.
- (5) The court or Chief Judge may at any time vary or revoke an order or direction made under this section.

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## **Division 5                      Parties to proceedings and court sittings**

### **447      Where court may sit**

The court may sit at any place.

### **448      Appearance**

A party to a proceeding may appear personally or by lawyer or agent.

### **449      Adjournments**

The court may—

- (a) adjourn proceedings from time to time and from place to place; and
- (b) adjourn proceedings to a time, or a time and place, to be fixed.

### **450      What happens if judge dies or is incapacitated**

- (1) This section applies if, after starting to hear a proceeding, the judge hearing the proceeding (the *first judge*) dies or can not continue with the proceeding for any reason, including, for example, absence or illness.
- (2) Another judge may—
  - (a) after consulting with the parties—
    - (i) order the proceeding be reheard; or
    - (ii) adjourn the proceeding to allow the first judge to continue dealing with the proceeding when able; or
  - (b) with the consent of the parties, make an order the judge considers appropriate about—
    - (i) deciding the proceeding; or

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- (ii) completing the hearing of, and deciding, the proceeding.
- (3) An order mentioned in subsection (2)(b) is taken to be a decision of the court.

#### **451 Stating case for Court of Appeal's opinion**

- (1) This section applies if a question of law arises during a proceeding and the judge considers it desirable that the question be decided by the Court of Appeal.
- (2) The judge may state the question in the form of a special case for the opinion of the Court of Appeal.
- (3) The special case may be stated only during the proceeding mentioned in subsection (1).
- (4) Until the Court of Appeal has decided the special case, the court must not make a decision to which the question is relevant.
- (5) When the Court of Appeal has decided the special case, the court must not proceed in a way, or make a decision, that is inconsistent with the Court of Appeal's decision on the special case.

### **Division 6 Registry and other court officers**

#### **452 Registrars and other court officers**

- (1) The principal registrar of the District Court at Brisbane is the principal registrar of the court.
- (2) The registrars of the District Court are the registrars of the court.
- (3) The other court officers of the District Court are the other court officers of the court.

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**453 Registries**

- (1) Each District Court registry is a registry of the court.
- (2) The registry of the court at Brisbane is the principal registry of the court.
- (3) The registries of the court are under the control of the principal registrar.
- (4) The principal registrar may give directions to the registrars and other court officers employed in the registries.

**454 Court records**

- (1) The principal registrar must keep records of decisions of the court and perform the other functions the court directs.
- (2) The records of the court held at a place must be kept in the custody of the principal registrar.

**455 Judicial notice**

All courts and persons acting judicially must take judicial notice of the appointment and signature of every person holding office under this part.

**Division 7 Other court matters**

**456 Court may make declarations and orders**

- (1) Any person may bring a proceeding in the court for a declaration about any of the following—
  - (a) a matter done, to be done or that should have been done for this Act other than a matter for chapter 6, part 11;
  - (b) the construction of this Act, planning instruments and master plans under this Act and guidelines made under section 117, 145, 627 or 630(1);

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- (c) the construction of a land use plan under the *Airport Assets (Restructuring and Disposal) Act 2008* and chapter 3, part 1 of that Act;
  - (d) the construction of the Brisbane port LUP under the *Transport Infrastructure Act*;
  - (e) the lawfulness of land use or development.
- (2) However, an assessment manager may bring a proceeding about a matter done, to be done or that should have been done for chapter 6, part 11, division 2 for a development application if, when the application was called in under that part, the assessment manager—
- (a) had not decided the application; or
  - (b) had refused the application.
- (3) The proceeding may be brought on behalf of a person.
- (4) If the proceeding is brought on behalf of a person, the person must consent or if the person is an unincorporated body, its committee or other controlling or governing body must consent.
- (5) A person on whose behalf a proceeding is brought may contribute to, or pay, the legal costs incurred by the person bringing the proceeding.
- (6) The court has jurisdiction to hear and decide a proceeding for a declaration about a matter mentioned in subsection (1).
- (7) The court may also make an order about a declaration made by the court.
- (8) If a person starts a proceeding under this section, the person must, on the day the person starts the proceeding, give the chief executive written notice of the proceeding.
- (9) If the Minister is satisfied the proceeding involves a State interest, the Minister may elect to be a party to the proceeding by filing in the court a notice of election in the approved form.

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**457 Costs**

- (1) Each party to a proceeding in the court must bear the party's own costs for the proceeding.
- (2) However, the court may order costs for the proceeding, including allowances to witnesses attending for giving evidence at the proceeding, as it considers appropriate in the following circumstances—
  - (a) the court considers the proceeding was instituted, or continued by the party bringing the proceeding, primarily to delay or obstruct;
  - (b) the court considers the proceeding, or part of the proceeding, to have been frivolous or vexatious;
  - (c) a party has not been given reasonable notice of intention to apply for an adjournment of the proceeding;
  - (d) a party has incurred costs because the party is required to apply for an adjournment because of the conduct of another party;
  - (e) without limiting paragraph (d), a party has incurred costs because another party has introduced, or sought to introduce, new material;
  - (f) a party has incurred costs because another party has defaulted in the court's procedural requirements;
  - (g) if the proceeding is an appeal against a decision on a development application or master plan application and the applicant did not, in responding to an information request, or to a request for information for the master plan application, give all the information reasonably requested before the decision was made;
  - (h) the court considers an assessment manager, referral agency, coordinating agency for a master plan application, compliance assessor or local government should have taken an active part in a proceeding and did not do so;

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- (i) an applicant, submitter, assessment manager, referral agency, coordinating agency for a master plan application, compliance assessor, a person requesting compliance assessment or a local government does not properly discharge its responsibilities in the proceeding.
- (3) If a person brings a proceeding in the court for a declaration against an owner who sought the cancellation of a development approval without the consent of another person or entity mentioned in section 380(2), and the court makes the order, the court must award costs against the owner.
- (4) If a person brings an appeal under section 477 and the appeal is not withdrawn, the court must award costs against the relevant Minister or local government—
  - (a) if the appeal is upheld; and
  - (b) if the appeal is against a deemed refusal—even if the appeal is not upheld.
- (5) If a person brings a proceeding in the court for a declaration requiring a designator to give, under section 227, a notice of intention to resume an interest in land under the Acquisition Act and the court makes an order about the declaration, the court must award costs against the designator.
- (6) If a person brings a proceeding in the court for a declaration and order requiring an assessment manager to give, under section 267, an acknowledgement notice and the court makes the order, the court must award costs against the assessment manager.
- (7) If the court allows an assessment manager or compliance assessor to withdraw from an appeal, the court must not award costs against the assessment manager or compliance assessor.
- (8) The court may, if it considers it appropriate, order the costs to be decided under the appropriate procedure, and scale of costs, prescribed by law for proceedings in the District Court.
- (9) An order made under this section may be made an order of the District Court and enforced in the District Court.

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**458 Privileges, protection and immunity**

A person who is one of the following has the same privileges, protection or immunity as the person would have if the proceeding were in the District Court—

- (a) the judge presiding over the proceeding;
- (b) a lawyer or agent appearing in the proceeding;
- (c) a witness attending in the proceeding.

**459 Payment of witnesses**

Every witness summoned is entitled to be paid reasonable expenses by the party requiring the attendance of the witness.

**460 Evidence of local planning instruments or master plans**

- (1) If a chief executive officer of a local government is satisfied a document is a true copy of a local planning instrument or master plan, or a part of the local planning instrument or master plan, in force for the local government at a time stated in the document, the chief executive officer may so certify the document.
- (2) In a proceeding, a document certified under subsection (1) is admissible in evidence as if it were the original local planning instrument or master plan, or part of the instrument or plan.

**Division 8 Appeals to court relating to development applications and approvals**

**461 Appeals by applicants**

- (1) An applicant for a development application may appeal to the court against any of the following—

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- (a) the refusal, or the refusal in part, of the development application;
  - (b) any condition of a development approval, another matter stated in a development approval and the identification or inclusion of a code under section 242;
  - (c) the decision to give a preliminary approval when a development permit was applied for;
  - (d) the length of a period mentioned in section 341;
  - (e) a deemed refusal of the development application.
- (2) An appeal under subsection (1)(a), (b), (c) or (d) must be started within 20 business days (the *applicant's appeal period*) after—
- (a) if a decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given—the day the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the applicant; or
  - (b) otherwise—the day a decision notice was required to be given to the applicant.
- (3) An appeal under subsection (1)(e) may be started at any time after the last day a decision on the matter should have been made.

#### **462 Appeals by submitters—general**

- (1) A submitter for a development application may appeal to the court only against—
- (a) the part of the approval relating to the assessment manager's decision about any part of the application requiring impact assessment under section 314; or
  - (b) the part of the approval relating to the assessment manager's decision under section 327.
- (2) To the extent an appeal may be made under subsection (1), the appeal may be against 1 or more of the following—
- (a) the giving of a development approval;

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- (b) any provision of the approval including—
    - (i) a condition of, or lack of condition for, the approval; or
    - (ii) the length of a period mentioned in section 341 for the approval.
  - (3) However, a submitter may not appeal if the submitter—
    - (a) withdraws the submission before the application is decided; or
    - (b) has given the assessment manager a notice under section 339(1)(b)(ii).
  - (4) The appeal must be started within 20 business days (the *submitter's appeal period*) after the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the submitter.

**463 Additional and extended appeal rights for submitters for particular development applications**

- (1) This section applies to a development application to which chapter 9, part 7 applies.
- (2) A submitter of a properly made submission for the application may appeal to the court about a referral agency's response made by a prescribed concurrence agency for the application.
- (3) However, the submitter may only appeal against a referral agency's response to the extent it relates to—
  - (a) if the prescribed concurrence agency is the chief executive (environment)—development for an aquacultural ERA; or
  - (b) if the prescribed concurrence agency is the chief executive (fisheries)—development that is—
    - (i) a material change of use of premises for aquaculture; or
    - (ii) operational work that is the removal, damage or destruction of a marine plant.

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- (4) Despite section 462(1), the submitter may appeal against the following matters for the application even if the matters relate to code assessment—
  - (a) a decision about a matter mentioned in section 462(2) if it is a decision of the chief executive (fisheries);
  - (b) a referral agency's response mentioned in subsection (2).

#### **464 Appeals by advice agency submitters**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if an advice agency, in its response for an application, told the assessment manager to treat the response as a properly made submission.
- (2) The advice agency may, within the limits of its jurisdiction, appeal to the court about—
  - (a) any part of the approval relating to the assessment manager's decision about any part of the application requiring impact assessment under section 314; or
  - (b) any part of the approval relating to the assessment manager's decision under section 327.
- (3) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the advice agency as a submitter.
- (4) However, if the advice agency has given the assessment manager a notice under section 339(1)(b)(ii), the advice agency may not appeal the decision.

#### **465 Appeals about decisions relating to extensions for approvals**

- (1) For a development approval given for a development application, a person to whom a notice is given under section 389, other than a notice for a decision under section 386(2), may appeal to the court against the decision in the notice.

- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice of the decision is given to the person.
- (3) Also, a person who has made a request under section 383 may appeal to the court against a deemed refusal of the request.
- (4) An appeal under subsection (3) may be started at any time after the last day the decision on the matter should have been made.

#### **466 Appeals about decisions relating to permissible changes**

- (1) For a development approval given for a development application, the following persons may appeal to the court against a decision on a request to make a permissible change to the approval—
  - (a) if the responsible entity for making the change is the assessment manager for the application—
    - (i) the person who made the request; or
    - (ii) an entity that gave a notice under section 373 or a pre-request response notice about the request;
  - (b) if the responsible entity for making the change is a concurrence agency for the application—the person who made the request.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the person is given notice of the decision on the request under section 376.
- (3) Also, a person who has made a request under section 369 may appeal to the court against a deemed refusal of the request.
- (4) An appeal under subsection (3) may be started at any time after the last day the decision on the matter should have been made.

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**467 Appeals about changing or cancelling conditions imposed by assessment manager or concurrence agency**

- (1) A person to whom a notice under section 378(9)(b) giving a decision to change or cancel a condition of a development approval has been given may appeal to the court against the decision in the notice.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice of the decision is given to the person.

**Division 9 Appeals to court about compliance assessment**

**468 Appeals against decision on request for compliance assessment**

- (1) A person to whom an action notice has been given under section 405(5) about a request for compliance assessment of development, a document or work may appeal to the court against the decision in the notice.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the notice is given to the person.

**469 Appeals against condition imposed on compliance permit or certificate**

- (1) A person who is given a compliance permit or compliance certificate subject to any conditions may appeal to the court against the decision to impose the condition.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the compliance permit or compliance certificate is given to the person.

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**470 Appeals against particular decisions about compliance assessment**

- (1) A person to whom any of the following notices have been given may appeal to the court against the decision in the notice—
  - (a) a notice of a decision on a request to change or withdraw an action notice;
  - (b) a notice under section 413(2)(c) about a decision to refuse a request to change a compliance permit or compliance certificate.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice is given to the person.

**Division 10 Appeals to court about other matters**

**471 Appeal by applicant for approval of a proposed master plan**

- (1) A person who has applied for an approval of a proposed master plan may appeal to the court against—
  - (a) the refusal, or the refusal in part, to give the approval; or
  - (b) a matter stated in the notice of decision about the application; or
  - (c) a deemed refusal of the master plan application.
- (2) An appeal under subsection (1)(a) or (b) must be started within 20 business days (the *applicant's appeal period*) after the day the applicant is given notice of the decision.
- (3) An appeal under subsection (1)(c) may be started at any time after the last day a decision on the matter should have been made.

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**472 Appeal about extension of period under s 98**

- (1) A person who has requested an extension under section 98(2) may appeal to the court against a refusal of the request.
- (2) An appeal under subsection (1) must be started within 20 business days after the day the person is given notice of the refusal.
- (3) Also, a person who has made a request under section 98(2) may appeal to the court against a deemed refusal of the request.
- (4) An appeal under subsection (3) may be started at any time after the last day the decision on the matter should have been made.
- (5) However, an appeal under this section may only be about whether the refusal is so unreasonable that no reasonable relevant local government could have refused the request.

**473 Appeals against enforcement notices**

- (1) A person who is given an enforcement notice may appeal to the court against the giving of the notice.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day notice is given to the person.

**474 Stay of operation of enforcement notice**

- (1) The lodging of a notice of appeal about an enforcement notice stays the operation of the enforcement notice until—
  - (a) the court, on the application of the entity issuing the notice, decides otherwise; or
  - (b) the appeal is withdrawn; or
  - (c) the appeal is dismissed.
- (2) However, subsection (1) does not apply if the enforcement notice is about—

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- (a) a work, if the enforcement notice states the entity believes the work is a danger to persons or a risk to public health; or
  - (b) stopping the demolition of a work; or
  - (c) clearing vegetation on freehold land; or
  - (d) the removal of quarry material allocated under the *Water Act 2000*; or
  - (e) extracting clay, gravel, rock, sand or soil, not mentioned in paragraph (d), from Queensland waters; or
  - (f) development the assessing authority reasonably believes is causing erosion or sedimentation; or
  - (g) development the assessing authority reasonably believes is causing an environmental nuisance.

#### **475 Appeals against local laws**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) an applicant is dissatisfied with a decision of a local government or the conditions applied under a local law about the use of premises or the erection of a building or other structure; and
  - (b) the use is not prohibited development under the planning scheme or a temporary local planning instrument for the planning scheme area.
- (2) The applicant may appeal to the court against the decision or the conditions applied.
- (3) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day notice of the decision is given to the applicant.

#### **476 Appeals against decisions on compensation claims**

- (1) A person who is dissatisfied with a decision under section 710 or 716 for the payment of compensation may appeal to the court against—

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- (a) the decision; or
  - (b) a deemed refusal of the claim.
- (2) An appeal under subsection (1)(a) must be started within 20 business days after the day notice of the decision is given to the person.
- (3) An appeal under subsection (1)(b) may be started at any time after the last day a decision on the matter should have been made.

**477 Appeals against decisions on requests to acquire designated land under hardship**

- (1) A person who is dissatisfied with a designator's decision to refuse a request made by the person under section 222 may appeal to the court against—
- (a) the decision; or
  - (b) a deemed refusal of the request.
- (2) An appeal under subsection (1)(a) must be started within 20 business days after the day notice of the decision is given to the person.
- (3) An appeal under subsection (1)(b) may be started at any time after the last day a decision on the matter should have been made.

**478 Appeals about particular charges for infrastructure**

- (1) This section applies to a person who has been given, and is dissatisfied with—
- (a) an infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or regulated State infrastructure charges notice; or
  - (b) a negotiated infrastructure charges notice, negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice.

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- (2) The person may appeal to the court against the notice.
  - (3) An appeal against a notice mentioned in subsection (1) must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice is given to the person.
  - (4) An appeal under this section may only be about—
    - (a) whether a charge in the notice is so unreasonable that no reasonable relevant local government, State infrastructure provider or coordinating agency could have imposed it; or
    - (b) an error in the calculation of the charge.
  - (5) To remove any doubt, it is declared that an appeal under this section can not be about the methodology used to establish the charge in the relevant infrastructure charges schedule, regulated infrastructure charges schedule or regulated State infrastructure charges schedule.

#### **479 Appeals from building and development committees**

- (1) A party to a proceeding decided by a building and development committee may appeal to the court against the committee's decision, but only on the ground—
  - (a) of an error or mistake in law on the part of the committee; or
  - (b) that the committee had no jurisdiction to make the decision or exceeded its jurisdiction in making the decision.
- (2) An appeal against a building and development committee's decision must be started within 20 business days after the day notice of the committee's decision is given to the party.

#### **480 Court may remit matter to building and development committee**

If an appeal includes a matter within the jurisdiction of a building and development committee and the court is satisfied

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the matter should be dealt with by a building and development committee, the court must remit the matter to the committee for decision.

## **Division 11                    Making an appeal to court**

### **481        How appeals to the court are started**

- (1) An appeal is started by lodging written notice of appeal with the registrar of the court.
- (2) The notice of appeal must state the grounds of the appeal.
- (3) The person starting the appeal must also comply with the rules of the court applying to the appeal.
- (4) However, the court may hear and decide an appeal even if the person has not complied with subsection (3).

### **482        Notice of appeal to other parties—development applications and approvals**

- (1) An appellant under division 8 must give written notice of the appeal to—
  - (a) if the appellant is an applicant—
    - (i) the chief executive; and
    - (ii) the assessment manager; and
    - (iii) any concurrence agency; and
    - (iv) any principal submitter whose submission has not been withdrawn; and
    - (v) any advice agency treated as a submitter whose submission has not been withdrawn; or
  - (b) if the appellant is a submitter or an advice agency whose response to the development application is treated as a submission for an appeal—

- (i) the chief executive; and
  - (ii) the assessment manager; and
  - (iii) any referral agency; and
  - (iv) the applicant; or
- (c) if the appellant is a person to whom a notice mentioned in section 465(1) has been given—
- (i) the chief executive; and
  - (ii) the assessment manager for the development application to which the notice relates; and
  - (iii) any entity that was a concurrence agency for the development application to which the notice relates; and
  - (iv) the person who made the request under section 383 to which the notice relates, if the person is not the appellant; or
- (d) if the appellant is a person mentioned in section 466(1)—
- (i) the chief executive; and
  - (ii) the responsible entity for making the change to which the appeal relates; and
  - (iii) the person who made the request to which the appeal relates under section 369, if the person is not the appellant; and
  - (iv) if the responsible entity is the assessment manager—any entity that was a concurrence agency for the development application to which the notice of the decision on the request relates; or
- (e) if the appellant is a person to whom a notice mentioned in section 467 has been given—the entity that gave the notice.
- (2) The notice must be given within—

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- (a) if the appellant is a submitter or advice agency whose response to the development application is treated as a submission for an appeal—2 business days after the appeal is started; or
  - (b) otherwise—10 business days after the appeal is started.
- (3) The notice must state—
- (a) the grounds of the appeal; and
  - (b) if the person given the notice is not the respondent or a co-respondent under section 485—that the person may, within 10 business days after the notice is given, elect to become a co-respondent to the appeal by filing in the court a notice of election in the approved form.

#### **483 Notice of appeals to other parties—compliance assessment**

- (1) An appellant under division 9 must, within 10 business days after the day the appeal is started, give written notice of the appeal to—
- (a) if the appellant is a person to whom an action notice, compliance permit or compliance certificate has been given—
    - (i) the compliance assessor who gave the notice, permit or certificate; and
    - (ii) if the compliance assessor was a nominated entity of a local government and a copy of the request for compliance assessment was given to the local government under section 402—the local government; or
  - (b) if the appellant is a person to whom a notice mentioned in section 470(1) has been given—
    - (i) the entity that gave the notice; and
    - (ii) if the entity that gave the notice was a nominated entity of a local government and the written

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agreement of the local government was required to give the notice—the local government.

- (2) The notice must state the grounds of the appeal.

#### **484 Notice of appeal to other parties—other matters**

- (1) An appellant under division 10 must, within 10 business days after the day the appeal is started, give written notice of the appeal to—
- (a) if the appeal is under section 471—the local government and coordinating agency for the application for approval of the master plan; or
  - (b) if the appeal is under section 472 or 475—the local government; or
  - (c) if the appeal is under section 478—the entity that gave the notice the subject of the appeal; or
  - (d) if the appellant is a person to whom an enforcement notice is given—the entity that gave the notice and if the entity is not the local government, the local government; or
  - (e) if the appellant is a person dissatisfied with a decision about compensation—the local government that decided the claim; or
  - (f) if the appellant is a person dissatisfied with a decision about acquiring designated land—the designator; or
  - (g) if the appellant is a party to a proceeding decided by a building and development committee—the other party to the proceeding.
- (2) The notice must state the grounds of the appeal.

#### **485 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under div 8**

- (1) Subsections (2) to (8) apply for appeals under sections 461 to 464.

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- (2) The assessment manager is the respondent for the appeal.
- (3) If the appeal is started by a submitter, the applicant is a co-respondent for the appeal.
- (4) Any submitter may elect to become a co-respondent for the appeal.
- (5) If the appeal is about a concurrence agency's response, the concurrence agency is a co-respondent for the appeal.
- (6) If the appeal is only about a concurrence agency's response, the assessment manager may apply to the court to withdraw from the appeal.
- (7) The respondent and any co-respondents for an appeal are entitled to be heard in the appeal as a party to the appeal.
- (8) A person to whom a notice of appeal is required to be given under section 482 and who is not the respondent or a co-respondent for the appeal may elect to be a co-respondent.
- (9) For an appeal under section 465—
  - (a) the assessment manager is the respondent; and
  - (b) if the appeal is started by a concurrence agency that gave the assessment manager a notice under section 385—the person asking for the extension the subject of the appeal is a co-respondent; and
  - (c) any other person given notice of the appeal may elect to become a co-respondent.
- (10) For an appeal under section 466—
  - (a) the responsible entity for making the change to which the appeal relates is the respondent; and
  - (b) if the responsible entity is the assessment manager—
    - (i) if the appeal is started by a person who gave a notice under section 373 or a pre-request response notice—the person who made the request for the change is a co-respondent; and

- (ii) any other person given notice of the appeal may elect to become a co-respondent.
- (11) For an appeal under section 467, the respondent is the entity given notice of the appeal.

**486 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under div 9**

- (1) For an appeal under section 468 or 469—
  - (a) the compliance assessor is the respondent; and
  - (b) if the compliance assessor is a nominated entity of a local government and the appeal relates to a matter required by a local government—the local government is a co-respondent.
- (2) However, if the appeal is only about a matter required by the local government, the compliance assessor may apply to the court to withdraw from the appeal.
- (3) For an appeal under section 470—
  - (a) the entity that gave the notice to which the appeal relates is the respondent; and
  - (b) if the entity mentioned in paragraph (a) is a nominated entity of a local government and the local government did not agree to the request mentioned in section 470(1)—the local government is a co-respondent.
- (4) However, if the appeal is only about the local government's refusal of the request, the entity that gave the notice to which the appeal relates may apply to the court to withdraw from the appeal.

**487 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under div 10**

- (1) This section applies if an entity is required under section 484 to be given a notice of an appeal.
- (2) The entity given notice is the respondent for the appeal.

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- (3) However, if under a provision of the section more than 1 entity is required to be given notice, only the first entity mentioned in the provision is the respondent.
- (4) The second entity mentioned in the provision may elect to be a co-respondent.

#### **488 How an entity may elect to be a co-respondent**

An entity that is entitled to elect to be a co-respondent to an appeal may do so, within 10 business days after notice of the appeal is given to the entity, by following the rules of court for the election.

#### **489 Minister entitled to be party to an appeal involving a State interest**

If the Minister is satisfied an appeal involves a State interest, the Minister may, at any time before the appeal is decided, elect to be a party to the appeal by filing in the court a notice of election in the approved form.

#### **490 Lodging appeal stops particular actions**

- (1) If an appeal, other than an appeal under section 465, 466 or 467, is started under division 8, the development must not be started until the appeal is decided or withdrawn.
- (2) If an appeal is about a condition imposed on a compliance permit, the development must not be started until the appeal is decided or withdrawn.
- (3) Despite subsections (1) and (2), if the court is satisfied the outcome of the appeal would not be affected if the development or part of the development is started before the appeal is decided, the court may allow the development or part of the development to start before the appeal is decided.

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## Division 12                      Alternative dispute resolution

### 491      **ADR process applies to proceedings started under this part**

- (1) The *District Court of Queensland Act 1967*, part 7 and the *Uniform Civil Procedure Rules 1999*, chapter 9, part 4, other than section 321, (together, the **ADR provisions**), apply to proceedings started under this part.
- (2) To the extent there is any inconsistency between the cost provisions of the ADR provisions and the cost provisions of this Act, the cost provisions of the ADR provisions prevail.
- (3) If a dispute in a proceeding under this part is referred to a dispute resolution process under the ADR provisions—
  - (a) the proceeding is not stayed unless the court orders otherwise; and
  - (b) the court must not decide the proceeding until the dispute resolution process under the ADR provisions has been finalised.
- (4) In applying the ADR provisions to a proceeding under this part—
  - (a) a reference to the court or the District Court is taken to be a reference to the Planning and Environment Court; and
  - (b) a reference to a District Court judge is taken to be a reference to a judge constituting the Planning and Environment Court; and
  - (c) definitions and other interpretative provisions of the *District Court of Queensland Act 1967* and the *Uniform Civil Procedure Rules 1999* relevant to the ADR provisions apply.

## **Division 13                      Court process for appeals**

### **492      Hearing procedures**

The procedure for hearing an appeal is to be under the rules of court and the orders or directions of the court or the Chief Judge.

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See section 446(4) for when an order or direction of the court or the Chief Judge prevails over the rules of court.

### **493      Who must prove case**

- (1) In an appeal by the applicant for a development application, or a person who has applied for approval of a proposed master plan, it is for the appellant to establish that the appeal should be upheld.
- (2) In an appeal by a submitter for a development application, it is for the applicant to establish that the appeal should be dismissed.
- (3) In an appeal by an advice agency for a development application that told the applicant and the assessment manager to treat its response to the application as a submission for an appeal, it is for the applicant to establish that the appeal should be dismissed.
- (4) In an appeal by a person who appeals under section 465, 466, 467, 472, 475 or 478, it is for the appellant to establish that the appeal should be upheld.
- (5) In an appeal by a person who appeals under division 9, it is for the appellant to establish that the appeal should be upheld.
- (6) In an appeal by a person who is given an enforcement notice, it is for the entity that gave the notice to establish that the appeal should be dismissed.
- (7) In an appeal by a person who is dissatisfied with a decision about compensation, it is for the local government that

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decided the claim to establish that the appeal should be dismissed.

- (8) In an appeal by a person who is dissatisfied with a decision about acquiring designated land, it is for the designator to establish that the appeal should be dismissed.
- (9) In an appeal by a party to a proceeding decided by a building and development committee, it is for the appellant to establish that the appeal should be upheld.

#### **494 Court may hear appeals together**

The court may hear 2 or more appeals together.

#### **495 Appeal by way of hearing anew**

- (1) An appeal is by way of hearing anew.
- (2) However, if the appellant is the applicant or a submitter for a development application, or is a person who has applied for approval of a proposed master plan, the court—
  - (a) must decide the appeal based on the laws and policies applying when the application was made, but may give weight to any new laws and policies the court considers appropriate; and
  - (b) must not consider a change to the application on which the decision being appealed was made unless the change is only a minor change.
- (3) Also, if the appellant is a person who made a request for compliance assessment, the court must decide the appeal based on the laws and policies applying when the request was made, but may give weight to any new laws and policies the court considers appropriate.
- (4) To remove any doubt, it is declared that if the appellant is the applicant or a submitter for a development application—
  - (a) the court is not prevented from considering and making a decision about a ground of appeal (based on a

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- concurrency agency's response) merely because this Act required the assessment manager to refuse the application or approve the application subject to conditions; and
- (b) in an appeal against a decision about a development application (superseded planning scheme), the court also must—
    - (i) consider the appeal as if the application were made under the superseded planning scheme; and
    - (ii) disregard the planning scheme applying when the application was made.
- (5) Further, if the appellant is a person who has applied for approval of a proposed master plan, the court is not prevented from considering and making a decision about a ground of appeal (based on any coordinating agency's response) merely because this Act required the local government to refuse the application or include conditions in any approval of a master plan.
- (6) In addition, if the appellant is a person who made a request for compliance assessment—
- (a) the court is not prevented from considering and making a decision about a ground of appeal (based on a response given by a local government under section 402) merely because this Act required the compliance assessor to give an action notice or include conditions in a compliance permit or compliance certificate; and
  - (b) in an appeal against a decision about a request for compliance assessment assessed and decided under a superseded planning scheme, the court also must—
    - (i) consider the appeal as if the request were made under the superseded planning scheme; and
    - (ii) disregard the planning scheme applying when the request was made.

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**496 Appeal decision**

- (1) In deciding an appeal the court may make the orders and directions it considers appropriate.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the court may—
  - (a) confirm the decision appealed against; or
  - (b) change the decision appealed against; or
  - (c) set aside the decision appealed against and make a decision replacing the decision set aside.
- (3) If the court acts under subsection (2)(b) or (c), the court's decision is taken, for this Act, other than this division, to be the decision of the entity making the appealed decision.
- (4) If the appeal is an appeal against the decision of a building and development committee, the court may return the matter to the committee with a direction that the committee make its decision according to law.

**497 Court may allow longer period to take an action**

In this part, if an action must be taken within a specified time, the court may allow a longer time to take the action if the court is satisfied there are sufficient grounds for the extension.

**Division 14 Appeals to Court of Appeal**

**498 Who may appeal to Court of Appeal**

- (1) A party to a proceeding may, under the rules of court, appeal a decision of the court on the ground—
  - (a) of error or mistake in law on the part of the court; or
  - (b) that the court had no jurisdiction to make the decision; or
  - (c) that the court exceeded its jurisdiction in making the decision.

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- (2) However, the party may appeal only with the leave of the Court of Appeal or a judge of appeal.

#### **499 When leave to appeal must be sought and appeal made**

- (1) A party intending to seek leave of the Court of Appeal to appeal against a decision of the court must, within 30 business days after the court's decision is given to the party, apply to the Court of Appeal for leave to appeal against the decision.
- (2) If the Court of Appeal grants the leave, the notice of appeal against the decision must be served and filed within 30 business days after the Court of Appeal grants leave to appeal.

#### **500 Power of Court of Appeal**

The Court of Appeal may do 1 or more of the following—

- (a) return the matter to the court or judge for decision in accordance with the Court of Appeal's decision;
- (b) affirm, amend, or revoke and substitute another order or decision for, the court's or judge's order or decision;
- (c) make an order the Court of Appeal considers appropriate.

#### **501 Lodging appeal stops particular actions**

- (1) If a decision on an appeal under division 8, other than an appeal under section 465, 466 or 467, is appealed under this division, the development must not be started until the appeal under this division is decided or withdrawn.
- (2) If a decision on an appeal about a condition imposed on a compliance permit is appealed under this division, the development must not be started until the appeal under this division is decided or withdrawn.
- (3) Despite subsections (1) and (2), if the Court of Appeal is satisfied the outcome of the appeal before it would not be affected if the development or part of the development is

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started before the appeal is decided, the Court of Appeal may allow the development or part of the development to start before the appeal is decided.

## **Part 2                      Building and development dispute resolution committees**

### **Division 1                Establishment, constitution and jurisdiction of committees**

#### **502      Establishing building and development dispute resolution committees**

- (1) The chief executive may at any time establish a building and development dispute resolution committee.
- (2) A building and development committee may be established by the appointment of not more than 5 general referees as the members constituting the committee.

*Editor's note—*

Referees are appointed under division 10.

- (3) In establishing a building and development committee, the chief executive must have regard to the matter with which the committee must deal.
- (4) However, if a building and development committee is being established only to hear an appeal against a referral agency's response decision about the amenity and aesthetic impact of a building or structure, the committee may be established by the appointment of 3 aesthetic referees as the members constituting the committee.
- (5) The aesthetic referees appointed under subsection (4) must be—

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- (a) 1 individual who is an architect; and
  - (b) 1 individual who is not a member of, nor employed by, the local government whose decision is being appealed and whose appointment has been discussed with the Local Government Association of Queensland; and
  - (c) 1 individual whose appointment has been discussed with the Queensland Master Builders' Association and the Housing Industry Association.
- (6) For a building and development committee established under subsection (4), the individual mentioned in subsection (5)(a) is the chairperson of the committee.

### **503 Consultation about multiple member committees**

- (1) If a building and development committee is to be constituted by more than 1 member, the chief executive must—
- (a) consult with a representative of the Local Government Association of Queensland about the appointment of at least 1 of the referees as a member; and
  - (b) in the instrument appointing the members, appoint 1 member as chairperson of the committee.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a building and development committee established under section 502(4).

### **504 Same members to continue for duration of committee**

- (1) A building and development committee must continue to be constituted by the same members.
- (2) If a building and development committee can not complete a decision on a matter, the chief executive may establish another building and development committee to hear the matter again from the beginning.

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**505 Referee with conflict of interest not to be member of committee**

- (1) This section applies to a referee if the chief executive advises the referee that the chief executive proposes to appoint the referee as a member of a building and development committee, and either or both of the following apply—
  - (a) the committee is to hear a matter about premises—
    - (i) the referee owns; or
    - (ii) in relation to which the referee was, is, or is to be, an architect, builder, drainer, engineer, planner, plumber, plumbing inspector, private certifier, site evaluator or soil assessor; or
    - (iii) in relation to which the referee has been, or will be, engaged by any party to the proposed proceeding in the referee's capacity as an accountant, lawyer or other professional; or
    - (iv) situated or to be situated in the area of a local government of which the referee is an officer, employee or councillor;
  - (b) the referee has a direct or indirect personal interest in a matter to be considered by the committee, and the interest could conflict with the proper performance of the referee's functions in relation to the committee's consideration of the matter.
- (2) The referee must advise the chief executive that this section applies to the referee, and the chief executive must not appoint the referee to the committee.

**506 Referee not to act as member of committee in particular cases**

If a member of a building and development committee is aware, or becomes aware, that the member should not have been appointed to the committee, the member must not act as a member of the committee.

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### **507 Remuneration of members of committee**

- (1) A member of a building and development committee must be paid the remuneration the Governor in Council decides.
- (2) A member who is a public service officer must not be paid remuneration if the officer acts as a member during the officer's ordinary hours of duty as an officer but is entitled to be paid expenses necessarily incurred by the officer in so acting.

### **508 Jurisdiction of committees**

A building and development committee has jurisdiction—

- (a) to hear and decide a proceeding for a declaration about a matter mentioned in division 3, other than a matter done for chapter 6, part 11; and
- (b) to decide any matter that may be appealed to a building and development committee under divisions 4 to 7; and
- (c) to decide any matter that under another Act may be appealed to a building and development committee.

## **Division 2 Other officials of building and development committees**

### **509 Appointment of registrar and other officers**

- (1) The chief executive may at any time by gazette notice appoint a registrar of building and development committees, and other officers the chief executive considers appropriate to help building and development committees to perform their functions.
- (2) A public service officer may be appointed under subsection (1) or may be assigned by the chief executive to perform functions to help building and development committees, and may hold the appointment or perform the functions

concurrently with any other appointment the officer holds in the public service.

## **Division 3            Committee declarations**

### **Subdivision 1        Declarations**

#### **510    Declaration about whether development application is properly made**

- (1) An applicant for a development application may bring a proceeding before a building and development committee for a declaration about whether the application is a properly made application.
- (2) The applicant must bring the proceeding within 20 business days after receiving notice under section 266 that the application is not a properly made application.
- (3) The assessment manager may, within 10 business days after receiving a development application, bring a proceeding before a building and development committee for a declaration about whether the application is a properly made application.
- (4) However, a person can not seek a declaration under this section about—
  - (a) whether a development application includes or is supported by the written consent of the owner of the land the subject of the application; or
  - (b) if the development application involves a State resource prescribed under a regulation for section 264(1)—whether the application is supported by evidence prescribed under the regulation for the development.

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### **511 Declaration about acknowledgement notices**

- (1) This section applies to a development application if the application is only for a material change of use of premises that involves the use of a prescribed building.
- (2) The applicant for the development application may, within 20 business days after receiving an acknowledgement notice for the application, bring a proceeding before a building and development committee for a declaration about a matter stated in the notice.

### **512 Declaration about lapsing of request for compliance assessment**

A person requesting compliance assessment of development, a document or work, or the compliance assessor for the request, may bring a proceeding before a building and development committee for a declaration about whether the request has lapsed under this Act.

### **513 Declaration about change to development approval**

- (1) This section applies to a development approval if the approval is only for a material change of use of premises that involves the use of a prescribed building.
- (2) A person may bring a proceeding before a building and development committee for a declaration that a change sought by the person to the approval is a permissible change, unless the responsible entity for making the change is the Minister or the Court.
- (3) If the responsible entity for making the change is other than the Minister or the Court, the responsible entity may bring a proceeding before a building and development committee for a declaration about whether a proposed change to the approval is a permissible change.

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## **Subdivision 2 Proceedings for declarations**

### **514 How proceedings for declarations are started**

- (1) A person starts a proceeding for a declaration by lodging an application for the declaration, in the approved form, with the registrar of building and development committees.
- (2) The application must be accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation.

### **515 Fast-track proceedings for declarations**

- (1) A person who is entitled to bring a proceeding under this division may, by written request, ask the chief executive to appoint a building and development committee to start hearing the proceeding within 2 business days after starting the proceeding.
- (2) A request made under subsection (1) must be accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation.
- (3) The chief executive may grant or refuse the request.
- (4) The chief executive may grant the request only if all the parties to the proceeding, including any person who could elect to become a co-respondent, have agreed in writing to the request.
- (5) If the chief executive grants the request, the chief executive may as a condition of granting the request require the person making the request to pay—
  - (a) the reasonable costs of the respondent and any co-respondents for the proceeding after the request is granted; and
  - (b) an additional fee prescribed under a regulation.
- (6) If the request is granted, any notice of the proceeding to be given under this subdivision must be given before any hearing for the proceeding starts.

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## **516 Notice of proceedings to other parties**

For a proceeding under this division, the registrar must, within 10 business days after the day the proceeding is started, give written notice of the proceeding to—

- (a) for a proceeding under section 510—
  - (i) if the applicant is the person starting the proceeding—the assessment manager; or
  - (ii) if the assessment manager is the person starting the proceeding—the applicant; or
- (b) for a proceeding under section 511—the assessment manager; or
- (c) for a proceeding under section 512—
  - (i) if the person starting the proceeding is the person who made the request for compliance assessment—the compliance assessor; or
  - (ii) if the person starting the proceeding is the compliance assessor—the person who made the request for compliance assessment; or
- (d) for a proceeding under section 513—
  - (i) if the person starting the proceeding is the person seeking to change the development approval—the responsible entity for making the change; or
  - (ii) if the person starting the proceeding is the responsible entity for making the change—the person seeking to change the development approval.

## **517 Respondent for declarations**

- (1) If an applicant for a development application brings a proceeding for a declaration under section 510 or 511, the assessment manager is the respondent for the proceeding.

- (2) If the assessment manager brings a proceeding for a declaration about a development application under section 510, the applicant is the respondent for the proceeding.
- (3) If a person requesting compliance assessment of development, a document or work brings a proceeding for a declaration under section 512, the compliance assessor for the request is the respondent for the proceeding.
- (4) If the compliance assessor for a request for compliance assessment of development, a document or work brings a proceeding for a declaration under section 512, the person requesting compliance assessment is the respondent for the proceeding.
- (5) If a person seeking a change to a development approval brings a proceeding for a declaration under section 513 about the change, the responsible entity for making the change is the respondent for the proceeding.
- (6) If the responsible entity for making a change to a development approval brings a proceeding for a declaration under section 513, the person seeking the change is the respondent for the proceeding.
- (7) The respondent for a proceeding for a declaration is entitled to be heard in the proceeding as a party to the proceeding.

**518 Minister entitled to be represented in proceeding involving a State interest**

If the Minister is satisfied a proceeding for a declaration involves a State interest, the Minister is entitled to be represented in the proceeding.

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## **Division 4                      Appeals to committees about development applications and approvals**

### **Subdivision 1                Appeals about particular material changes of use**

#### **519    Appeal by applicant—particular development application for material change of use of premises**

- (1) This section applies to a development application if the application is only for a material change of use of premises that involves the use of a prescribed building.
- (2) However, this section does not apply to the development application if any part of the application required impact assessment and any properly made submissions were received by the assessment manager for the application.
- (3) The applicant for the development application may appeal to a building and development committee against any of the following—
  - (a) the refusal, or the refusal in part, of the application;
  - (b) any condition of the development approval and another matter, other than the identification or inclusion of a code under section 242, stated in the development approval;
  - (c) the decision to give a preliminary approval when a development permit was applied for;
  - (d) the length of a period mentioned in section 341;
  - (e) a deemed refusal of the application.
- (4) An appeal under subsection (3)(a), (b), (c) or (d) must be started within 20 business days (the *applicant's appeal period*) after—

- (a) if a decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given—the day the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the applicant; or
  - (b) otherwise—the day a decision notice was required to be given to the applicant.
- (5) An appeal under subsection (3)(e) may be started at any time after the last day a decision on the matter should have been made.

**520 Appeal about decision relating to extension for development approval**

- (1) This section applies to a development approval if the approval is only for a material change of use of premises that involves the use of a prescribed building.
- (2) A person to whom a notice is given under section 389 in relation to the development approval, other than a notice for a decision under section 386(2), may appeal to a building and development committee against a decision in the notice.
- (3) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice of the decision is given to the person.

**521 Appeal about decisions relating to permissible changes**

- (1) This section applies to a development approval if the approval is only for a material change of use of premises that involves the use of a prescribed building.
- (2) The following persons may appeal to a building and development committee against a decision on a request to make a permissible change to the development approval, other than a deemed refusal of the request—
  - (a) if the responsible entity for making the change is the assessment manager for the development application to which the approval relates—
    - (i) the person who made the request; or

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- (ii) an entity that gave a notice under section 373 or a pre-request response notice about the request;
  - (b) if the responsible entity for making the change is a concurrence agency for the development application—the person who made the request.
- (3) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the person is given notice of the decision on the request under section 376.

## **Subdivision 2 Appeals about conditions of particular development approvals**

### **522 Appeal by applicant—condition of particular development approval**

- (1) This section applies to a development application if—
  - (a) the application is only for a material change of use that involves the use of a building classified under the BCA as a class 2 building; and
  - (b) the proposed development is for premises of not more than 3 storeys; and
  - (c) the proposed development is for not more than 60 sole-occupancy units.
- (2) However, this section does not apply to the development application if any part of the application required impact assessment and any properly made submissions were received by the assessment manager for the application.
- (3) The applicant for the development application may appeal to a building and development committee against a condition of the development approval.
- (4) The appeal must be started within 20 business days (the *applicant's appeal period*) after—



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- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice is given to the person.

**524 Appeal against condition imposed on compliance permit or certificate**

- (1) A person who is given a compliance permit or compliance certificate subject to any conditions may appeal to a building and development committee against the decision to impose the condition.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the compliance permit or compliance certificate is given to the person.

**525 Appeals against particular decisions about compliance assessment**

- (1) A person who is given any of the following notices may appeal to a building and development committee against the decision in the notice—
  - (a) a notice of a decision on a request to change or withdraw an action notice;
  - (b) a notice under section 413(2)(c) about a decision to refuse to change a compliance permit or compliance certificate.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice is given to the person.

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## **Division 6                    Appeals to committees about building, plumbing and drainage and other matters**

### **Subdivision 1            Preliminary**

#### **526            Matters about which a person may appeal under div 6**

An appeal to a building and development committee under this division may only be about—

- (a) a matter under this Act that relates to the Building Act, other than a matter under that Act that may or must be decided by the Queensland Building Services Authority, or the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002*; or
- (b) a matter that under another Act may be appealed to a building and development committee; or
- (c) a matter prescribed under a regulation.

*Note—*

For appeals against the Queensland Building Services Authority's decisions under the Building Act, see the Building Act, section 189 (Appeals to Commercial and Consumer Tribunal about decisions under pt 3).

### **Subdivision 2            Appeals about development applications and approvals**

#### **527            Appeals by applicants**

- (1) An applicant for a development application may appeal to a building and development committee against any of the following—
  - (a) the refusal, or the refusal in part, of the application;

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- (b) any condition of the development approval and another matter, other than the identification or inclusion of a code under section 242, stated in the development approval;
  - (c) the decision to give a preliminary approval when a development permit was applied for;
  - (d) the length of a period mentioned in section 341;
  - (e) a deemed refusal of the application.
- (2) An appeal under subsection (1)(a), (b), (c) or (d) must be started within 20 business days (the *applicant's appeal period*) after—
- (a) if a decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given—the day the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the applicant; or
  - (b) otherwise—the day a decision notice was required to be given to the applicant.
- (3) An appeal under subsection (1)(e) may be started at any time after the last day a decision on the matter should have been made.

## **528 Appeal by advice agency**

- (1) An advice agency may, within the limits of its jurisdiction, appeal to a building and development committee about the giving of a development approval if the development application involves code assessment for the aspect of building work to be assessed against the Building Act.
- (2) The appeal must be started—
- (a) within 10 business days after the day the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the advice agency; or
  - (b) for a deemed approval for which a decision notice or negotiated decision notice has not been given—within

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20 business days after receiving a copy of the deemed approval notice for the application from the applicant.

**529 Appeal about decision relating to extension for development approval**

- (1) For a development approval given for a development application, a person to whom a notice is given under section 389, other than a notice for a decision under section 386(2), may appeal to a building and development committee against a decision in the notice.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice of the decision is given to the person.

**530 Appeal about decision relating to permissible changes**

- (1) For a development approval given for a development application, the following persons may appeal to a building and development committee against a decision on a request to make a permissible change to the approval, other than a deemed refusal of the request—
  - (a) if the responsible entity for making the change is the assessment manager for the application to which the approval relates—
    - (i) the person who made the request; or
    - (ii) an entity that gave a notice under section 373 or a pre-request response notice about the request;
  - (b) if the responsible entity for making the change is a concurrence agency for the application to which the approval relates—the person who made the request.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the person is given notice of the decision on the request under section 376.

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**531 Appeals about changing or cancelling conditions imposed by assessment manager or concurrence agency**

- (1) A person to whom a notice under section 378(9)(b), giving a decision to change or cancel a condition of a development approval, has been given may appeal to a building and development committee against the decision in the notice.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice of the decision is given to the person.

**Subdivision 3 Other matters**

**532 Appeals for building and plumbing and drainage matters**

- (1) If—
  - (a) a person has been given, or is entitled to be given—
    - (i) an information notice under the Building Act about a decision other than a decision under that Act made by the Queensland Building Services Authority; or
    - (ii) an information notice under the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002* about a decision under part 4 or 5 of that Act; or
  - (b) a person—
    - (i) was an applicant for a building development approval; and
    - (ii) is dissatisfied with a decision under the Building Act by a building certifier or referral agency about inspection of building work the subject of the approval;

the person may appeal against the decision to a building and development committee.

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- (2) An appeal under subsection (1) must be started within 20 business days after the day the person is given notice of the decision.
  - (3) If—
    - (a) under the Building Act, a person makes an application other than a building development application to a local government; and
    - (b) the period required under that Act for the local government to decide the application (the *decision period*) has passed; and
    - (c) the local government has not decided the application;the person may appeal to a building and development committee against the lack of the decision and for the committee to decide the application as if it were the local government.
  - (4) An appeal under subsection (3) must be started within 20 business days after the end of the decision period.

### **533 Appeals against enforcement notices**

- (1) A person who is given an enforcement notice may appeal to a building and development committee against the giving of the notice.
- (2) The appeal must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice is given to the person.

### **534 Stay of operation of enforcement notice**

- (1) The lodging of a notice of appeal about an enforcement notice stays the operation of the enforcement notice until—
  - (a) the building and development committee, on the application of the entity issuing the notice, decides otherwise; or
  - (b) the appeal is withdrawn; or

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- (c) the appeal is dismissed.
- (2) However, subsection (1) does not apply if the enforcement notice is about—
  - (a) a work, if the enforcement notice states the entity believes the work is a danger to persons or a risk to public health; or
  - (b) stopping the demolition of a work; or
  - (c) clearing vegetation on freehold land; or
  - (d) the removal of quarry material allocated under the *Water Act 2000*; or
  - (e) extracting clay, gravel, rock, sand or soil, not mentioned in paragraph (d), from Queensland waters; or
  - (f) development the assessing authority reasonably believes is causing erosion or sedimentation; or
  - (g) development the assessing authority reasonably believes is causing an environmental nuisance.

## **Division 7                      Appeals about particular charges**

### **535      Appeals about charges for infrastructure**

- (1) This section applies to a person who—
  - (a) has been given—
    - (i) an infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or regulated State infrastructure charges notice; or
    - (ii) a negotiated infrastructure charges notice, negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice; and
  - (b) is dissatisfied with the calculation of a charge in the notice.

- (2) The person may appeal to a building and development committee about an error in the calculation of the charge.
- (3) An appeal about a notice mentioned in subsection (1)(a) must be started within 20 business days after the day the notice is given to the person.
- (4) To remove any doubt, it is declared that an appeal under this section can not be about the methodology used to establish the charge in the relevant infrastructure charges schedule, regulated infrastructure charges schedule or regulated State infrastructure charges schedule.

## **Division 8                      Making appeals to building and development committees**

### **536      How appeals to committees are started**

- (1) A person starts an appeal by lodging written notice of appeal, in the approved form, with the registrar of building development committees.
- (2) The notice of appeal must state the grounds of the appeal and be accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation.

### **537      Fast-track appeals**

- (1) A person who is entitled to start an appeal under this part, may, by written request, ask the chief executive to appoint a building and development committee to start hearing the appeal within 2 business days after starting the appeal.
- (2) A request made under subsection (1) must be accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation.
- (3) The chief executive may grant or refuse the request.
- (4) The chief executive may grant the request only if all the parties to the appeal, including any person who could elect to become a co-respondent, have agreed in writing to the request.

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- (5) If the chief executive grants the request, the chief executive may as a condition of granting the request require the person making the request to pay—
  - (a) the reasonable costs of the respondent and any co-respondents for the appeal after the request is granted; and
  - (b) an additional fee prescribed under a regulation.
- (6) If the request is granted, any notice of appeal to be given and any election to be a co-respondent to the appeal under this part must be given or made before any hearing for the appeal starts.

#### **538 Notice of appeal to other parties (under other Acts)**

- (1) For an appeal to a building and development committee under another Act, the registrar must, within 10 business days after the day the appeal is started, give written notice of the appeal to any other person the registrar considers appropriate.
- (2) The notice must state the grounds of the appeal.

#### **539 Notice of appeal to other parties (div 4)**

- (1) The registrar must, within 10 business days after the day the appeal is started, give written notice of an appeal under division 4 to—
  - (a) for an appeal under section 519—the assessment manager and any concurrence agency for an aspect of the development application the subject of the appeal; and
  - (b) for an appeal under section 520—
    - (i) the assessment manager and any concurrence agency for the development application the subject of the appeal; and

- (ii) if the person who made the request for the extension is not the appellant—the person who made the request; and
  - (c) for an appeal under section 521—
    - (i) the responsible entity for making the change to which the appeal relates; and
    - (ii) if the responsible entity is the assessment manager—any entity that was a concurrence agency for the development application the subject of the appeal; and
    - (iii) if the person who made the request for the permissible change is not the appellant—the person who made the request; and
  - (d) for an appeal under section 522—the assessment manager and any concurrence agency for an aspect of the development application the subject of the appeal.
- (2) The notice must state—
- (a) the grounds of the appeal; and
  - (b) if the person given the notice is not the respondent or a co-respondent under this division—that the person, within 10 business days after the day the notice is given, may elect to become a co-respondent to the appeal.

#### **540 Notice of appeal to other parties (div 5)**

- (1) The registrar must, within 10 business days after the day the appeal is started, give written notice of an appeal under division 5 to—
- (a) if the appellant is a person to whom an action notice, compliance permit or compliance certificate has been given—
    - (i) the compliance assessor who gave the notice, permit or certificate; and

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- (ii) if the compliance assessor was a nominated entity of a local government and a copy of the request for compliance assessment was given to the local government under section 402—the local government; or
  - (b) if the appellant is a person to whom a notice mentioned in section 525(1) has been given—
    - (i) the entity that gave the notice; and
    - (ii) if the entity that gave the notice was a nominated entity of a local government and the written agreement of the local government was required for the giving of the notice—the local government.
- (2) The notice must state the grounds of the appeal.

#### **541 Notice of appeal to other parties (div 6)**

- (1) The registrar must, within 10 business days after the day the appeal is started, give written notice of an appeal under division 6 to—
- (a) for an appeal under section 527—the assessment manager, the private certifier, if any, and any concurrence agency for an aspect of the development application the subject of the appeal; and
  - (b) for an appeal under section 528—
    - (i) the applicant for the development application the subject of the appeal; and
    - (ii) the assessment manager, the private certifier, if any, and any concurrence agency for an aspect of the development application the subject of the appeal; and
  - (c) for an appeal under section 529—
    - (i) the assessment manager, the private certifier, if any, and any concurrence agency for an aspect of

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- the development application the subject of the appeal; and
- (ii) if the person who made the request for the extension is not the appellant—the person who made the request; and
- (d) for an appeal under section 530—
- (i) the responsible entity for making the change; and
  - (ii) if the responsible entity is the assessment manager—the private certifier, if any, and any entity that was a concurrence agency for the development application the subject of the appeal; and
  - (iii) if the person who made the request for the permissible change is not the appellant—the person who made the request; and
- (e) for an appeal under section 531—the entity that gave the notice mentioned in the section; and
- (f) for an appeal under section 532(1)—the entity that gave the notice or made the decision mentioned in the subsection; and
- (g) for an appeal under section 532(3)—the local government to whom the application mentioned in the subsection was made; and
- (h) for an appeal under section 533—the entity that gave the enforcement notice, and, if the entity is not the local government, the local government.
- (2) The notice must state—
- (a) the grounds of the appeal; and
  - (b) if the person given the notice is not the respondent or a co-respondent under this division and the appeal is other than under section 532 or 533—that the person, within 10 business days after the day the notice is given, may elect to become a co-respondent to the appeal.

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**542 Notice of appeal to other parties (s 535)**

- (1) The registrar must, within 10 business days after the day the appeal is started, give written notice of an appeal under section 535 to the entity that gave the relevant notice mentioned in section 535(1)(a).
- (2) The notice must state the grounds of the appeal.

**543 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under s 519, 522 or 527**

- (1) This section applies to an appeal under section 519, 522 or 527 for a development application.
- (2) The assessment manager is the respondent for the appeal.
- (3) If the appeal is about a concurrence agency's response, the concurrence agency is a co-respondent for the appeal.
- (4) If the appeal is only about a concurrence agency's response, the assessment manager may apply to the building and development committee to withdraw from the appeal.
- (5) A person to whom a notice of appeal is required to be given under section 539 or 541 and who is not the respondent or a co-respondent for the appeal under subsections (1) to (3) may elect to be a co-respondent.

**544 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under s 520 or 529**

For an appeal under section 520 or 529—

- (a) the assessment manager for the development application the subject of the appeal is the respondent for the appeal; and
- (b) the person asking for the extension the subject of the appeal is a co-respondent, if the appeal is started by a concurrence agency that gave the assessment manager a notice under section 385; and

- (c) any other person to whom a notice of the appeal is required to be given under section 539 or 541 for the appeal may elect to be a co-respondent.

**545 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under s 521 or 530**

For an appeal under section 521 or 530—

- (a) the responsible entity for making the change is the respondent for the appeal; and
- (b) if the responsible entity is the assessment manager—
  - (i) if the appeal is started by a person who gave a notice under section 373 or a pre-request response notice—the person who made the request for the change is a co-respondent; and
  - (ii) any other person given notice of the appeal may elect to become a co-respondent.

**546 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under s 528**

For an appeal under section 528—

- (a) the assessment manager for the development application the subject of the appeal is the respondent for the appeal; and
- (b) the applicant for the development application is a co-respondent for the appeal; and
- (c) any other person to whom a notice of the appeal is required to be given under section 541 may elect to be a co-respondent.

**547 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under s 531, 532, 533 or 535**

- (1) This section applies to an appeal under section 531, 532, 533 or 535.

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- (2) An entity required under section 541 or 542 to be given a notice of the appeal is the respondent for the appeal.
- (3) However, if under section 541(1)(h) more than 1 entity is required to be given notice—
  - (a) the entity that gave the enforcement notice the subject of the appeal is the respondent; but
  - (b) the local government may elect to be a co-respondent.

#### **548 Respondent and co-respondents for appeals under div 5**

- (1) For an appeal under section 523 or 524—
  - (a) the compliance assessor is the respondent; and
  - (b) if the compliance assessor is a nominated entity of a local government and the appeal relates to a matter required by a local government—the local government is a co-respondent.
- (2) However, if the appeal is only about a matter required by the local government, the compliance assessor may apply to the building and development committee to withdraw from the appeal.
- (3) For an appeal under section 525—
  - (a) the entity that gave the notice to which the appeal relates is the respondent; and
  - (b) if the entity mentioned in paragraph (a) is a nominated entity of a local government and the local government did not agree to the request mentioned in section 525(1)—the local government is a co-respondent.
- (4) However, if the appeal is only about the local government's refusal of the request, the entity that gave the notice to which the appeal relates may apply to the building and development committee to withdraw from the appeal.

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**549 How a person may elect to be co-respondent**

An entity elects to be a co-respondent by lodging in the building and development committee, within 10 business days after the day the notice of the appeal is given to the entity, a notice of election in the approved form.

**550 Respondent and co-respondents to be heard in appeal**

The respondent and any co-respondents for an appeal are each entitled to be heard in the appeal as a party to the appeal.

**551 Registrar must ask assessment manager for material in particular proceedings**

- (1) If an appeal is about a deemed refusal or a deemed approval of a development application, the registrar must ask the assessment manager to give the registrar—
  - (a) all material, including plans and specifications, about the aspect of the application being appealed; and
  - (b) a statement of the reasons the assessment manager had not decided the application during the decision-making period or extended decision-making period; and
  - (c) any other information the registrar requires.
- (2) The assessment manager must give the material mentioned in subsection (1) within 10 business days after the day the registrar asks for the material.

**552 Minister entitled to be represented in an appeal involving a State interest**

If the Minister is satisfied an appeal involves a State interest, the Minister is entitled to be represented in the appeal.

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### **553 Lodging appeal stops particular actions**

- (1) If an appeal is started under section 519, 522, 527 or 528 the development must not be started until the appeal is decided or withdrawn.
- (2) If an appeal is about a condition imposed on a compliance permit, the development must not be started until the appeal is decided or withdrawn.
- (3) Despite subsections (1) and (2), if the building and development committee is satisfied the outcome of the appeal would not be affected if the development or part of the development is started before the appeal is decided, the committee may allow the development or part of the development to start before the appeal is decided.

## **Division 9 Process for appeals or proceedings for declarations in building and development committees**

### **554 Establishing a building and development committee**

- (1) When the registrar of building and development committees receives a notice of appeal or an application for a declaration within the time stated for starting the appeal or bringing the proceeding for the declaration, the registrar must give a copy of the notice or application to the chief executive.
- (2) On receiving a copy of a notice of appeal or an application for a declaration from the registrar, the chief executive must, by the written appointment of a referee or referees, establish a building and development committee to decide the appeal or hear the proceeding for the declaration.
- (3) The registrar must give each party to the appeal or proceeding for the declaration written notice that a building and development committee has been established.
- (4) If the registrar receives a notice of appeal that is not within the time stated for starting the appeal, the registrar must give the

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appellant notice stating that the notice of appeal is of no effect because it was not received within the time stated for starting the appeal.

- (5) If the registrar receives an application for a declaration that is not within the time stated for bringing the proceeding for the declaration, the registrar must give the applicant notice stating that the application is of no effect because it was not received within the time stated for bringing the proceeding.

### **555 Procedures of committees**

- (1) A building and development committee must—
- (a) conduct its business in the way prescribed under a regulation or, in so far as the way is not prescribed, as it considers appropriate; and
  - (b) make its decisions in a timely way.
- (2) A building and development committee may—
- (a) sit at the times and places it decides; and
  - (b) hear an appeal and application for a declaration together; and
  - (c) hear 2 or more appeals or applications for a declaration together.

### **556 Costs**

Each party to an appeal or a proceeding for a declaration must bear the party's own costs for the appeal or proceeding.

### **557 Committee may allow longer period to take an action**

- (1) In this part, if an action must be taken within a specified time, the building and development committee may allow a longer time to take the action if the committee is satisfied there are sufficient grounds for the extension.

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- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a notice of appeal or an application for a declaration that is not received within the time stated for starting the appeal or proceeding for the declaration.

**558 Appeal or other proceedings may be by hearing or written submission**

The chairperson of the building and development committee must decide whether the committee will—

- (a) conduct a hearing for the appeal or application for the declaration; or
- (b) if all the parties to the appeal or application agree—decide the appeal or application on the basis of written submissions.

**559 Appeals or other proceedings by hearing**

If the appeal or application for the declaration is to be decided by way of a hearing, the chairperson must—

- (a) fix a time and place for the hearing; and
- (b) give all the parties to the appeal or proceeding for the declaration written notice of the time and place of the hearing.

**560 Right to representation at hearing**

- (1) A party to an appeal or a proceeding for a declaration may appear in person or be represented by an agent.
- (2) A person must not be represented at an appeal or a proceeding for a declaration by an agent who is a lawyer.

**561 Conduct of hearings**

- (1) In conducting a hearing, the building and development committee—

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- (a) need not proceed in a formal way; and
  - (b) is not bound by the rules of evidence; and
  - (c) may inform itself in the way it considers appropriate; and
  - (d) may seek the views of any person; and
  - (e) must give all persons appearing before it reasonable opportunity to be heard; and
  - (f) may prohibit or regulate questioning in the hearing.
- (2) The building and development committee may hear an appeal or conduct a proceeding for a declaration without hearing a person if the person is not present or represented at the time and place appointed for hearing the person.
- (3) If, because of the time available for conducting the appeal or other proceeding, a person does not have an opportunity to be heard, or fully heard, the person may make a written submission about the matter to the building and development committee.

## **562 Appeals or other proceedings by written submission**

- (1) If the building and development committee is to decide the appeal or application for the declaration on the basis of written submissions, the chairperson must—
- (a) decide a reasonable time within which the committee may accept the written submissions; and
  - (b) give the parties written notice that the appeal or application is to be decided on the basis of written submissions.
- (2) The notice must ask for written submissions about the appellant's grounds of appeal, or the application, to be given to the chairperson within the time decided under subsection (1)(a).

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### **563 Matters committee may consider in making a decision**

- (1) This section applies if the appeal or application for the declaration is about—
  - (a) a development application, including about a development approval given for a development application; or
  - (b) a request for compliance assessment, including an action notice, compliance permit or compliance certificate.
- (2) The building and development committee must decide the appeal or application based on the laws and policies applying when the development application or request was made, but may give the weight to any new laws and policies the committee considers appropriate.

### **564 Appeal decision**

- (1) In deciding an appeal the building and development committee may make the orders and directions it considers appropriate.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the building and development committee may—
  - (a) confirm the decision appealed against; or
  - (b) change the decision appealed against; or
  - (c) set aside the decision appealed against and make a decision replacing the decision set aside; or
  - (d) for a deemed refusal of a development application—
    - (i) order the assessment manager to decide the application or request by a stated time; and
    - (ii) if the assessment manager does not comply with the order under subparagraph (i)—decide the application; or

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- (e) if the application is for building work—with the consent of the appellant, vary the application so that the building and development committee is satisfied—
    - (i) the building, when erected, will not have an extremely adverse effect on the amenity or likely amenity of the building’s neighbourhood; and
    - (ii) the aesthetics of the building, when erected, will not be in extreme conflict with the character of the building’s neighbourhood.
  - (3) If the building and development committee acts under subsection (2)(b), (c), (d)(ii) or (e), the committee’s decision is taken, for this Act, other than this division, to be the decision of the entity that made the decision being appealed.
  - (4) The chairperson of the building and development committee must give all parties to the appeal written notice of the committee’s decision.

*Note—*

Any person receiving a notice may appeal the decision. See section 479 (Appeals from building and development committees).

- (5) The decision of the building and development committee takes effect—
  - (a) if a party to the proceeding does not appeal against the decision—at the end of the period during which the committee’s decision may be appealed; or
  - (b) if an appeal is made to the court against the committee’s decision—subject to the decision of the court, when the appeal is finally decided or withdrawn.

## **565 Committee may make orders about declaration**

A building and development committee may make orders about a declaration made by the committee.

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### **566 Declaration decision**

The chairperson of the building and development committee must give all parties to a proceeding for a declaration a written notice of the committee's declaration and any orders made by the committee for the declaration.

### **567 When decision may be made without representation or submission**

The building and development committee may decide an appeal or application for a declaration without the representations or submissions of a person who has been given a notice under section 559(b) or section 562(1)(b) if—

- (a) for a hearing without written submissions—the person does not appear at the hearing; or
- (b) for a hearing on the basis of written submissions—the person's submissions are not received within the time stated in the notice given under section 562(1).

### **568 Notice of compliance**

If the building and development committee orders or directs the assessment manager, including a private certifier acting as an assessment manager, or a compliance assessor to do something, the assessment manager or compliance assessor must, after doing the thing, give the registrar written notice of doing the thing.

### **569 Publication of committee decisions**

The registrar may publish decisions of a building and development committee under arrangements, and in the way, approved by the chief executive.

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## **Division 10                      Referees**

### **570      Appointment of referees**

- (1) The Minister, by gazette notice, may appoint the number of persons the Minister considers appropriate to be general referees under this Act.
- (2) The chief executive may, by written notice, appoint persons to be aesthetics referees for a building and development committee established under section 502(4).
- (3) A public service officer may be appointed as a referee.
- (4) A public service officer appointed under this section holds the appointment concurrently with any other appointment the officer holds in the public service.

### **571      Qualifications of general referees**

A general referee may be appointed as a member of a building and development committee to hear and decide a matter only if the general referee has the qualifications, experience or qualifications and experience prescribed for the matter under a regulation.

### **572      Term of referee's appointment**

- (1) A person may be appointed—
  - (a) as a general referee—for the term the Minister considers appropriate, but the term must not be longer than 3 years; and
  - (b) as an aesthetics referee—for hearing 1 or more decisions, about the amenity and aesthetics of a building, that have been appealed.
- (2) The term of appointment of a general referee must be stated in the notice of appointment.
- (3) A referee may be reappointed.

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- (4) A referee may at any time resign the referee's appointment by signed notice given to—
  - (a) if the referee is a general referee—the Minister; or
  - (b) if the referee is an aesthetics referee—the chief executive.
- (5) The Minister may cancel a general referee's appointment at any time.
- (6) The chief executive may cancel an aesthetics referee's appointment at any time.

### **573 General referee to make declaration**

- (1) A person appointed as a general referee must—
  - (a) sign a declaration in the approved form; and
  - (b) give the declaration to the chief executive as soon as the declaration is signed.
- (2) The person must not sit as a member of a building and development committee until the declaration has been given to the chief executive.

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## **Part 3 Provisions about offences, notices and orders**

### **Division 1 Particular offences and exemptions**

#### **Subdivision 1 Development offences**

##### **574 Self-assessable development must comply with codes**

- (1) A person must comply with applicable codes for self-assessable development.

Maximum penalty—165 penalty units.

- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a contravention of a standard environmental condition of a code of environmental compliance under the Environmental Protection Act.

##### **575 Carrying out development without compliance permit**

- (1) A person must not carry out development requiring compliance assessment unless there is an effective compliance permit for the development.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

- (2) Subsection (1) applies subject to sections 584, 585 and 586.

##### **576 Compliance with compliance permit or compliance certificate**

- (1) A person must not contravene a compliance permit, including any condition in the permit.

Maximum penalty—165 penalty units.

- (2) A person must not contravene a condition in a compliance certificate.

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Maximum penalty—165 penalty units.

- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) apply subject to subdivision 2.

### **577 Making request for compliance assessment**

- (1) This section applies if, under a regulation or other instrument mentioned in section 397(4), a person is required to request compliance assessment of a document or work within a period stated in the regulation or other instrument.
- (2) The person must comply with the requirement.

Maximum penalty—165 penalty units.

### **578 Carrying out assessable development without permit**

- (1) A person must not carry out assessable development unless there is an effective development permit for the development.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

- (2) Subsection (1)—
- (a) applies subject to subdivision 2; and
  - (b) does not apply to development carried out under section 342(3).
- (3) Despite subsection (1), the maximum penalty is 17000 penalty units if the assessable development is on a Queensland heritage place or local heritage place.

### **579 Particular assessable development must comply with codes**

A person must comply with codes mentioned in section 233(2) when carrying out assessable development.

Maximum penalty—165 penalty units.

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**580 Compliance with development approval**

- (1) A person must not contravene a development approval, including any condition in the approval.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

- (2) Subsection (1) applies subject to subdivision 2.
- (3) Also, subsection (1) does not apply to a contravention of a condition of a development approval imposed, or required to be imposed, by the administering authority under the Environmental Protection Act as the assessment manager or a concurrence agency for the application for the approval.
- (4) In subsection (1)—

*development approval* includes an approval under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 4.4(5) or 4.7(5).

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the repealed LGP&E Act, section 4.4 (Assessment of proposed planning scheme amendment) or 4.7 (Assessment of rezoning of land in stages)

**581 Offence to carry out prohibited development**

- (1) A person must not carry out development that is prohibited development.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

- (2) Subsection (1) applies subject to section 584 and chapter 9, part 1.
- (3) Also, subsection (1) does not apply to the carrying out of development under—
- (a) a development approval given for a development application (superseded planning scheme); or
  - (b) a compliance permit given for a request for compliance assessment assessed and decided under a superseded planning scheme.

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## **582 Offences about the use of premises**

Subject to subdivision 2, a person must not use premises—

- (a) if the use is not a lawful use; or
- (b) unless the use is in accordance with—
  - (i) for premises that have not been designated—a planning scheme or temporary local planning instrument that regulates the use of the premises; or

*Note—*

See sections 80 (Status of planning scheme) and 102 (Status of temporary local planning instrument).

- (ii) for premises that have been designated—any requirements about the use of land that are part of the designation.

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See section 202 (What designations may include).

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

## **583 Compliance with master plans**

- (1) This section is subject to section 584 and chapter 9, part 1.
- (2) This section does not apply to development carried out on designated land in accordance with the relevant designation.
- (3) A person must not carry out development in a declared master planned area if the carrying out of the development is contrary to a master plan for the area.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

- (4) A person must not carry out development in a declared master planned area if the structure plan for the area requires that the development can not be carried out in the master planned area until there is a master plan for the development.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

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## Subdivision 2 Exemptions

### 584 General exemption for emergency development or use

- (1) Sections 575, 576, 578, 580, 581, 582 and 583 do not apply to a person if—
  - (a) the person carries out development or a use, other than operational work that is tidal works or building work to which section 585 or 586 applies, because of an emergency endangering—
    - (i) the life or health of a person; or
    - (ii) the structural safety of a building; and
  - (b) the person gives written notice of the development or use to the assessing authority as soon as practicable after starting the development or use.
- (2) However, subsection (1) does not apply if the person is required by an enforcement notice or order to stop carrying out the development or use.

### 585 Coastal emergency exemption for operational work that is tidal works

- (1) This section applies to operational work (the *emergency work*) if all of the following circumstances apply—
  - (a) the emergency work is tidal works;
  - (b) other than for this section, a development permit or compliance permit would have been required to carry out the emergency work;
  - (c) the emergency work is necessary to ensure the following are not, or are not likely to be, endangered by a coastal emergency—
    - (i) the structural safety of an existing structure for which there is a development permit or compliance permit for operational work that is tidal works; or

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- (ii) the life or health of a person; or
  - (iii) the structural safety of a building.
- (2) Sections 575, 576, 578, 580 and 582 do not apply to a person who carries out the emergency work if—
  - (a) the person has made a safety management plan for the emergency work, after having regard to the following matters—
    - (i) the long-term safety of members of the public who have access to the emergency work or any structure to which the emergency work relates;
    - (ii) if practicable, the advice of any registered professional engineer who has conducted an audit of any structure to which the emergency work relates; and
  - (b) the person complies with the safety management plan; and
  - (c) the person takes reasonable precautions and exercises proper diligence to ensure the emergency work, and any structure to which the emergency work relates, are in a safe condition; and
  - (d) without limiting paragraph (c), the person commissions a registered professional engineer to conduct an audit of any structure to which the emergency work relates, to ensure the emergency work and the structure are in a safe condition; and
  - (e) as soon as reasonably practicable after starting the emergency work, the person—
    - (i) makes a development application for any development permit, or a request for compliance assessment for any compliance permit, that would otherwise be required for the work; and
    - (ii) gives the assessment manager for the application, or the compliance assessor for the request, written

notice of the work and a copy of the safety management plan.

- (3) However, subsection (2) does not apply if the person is required by an enforcement notice or order to stop carrying out the emergency work.
- (4) Also, subsection (2) ceases to apply if the development application is refused.
- (5) If, under subsection (4), subsection (2) ceases to apply, the person must remove the emergency work as soon as practicable.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

## **586 Exemption for building work on Queensland heritage place or local heritage place**

- (1) This section applies to building work (the *emergency building work*) if—
  - (a) the work is carried out on a Queensland heritage place or a local heritage place; and
  - (b) other than for this section, a development permit or compliance permit would have been required to carry out the work; and
  - (c) it is necessary to carry out the work because of an emergency endangering—
    - (i) the life or health of a person; or
    - (ii) the structural safety of a building.
- (2) Sections 575, 576, 578, 580 and 582 do not apply to a person who carries out the emergency building work if—
  - (a) before starting the work and if practicable, the person obtains the advice of a registered professional engineer about the work; and
  - (b) the person takes all reasonable steps—
    - (i) to ensure the work is reversible; or

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- (ii) if the work is not reversible—to limit the impact of the work on the cultural heritage significance of the Queensland heritage place or local heritage place; and
- (c) as soon as reasonably practicable after starting the work, the person—
  - (i) makes a development application for any development permit, or a request for compliance assessment for any compliance permit, that would otherwise be required for the work; and
  - (ii) gives the assessment manager for the application, or the compliance assessor for the request, written notice of the work.
- (3) However, subsection (2) does not apply if the person is required by an enforcement notice or order to stop carrying out the emergency building work.
- (4) Also, subsection (2) ceases to apply if the development application mentioned in subsection (2)(c) is refused.
- (5) If, under subsection (4), subsection (2) ceases to apply, the person must remove the emergency building work as soon as practicable.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

### **Subdivision 3      False or misleading documents or declarations**

#### **587      False or misleading document or declaration**

- (1) A person must not give an assessment manager a notice under section 275, 300, 301 or 749 that is false or misleading.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

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- (2) A person must not give to any of the following entities a document containing information that the person knows is false or misleading in a material particular—
- (a) the assessment manager;
  - (b) a concurrence agency;
  - (c) a local government to which a master plan application has been made;
  - (d) a responsible entity for making a permissible change to a development approval;
  - (e) a compliance assessor.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

- (3) A person must not give a declaration to an assessment manager under section 260(1)(e)(ii) that the person knows is false or misleading.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

## Division 2                      Show cause notices

### 588      Giving show cause notice

- (1) This section applies if the assessing authority reasonably believes a person has committed, or is committing, a development offence.
- (2) Before giving an enforcement notice about the development offence, the assessing authority must give the person a notice (a ***show cause notice***) inviting the person to show cause why the enforcement notice should not be given.
- (3) Despite subsection (2), the assessing authority need not give a show cause notice if it reasonably considers it is not appropriate in the circumstances to give the notice.

*Example—*

An assessing authority might not give a show cause notice if it considers urgent action is necessary to address a danger to public health or safety

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or giving the notice would be likely to adversely affect the effectiveness of the enforcement notice.

### **589 General requirements of show cause notice**

- (1) A show cause notice must—
  - (a) be in writing; and
  - (b) outline the facts and circumstances forming the basis for the assessing authority's belief that an enforcement notice should be given to the person; and
  - (c) state that representations may be made about the show cause notice; and
  - (d) state how the representations may be made; and
  - (e) state where the representations may be made or sent; and
  - (f) state—
    - (i) a day and time for making the representations; or
    - (ii) a period within which the representations must be made.
- (2) The day or period stated in the notice must be, or must end, at least 20 business days after the notice is given.

## **Division 3 Enforcement notices**

### **590 Giving enforcement notice**

- (1) If an assessing authority reasonably believes a person has committed, or is committing, a development offence, the authority may give a notice (an *enforcement notice*) to the person requiring the person to do either or both of the following—
  - (a) to refrain from committing the offence;

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- (b) to remedy the commission of the offence in the way stated in the notice.

*Note—*

A person who receives an enforcement notice may appeal against the notice under section 473 or 533 (Appeals against enforcement notices).

- (2) If the assessing authority giving the notice reasonably believes the person has committed, or is committing, the development offence in a local government area and the assessing authority is not the local government, the assessing authority must also give the local government a copy of the notice.
- (3) If the assessing authority gives the local government a copy of the notice under subsection (2) and the notice is later withdrawn, the assessing authority must give the local government written notice of the withdrawal.
- (4) If a private certifier is engaged for an aspect of a development, the assessing authority must not give an enforcement notice in relation to the aspect until the assessing authority has consulted with the private certifier about the giving of the notice.
- (5) If the assessing authority is the private certifier, the assessing authority must not give an enforcement notice until the assessing authority has consulted with the assessment manager about the giving of the notice.
- (6) Subsections (4) and (5) do not apply if the assessing authority reasonably believes the work, in relation to which the enforcement notice is to be given, is dangerous.
- (7) If the assessing authority is the private certifier or the local government, the assessing authority may not delegate its power to give an enforcement notice ordering the demolition of a building.
- (8) An enforcement notice requiring any person carrying out development to stop carrying out the development may be given by fixing the notice to the premises, or the building or

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structure on the premises, in a way that a person entering the premises would normally see the notice.

- (9) If, in relation to a development offence involving premises, the person who committed the offence is not the owner of the premises, the assessing authority may also give an enforcement notice to the owner requiring the owner to remedy the commission of the offence in the way stated in the notice.

### **591 Restriction on giving enforcement notice**

- (1) This section applies if the assessing authority has given a person a show cause notice about a development offence.
- (2) The assessing authority may give the person an enforcement notice about the development offence only if the assessing authority—
- (a) has considered all representations made by the person about the show cause notice within the period stated in the notice; and
  - (b) still believes it is appropriate to give the enforcement notice.

### **592 Specific requirements of enforcement notice**

- (1) Without limiting specific requirements an enforcement notice may impose, a notice may require a person to do any of the following—
- (a) to stop carrying out development;
  - (b) to stop a stated use of a premises;
  - (c) to demolish or remove a work;
  - (d) to restore, as far as practicable, premises to the condition the premises were in immediately before development was started;

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- (e) to do, or not to do, another act to ensure development complies with a development approval, a compliance permit, a code or a master plan;
  - (f) to apply for a development permit or make a master plan application;
  - (g) to make a request under section 401 for compliance assessment of development, a document or work requiring compliance assessment;
  - (h) if the assessing authority reasonably believes a work is dangerous—
    - (i) to repair or rectify the work; or
    - (ii) to secure the work, whether by a system of supports or in another way; or
    - (iii) to fence off the work to protect persons;
  - (i) to prepare and submit to the assessing authority a compliance program demonstrating how compliance with the enforcement notice will be achieved.
- (2) However, a person may be required to demolish or remove a work only if the assessing authority reasonably believes it is not possible and practical to take steps—
- (a) to make the work comply with a development approval, a compliance permit, a code or a master plan; or
  - (b) if the work is dangerous—to remove the danger.

### **593 General requirements of enforcement notices**

- (1) An enforcement notice must—
- (a) be in writing; and
  - (b) describe the nature of the alleged offence; and
  - (c) inform the person to whom the notice is given of the person's right to appeal against the giving of the notice.

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- (2) If an enforcement notice requires a person to do an act involving the carrying out of work, it also must give details of the work involved.
- (3) If an enforcement notice requires a person to refrain from doing an act, it also must state either—
  - (a) a period for which the requirement applies; or
  - (b) that the requirement applies until further notice.
- (4) If an enforcement notice requires a person to do an act, it also must state a period within which the act is required to be done.
- (5) If an enforcement notice requires a person to do more than 1 act, it may state different periods within which the acts are required to be done.

#### **594 Offences relating to enforcement notices**

- (1) A person who is given an enforcement notice must comply with the notice.  
Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.
- (2) A person must not damage, deface or remove an enforcement notice given under section 590(8).  
Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

#### **595 Processing application or request required by enforcement notice or show cause notice**

If a person applies for a preliminary approval or development permit or makes a master plan application or a request for compliance assessment of development under section 401 as required by an enforcement notice or in response to a show cause notice, the person—

- (a) must not discontinue the application or request, unless the person has a reasonable excuse; and
- (b) must take all necessary and reasonable steps to enable the application or request to be decided as quickly as

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possible, unless the person discontinues the application or request with a reasonable excuse; and

- (c) if the person appeals against the decision on the application or request—must take all necessary and reasonable steps to enable the appeal to be decided by the court as quickly as possible, unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units.

### **596 Assessing authority may take action**

- (1) If a person to whom an enforcement notice is given contravenes the notice by not doing something, the assessing authority, if it is not a local government, may do the thing.

*Note—*

If the assessing authority is a local government, it has similar powers and may recover its costs under the Local Government Act, section 142.

- (2) Any reasonable costs or expenses incurred by an assessing authority in doing anything under subsection (1) may be recovered by the authority as a debt owing to it by the person to whom the notice was given.

## **Division 4 Offence proceedings in Magistrates Court**

### **597 Proceedings for offences**

- (1) A person may bring a proceeding in a Magistrates Court on a complaint to prosecute another person for an offence against this part.
- (2) The person may bring the proceeding whether or not any right of the person has been, or may be, infringed by, or because of, the commission of the offence.
- (3) However, a proceeding may only be brought by the assessing authority for an offence under—

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- (a) section 574, 578 or 580 about the building assessment provisions; or
- (b) section 579, 587, 594 or 595.

### **598 Proceeding brought in a representative capacity**

- (1) A proceeding under section 597 may be brought by the person on their own behalf or in a representative capacity.
- (2) However, if the proceeding is brought in a representative capacity, 1 of the following consents must be obtained—
  - (a) if the proceeding is brought on behalf of a body of persons or a corporation—the consent of the members of the governing body;
  - (b) if the proceeding is brought on behalf of an individual—the consent of the individual.

### **599 Magistrates Court may make orders**

- (1) After hearing the complaint, the Magistrates Court may make an order on the defendant it considers appropriate.
- (2) The order may be made in addition to, or in substitution for, any penalty the court may otherwise impose.
- (3) The order may require the defendant—
  - (a) to stop development or carrying on a use; or
  - (b) to demolish or remove a work; or
  - (c) to restore, as far as practicable, premises to the condition the premises were in immediately before development or use of the premises started; or
  - (d) to do, or not to do, another act to ensure development or use of the premises complies with a development approval, a compliance permit, a code or a master plan; or

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- (e) for development that has started—to apply for a development permit or make a master plan application; or
  - (f) to make a request under section 401 for compliance assessment of development, a document or work requiring compliance assessment; or
  - (g) if the court believes a work is dangerous—
    - (i) to repair or rectify the work; or
    - (ii) to secure the work.
- (4) The order must state the time, or period, within which the order must be complied with.
- (5) A person who contravenes the order commits an offence against this Act.
- Maximum penalty—1665 penalty units or imprisonment for 12 months.
- (6) If the order states that contravention of the order is a public nuisance, an assessing authority, other than a local government, may undertake any work necessary to remove the nuisance.
- (7) If an assessing authority carries out works under subsection (6), it may recover the reasonable cost of the works as a debt owing to the assessing authority from the person to whom the order was given.

## **600 Costs involved in bringing proceeding**

If the proceeding is brought in a representative capacity, the person on whose behalf the proceeding is brought may contribute to, or pay, the legal costs and expenses incurred by the person bringing the proceeding.

## **Division 5                      Enforcement orders of court**

### **601      Proceeding for orders**

- (1) A person may bring a proceeding in the court—
  - (a) for an order to remedy or restrain the commission of a development offence (an *enforcement order*); or
  - (b) if the person has brought a proceeding under paragraph (a) and the court has not decided the proceeding—for an order under section 603 (an *interim enforcement order*); or
  - (c) to cancel or change an enforcement order or interim enforcement order.
- (2) However, if the offence under subsection (1)(a) is an offence under section 574, 578 or 580 about the building assessment provisions, the proceeding may be brought only by the assessing authority.
- (3) The person may bring a proceeding under subsection (1)(a) whether or not any right of the person has been, or may be, infringed by, or because of, the commission of the offence.

### **602      Proceeding brought in a representative capacity**

- (1) A proceeding under section 601 may be brought by the person on their own behalf or in a representative capacity.
- (2) However, if the proceeding is brought in a representative capacity, 1 of the following consents must be obtained—
  - (a) if the proceeding is brought on behalf of a body of persons or a corporation—the consent of the members of the governing body;
  - (b) if the proceeding is brought on behalf of an individual—the consent of the individual.

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**603 Making interim enforcement order**

- (1) The court may make an interim enforcement order pending a decision of the proceeding if the court is satisfied it would be appropriate to make the order.
- (2) The court may make the order subject to conditions, including a condition requiring the applicant for the order to give an undertaking to pay costs resulting from damage suffered by the respondent if the proceeding is unsuccessful.

**604 Making enforcement order**

- (1) The court may make an enforcement order if the court is satisfied the offence—
  - (a) has been committed; or
  - (b) will be committed unless restrained.
- (2) If the court is satisfied the offence has been committed, the court may make an enforcement order whether or not there has been a prosecution for the offence under division 4.

**605 Effect of orders**

- (1) An enforcement order or an interim enforcement order may direct the respondent—
  - (a) to stop an activity that constitutes, or will constitute, a development offence; or
  - (b) not to start an activity that will constitute a development offence; or
  - (c) to do anything required to stop committing a development offence; or
  - (d) to return anything to a condition as close as practicable to the condition it was in immediately before a development offence was committed; or
  - (e) to do anything about a development or use to comply with this Act.

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- (2) Without limiting the court's powers, the court may make an order requiring—
  - (a) the repair, demolition or removal of a building; or
  - (b) for a development offence relating to the clearing of vegetation on freehold land—
    - (i) rehabilitation or restoration of the area cleared; or
    - (ii) if the area cleared is not capable of being rehabilitated or restored—the planting and nurturing of stated vegetation on a stated area of equivalent size.
- (3) An enforcement order or an interim enforcement order—
  - (a) may be in terms the court considers appropriate to secure compliance with this Act; and
  - (b) must state the time by which the order is to be complied with.

## **606 Court's powers about orders**

- (1) The court's power to make an enforcement order or interim enforcement order to stop, or not to start, an activity may be exercised whether or not—
  - (a) it appears to the court the person against whom the order is made intends to engage, or to continue to engage, in the activity; or
  - (b) the person has previously engaged in an activity of the kind; or
  - (c) there is danger of substantial damage to property or injury to another person if the person engages, or continues to engage, in the activity.
- (2) The court's power to make an enforcement order or interim enforcement order to do anything may be exercised whether or not—

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- (a) it appears to the court the person against whom the order is made intends to fail, or to continue to fail, to do the thing; or
  - (b) the person has previously failed to do a thing of the kind; or
  - (c) there is danger of substantial damage to property or injury to another person if the person fails, or continues to fail, to do the thing.
- (3) The court may cancel or change an enforcement order or interim enforcement order.
- (4) The court's power under this section is in addition to its other powers.

### **607 Costs involved in bringing proceeding**

If the proceeding is brought in a representative capacity, the person on whose behalf the proceeding is brought may contribute to, or pay, the legal costs and expenses incurred by the person bringing the proceeding.

## **Division 6 Application of Acts**

### **608 Application of other Acts**

- (1) This section applies if another Act—
- (a) specifies monetary penalties for offences about development greater or less than the penalties specified in this part; or
  - (b) provides that an activity specified in this part as a development offence is not an offence; or
  - (c) contains provisions about the carrying out of development in an emergency; or
  - (d) includes requirements about enforcement notices that are different from the requirements of this part; or

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- (e) includes provisions about the issuing of other notices having the same effect as enforcement notices; or
  - (f) includes requirements about proceedings for the prosecution for development offences or other offences that are different from the requirements of this part; or
  - (g) includes requirements about proceedings for enforcement orders that are different from the requirements of this part.
- (2) The provisions of the other Act prevail over the provisions of this part to the extent of any inconsistency.

## **Part 4                      Legal proceedings**

### **Division 1                Proceedings**

#### **609      Summary proceedings for offences**

Proceedings for an offence against this Act are to be taken in a summary way under the *Justices Act 1886*.

#### **610      Limitation on time for starting proceedings**

A proceeding for an offence against this Act must start—

- (a) within 1 year after the commission of the offence; or
- (b) within 6 months after the offence comes to the complainant's knowledge.

#### **611      Executive officers must ensure corporation complies with Act**

- (1) The executive officers of a corporation must ensure the corporation complies with this Act.

- (2) If a corporation commits an offence against a provision of this Act, each of the corporation's executive officers also commits an offence, namely, the offence of failing to ensure the corporation complies with the provision.

Maximum penalty for subsection (2)—the penalty for the contravention of the provision by an individual.

- (3) Evidence that the corporation has been convicted of an offence against a provision of this Act is evidence that each of the executive officers committed the offence of failing to ensure the corporation complies with the provision.
- (4) However, it is a defence for an executive officer to prove—
- (a) if the officer was in a position to influence the conduct of the corporation in relation to the offence—the officer exercised reasonable diligence to ensure the corporation complied with the provision; or
  - (b) the officer was not in a position to influence the conduct of the corporation in relation to the offence.

## **Division 2                      Fines and costs**

### **612      When fines payable to local government**

- (1) This section applies if—
- (a) the assessing authority by which the administration and enforcement of a matter is carried out is a local government; and
  - (b) a proceeding for an offence about the matter is taken by the local government; and
  - (c) a court imposes a fine for the offence.
- (2) The fine must be paid to the local government.

### **613 Order for compensation or remedial action**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a person is convicted of a development offence; and
  - (b) the court convicting the person finds that, because of the commission of the offence, another person—
    - (i) has suffered loss of income; or
    - (ii) has suffered a reduction in the value of, or damage to, property; or
    - (iii) has incurred costs or expenses in replacing or repairing property or in preventing or minimising, or attempting to prevent or minimise, a loss, reduction or damage mentioned in subparagraph (i) or (ii).
- (2) The court may order the person to do either or both of the following—
  - (a) pay to the other person an amount of compensation the court considers appropriate for the loss, reduction or damage suffered or costs or expenses incurred;
  - (b) take stated remedial action the court considers appropriate.
- (3) An order under subsection (2) is in addition to the imposition of a penalty and any other order under this Act.
- (4) This section does not limit the court's powers under the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1992* or another law.

### **614 Recovery of costs of investigation**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a person is convicted of an offence against this Act; and
  - (b) the court convicting the person finds the assessing authority has reasonably incurred costs and expenses in taking a sample or conducting an inspection, test,

measurement or analysis during the investigation of the offence; and

- (c) the assessing authority applies for an order against the person for the payment of the costs and expenses.
- (2) The court may order the person to pay to the assessing authority the reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the authority if it is satisfied it would be just to make the order in the circumstances of the particular case.
- (3) This section does not limit the court's powers under the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1992* or another law.

## **Division 3                      Evidence**

### **615      Application of div 3**

This division applies to a proceeding under or in relation to this Act.

### **616      Appointments and authority**

It is not necessary to prove—

- (a) the appointment of the chief executive or the chief executive officer, however called, of an assessing authority; or
- (b) the authority of the chief executive or the chief executive officer, however called, of an assessing authority to do anything under this Act.

### **617      Signatures**

A signature purporting to be the signature of the chief executive or the chief executive officer, however called, of an assessing authority is evidence of the signature it purports to be.

**618 Matter coming to complainant's knowledge**

In a complaint starting a proceeding, a statement that the matter of the complaint came to the complainant's knowledge on a stated day is evidence of the matter.

**619 Instruments, equipment and installations**

Any instrument, equipment or installation prescribed under a regulation that is used by an appropriately qualified person in compliance with any conditions prescribed under a regulation is taken to be accurate and precise in the absence of evidence to the contrary.

**620 Analyst's certificate or report**

A certificate or report purporting to be signed by an appropriately qualified person and stating any of the following matters is evidence of the matter—

- (a) the person's qualifications;
- (b) the person took, or received from a stated person, a stated sample;
- (c) the person analysed the sample on a stated day, or during a stated period, and at a stated place;
- (d) the results of the analysis.

**621 Evidence of planning instruments or notices of designation**

- (1) In a proceeding, a certified copy of a planning instrument or a notice of designation is evidence of the content of the instrument or notice.
- (2) All courts, judges and persons acting judicially must take judicial notice of a certified copy of a planning instrument or a notice of designation.

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- (3) In a proceeding, a copy of the gazette or newspaper containing a notice about the making of a planning instrument is evidence of the matters stated in the notice.

**622 Planning instruments presumed to be within jurisdiction**

In a proceeding, the following are presumed unless the issue is raised—

- (a) the competence of a Minister to make a planning instrument;
- (b) the competence of a local government to make a local planning instrument.

**623 Evidentiary aids generally**

A certificate purporting to be signed by the chief executive officer, however called, of an assessing authority stating any of the following matters is evidence of the matter—

- (a) a stated document is—
  - (i) an appointment or a copy of an appointment; or
  - (ii) a direction or decision, or a copy of a direction or decision, given or made under this Act; or
  - (iii) a notice, order, permit or other document, or a copy of a notice, order, permit or other document, given under this Act;
- (b) on a stated day, or during a stated period, a stated person was or was not the holder of a development permit or a compliance permit for stated development, or a compliance certificate for a stated document or work;
- (c) on a stated day, or during a stated period, a development permit or compliance permit—
  - (i) was or was not in force for a stated person or development; or
  - (ii) was or was not subject to a stated condition;

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- (d) on a stated day, or during a stated period—
  - (i) there was or was not a master plan for stated land or development; or
  - (ii) a stated condition was included in a master plan;
- (e) on a stated day, or during a stated period, a compliance certificate—
  - (i) was or was not in force for a stated person, document or work; or
  - (ii) was or was not subject to a stated condition;
- (f) on a stated day, a stated person was given a stated notice or direction under this Act;
- (g) a stated amount is payable under this Act by a stated person and has not been paid.

#### **624 Responsibility for acts or omissions of representatives**

- (1) This section applies in a proceeding for an offence against this Act.
- (2) If it is relevant to prove a person's state of mind about a particular act or omission, it is enough to show—
  - (a) the act was done or omitted to be done by a representative of the person within the scope of the representative's actual or apparent authority; and
  - (b) the representative had the state of mind.
- (3) An act done or omitted to be done for a person by a representative of the person within the scope of the representative's actual or apparent authority is taken to have been done or omitted to be done also by the person, unless the person proves the person could not, by the exercise of reasonable diligence, have prevented the act or omission.
- (4) In this section—  
*representative* means—

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- (a) of a corporation—an executive officer, employee or agent of the corporation; or
  - (b) of an individual—an employee or agent of the individual.

*state of mind*, of a person, includes the person's—

- (a) knowledge, intention, opinion, belief or purpose; and
- (b) reasons for the intention, opinion, belief or purpose.

## **Chapter 8      Infrastructure**

### **Part 1            Infrastructure planning and                       funding**

#### **Division 1        Preliminary**

##### **625      Purpose of pt 1**

The purpose of this part is—

- (a) to seek to integrate land use and infrastructure plans; and
- (b) to establish an infrastructure planning benchmark as a basis for an infrastructure funding framework; and
- (c) to establish an infrastructure funding framework that is equitable and accountable; and
- (d) to integrate State infrastructure providers into the framework.

*Note—*

For declared master planned areas, see also section 196 (Modified application of provisions about infrastructure for master plan).

## **Division 2                      Non-trunk infrastructure**

### **626      Conditions local governments may impose for non-trunk infrastructure**

- (1) If a local government imposes a condition about non-trunk infrastructure, the condition may only be for supplying infrastructure for 1 or more of the following—
  - (a) networks internal to the premises;
  - (b) connecting the premises to external infrastructure networks;
  - (c) protecting or maintaining the safety or efficiency of the infrastructure network of which the non-trunk infrastructure is a component.
- (2) The condition must state—
  - (a) the infrastructure to be supplied; and
  - (b) when the infrastructure must be supplied.

## **Division 3                      Trunk infrastructure**

### **627      Priority infrastructure plans for trunk infrastructure**

Despite chapter 3, part 5, a priority infrastructure plan must be prepared and made or amended as required by a guideline—

- (a) made by the Minister; and
- (b) prescribed under a regulation.

### **628      Local government must review its priority infrastructure plan every 5 years**

- (1) Each local government prescribed under a regulation must review its priority infrastructure plan at least once every 5 years.

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- (2) The review must be conducted in consultation with—
    - (a) the State agencies that participated in the preparation of the plan; and
    - (b) if the local government is a participating local government for a distributor-retailer under the SEQ Water Act—the distributor-retailer.
  - (3) However, before consulting with the State agencies or the distributor-retailer, the local government must assess the factors affecting the plan since the last review and advise the agencies or the distributor-retailer of any proposed amendments to the plan.

## **629 Funding trunk infrastructure for local governments**

- (1) Under this Act, a local government may levy a charge for supplying trunk infrastructure under either of the following—
  - (a) an infrastructure charges schedule;
  - (b) a regulated infrastructure charges schedule.

*Note—*

See the Local Government Act, chapter 4 (Finances and accountability), part 1 (Rates and charges) for a local government's power to levy rates and charges in other ways.

- (2) Subsection (1) does not stop a local government from—
  - (a) having, or not having, an infrastructure charges schedule for a part of a trunk infrastructure network; or
  - (b) having an infrastructure charges schedule and a regulated infrastructure charges schedule for different parts of its trunk infrastructure network; or
  - (c) making infrastructure charges schedules at different times.

## **Division 4                      Trunk infrastructure funding under an infrastructure charges schedule**

### **630      Preparing and making or amending infrastructure charges schedules**

- (1) Despite chapter 3, part 5, an infrastructure charges schedule must be prepared and made or amended as required by a guideline—
  - (a) made by the Minister; and
  - (b) prescribed under a regulation.
- (2) The guideline must make provision for—
  - (a) an infrastructure charges schedule to be approved by the Minister; and
  - (b) the adoption of the infrastructure charges schedule, or amendment of the schedule, by the local government to be notified in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area.
- (3) Without limiting subsection (1), the guideline may—
  - (a) include a methodology to be followed for the phasing in of charges under the infrastructure charges schedule; and
  - (b) provide for how charge rates stated in the schedule may be adjusted for inflation; and
  - (c) provide for the matters for which a person may obtain a credit in relation to the calculation of a charge under the schedule.

*Examples of matters for paragraph (c)—*

- current share of usage of the trunk infrastructure network for existing lawful uses
  - previous payments for trunk infrastructure for the network
- (4) An infrastructure charges schedule, or an amendment of a schedule, has effect on and from—

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- (a) the day the making of the schedule, or the amendment of the schedule, is first notified in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area; or
  - (b) if a later day for the commencement of the schedule, or the amendment of the schedule, is stated in the schedule, or the amendment—the later day.
- (5) For approving an infrastructure charges schedule, the Minister may seek advice or comment from the Queensland Competition Authority about—
- (a) the consideration of State interests; or
  - (b) another matter relating to the infrastructure charges schedule.
- (6) However, the seeking of advice or comment under subsection (5) does not stop the process for making or amending the infrastructure charges schedule.

### **631 Key elements of an infrastructure charges schedule**

- (1) An infrastructure charges schedule must state all of the following for each trunk infrastructure network identified in the schedule—
- (a) the establishment cost of the network;
  - (b) the proportion of the establishment cost to be funded by a charge (an *infrastructure charge*) under the schedule;
  - (c) each area in which an infrastructure charge applies;
  - (d) for each area mentioned in paragraph (c)—
    - (i) the proportion of the establishment cost to be funded by an infrastructure charge applying in the area; and
    - (ii) the estimated demand for infrastructure in the area; and
    - (iii) the charge rate for calculating the infrastructure charge;

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- (e) the method used by the local government to decide the charge rate;
  - (f) each type of development to which an infrastructure charge applies;
  - (g) how the infrastructure charge to be levied is calculated.
- (2) An infrastructure charge may also apply to trunk infrastructure—
- (a) despite section 82—that is not within, or completely within, the local government’s area; or
  - (b) that is not owned by the local government, if the owner of the infrastructure agrees; or
  - (c) supplied by a local government on a State-controlled road.

*Note—*

See the Transport Infrastructure Act, sections 32 and 41.

- (3) The infrastructure charges schedule may provide for charge rates stated in the schedule to be adjusted for inflation.
- (4) If the infrastructure charges schedule provides for charge rates to be adjusted for inflation, the schedule must state how the charge rates are to be adjusted.

## **632 Infrastructure charges**

- (1) The infrastructure charge—
  - (a) must be for a trunk infrastructure network that services, or is planned to service, premises and is identified in the priority infrastructure plan; and
  - (b) must not be more than the proportion of the establishment cost of the network that reasonably can be apportioned to the premises for which the charge is stated, taking into account—
    - (i) the usage of the network by the premises; or

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- (ii) the capacity of the network allocated to the premises.
- (2) Also, if the infrastructure charge is levied for an existing lawful use, it must be based on the current share of usage of the network at the time the charge is levied.
  - (3) Subsection (2) does not apply if the local government and the owner of the land to which the charge relates otherwise agree in writing.
  - (4) However, an infrastructure charge must not be levied for a work or use of land authorised under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989*, the *Petroleum Act 1923*, the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004* or the *Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2009*.

### **633 Infrastructure charges notices**

- (1) A notice requiring the payment of an infrastructure charge (an *infrastructure charges notice*) must state each of the following—
  - (a) the amount of the charge;
  - (b) the land to which the charge applies;
  - (c) when the charge is payable;
  - (d) the trunk infrastructure network for which the charge has been stated;
  - (e) the person to whom the charge must be paid;
  - (f) the number of units of demand charged for;
  - (g) the charge rate, stated in the infrastructure charges schedule, for the charge; and
  - (h) if the charge rate has been adjusted for inflation—
    - (i) details of how it was adjusted; and
    - (ii) the adjusted charge rate; and

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- (i) the number of units of demand for which a credit has been given.
- (2) If the notice is given as a result of a development approval or compliance permit, the local government must give the notice to the applicant or the person who requested compliance assessment—
  - (a) if the local government is the assessment manager or compliance assessor—
    - (i) at the same time as the approval or permit is given; or
    - (ii) for a deemed approval for which a decision notice has not been given—within 20 business days after receiving the deemed approval notice; or
  - (b) otherwise—
    - (i) within 10 business days after the local government receives a copy of the approval or permit; or
    - (ii) for a deemed approval for which a decision notice has not been given—within 20 business days after receiving a copy of the deemed approval notice.
- (3) If the notice is not given as a result of a development approval or compliance permit, the local government must give the notice to the owner of the land.
- (4) The charge is not recoverable unless the entitlements under the development approval or compliance permit are exercised.
- (5) The notice lapses if the development approval or compliance permit stops having effect.

### **634 When infrastructure charges are payable**

An infrastructure charge is payable—

- (a) if the charge applies to reconfiguring a lot that is assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment—before the local government

approves the plan of subdivision for the reconfiguration;  
or

- (b) if the charge applies to building work that is assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment—before the certificate of classification for the building work is issued; or
- (c) if the charge applies to a material change of use—before the change happens; or
- (d) if paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) do not apply—on the day stated in the infrastructure charges notice or negotiated infrastructure charges notice.

### **635 Application of infrastructure charges**

- (1) An infrastructure charge levied and collected must be used—
  - (a) for a network of trunk infrastructure—to provide infrastructure for the network; or
  - (b) for works required for the local function of State-controlled roads—to provide works on the State-controlled roads.
- (2) However, if the local government and the State infrastructure provider for State-controlled roads agree, the infrastructure charge may be used to provide works for the local government road network.

### **636 Accounting for infrastructure charges**

- (1) An infrastructure charge levied and collected for local works on State infrastructure must be separately accounted for.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that an infrastructure charge levied and collected by a local government need not be held in trust.

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**637 Agreements about, and alternatives to, paying infrastructure charges**

- (1) Despite sections 633 and 634, a person to whom an infrastructure charges notice or a negotiated infrastructure charges notice has been given and the infrastructure provider may enter into a written agreement about 1 or more of the following—
  - (a) whether the charge may be paid at a different time from the time stated in the notice, and whether it may be paid by instalments;
  - (b) whether infrastructure may be supplied instead of paying all or part of the charge;
  - (c) whether infrastructure that delivers the same standard of service as that identified in the priority infrastructure plan may be supplied instead of the infrastructure identified in the infrastructure charges schedule;
  - (d) if section 633(2)(a) applies for the charge and the infrastructure is land owned by the applicant or the person who requested compliance assessment—whether land in fee simple may be given instead of paying the charge or part of the charge.
- (2) For development infrastructure that is land, the local government may give the applicant or the person who requested compliance assessment a notice, in addition to, or instead of, the notice given under section 633, requiring the person to—
  - (a) give to the local government, in fee simple, part of the land the subject of the development application or request for compliance assessment; or
  - (b) give to the local government—
    - (i) in fee simple, part of the land the subject of the development application or request for compliance assessment; and
    - (ii) an infrastructure charge.

- (3) If the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment is required to give land under subsection (2)(a), or a combination of land and a charge under subsection (2)(b), the total value of the contribution must not be more than the amount of the charge mentioned in section 633(1).
- (4) The applicant or person who requested compliance assessment must comply with the notice as soon as practicable.
- (5) If subsection (1)(d) or (2) applies and the land is to be given to the local government for public parks infrastructure or local community facilities, the land must be given on trust.

**638 Local government may supply different trunk infrastructure from that identified in a priority infrastructure plan**

A local government may supply different trunk infrastructure from the infrastructure identified in the priority infrastructure plan if the infrastructure supplied delivers the same desired standard of service for the relevant network.

**639 Infrastructure charges taken to be rates**

- (1) An infrastructure charge levied by a local government is, for the purposes of recovery, taken to be rates within the meaning of the Local Government Act.
- (2) However, if the local government and an applicant or person who requested compliance assessment enter into a written agreement stating the charge is a debt owing to it by the applicant or person, subsection (1) does not apply.

## **Division 5                      Trunk infrastructure funding under a regulated infrastructure charges schedule**

### **640      Regulated infrastructure charge**

A regulation or State planning regulatory provision may provide for—

- (a) a charge for the supply of trunk infrastructure; and
- (b) development for which the charge may be levied.

### **641      Adopting and notifying regulated infrastructure charges schedule**

- (1) A local government may, by resolution, adopt a schedule of charges (a *regulated infrastructure charges schedule*) for the establishment cost of trunk infrastructure in a local government area.
- (2) Each charge in the schedule must not be more than the amount provided for under a regulation or State planning regulatory provision.
- (3) The schedule must state—
  - (a) the charge for each trunk infrastructure network identified in the schedule; and
  - (b) development to which the charge applies; and
  - (c) the areas in which each charge applies.
- (4) As soon as practicable after the local government decides to adopt a regulated infrastructure charges schedule, the local government must publish, in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area, a notice stating the following—
  - (a) the name of the local government;

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- (b) that a regulated infrastructure charges schedule, for the supply of trunk infrastructure in the local government's area, has been adopted;
  - (c) the day the resolution was made;
  - (d) the day the schedule applies;
  - (e) whether the schedule replaces an existing schedule;
  - (f) that a copy of the schedule is available for inspection and purchase.
- (5) On the day the notice is published, or as soon as practicable after the day, the local government must give the chief executive—
- (a) a copy of the notice; and
  - (b) 3 certified copies of the schedule.
- (6) The schedule has effect on and from—
- (a) the day the adoption of the schedule is first notified in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area; or
  - (b) if a later day for the commencement of the schedule is stated in the schedule—the later day.
- (7) A copy of the schedule must be attached to each copy of the local government's planning scheme.
- (8) To remove any doubt, it is declared that the schedule is not part of the local government's planning scheme.

## **642 Regulated infrastructure charges**

- (1) A charge in a regulated infrastructure charges schedule (a *regulated infrastructure charge*) for premises must be for a trunk infrastructure network that services, or is planned to service, the premises and is identified in the priority infrastructure plan.
- (2) However, a regulated infrastructure charge must not be levied for a work or use of land authorised under the *Mineral*

*Resources Act 1989, the Petroleum Act 1923, the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 or the Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2009.*

### **643 Regulated infrastructure charges notice**

- (1) A notice requiring the payment of a regulated infrastructure charge (a *regulated infrastructure charges notice*) must state each of the following—
  - (a) the amount of the charge;
  - (b) the land to which the charge applies;
  - (c) when the charge is payable;
  - (d) the trunk infrastructure network for which the charge has been stated.
- (2) The local government must give the notice to the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment—
  - (a) if the local government is the assessment manager or compliance assessor—
    - (i) at the same time as the development approval or compliance permit is given; or
    - (ii) for a deemed approval for which a decision notice has not been given—within 20 business days after receiving the deemed approval notice; or
  - (b) otherwise—
    - (i) within 10 business days after the local government receives a copy of the approval or permit; or
    - (ii) for a deemed approval for which a decision notice has not been given—within 20 business days after receiving a copy of the deemed approval notice.
- (3) The charge is not recoverable unless the entitlements under the approval or permit are exercised.
- (4) The notice lapses if the approval or permit stops having effect.

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**644 When regulated infrastructure charges are payable**

A regulated infrastructure charge is payable—

- (a) if the charge applies to reconfiguring a lot that is assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment—before the local government approves the plan of subdivision for the reconfiguration; or
- (b) if the charge applies to building work that is assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment—before the certificate of classification for the building work is issued; or
- (c) if the charge applies to a material change of use—before the change happens; or
- (d) otherwise—on the day stated in the regulated infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice.

**645 Application of regulated infrastructure charges**

A regulated infrastructure charge levied and collected for a network of trunk infrastructure must be used to provide infrastructure for the network.

**646 Accounting for regulated infrastructure charges**

To remove any doubt, it is declared that a regulated infrastructure charge levied and collected by a local government need not be held in trust.

**647 Agreements about, and alternatives to, paying regulated infrastructure charges**

Despite sections 643 and 644, a person to whom a regulated infrastructure charges notice or a negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice has been given and the

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infrastructure provider may enter into a written agreement about 1 or more of the following—

- (a) whether the charge may be paid at a different time from the time stated in the notice, and whether it may be paid by instalments;
- (b) whether infrastructure may be supplied instead of paying all or part of the charge.

#### **648 Regulated infrastructure charges taken to be rates**

- (1) A regulated infrastructure charge levied by a local government is, for the purposes of recovery, taken to be rates within the meaning of the Local Government Act.
- (2) However, if the local government and an applicant or person who requested compliance assessment enter into a written agreement stating the charge is a debt owing to it by the applicant or person, subsection (1) does not apply.

### **Division 6                      Conditions local governments may impose for necessary trunk infrastructure**

#### **649 Conditions local governments may impose for necessary trunk infrastructure**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) existing trunk infrastructure necessary to service the premises is not adequate and trunk infrastructure adequate to service the premises is identified in the priority infrastructure plan; or
  - (b) trunk infrastructure to service the premises is necessary, but is not yet available and is identified in the priority infrastructure plan; or
  - (c) trunk infrastructure identified in the priority

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infrastructure plan is located on the premises.

- (2) A local government may require different trunk infrastructure from the infrastructure identified in the priority infrastructure plan if the required infrastructure delivers the same desired standard of service for the relevant network.
- (3) The local government may impose a condition requiring the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment to supply the trunk infrastructure mentioned in subsection (1) or (2), even if the infrastructure will service other premises.
- (4) The condition must state—
  - (a) the trunk infrastructure to be supplied; and
  - (b) when the infrastructure must be supplied.
- (5) Subsection (6) applies if—
  - (a) the trunk infrastructure mentioned in subsection (3) services, or is planned to service, other premises; and
  - (b) the amount of the value of the infrastructure is more than the amount of the value of the charge for the network for the premises.
- (6) The applicant or person who requested compliance assessment—
  - (a) does not have to pay an infrastructure charge or regulated infrastructure charge for the network; and
  - (b) is entitled to a refund from the infrastructure provider, on terms agreed with the infrastructure provider, for the proportion of the establishment cost of the trunk infrastructure mentioned in subsection (3)—
    - (i) that reasonably can be apportioned to the other users' premises mentioned in subsection (5)(a); and
    - (ii) collected, or to be collected, under an infrastructure charges schedule or regulated infrastructure charges schedule.

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- (7) If subsection (6) does not apply, the amount of the value of the infrastructure supplied under the condition for a network must be offset against any charge that may be levied for the premises under section 633 or 643 for the network.
- (8) A condition imposed under subsection (3) complies with section 345 or 406—
  - (a) for subsection (1)(a) or (b)—
    - (i) to the extent the infrastructure is necessary to service the premises; and
    - (ii) if the infrastructure is the most efficient and cost-effective solution for servicing the premises; and
  - (b) for subsection (1)(c)—to the extent the infrastructure is not an unreasonable imposition on—
    - (i) the development; or
    - (ii) the use of premises as a consequence of the development.

## **Division 7                      Conditions local governments may impose for additional trunk infrastructure costs**

### **650      Conditions local governments may impose for additional trunk infrastructure costs**

- (1) A local government may impose a condition requiring the payment of additional trunk infrastructure costs only if the development—
  - (a) is—
    - (i) inconsistent with the assumptions about the type, scale, location or timing of future development stated in the priority infrastructure plan; or

- (ii) for premises completely or partly outside the priority infrastructure area; and
  - (b) would impose additional trunk infrastructure costs on the infrastructure provider after taking into account either or both of the following—
    - (i) infrastructure charges or regulated infrastructure charges levied for the development;
    - (ii) trunk infrastructure supplied, or to be supplied by the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment under divisions 4 to 6.
- (2) A condition mentioned in subsection (1) must state each of the following—
  - (a) why the condition is required;
  - (b) the amount of the payment required;
  - (c) details of the infrastructure for which the payment is required;
  - (d) when the payment must be made;
  - (e) the person to whom the payment must be made;
  - (f) the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment may elect to supply all or part of the infrastructure instead of making payment for the infrastructure to be supplied;
  - (g) if the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment makes an election under paragraph (f)—
    - (i) any requirements for supplying the infrastructure; and
    - (ii) when the infrastructure must be supplied.
- (3) Unless the applicant, or person who requested compliance assessment, and the infrastructure provider otherwise agree in writing, for subsection (2)(d), the payment must be made—

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- (a) if the trunk infrastructure is necessary to service the premises—by the day the development, or work associated with the development, starts; or
- (b) if the trunk infrastructure is not necessary to service the premises—
  - (i) for reconfiguring a lot—before the local government approves the plan of subdivision for the reconfiguration; or
  - (ii) for other development—before the use commences.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if—
  - (a) a development approval or compliance permit no longer has effect; and
  - (b) a payment for the additional trunk infrastructure costs has been made; and
  - (c) construction of the infrastructure has not substantially commenced before the approval or permit ceased having effect.
- (5) The local government must repay to the person who made the payment any part of the payment the local government has not spent, or contracted to spend, on the design and construction of the infrastructure.
- (6) A condition imposed under this division complies with section 345 or 406, to the extent the trunk infrastructure is necessary, but not yet available, to service development, even if the infrastructure is also intended to service other development.
- (7) A local government may not impose a condition under this division for a supplier of State infrastructure.
- (8) Nothing in this division stops a local government from—
  - (a) levying a charge for the establishment cost of the component of the trunk infrastructure network included in the infrastructure charges schedule; or

- (b) imposing a condition for non-trunk infrastructure; or
- (c) imposing a condition for necessary trunk infrastructure.

**651 Local government additional trunk infrastructure costs in priority infrastructure areas**

- (1) The costs that may be required by a local government under section 650, for development completely in the priority infrastructure area, may only include—
  - (a) for trunk infrastructure to be supplied earlier than anticipated in the priority infrastructure plan—the difference between the establishment cost of the infrastructure made necessary by the development and the amount of any charge paid for the infrastructure; or
  - (b) for trunk infrastructure associated with a different type, scale or intensity of development from that anticipated in the priority infrastructure plan—
    - (i) for a different type, a greater scale or a greater intensity of development—the establishment cost of any additional trunk infrastructure made necessary by the development; or
    - (ii) for a lesser scale or lesser intensity of development—the difference between the establishment cost of the infrastructure identified in the plan and the establishment cost of the infrastructure necessary for the development.
- (2) The applicant or person who requested compliance assessment is entitled to a refund from the infrastructure provider, on terms agreed with the infrastructure provider, for the proportion of the establishment cost of the infrastructure—
  - (a) that reasonably can be apportioned to the other users of the infrastructure mentioned in subsection (1)(a) or (1)(b)(i); and

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- (b) collected, or to be collected, under an infrastructure charges schedule.

**652 Local government additional trunk infrastructure costs outside priority infrastructure areas**

- (1) The costs that may be required under section 650, for development completely or partly outside the priority infrastructure area, may only include, for each network—
  - (a) the establishment cost of any trunk infrastructure made necessary by the development; and
  - (b) either or both of the following establishment costs of any temporary infrastructure—
    - (i) costs required to ensure the safe or efficient operation of the infrastructure mentioned in paragraph (a);
    - (ii) costs made necessary by the development; and
  - (c) the decommissioning, removal and rehabilitation costs of any temporary infrastructure mentioned in paragraph (b); and
  - (d) the maintenance and operating costs of the infrastructure mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b), for up to 5 years.
- (2) Subsection (3) applies if the planning scheme indicates the premises is part of an area intended for future development for—
  - (a) residential purposes, other than rural residential purposes; or
  - (b) retail or commercial purposes; or
  - (c) industrial purposes; or
  - (d) community or government purposes related to a purpose mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c).

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- (3) For subsection (1)(a), trunk infrastructure made necessary by the development includes the trunk infrastructure necessary to service the balance of the area mentioned in subsection (2).

## **Division 8                      Conditions State infrastructure providers may impose for infrastructure**

### **653      Conditions State infrastructure provider may impose**

- (1) A State infrastructure provider may impose a condition about either or both of the following—
- (a) infrastructure;
  - (b) works to protect the operation of the infrastructure.
- (2) The condition must be only for—
- (a) protecting or maintaining the safety or efficiency of the provider's infrastructure network; or
  - (b) additional infrastructure costs; or
  - (c) protecting or maintaining the safety and efficiency of public passenger transport.

*Examples of a condition for safety or efficiency—*

- a deceleration lane and entry access to a shopping centre development
- traffic signals at an intersection 1 block from a shopping centre development
- upgrading transverse drainage under a State-controlled road because of increased hard stand parking area from development
- road shoulder widening added to reconstruction of a road because of increased traffic loading to stop road edge wear
- provision of a bus stop and adjacent pull-in bay in a large residential subdivision to accommodate a public passenger transport service

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- provision of a bus turning lane at an intersection for a shopping centre development because of increased traffic loading
- upgrade of traffic control devices at a rail level crossing because of increased vehicular crossings from nearby residential development

*Example of a condition for additional infrastructure costs—*

contribution for the construction of road works on a State-controlled road when land not in the priority infrastructure area is developed as a large town-house estate—such as for the provision of footpaths, kerb and channel with ancillary drainage and a landscaped noise buffer

- (3) A condition under subsection (1) may require either or both of the following—
- (a) infrastructure to be supplied at a different standard to the standard stated in the priority infrastructure plan;
  - (b) different infrastructure to be supplied to the infrastructure identified in the priority infrastructure plan.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if infrastructure mentioned in subsection (3)—
- (a) has replaced, or is to replace, infrastructure for which a local government has collected, or may collect, an infrastructure charge; and
  - (b) provides the same desired standard of service as the replaced infrastructure.
- (5) The local government must—
- (a) give the amount collected under the condition to the State infrastructure provider to be used—
    - (i) for the construction of the infrastructure; or
    - (ii) to reimburse the person who constructed the infrastructure; or
  - (b) enter into an agreement with the State infrastructure provider and the person required to comply with the condition about when payment of the amount collected will be made—

- (i) for the construction of the infrastructure; or
  - (ii) to reimburse the person who constructed the infrastructure.
- (6) In this section—

*infrastructure network* means transport infrastructure under the Transport Infrastructure Act that is owned or controlled by the State.

*safety or efficiency of the provider's infrastructure network* means the safety of any of the users of the provider's infrastructure network and others affected by the network or the efficiency of the use of the provider's infrastructure network.

*Note—*

See any guidelines made by the chief executive administering the Transport Infrastructure Act about safety or efficiency of a provider's infrastructure network.

## **654 Requirements for conditions about safety or efficiency**

- (1) A condition imposed under section 653(2)(a) for supplying, or contributing toward the cost of, infrastructure must state—
  - (a) the infrastructure or works to be supplied or the contribution to be made; and
  - (b) when the infrastructure or works must be supplied or the contribution made.
- (2) Subsection (3) applies if—
  - (a) a development approval no longer has effect; and
  - (b) a contribution for infrastructure for safety and efficiency has been made; and
  - (c) construction of the infrastructure had not substantially commenced before the approval ceased to have effect.
- (3) The State infrastructure provider must repay, to the person who made the contribution, any part of the contribution the

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State infrastructure provider has not spent, or contracted to spend, on the design and construction of the infrastructure before the provider is told the development approval has ceased to have effect.

**655 Requirements for conditions about additional infrastructure costs**

- (1) A State infrastructure provider may impose a condition under section 653(2)(b) only to the extent the development—
  - (a) is—
    - (i) inconsistent with the assumptions stated in the priority infrastructure plan; or
    - (ii) for premises completely or partly outside the priority infrastructure area; and
  - (b) imposes additional infrastructure costs on the State infrastructure provider.
- (2) A condition mentioned in subsection (1) must state each of the following—
  - (a) why the condition is required;
  - (b) the amount of the payment required;
  - (c) details of the infrastructure for which the payment is required;
  - (d) when the payment must be made;
  - (e) the person to whom the payment must be made;
  - (f) the applicant may elect to supply all or part of the infrastructure instead of making payment for the infrastructure to be supplied;
  - (g) if the applicant makes an election under paragraph (f)—
    - (i) any requirements for supplying the infrastructure; and
    - (ii) when the infrastructure must be supplied.

- (3) Unless the applicant and the infrastructure provider otherwise agree in writing, for subsection (2)(d), the payment must be made—
  - (a) if the trunk infrastructure is necessary to service the premises—by the day the development, or work associated with the development, starts; or
  - (b) if the trunk infrastructure is not necessary to service the premises—
    - (i) for reconfiguring a lot—before the local government approves the plan of subdivision for the reconfiguration; or
    - (ii) for other development—before the use commences.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if—
  - (a) a development approval no longer has effect; and
  - (b) a payment for the additional infrastructure costs has been made; and
  - (c) construction of the infrastructure has not substantially commenced before the approval ceased having effect.
- (5) The State infrastructure provider must repay to the person who made the payment any part of the payment the State infrastructure provider has not spent, or contracted to spend, on the design and construction of the infrastructure before the provider is told the development approval has ceased to have effect.
- (6) A condition imposed under this division complies with section 345, to the extent the infrastructure is necessary, but not yet available, to service development, even if the infrastructure is also intended to service other development.

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**656 State infrastructure provider additional infrastructure costs in priority infrastructure areas**

- (1) The costs that may be required by a State infrastructure provider under section 655, for development completely in the priority infrastructure area, may only include—
  - (a) for infrastructure to be supplied earlier than the time anticipated in the priority infrastructure plan, the difference between—
    - (i) the present value of the establishment cost of the infrastructure; and
    - (ii) the present value of the establishment cost of the infrastructure, if the development approval had not been given; or
  - (b) for infrastructure associated with a different type, scale or intensity of development from that anticipated in the priority infrastructure plan—the establishment cost of any additional infrastructure made necessary by the development.
- (2) The applicant is entitled to a refund from the State infrastructure provider, on terms agreed with the State infrastructure provider, and the local government for the proportion of the establishment cost of the infrastructure—
  - (a) that reasonably can be apportioned to the other users' premises mentioned in subsection (1)(b); and
  - (b) collected, or to be collected, under an infrastructure charges schedule.

**657 State infrastructure provider additional infrastructure costs outside priority infrastructure areas**

- (1) The costs that may be required under section 655, for development completely or partly outside the priority infrastructure area, may only include—
  - (a) the establishment cost of any infrastructure made necessary by the development; and

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- (b) the maintenance and operating costs of the infrastructure mentioned in paragraph (a) for up to 5 years; and
  - (c) the establishment, maintenance and operating costs of any temporary infrastructure required to ensure the safe or efficient operation of the infrastructure mentioned in paragraph (a) for up to 5 years.
- (2) Subsection (3) applies if the planning scheme indicates the premises is part of an area intended for future development for—
- (a) residential purposes, other than rural residential purposes; or
  - (b) retail or commercial purposes; or
  - (c) industrial purposes; or
  - (d) community or government purposes related to a purpose mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c).
- (3) For subsection (1)(a), infrastructure made necessary by the development includes the infrastructure necessary to service the balance of the area mentioned in subsection (2).

## **Division 9                      Miscellaneous**

### **658      Agreements for infrastructure partnerships**

- (1) A person may enter into a written agreement with a public sector entity about—
  - (a) supplying or funding infrastructure; or
  - (b) refunding payments made towards the cost of supplying or funding infrastructure.
- (2) Subsection (1) has effect despite divisions 2 to 8 or chapter 6, part 5, division 6.

## **659 Sale of particular land held on trust by local governments**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) a local government intends to sell land it holds on trust in fee simple; and
  - (b) the land is held on trust for public parks infrastructure or local community facilities; and
  - (c) the local government completely or partly obtained the land in relation to—
    - (i) an infrastructure charge levied, or a condition of an approval given, under this Act, repealed IPA or the repealed LGP&E Act; or
    - (ii) a condition of a compliance permit; and
  - (d) the sale of the land would not be inconsistent with a current infrastructure agreement under which the local government obtained the land.
- (2) The local government must advertise its intention to sell the land by placing a notice of the sale in a newspaper circulating in the local government's area.
- (3) The notice must contain—
  - (a) a description of the land proposed to be sold; and
  - (b) the purpose for which the land was given on trust; and
  - (c) the reason for proposing to sell the land; and
  - (d) the reasonable period within which submissions must be made.
- (4) The local government must consider all submissions in relation to the notice before making a decision about the sale.
- (5) If a local government complies with this section and sells the land—
  - (a) the land is sold free of the trust; and

- (b) the proceeds of the sale must be used for providing public parks infrastructure or land for local community facilities servicing the land.

## Part 2                      Infrastructure agreements

### 660      Definition for pt 2

In this part—

*infrastructure agreement* means an agreement, as amended from time to time, mentioned in any of the following sections—

- section 348, to the extent the agreement is about a condition for the payment for, or the supply of, infrastructure
- section 631
- section 632
- section 637
- section 639
- section 647
- section 648
- section 649
- section 650
- section 651
- section 653
- section 655
- section 656
- section 658.

## **661 Content of infrastructure agreements**

- (1) An infrastructure agreement must—
  - (a) if obligations under the agreement would be affected by a change in the ownership of the land, the subject of the agreement—include a statement about how the obligations must be fulfilled if there is a change of ownership; and
  - (b) if the fulfilment of obligations under the agreement depends on development entitlements that may be affected by a change to a planning instrument—include a statement about—
    - (i) the repayment of amounts paid, and reimbursement of amounts expended, under the agreement; and
    - (ii) changing or cancelling the obligations if the development entitlements are changed without the consent of the person who has to fulfil the obligations; and
  - (c) include any other matter prescribed under a regulation.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that an infrastructure agreement may—
  - (a) include matters that are not within the jurisdiction of a public sector entity that is a party to the agreement; and
  - (b) relate to—
    - (i) the making of a structure plan for a declared master planned area; or
    - (ii) master plans for a master planned area.
- (3) However—
  - (a) if the public sector entity is a local government; and
  - (b) it is proposed to include in the agreement a provision for payment to the local government for making the structure plan;

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the amount payable must take into account any amounts paid or payable to the local government under chapter 4, part 2, division 3, for making the structure plan.

**662 Copy of infrastructure agreements to be given to local government**

If a public sector entity other than a local government is a party to an infrastructure agreement, and the local government for the area to which the agreement applies is not a party to the agreement, the public sector entity must give a copy of the agreement to the local government.

**663 When infrastructure agreements bind successors in title**

- (1) If an owner of land to which an infrastructure agreement applies is a party to the agreement or consents to the development obligations being attached to the land, the development obligations attach to the land and bind the owner and the owner's successors in title of the land.
- (2) If the owner's consent under subsection (1) is given but is not endorsed on the agreement, the owner must give a copy of the document evidencing the owner's consent to the local government for the land to which the consent applies.
- (3) However, if the agreement states that if the land is subdivided part of the land is to be released from the development obligations, and the land is subdivided—
  - (a) the part of the land is released from the development obligations; and
  - (b) the development obligations are no longer binding on the owner of the part of the land.
- (4) In this section—

*development obligations* means the obligations under the infrastructure agreement other than the obligations to be fulfilled by a public sector entity.

**664 Exercise of discretion unaffected by infrastructure agreements**

An infrastructure agreement is not invalid merely because its fulfilment depends on the exercise of a discretion by a public sector entity about—

- (a) a structure plan or proposed structure plan; or
- (b) a master plan or an application for approval of a master plan; or
- (c) an existing or future development application; or
- (d) an existing or future request for compliance assessment.

**665 Infrastructure agreements prevail if inconsistent with particular instruments**

- (1) To the extent an infrastructure agreement is inconsistent with a development approval, master plan or compliance permit, the agreement prevails.
- (2) To the extent an infrastructure agreement is inconsistent with any of the following, the agreement prevails—
  - (a) an infrastructure charges notice or negotiated infrastructure charges notice;
  - (b) a regulated infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice;
  - (c) a regulated State infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice.



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- (c) the development for which the charge may be levied.
- (2) A regulated State infrastructure charges schedule may also state a matter related to a matter mentioned in subsection (1).

### **669 Regulated State infrastructure charges notice**

- (1) A notice requiring the payment of a regulated State infrastructure charge (a *regulated State infrastructure charges notice*) must state each of the following—
  - (a) the amount of the charge;
  - (b) the land to which the charge applies;
  - (c) when the charge is payable;
  - (d) the State infrastructure network for which the charge has been stated.
- (2) If the notice is given as a result of a development approval—
  - (a) the relevant State infrastructure provider must give the notice to the applicant at the same time as the concurrence agency's response is given to the assessment manager; and
  - (b) the charge is not recoverable unless the entitlements under the development approval are exercised; and
  - (c) the notice lapses if the approval stops having effect.
- (3) If the notice is not given as a result of a development approval, the relevant State infrastructure provider must give the notice to the owner of the land.
- (4) The amount of a regulated State infrastructure charge must take account of any relevant infrastructure charge for State infrastructure.

*Example—*

an infrastructure charge relating to the local function of State-controlled roads

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**670 When regulated State infrastructure charge is payable**

A regulated State infrastructure charge is payable—

- (a) if the charge applies to reconfiguring a lot that is assessable development—before the local government approves the plan of subdivision for the reconfiguration; or
- (b) if the charge applies to building work that is assessable development—before the certificate of classification for the building work is issued; or
- (c) if the charge applies to a material change of use—before the change of use happens; or
- (d) otherwise—on the day stated in the regulated State infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice.

**671 Application of regulated State infrastructure charges**

A regulated State infrastructure charge levied and collected for a network of State infrastructure must be used to provide infrastructure for the network.

**672 Accounting for regulated State infrastructure charges**

To remove any doubt, it is declared that a regulated State infrastructure charge levied and collected by a State infrastructure provider need not be held in trust.

**673 Infrastructure agreements about, and alternatives to paying regulated State infrastructure charges**

Despite sections 669 and 670, a person to whom a regulated State infrastructure charges notice or a negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice has been given and the State infrastructure provider may enter into an infrastructure agreement for the charge, including, for example, that—

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- (a) the charge may be paid at a different time from the time stated in the notice, and whether it may be paid by instalments; or
- (b) whether the State infrastructure may be supplied instead of paying all or part of the charge; or
- (c) land in fee simple may be given instead of paying the charge or part of the charge; or
- (d) other infrastructure, or contributions to other infrastructure, may be provided instead of paying the charge or part of the charge.

#### **674 Recovery of regulated State infrastructure charges**

- (1) A regulated State infrastructure charge is a charge in favour of the State on the land to which the charge applies.
- (2) A regulation under the Local Government Act, section 96(c) applies for the charge—
  - (a) as if it were rates under that Act; and
  - (b) as if a reference in the regulation to overdue rates were a reference to the charge; and
  - (c) as if a reference in the regulation to a local government were a reference to the State; and
  - (d) as if a reference in the regulation to the chief executive officer of a local government were a reference to the executive officer of the State infrastructure provider that gave the relevant regulated State infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice; and
  - (e) with other necessary changes.

*Editor's note—*

Local Government Act, section 96 (Regulations for rates and charges)

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## Part 4 Changing notices

### 675 Definition for pt 4

In this part—

*relevant appeal period*, for a person who has been given an infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or regulated State infrastructure charges notice, means the period within which the person may appeal against the notice to the court or a building and development committee under section 478 or 535.

### 676 Application of pt 4

This part applies to a person who has been given an infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or regulated State infrastructure charges notice only during the person's relevant appeal period.

### 677 Representations about notice

The person may make representations about the notice to the entity that gave the notice.

### 678 Consideration of representations

The entity that gave the infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or regulated State infrastructure charges notice must consider any representations made to the entity under section 677.

### 679 Decision about representations

- (1) If the entity agrees with any of the representations, the entity must give to the person—

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- (a) for representations about an infrastructure charges notice—a new infrastructure charges notice (the *negotiated infrastructure charges notice*); or
  - (b) for representations about a regulated infrastructure charges notice—a new regulated infrastructure charges notice (the *negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice*); or
  - (c) for representations about a regulated State infrastructure charges notice—a new regulated State infrastructure charges notice (the *negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice*).
- (2) The entity may give only 1 negotiated infrastructure charges notice, negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice.
  - (3) The negotiated infrastructure charges notice, negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice—
    - (a) must be given within 5 business days after the day the entity agrees with the representations; and
    - (b) must be in the same form as the notice previously given; and
    - (c) must state the nature of the changes; and
    - (d) replaces the notice previously given.
  - (4) If the entity does not agree with any of the representations, the entity must, within 5 business days after the day the entity decides not to agree with any of the representations, give a written notice to the person stating the decision about the representations.

## **680 Suspension of relevant appeal period**

- (1) If the person given the infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or regulated State infrastructure charges notice needs more time to make the written representations, the person may, by written notice given to the

entity that gave the notice, suspend the person's relevant appeal period.

- (2) The person may act under subsection (1) only once.
- (3) If the written representations are not made within 20 business days after the day written notice was given to the entity, the balance of the person's relevant appeal period restarts.
- (4) If the written representations are made within 20 business days after the day written notice was given to the entity—
  - (a) if the person gives the entity a notice withdrawing the notice under subsection (1)—the balance of the person's relevant appeal period restarts the day after the entity receives the notice of withdrawal; or
  - (b) if the entity gives the person a notice under section 679(4)—the balance of the person's relevant appeal period restarts the day after the person receives the notice; or
  - (c) if the entity gives the person a negotiated infrastructure charges notice, negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice or negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice (the *negotiated notice*)—the person's relevant appeal period starts again the day after the person receives the negotiated notice.

## **Chapter 9      Miscellaneous**

### **Part 1              Existing uses and rights protected**

#### **681      Lawful uses of premises on commencement**

- (1) To the extent an existing use of premises was lawful immediately before the commencement of this Act, the use is taken to be a lawful use under this Act on the commencement.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that subsection (1) does not, and has never, affected or otherwise limited a requirement under another Act to obtain an approval for the existing use.

*Example of an approval—*

an environmental authority under the Environmental Protection Act

#### **682      Lawful uses of premises protected**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) immediately before the commencement of a planning instrument or an amendment of a planning instrument, the use of premises was a lawful use of the premises; or
  - (b) immediately before an existing planning instrument starts applying to land, the use of premises was a lawful use of the premises.
- (2) Neither the instrument nor the amendment can—
  - (a) stop the use from continuing; or
  - (b) further regulate the use; or
  - (c) require the use to be changed.

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**683 Lawfully constructed buildings and works protected**

To the extent a building or other work has been lawfully constructed or effected, neither a planning instrument nor an amendment of a planning instrument can require the building or work to be altered or removed.

**684 New planning instruments can not affect existing development approvals or compliance permits**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a development approval or compliance permit exists for premises; and
  - (b) after the approval or permit is given, a new planning instrument or an amendment of a planning instrument commences.
- (2) To the extent the approval or permit has not lapsed, neither the planning instrument nor the amendment can stop or further regulate the development, or otherwise affect the approval or permit.

*Note—*

See also section 154 (New planning instruments can not affect approved master plan).

**685 Implied and uncommenced right to use premises protected**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) a development approval comes into effect for a development application; and
  - (b) when the application was properly made, a material change of use, for a use implied by the application, was self-assessable development or exempt development; and

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- (c) after the application was properly made, but before the use started, a new planning instrument, or an amendment of a planning instrument—
  - (i) declared the material change of use to be assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment; or
  - (ii) changed an applicable code for the material change of use.
- (2) The use is taken to be a lawful use in existence immediately before the commencement of the new planning instrument or amendment if—
  - (a) the development, the subject of the approval, is completed within the time stated for completion of the development in—
    - (i) a permit; or
    - (ii) this Act; and
  - (b) the use of the premises starts within 5 years after the completion.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if—
  - (a) a compliance permit comes into effect for development; and
  - (b) when the request for compliance assessment of the development was made, a material change of use, for a use implied by the development, was self-assessable development or exempt development; and
  - (c) after the request was made, but before the use started, a new planning instrument, or an amendment of a planning instrument—
    - (i) declared the material change of use to be assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment; or
    - (ii) changed an applicable code for the material change of use.

- (4) The use is taken to be a lawful use in existence immediately before the commencement of the new planning instrument or amendment if the use of the premises starts within 5 years after the compliance permit is given.

**686 State forests**

For this Act, each of the following is taken to be an existing lawful use of a State forest—

- (a) conservation;
- (b) planting trees, or managing, felling and removing standing trees, for an ongoing forestry business in a plantation or native forest;
- (c) grazing;
- (d) recreation.

**687 Particular development may still be assessable or self-assessable development or development requiring compliance assessment**

Nothing in this part stops development in relation to a lawful use being prescribed under a regulation under section 232(1) as self-assessable development, development requiring compliance assessment or assessable development if the development begins after it is so prescribed.

## **Part 2                      Environmental impact statements**

### **Division 1                Preliminary**

#### **688    When EIS process applies**

This part applies for development prescribed under a regulation, if the development—

- (a) is or is proposed to be the subject of a development application; or
- (b) is for community infrastructure intended to be carried out on land proposed to be designated for the infrastructure; or
- (c) is or is proposed to be the subject of a master plan application.

#### **689    Purpose of EIS process**

The purpose of the EIS process is as follows—

- (a) to assess—
  - (i) the potential adverse and beneficial environmental, economic and social impacts of the development; and
  - (ii) management, monitoring, planning and other measures proposed to minimise any adverse environmental impacts of the development;
- (b) if practicable, to consider feasible alternative ways to carry out the development;
- (c) to give enough information about the matters mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b) to the proponent, Commonwealth and State authorities and the public;

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- (d) to prepare or propose an environmental management plan for the development;
  - (e) for development under section 688(a)—to help the assessment manager and any concurrence agencies to make an informed decision about the development application;
  - (f) for development under section 688(b)—to help the designator to make an informed decision about—
    - (i) whether or not to proceed with a proposed designation; and
    - (ii) if the designation proceeds—the requirements included in the designation;

*Note—*

See section 202 (What designations may include).

- (g) for development under section 688(c)—to help the local government and any coordinating agency and participating agency to make an informed decision on the master plan application;
- (h) to meet any assessment requirements under—
  - (i) the Commonwealth Environment Act for development that is, or includes, a controlled action under that Act; or
  - (ii) a bilateral agreement;
- (i) to allow the State to meet its obligations, if any, under a bilateral agreement.

*Notes—*

- 1 For controlled actions under the Commonwealth Environment Act, see section 67 (What is a *controlled action*?) of that Act.
- 2 For assessment requirements of controlled actions, see chapter 4, part 8 (Assessing impacts of controlled actions) of that Act.
- 3 For bilateral agreements, see chapter 3 (Bilateral agreements) of that Act.

## **Division 2                    EIS process**

### **690     Applying for terms of reference**

- (1) A proponent of development to which this part applies must apply to the chief executive for terms of reference for an EIS for the development.
- (2) The application must be made in the approved form and be accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation for administering the terms of reference.
- (3) If an applicant proposes to make 1 or more applications for preliminary approval for the development, the EIS must be prepared for the first of the applications.
- (4) If an applicant proposes to make 1 or more master plan applications for the development, the EIS must be prepared for the first of the applications.
- (5) Despite subsections (3) and (4), if the chief executive agrees that the EIS can be prepared for a stated later application, the EIS must be prepared for that application.

### **691     Draft terms of reference for EIS**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies—
  - (a) after the chief executive receives the application; and
  - (b) if the chief executive, having regard to criteria prescribed under a regulation, is satisfied draft terms of reference for the EIS should be publicly notified; and
  - (c) after the chief executive consults the relevant entities mentioned in section 700(b), (c) and (d).
- (2) The chief executive must prepare draft terms of reference that allow the purposes of the EIS to be achieved for the development.
- (3) The chief executive must publish a notice stating each of the following—

- (a) a description of the development and of the land on which the development is proposed to be carried out;
  - (b) that the chief executive has prepared draft terms of reference for the EIS;
  - (c) where a copy of the draft terms of reference may be inspected and, on payment of a reasonable fee, purchased;
  - (d) that anyone may make written comments to the chief executive about the draft terms of reference;
  - (e) the day by which comments must be made (the *last day for making comments*) and the address for making comments;
  - (f) another matter prescribed under a regulation.
- (4) The notice must be published at least once in the way prescribed under a regulation.
  - (5) The last day for making comments must not be earlier than 15 business days after the notice is published.
  - (6) The fee mentioned in subsection (3)(c) must not be more than the actual cost of producing the copy.
  - (7) The chief executive must, until the last day for making comments, keep—
    - (a) a copy of the draft terms of reference available for inspection and purchase; and
    - (b) brief details about the draft terms of reference available on the department's website.
  - (8) Until the last day for making comments, any person may make written comments to the chief executive about the draft terms of reference.
  - (9) Also, the chief executive must give a copy of the notice and the draft terms of reference to—

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- (a) each local government whose local government area the chief executive is satisfied the draft terms of reference relate to; and
  - (b) for development that is, or is proposed to be, the subject of a development application—each entity that is, or would be, a referral agency; and
  - (c) for development that is, or is proposed to be, the subject of a master plan application—any coordinating agency.
- (10) A local government receiving a copy of the draft terms of reference must make the copy available for inspection and purchase until the last day for making comments.

## **692 Terms of reference for EIS**

- (1) The chief executive must—
  - (a) if the chief executive has acted under section 691—finalise the terms of reference and give them to the proponent within 10 business days after the end of the period for making comments; or
  - (b) if the chief executive has not prepared draft terms of reference—
    - (i) prepare draft terms of reference the chief executive is satisfied will allow the purposes of the EIS to be achieved for the development; and
    - (ii) give them to the proponent within 20 business days after the chief executive receives the application.
- (2) For subsection (1)(a), the chief executive must take account of any comments received on or before the last day for making comments.
- (3) The chief executive may extend the period for preparing or finalising the terms of reference if the chief executive gives the proponent notice of the extension before the period ends.
- (4) The notice must state a new day by which the chief executive must give the proponent the terms of reference.

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- (5) The chief executive must, within 5 business days after the chief executive gave a copy of the terms of reference to the proponent, also give a copy of the terms of reference to—
- (a) to the extent the development for which the terms of reference have been prepared is, or is proposed to be, the subject of a development application—
    - (i) the assessment manager and all referral agencies; or
    - (ii) the entities that would be the assessment manager and all referral agencies for a development application for the development, if an application is made; and
  - (b) to the extent the development for which the terms of reference have been prepared is for community infrastructure intended to be carried out on land proposed to be designated for the infrastructure—the entity who would be the designator under chapter 5; and
  - (c) to the extent the development for which the terms of reference have been prepared is, or is proposed to be, the subject of a master plan application—the local government and any coordinating agency.

### **693 Preparation of draft EIS**

- (1) The proponent must prepare a draft EIS and give it to the chief executive together with the fee prescribed under a regulation for administering the remaining EIS process.
- (2) If the chief executive is satisfied the draft EIS addresses the terms of reference and includes any matters prescribed under a regulation for inclusion in the draft EIS, the chief executive must give the proponent a written notice to that effect.

### **694 Public notification of draft EIS**

- (1) After the proponent has received notice under section 693(2), the proponent must—

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- (a) publish a notice stating each of the following—
  - (i) a description of the development and of the land on which the development is proposed to be carried out;
  - (ii) where a copy of the draft EIS and any associated documents decided by the chief executive may be inspected and, on payment of a reasonable fee, purchased;
  - (iii) that anyone may make written submissions to the chief executive about the draft EIS;
  - (iv) the day by which submissions must be made (the *last day for making submissions*) and the address for making a submission;
  - (v) another matter prescribed under a regulation; and
- (b) to the extent the development for which the EIS has been prepared is, or is proposed to be, the subject of a development application, give a copy of the draft EIS to—
  - (i) the assessment manager and all referral agencies; or
  - (ii) the entities that would be the assessment manager and all referral agencies for a development application for the development, if an application is made; and
- (c) to the extent the development for which the EIS has been prepared is for community infrastructure intended to be carried out on land proposed to be designated for the infrastructure, give a copy of the draft EIS to the entity who would be the designator under chapter 5; and
- (d) to the extent the development for which the EIS has been prepared is, or is proposed to be, the subject of a master plan application—give a copy of the draft EIS to the local government and any coordinating agency.

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- (2) The notice must be published at least once in the way prescribed under a regulation.
  - (3) The last day for making submissions must not be earlier than 30 business days after the notice is published.
  - (4) The fee mentioned in subsection (1)(a)(ii) must not be more than the actual cost of producing the copy.
  - (5) The chief executive must, until the last day for making submissions, keep—
    - (a) a copy of the draft EIS and any associated documents decided by the chief executive available for inspection and purchase; and
    - (b) brief details about the draft EIS available on the department's website.
  - (6) The chief executive must give a copy of the notice and the draft EIS to each local government whose local government area the chief executive is satisfied the EIS relates.
  - (7) A local government receiving a copy of the draft EIS must make the copy available for inspection and purchase until the last day for making submissions.

## **695 Making submissions on draft EIS**

- (1) Until the last day for making submissions—
  - (a) any person may make a submission to the chief executive about the draft EIS; and
  - (b) the chief executive must accept properly made submissions about the draft EIS.
- (2) However, the chief executive may accept a submission even if the submission is not a properly made submission.
- (3) If the chief executive accepts a submission, the person who made the submission may, by notice given to the chief executive—

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- (a) until the last day for making submissions—amend the submission; or
- (b) at any time before the chief executive gives the EIS to the assessment manager—withdraw the submission.

**696 Chief executive evaluates draft EIS, submissions and other relevant material**

- (1) The chief executive must, after the last day for making submissions and consulting the relevant entities mentioned in section 700(b), (c) and (d), consider each of the following—
  - (a) the draft EIS;
  - (b) all properly made submissions;
  - (c) other submissions accepted by the chief executive about the draft EIS;
  - (d) any other material the chief executive considers is relevant to the draft EIS.
- (2) After considering the matters mentioned in subsection (1), the chief executive must give the proponent a notice—
  - (a) asking the proponent to change the draft EIS in a way stated in the notice; or
  - (b) stating the chief executive has accepted the draft EIS as the EIS for the development.
- (3) The chief executive's action under subsection (2) must be based on the chief executive's considerations under subsection (1).
- (4) If the chief executive asks the proponent to change the draft EIS, the chief executive must, when the chief executive is satisfied with the changed draft EIS, give the proponent a notice stating the chief executive has accepted the changed draft as the EIS for the development.

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**697 EIS assessment report**

The chief executive must prepare a report (an *EIS assessment report*) about the EIS within 30 business days after the chief executive gave the proponent the notice under section 696(2)(b).

**698 Criteria for preparing report**

In preparing the EIS assessment report, the chief executive must consider each of the following—

- (a) the terms of reference for the EIS;
- (b) the EIS;
- (c) all properly made submissions and any other submissions accepted by the chief executive;
- (d) any other material the chief executive considers is relevant to preparing the report.

**699 Required content of report**

The EIS assessment report must—

- (a) address the adequacy of the EIS in addressing the terms of reference; and
- (b) address the adequacy of any environmental management plan for the development; and
- (c) make recommendations about the suitability of the development; and
- (d) recommend any conditions on which any approval required for the development may be given; and
- (e) contain any other matter prescribed under a regulation.

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## **700 Who the chief executive must give EIS and other material to**

The chief executive must, within 5 business days after the chief executive completes the EIS assessment report, give the EIS, copies of all properly made submissions, copies of submissions the chief executive has accepted and the EIS assessment report to—

- (a) the proponent; and
- (b) to the extent the development for which the EIS has been prepared is, or is proposed to be, the subject of a development application—
  - (i) the assessment manager and all referral agencies; or
  - (ii) the entities that would be the assessment manager and all referral agencies for a development application for the development, if an application is made; and
- (c) to the extent the development for which the EIS has been prepared is for community infrastructure intended to be carried out on land proposed to be designated for the infrastructure—the entity who would be the designator under chapter 5; and
- (d) to the extent the development for which the EIS has been prepared is, or is proposed to be, the subject of a master plan application—the local government and any coordinating agency; and
- (e) another entity prescribed under a regulation.

## **Division 3 How EIS process affects IDAS**

### **701 How IDAS applies for development the subject of an EIS**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to a development application to the extent the development is the subject of the EIS.

- (2) For the application—
  - (a) the EIS and the EIS assessment report are part of the supporting material; and
  - (b) sections 276 to 281 and the notification stage do not apply; and
  - (c) for development requiring impact assessment—a properly made submission about the draft EIS is taken to be a properly made submission about the application; and
  - (d) if there is a referral agency—the referral agency’s assessment period does not start unless the chief executive gives the referral agency the material under section 700; and
  - (e) if there is no referral agency—the decision stage does not start unless the chief executive gives the assessment manager the material under section 700; and
  - (f) if the application is changed in a way that the development is substantially different—the EIS process starts again for the development.
- (3) If the application has not been made, subsection (2) applies only to the extent—
  - (a) the application is made within 3 months after the chief executive gives the applicant all of the material as required under section 700; and
  - (b) the development is substantially the same as the development to which the EIS relates.
- (4) The chief executive may extend the time mentioned in subsection (3)(a) at any time before the period ends.

## **Division 4                      How EIS process affects designation**

### **702      Matters a designator must consider**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to the extent the development, the subject of the EIS, is development for community infrastructure intended to be carried out on land proposed to be designated for the infrastructure.
- (2) In fulfilling the designator's functions under sections 4(1)(a) and 5(1), the designator must have regard to the EIS and the EIS assessment report.

## **Part 3                              Compensation**

### **703      Definitions for pt 3**

In this part—

*change*, for an interest in land, means a change to the planning scheme or any planning scheme policy affecting the land.

*owner*, of an interest in land, means an owner of the interest at the time a change relating to the interest is made.

### **704      Compensation for reduced value of interest in land**

- (1) An owner of an interest in land is entitled to be paid reasonable compensation by a local government if—
  - (a) a change reduces the value of the interest; and
  - (b) a request is made to a local government under chapter 3, part 2, division 5—

- (i) to apply a superseded planning scheme to the carrying out of assessable development; or
  - (ii) to assess and decide a proposed development application under a superseded planning scheme; or
  - (iii) to—
    - (A) accept a request for compliance assessment of development that is assessable development and was development requiring compliance assessment under a superseded planning scheme; and
    - (B) assess and decide the request under the superseded planning scheme; and
  - (c) the local government decides to refuse the request; and
  - (d) a development application for a development permit has been made for the development for which the request was made; and
  - (e) the application is assessed having regard to the planning scheme and planning scheme policies in effect when the application was made; and
  - (f) the assessment manager, or, on appeal, the court or building and development committee—
    - (i) refuses the application; or
    - (ii) approves the application in part or subject to conditions or both in part and subject to conditions.
- (2) Also, an owner of an interest in land is entitled to be paid reasonable compensation by a local government if—
- (a) a change reduces the value of the interest; and
  - (b) a request is made to a local government under chapter 3, part 2, division 5—

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- (i) to apply a superseded planning scheme to the carrying out of development requiring compliance assessment; or
    - (ii) to assess and decide a proposed request for compliance assessment under a superseded planning scheme; and
  - (c) the local government decides to refuse the request mentioned in paragraph (b); and
  - (d) a request for compliance assessment has been made for the development for which the request mentioned in paragraph (b) was made; and
  - (e) the request for compliance assessment is assessed having regard to the planning scheme and planning scheme policies in effect when the request was made; and
  - (f) the compliance assessor, or, on appeal, the court or building and development committee approves the application subject to conditions.
- (3) In addition, an owner of an interest in land is entitled to be paid reasonable compensation by a local government if—
- (a) a change reduces the value of the interest; and
  - (b) a request is made to a local government under chapter 3, part 2, division 5—
    - (i) to apply a superseded planning scheme to the carrying out of prohibited development; or
    - (ii) to accept, assess and decide a proposed development application or to accept, assess and decide a proposed request for compliance assessment for prohibited development under a superseded planning scheme; and
  - (c) the local government decides to refuse the request.

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**705 Compensation for interest in land being changed to public purpose**

An owner of an interest in land is entitled to be paid reasonable compensation by a local government if because of a change the only purpose for which the land could be used, other than the purpose for which it was lawfully being used when the change was made, is for a public purpose.

**706 Limitations on compensation under ss 704 and 705**

- (1) Despite sections 704 and 705, compensation is not payable if the change—
  - (a) has the same effect as another statutory instrument, other than a temporary local planning instrument, in relation to which compensation is not payable; or
  - (b) is made to include a mandatory part of the standard planning scheme provisions; or
  - (c) is made to include a part of the standard planning scheme provisions (the *standard part*) and the effect of the part is substantially similar to the part of the planning scheme or planning scheme policy replaced by the standard part; or
  - (d) is about the relationships between, the location of, or the physical characteristics of buildings, works or lots, but the yield achievable is substantially the same as it would have been before the change; or
  - (e) is about a designation made under chapter 5; or
  - (f) is about the matters comprising a priority infrastructure plan; or
  - (g) is about the matters comprising a planning scheme policy to which section 847 applies; or
  - (h) removes or changes an item of infrastructure shown in the scheme; or

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- (i) affects development that, had it happened under the superseded planning scheme—
  - (i) would have led to significant risk to persons or property from natural processes (including flooding, land slippage or erosion) and the risk could not have been significantly reduced by conditions attached to a development approval; or
  - (ii) would have caused serious environmental harm and the harm could not have been significantly reduced by conditions attached to a development approval; or
- (j) is about any of the matters comprising a structure plan for a declared master planned area.
- (2) For subsection (1)(d), yield for residential building work is substantially the same if—
  - (a) the proposed residential building has a gross floor area of not more than 2000m<sup>2</sup>; and
  - (b) the gross floor area of the proposed residential building is reduced by not more than 15%.
- (3) Also, compensation is not payable—
  - (a) for a matter under this part if compensation has already been paid for the matter to a previous owner of the interest in land; or
  - (b) for anything done in contravention of this Act; or
  - (c) if infrastructure shown in a planning scheme is not supplied, or supplied to a different standard, or supplied at a different time than the time stated in the planning scheme.
- (4) If a matter for which compensation is payable under this part is also a matter for which compensation is payable under another Act, the claim for the compensation must be made under the other Act.
- (5) In this section—

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**gross floor area** means the sum of the floor areas (inclusive of all walls, columns and balconies, whether roofed or not) of all stories of every building located on a site, excluding the areas (if any) used for building services, a ground floor public lobby, a public mall in a shopping centre, and areas associated with the parking, loading and manoeuvring of motor vehicles.

**mandatory part**, of the standard planning scheme provisions, means a part of the provisions that the provisions state—

- (a) must be included in a local planning instrument; and
- (b) a local government does not have a discretion to include an alternative part of the provisions in its planning scheme or a planning scheme policy.

*Example—*

The standard planning scheme provisions might state that all planning schemes must include a particular car parking code set out in the provisions. If, under the provisions, there is no alternative to including this particular car parking code, the code is a mandatory part of the standard planning scheme provisions.

**yield** means—

- (a) for buildings and works—the gross floor area, or density of buildings or persons, or plot ratio, achievable for premises; and
- (b) for reconfiguring a lot—the number of lots in a given area of land.

## **707 Compensation for erroneous planning and development certificates**

If a person suffers financial loss because of an error or omission in a planning and development certificate, the person is entitled to be paid reasonable compensation by the local government.

## **708 Time limits for claiming compensation**

A claim for compensation under this part must be given to the local government—

- (a) if the entitlement to claim the compensation is under section 704(1)—within 6 months after the day the application mentioned in section 704(1)(d) is refused or approved in part, or subject to conditions or approved both in part and subject to conditions; or
- (b) if the entitlement to claim the compensation is under section 704(2)—within 6 months after the day the request for compliance assessment mentioned in section 704(2)(d) is approved subject to conditions; or
- (c) if the entitlement to claim the compensation is under section 704(3)—within 6 months after the day the request mentioned in section 704(3)(b) is refused; or
- (d) if the entitlement to claim the compensation is under section 705—within 2 years after the day the change came into effect; or
- (e) if the entitlement to claim the compensation is under section 707—at any time after the day the certificate is given.

## **709 Time limits for deciding and advising on claims**

- (1) The local government must decide each claim for compensation within 60 business days after the day the claim is made.
- (2) The chief executive officer of the local government must, within 10 business days after the day the claim is decided—
  - (a) give the claimant written notice of the decision; and
  - (b) if the decision is to pay compensation—notify the amount of the compensation to be paid; and
  - (c) advise the claimant that the decision, including any amount of compensation payable, may be appealed.

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## **710 Deciding claims for compensation**

- (1) In deciding a claim for compensation under this part, the local government must—
  - (a) grant all of the claim; or
  - (b) grant part of the claim and reject the rest of the claim; or
  - (c) refuse all of the claim.
- (2) However, if the entitlement to claim the compensation is under section 705, the local government may decide the claim by—
  - (a) giving a notice of intention to resume the interest in the land under the Acquisition Act, section 7; or
  - (b) in addition to making a decision under subsection (1)(b) or (c)—decide to amend the planning scheme so that use of the land for the purposes the land could have been used for under the superseded planning scheme would be consistent with the new or amended planning scheme or planning scheme policy.

## **711 Calculating reasonable compensation involving changes**

- (1) For compensation payable because of a change mentioned in section 704 or 705, reasonable compensation is the difference between the market values, appropriately adjusted having regard to the following matters, to the extent they are relevant—
  - (a) any limitations or conditions that may reasonably have applied to the development of the land if the land had been developed under the superseded planning scheme;
  - (b) any benefit accruing to the land from the change, including but not limited to the likelihood of improved amenity in the locality of the land;
  - (c) if the owner has an interest in land adjacent to the land, any benefit accruing to the adjacent land because of—

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- (i) the coming into effect of the change or any other change made before the claim for compensation was made; or
  - (ii) the construction of, or improvement to, infrastructure on the adjacent land under the planning scheme or planning scheme policy, other than infrastructure funded by the owner, before the claim for compensation was made;
- (d) the effect of any other changes to the planning scheme or planning scheme policy made since the change, but before the request under chapter 3, part 2, division 5 was made;
  - (e) if the request under chapter 3, part 2, division 5 was refused and a development application, made for the development for which the request was made, is approved in part or subject to conditions—the effect of the approval on the value of the land;
  - (f) if the request under chapter 3, part 2, division 5 was refused and a request for compliance assessment, made for the development for which the request was made, is approved subject to conditions—the effect of the approval on the value of the land.
- (2) Despite subsection (1), if the land for which compensation is claimed has, since the day of the change, become or ceased to be separate from other land, the amount of reasonable compensation must not be increased because the land has become, or ceased to be, separate from other land.
  - (3) In this section—  
*difference between the market values* is the difference between the market value of the interest in land immediately before the change came into effect, disregarding any temporary local planning instrument, and the market value of the interest immediately after the change came into effect.

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**712 When compensation is payable**

If compensation is payable under this part, the compensation must be paid within 30 business days after the last day an appeal could be made against the local government's decision about the payment of compensation, or if an appeal is made, within 30 business days after the day the appeal is decided or withdrawn.

**713 Payment of compensation to be recorded on title**

- (1) The chief executive officer of the local government must give the registrar of titles written notice of the payment of compensation under section 704.
- (2) The notice must be in the form approved by the registrar.
- (3) The registrar must keep the information stated in the notice as information under the *Land Title Act 1994*, section 34.

**Part 4 Power to purchase, take or enter land for planning purposes**

**714 Local government may take or purchase land**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a local government is satisfied the taking of land would help to achieve the strategic outcomes stated in its planning scheme or to achieve any of the outcomes in a structure plan made by the local government; or
  - (b) at any time after a development approval, master plan or compliance permit has taken effect, the local government is satisfied—

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- (i) the development the subject of the development approval, master plan or compliance permit would create a need to construct infrastructure on land or carry drainage over land; and
  - (ii) the applicant for the development approval or the approval of the master plan or the person who made the request for compliance assessment has taken reasonable measures to obtain the agreement of the owner of the land to actions that would facilitate the construction of the infrastructure or the carriage of the drainage, but has not been able to obtain the agreement; and
  - (iii) the action is necessary to allow the development to proceed.
- (2) If the local government satisfies itself of a matter in subsection (1) and the Governor in Council approves of the taking of the land, the local government is taken to be a constructing authority under the Acquisition Act and under that Act may take the land.
- (3) If the local government satisfies itself of the matters in subsection (1)(b), it is immaterial that the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment may also derive any measurable benefit from the resumption action.
- (4) To avoid any doubt, it is declared that the local government's power under this section to purchase or take land as a constructing authority under the Acquisition Act includes the ability to purchase or take an easement under section 6 of that Act.

### **715 Power of assessment manager or other entity to enter land in particular circumstances**

- (1) An assessment manager or its agent, or a relevant entity for a request for compliance assessment or its agent, may enter land at all reasonable times to undertake works if the assessment manager or entity is satisfied—

- (a) implementing a development approval or compliance permit would require the undertaking of works on land other than the land the subject of the approval or permit; and
  - (b) the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment has taken reasonable steps to obtain the agreement of the owner of the land to enable the works to proceed, but has not been able to obtain the agreement; and
  - (c) the action is necessary to implement the development approval or compliance permit.
- (2) In this section—
- relevant entity*, for a request for compliance assessment, means—
- (a) if the compliance assessor for the request is a State entity or a local government—the entity or local government; or
  - (b) if the compliance assessor for the request is a nominated entity of a local government—the local government.

## **716 Compensation for loss or damage**

- (1) Any person who incurs loss or damage because of the exercise, by an assessment manager or other entity, of powers under section 715 is entitled to be paid reasonable compensation by the assessment manager or entity.
- (2) A claim for the compensation must be made—
  - (a) to the assessment manager or entity in the approved form; and
  - (b) within 2 years after the entitlement to compensation arose.
- (3) The assessment manager or entity must decide the claim within 40 business days after the claim is made.

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- (4) If the assessment manager or entity decides to pay compensation, the payment must be made within 10 business days after making the decision.
- (5) The assessment manager or entity may recover from the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment the amount of any compensation for loss or damage paid under this part that is not attributable to the assessment manager's or entity's negligence.

## **Part 5                      Public housing**

### **717      Application of pt 5**

This part applies to development for public housing.

### **718      Definition for pt 5**

In this part—

*chief executive* means the chief executive of the department in which the *Housing Act 2003* is administered.

### **719      How IDAS applies to development under pt 5**

Development to which this part applies is exempt development, to the extent the development is self-assessable development, development requiring compliance assessment or assessable development under a planning scheme or a temporary local planning instrument.

### **720      How charges for infrastructure apply for development under pt 5**

If the State, or a statutory body representing the State, proposes or starts development under this part, the State or

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body is not required to pay any charge for infrastructure under chapter 8, part 1 for the development.

**721 Chief executive must publicly notify particular proposed development**

- (1) This section applies to development for public housing the chief executive considers is substantially inconsistent with the planning scheme.
- (2) Before starting the development, the chief executive must—
  - (a) give the local government information, including the plans or specifications, about the proposed development; and
  - (b) publicly notify the proposed development.
- (3) The public notification must be carried out in the same way public notification of a development application is carried out under sections 297 to 299.
- (4) Even though the public notification is to be carried out in the same way as public notification under sections 297 to 299, the form of the notice to be used for the public notification under this section is the form approved by the chief executive.
- (5) The chief executive must have regard to any submissions received following the public notification before deciding whether or not to proceed with the proposed development.

**722 Chief executive must advise local government about all development**

- (1) This section applies to development to which section 721 does not apply.
- (2) Before the development starts, the chief executive must give the local government information, including the plans or specifications, about the proposed development.



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- (b) obtain a copy of the document, or part of the document, from the entity required to keep the document available for inspection.

*Note—*

The *Copyright Act 1968* (Cwlth) overrides this Act and may limit the copying of material subject to copyright.

- (3) An entity required to keep a document available for inspection and purchase may charge a person for supplying a copy of the document, or part of the document.
- (4) The charge must not be more than the cost to the entity of—
  - (a) making the copy available to the person; and
  - (b) if the person asks for the material to be posted—the postage.

## **Division 2 Documents available for inspection and purchase or inspection only**

### **Subdivision 1 Requirements for local governments**

#### **724 Documents local government must keep available for inspection and purchase—general**

- (1) A local government must keep available for inspection and purchase the original or the designated type of copy of each of the following—
  - (a) its current planning scheme, including a consolidated planning scheme, and its priority infrastructure plan;
  - (b) each amendment of the planning scheme, including an amendment to include a structure plan;
  - (c) if the guideline mentioned in section 117(1) or 145 requires public notification of an amendment proposed to be made to the planning scheme, including an

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- amendment to include a structure plan—each proposed amendment;
- (d) any current temporary local planning instrument for its area;
  - (e) each current planning scheme policy for its area;
  - (f) each superseded local planning instrument for its area;
  - (g) each study, report or explanatory statement prepared in relation to the preparation of each of the following for its area—
    - (i) a local planning instrument;
    - (ii) a priority infrastructure plan;
    - (iii) an infrastructure charges schedule;
  - (h) for each local government in the relevant area for a State planning regulatory provision—the provision;
  - (i) for a local government in a designated region—the region’s regional plan;
  - (j) each current State planning policy applying to its area;
  - (k) the standard planning scheme provisions;
  - (l) any terms of reference for a regional planning committee of which the local government is a member, or on which the local government has elected not to be represented;
  - (m) each report of a regional planning committee given to the local government since the planning scheme immediately preceding its current planning scheme was made;
  - (n) any written direction of the Minister given to the local government to—
    - (i) make or amend a planning scheme; and
    - (ii) make or repeal a temporary local planning instrument; and

- (iii) make, amend or repeal a planning scheme policy;
- (o) each master planned area declaration for its planning scheme area;
- (p) each master plan for declared master planned areas in its planning scheme area;
- (q) each notice about the designation of land given to the local government by a Minister;
- (r) each document mentioned in the local government's priority infrastructure plan and used by the local government to prepare the plan;
- (s) a register (the *infrastructure charges register*) of all infrastructure charges levied by the local government;
- (t) a register (the *regulated infrastructure charges register*) of all regulated infrastructure charges levied by the local government;
- (u) each regulated infrastructure charges schedule adopted by the local government;
- (v) each infrastructure agreement to which the local government is a party, or has been given to the local government under chapter 8, part 2;
- (w) each show cause notice and enforcement notice given by the local government under this Act or the Building Act;
- (x) each enforcement notice or show cause notice a copy of which was given to the local government under this Act or the Building Act by an assessing authority or private certifier;
- (y) each enforcement order made by the court on the application of the local government;
- (z) each notice the local government has received about an MHF consultation zone under the *Dangerous Goods Safety Management Act 2001* that has not been withdrawn;

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- (za) planning scheme maps for the designation, under the Building Act, of bush fire prone areas for the BCA;
- (zb) its register of resolutions about land liable to flooding, made under the Building Act;
- (zc) its register of exemptions granted under the Building Act, chapter 8;
- (zd) each record that it must keep under the Building Act, section 230;
- (ze) all development information it has about building development applications, other than information that may be purchased from the registrar of titles;
- (zf) its register mentioned in the Building Act, section 251.

*Editor's note—*

Building Act, chapter 8 (Swimming pool fencing) and sections 230 (Local government's fire safety record-keeping obligations) and 251 (Register of notices given)

- (2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1) may be contained in hard copy or electronic form in 1 or more registers kept for the purpose.
- (3) The infrastructure charges register and the regulated infrastructure charges register must, for each charge levied, include each of the following—
  - (a) the real property description of the land to which the charge applies;
  - (b) the schedule under which the charge was levied;
  - (c) the amount of the charge levied;
  - (d) the amount of the charge unpaid;
  - (e) the number of units of demand charged for;
  - (f) if the charge was levied as a result of a development approval or compliance permit—the approval or permit reference number and the day the approval or permit will lapse;

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- (g) if infrastructure was to be provided instead of paying the charge—details of any infrastructure still to be provided.
- (4) Also, the infrastructure charges register must include—
- (a) the charge rate, stated in the infrastructure charges schedule, for each charge levied; and
  - (b) if the charge rate has been adjusted for inflation—
    - (i) details of how it was adjusted; and
    - (ii) the adjusted charge rate.
- (5) Despite subsection (1), the obligation under that subsection does not apply to the extent the local government is reasonably satisfied a document mentioned in subsection (1)(za) to (zf) contains—
- (a) sensitive security information; or
  - (b) information of a purely private nature about an individual, including, for example, someone's residential address.
- (6) Also, the obligation under subsection (1)(ze) only applies if the person seeking the information applies for it in the approved form.
- (7) An amendment mentioned in subsection (1)(c) must be kept available for inspection and purchase from when it has been publicly notified under a guideline mentioned in the paragraph until it is made or the local government decides not to make it.
- (8) In this section—
- designated type of copy***, for a document, means—
- (a) for a document mentioned in subsection (1)(a) to (z)—a certified copy; or
  - (b) otherwise—an ordinary copy.
- development information***, for a building development application, means information about any of the following—

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- (a) the physical characteristics and location of infrastructure related to the application;
- (b) local government easements, encumbrances or estates or interests in land likely to be relevant to the application;
- (c) site characteristic information likely to affect the assessment of the application.

*Examples of information mentioned in paragraph (c)—*

- design levels of proposed road or footway works
- design or location of stormwater connections
- design or location of vehicle crossings
- details of any State heritage place or local heritage place under the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*
- discharge of swimming pool backwash water
- flood level information
- limitations on driveway gradients
- limitations on the capacity of sewerage, stormwater and water supply services
- location of any erosion control districts
- location of contaminated land
- location of land-slip areas
- location of mine subsidence areas

## **725 Documents local government must keep available for inspection and purchase—master plan applications**

- (1) The local government must keep, for each master plan application, the following documents available for inspection and purchase—
  - (a) the application, including any documents lodged by the applicant in support of the application;
  - (b) any request for information, whether or not the request complied with section 162;

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- (c) any information given to it in response to a request mentioned in paragraph (b);
  - (d) any properly made submission for the application;
  - (e) any third party advice or comment given under section 195;
  - (f) any coordinating agency decision under section 178.
- (2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1) must be kept available for inspection and purchase from when the local government receives them until—
- (a) the application is withdrawn or lapses; or
  - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—the end of the last period during which an appeal may be made against a decision on the application.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to documents to the extent the local government is reasonably satisfied the documents contain sensitive security information.
- (4) Also, the local government may remove the name, address and signature of each person who made a submission before making the submission available for inspection and purchase.

**726 Documents local government must keep available for inspection and purchase—compliance assessment**

- (1) The local government must keep a copy of the following documents available for inspection and purchase—
- (a) each response given by the local government to a compliance assessor under section 402(5);
  - (b) any compliance permit or compliance certificate given to the local government under section 408(4).
- (2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1)(a) must be kept available for inspection and purchase until—
- (a) the request for compliance assessment to which the response relates is withdrawn or lapses; or

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- (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—the end of the last period during which an appeal may be made against a decision on the request.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to documents to the extent the local government is reasonably satisfied the documents contain sensitive security information.

**727 Documents local government must keep available for inspection only**

- (1) A local government must keep the following documents available for inspection only—
  - (a) an official copy of this Act, the Building Act, and every regulation made under the Acts and still in force;
  - (b) the BCA;
  - (c) a register of all master plan applications made to the local government.
- (2) However, subsection (1)(c) does not apply for a master plan application until—
  - (a) the application is withdrawn or lapses; or
  - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—the end of the last period during which an appeal may be made against a decision on the application.
- (3) The register must include the following for each master plan application—
  - (a) a property description of the master planning unit;
  - (b) the type of master plan applied for;
  - (c) the names of any coordinating agency and participating agencies;
  - (d) whether the application was withdrawn, lapsed or decided;
  - (e) if the application was decided, the following—

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- (i) the day the decision was made;
  - (ii) whether the proposed master plan was approved, approved with the inclusion of conditions or refused;
  - (iii) if the proposed master plan was approved, whether coordinating agency conditions were included in the plan, and if so, the coordinating agency's name;
  - (iv) whether a negotiated notice was also given for the application.
- (4) The register may be in hard copy or electronic form.

## **Subdivision 2 Requirements for assessment managers**

### **728 Documents assessment manager must keep available for inspection and purchase—development application**

- (1) The assessment manager must keep, for each development application, the following documents available for inspection and purchase—
  - (a) the application, including any supporting material;
  - (b) any acknowledgement notice;
  - (c) any information request;
  - (d) any properly made submission;
  - (e) any referral agency's response.
- (2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1) must be kept available for inspection and purchase from when the assessment manager receives the application until—
  - (a) the application is withdrawn or lapses; or
  - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—the end of the last period during which an appeal may be made against a decision on the application.

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- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to supporting material to the extent the assessment manager is reasonably satisfied the material contains sensitive security information.
- (4) Also, the assessment manager may remove the name, address and signature of each person who made a submission before making the submission available for inspection and purchase.
- (5) In this section—

*supporting material* means any material, including site plans, elevations and supporting reports, about the aspect of the application assessable against or having regard to the planning scheme that—

  - (a) was given to the assessment manager by the applicant; and
  - (b) is in the assessment manager's possession when the request to inspect and purchase is made.

## **729 Documents assessment manager must keep available for inspection and purchase—general**

- (1) An assessment manager must keep available for inspection and purchase the original or the designated type of copy of each of the following—
  - (a) each decision notice and negotiated decision notice given by the assessment manager, including any plans and specifications approved by the assessment manager in relation to the notice;
  - (b) each decision notice and negotiated decision notice a copy of which was given to the assessment manager by a private certifier;
  - (c) each deemed approval notice given to the assessment manager;
  - (d) each written notice given to the assessment manager by the Minister calling in a development application;

- (e) each direction given by the Minister directing the assessment manager to attach conditions to a development approval;
- (f) each agreement to which the assessment manager or a concurrence agency is a party about a condition of a development approval;
- (g) each show cause notice and enforcement notice given by the assessment manager as an assessing authority;
- (h) each enforcement order made by the court on the application of the assessment manager as an assessing authority;
- (i) for each building development application approved for a building in its area—
  - (i) if, under the Building Act, the application was made to a private certifier (class A)—the documents relating to the application given to the local government, under section 86 of that Act; or  
*Editor's note—*  
Building Act, section 86 (Requirements on approval of application)
  - (ii) if the application was made to the local government—the application and the approval documents for the application as defined under the Building Act;
  - (j) inspection certificates or other documents about the inspection of building work that, under the Building Act, the assessment manager must keep.
- (2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1) may be contained in hard copy or electronic form in 1 or more registers kept for the purpose.
- (3) If the assessment manager has a website, the assessment manager must publish on the website—
  - (a) all decision notices and negotiated decision notices given by the assessment manager; and

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- (b) all deemed approval notices given to the assessment manager.
- (4) Subsection (3) does not apply to a decision notice or a negotiated decision notice given by a private certifier.
- (5) Despite subsection (1), the obligation under the subsection does not apply to the extent the assessment manager is reasonably satisfied a document mentioned in subsection (1)(i) or (j) contains—
  - (a) sensitive security information; or
  - (b) information of a purely private nature about an individual, including, for example, someone's residential address.
- (6) Also, the obligation under subsection (1)(i) applies only until—
  - (a) if the building the subject of the approval is, under the BCA, a class 10 building, other than a swimming pool fence, the earlier of the following to happen—
    - (i) the building's demolition or removal;
    - (ii) the end of 10 years from when the approval was given; or
  - (b) if the building the subject of the approval is of any other class under the BCA or is a swimming pool fence—the building's demolition or removal.
- (7) In this section—

*designated type of copy*, for a document, means—

  - (a) for a document mentioned in subsection (1)(a) to (h)—a certified copy; or
  - (b) otherwise—an ordinary copy.

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**730 Documents assessment manager must keep available for inspection only**

- (1) An assessment manager must keep available for inspection only—
  - (a) an official copy of this Act and every regulation made under this Act and still in force; and
  - (b) a register of all development applications—
    - (i) made to the assessment manager; and
    - (ii) copies of which were given to the assessment manager by a private certifier.
- (2) Subsection (1)(b) does not apply for a development application until the decision notice for the application has been given, or was required to be given, or the application lapses or is withdrawn.

*Note—*

Under section 728 (Documents assessment manager must keep available for inspection and purchase—development application) a copy of the application and any supporting material may be obtained or inspected from when the assessment manager receives the application.

- (3) The register must include the following for each development application—
  - (a) a property description that identifies the premises or the location of the premises to which the application related;
  - (b) the type of development applied for;
  - (c) the names of any referral agencies;
  - (d) whether the application was withdrawn, lapsed or decided;
  - (e) if the application was decided—
    - (i) the day the decision was made; and
    - (ii) whether the application was approved, approved subject to conditions or refused; and

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- (iii) whether the application was taken to have been approved under section 331; and
  - (iv) for an application approved subject to conditions—whether any of the conditions included the conditions of a concurrence agency, and if so, the name of the concurrence agency; and
  - (v) whether a negotiated decision notice also was given for the application; and
  - (vi) for an application that was approved—whether there has subsequently been a permissible change to the approval;
- (f) if there was an appeal about the decision—whether the decision was changed because of the outcome of the appeal;
  - (g) other information about the application prescribed under a regulation.
- (4) The register may be in hard copy or electronic form.
  - (5) The chief executive may, by written notice given to an assessment manager, ask the assessment manager to give the chief executive a copy of any information included in the register.
  - (6) The assessment manager must comply with a notice given under subsection (5).

### **Subdivision 3 Requirements for referral agencies**

#### **731 Documents referral agency must keep available for inspection only**

- (1) A referral agency must keep available for inspection only a register of all development applications given to the referral agency under section 272.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply for a development application until the decision notice for the application has been given, or

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was required to be given, or the application lapses or is withdrawn.

- (3) The register must include the following for each development application—
  - (a) a property description that identifies the premises or the location of the premises to which the application related;
  - (b) the type of development applied for;
  - (c) whether the referral agency was an advice agency or concurrence agency;
  - (d) whether a referral agency's response was given by the referral agency;
  - (e) other information about the application prescribed under a regulation.
- (4) The register may be in hard copy or electronic form.
- (5) The chief executive may, by written notice given to a referral agency, ask the referral agency to give the chief executive a copy of any information included in the register.
- (6) The referral agency must comply with a notice given under subsection (5).

## **Subdivision 4 Requirements for chief executive**

### **732 Documents chief executive must keep available for inspection and purchase**

- (1) The chief executive must keep available for inspection and purchase the original or the designated type of copy of each of the following—
  - (a) each State planning regulatory provision;
  - (b) the regional plan for each designated region;
  - (c) all current State planning policies;

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- (d) all explanatory statements about current State planning policies;
- (e) the standard planning scheme provisions;
- (f) any terms of reference for all regional planning committees;
- (g) all reports of regional planning committees;
- (h) any written direction of the Minister given to a local government to—
  - (i) make or amend a planning scheme; or
  - (ii) make or repeal a temporary local planning instrument; or
  - (iii) make, amend or repeal a planning scheme policy;
- (i) master planned area declarations;
- (j) any direction given by the Minister under chapter 6, part 11, division 1;
- (k) each notice of a proceeding given to the chief executive under section 456;
- (l) each notice of appeal given to the chief executive under section 482;
- (m) each notice given by the Minister calling in a development application;
- (n) each report prepared by the Minister under section 422(1) or 432(1);
- (o) each final terms of reference, EIS and EIS assessment report prepared under chapter 9, part 2;
- (p) if the State has entered into a bilateral agreement with the Commonwealth under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cwlth)—any material the agreement requires to be made publicly available by the State;

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- (q) each guideline made by the Minister or chief executive under section 117, 145, 627, 630, 759 or 760;
  - (r) each notice given to the chief executive under section 208(1)(c);
  - (s) the standard conditions for deemed approvals;
  - (t) the Queensland Development Code.
- (2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1) may be contained in hard copy or electronic form.
- (3) However, the chief executive must not charge anyone for supplying a copy of all or part of the Queensland Development Code.
- (4) In this section—
- designated type of copy*, for a document, means—
- (a) for the Queensland Development Code—an ordinary copy; or
  - (b) otherwise—a certified copy.

**733 Documents chief executive must keep available for inspection only**

- (1) The chief executive must keep the following available for inspection only—
- (a) an official copy of this Act and every regulation made under this Act and still in force;
  - (b) all current planning schemes, including all consolidated planning schemes;
  - (c) all amendments of the planning schemes;
  - (d) all current planning scheme policies;
  - (e) any current temporary local planning instrument.
- (2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1) may be in hard copy or electronic form.

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## **Subdivision 5      Requirements for compliance assessors**

### **734      Documents compliance assessor must keep available for inspection and purchase**

- (1) A compliance assessor must keep available for inspection and purchase the original or a certified copy of each of the following—
  - (a) each request for compliance assessment received by the compliance assessor;
  - (b) each action notice given by the compliance assessor;
  - (c) each compliance permit or compliance certificate given by the compliance assessor;
  - (d) if a local government gives the compliance assessor notice of a response under section 402—the response;
  - (e) each show cause notice or enforcement notice given by the compliance assessor as an assessing authority;
  - (f) each enforcement order made by the court on the application of the compliance assessor as an assessing authority.
- (2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1) may be contained in hard copy or electronic form in 1 or more registers kept for the purpose.
- (3) Despite subsection (1), the obligation under the subsection does not apply to the extent the compliance assessor is reasonably satisfied a document mentioned in the subsection contains—
  - (a) sensitive security information; or
  - (b) information of a purely private nature about an individual, including, for example, someone's residential address.

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- (4) The documents mentioned in subsection (1)(a), (b) or (d) must be kept available for inspection and purchase until—
- (a) the request for compliance assessment lapses; or
  - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—the end of the last period during which an appeal may be made against a decision on the request.

**735 Documents compliance assessor must keep available for inspection only**

- (1) A compliance assessor must keep available for inspection only a register of all requests for compliance assessment received by the compliance assessor.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply for a request for compliance assessment until the compliance permit or compliance certificate has been given or the request lapses.
- (3) The register must include the following for each request for compliance assessment—
- (a) a property description that identifies the premises or the location of the premises to which the request related;
  - (b) whether the request lapsed, was decided or was taken to be approved under section 408;
  - (c) if the request was decided—
    - (i) the day the compliance permit or compliance certificate was given; and
    - (ii) whether the request was approved or approved subject to conditions; and
    - (iii) for a request approved subject to conditions—whether any of the conditions were required to be imposed by a local government; and
    - (iv) whether there has subsequently been a change to the compliance permit or compliance certificate;

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- (d) if the request was taken to be approved under section 408—
    - (i) the day the compliance permit or compliance certificate was given; and
    - (ii) whether there has subsequently been a change to the compliance permit or compliance certificate;
  - (e) if there was an appeal about the decision—whether the decision was changed because of the outcome of the appeal.
- (4) The register may be in hard copy or electronic form.

### **Division 3                      Local governments to publish particular information about development applications**

#### **736      Publishing particular information about development application**

- (1) A local government must publish on its website the following information about each development application made to the local government as assessment manager—
- (a) the day the application was made;
  - (b) the applicant's name and address;
  - (c) a property description that identifies the premises or the location of the premises to which the application relates;
  - (d) a description of the proposed development;
  - (e) whether the application requires code or impact assessment, or both code and impact assessment;
  - (f) whether public notification of the application is required.

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- (2) The local government must keep the information on its website from when the local government receives the application until—
    - (a) the application is withdrawn or lapses; or
    - (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply—the end of the last period during which an appeal may be made against a decision on the application.
  - (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to information mentioned in the subsection to the extent the local government is reasonably satisfied the information contains sensitive security information.

## **Division 4                      Planning and development certificates**

### **737      Application for planning and development certificate**

- (1) A person may apply to a local government for a limited, standard or full planning and development certificate for a premises.
- (2) The application must be accompanied by the fee fixed by resolution of the local government for the certificate.

### **738      Limited planning and development certificates**

A limited planning and development certificate must contain the following information for premises—

- (a) a summary of the provisions of any planning scheme, including any infrastructure charges schedule or regulated infrastructure charges schedule, applying specifically to the premises;
- (b) if any of the State planning regulatory provisions apply to the premises—a description of the provisions that apply;

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- (c) a description of any designations applying to the premises.

### **739 Standard planning and development certificates**

A standard planning and development certificate, in addition to the information contained in a limited planning and development certificate, must contain or be accompanied by the following information for premises—

- (a) a copy of every decision notice or negotiated decision notice for a development approval given under this Act or repealed IPA that has not lapsed;
- (b) a copy of every deemed approval notice relating to the premises, if the development approval to which the notice relates has not lapsed;
- (c) a copy of every continuing approval mentioned in repealed IPA, section 6.1.23(1)(a) to (d);
- (d) details of any decision to approve or refuse an application to amend a planning scheme made under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 4.3, including any conditions of approval;
- (e) a copy of every compliance permit or compliance certificate in effect at the time the standard planning and development certificate is given;
- (f) a copy of each master plan applying to the premises;
- (g) a copy of every notice of decision or negotiated notice about a master plan application for a master plan, given under this Act or repealed IPA, in force for the planning scheme area for the premises;
- (h) a copy of any information recorded for the premises in the infrastructure charges register or regulated infrastructure charges register;
- (i) details of any permissible changes to a development approval given under this Act or minor changes made to a development approval given under repealed IPA;

- (j) details of any changes to a compliance permit or compliance certificate;
- (k) a copy of any judgment or order of the court or a building and development committee about the development approval, a condition included in the master plan or a condition included in the compliance permit or compliance certificate;
- (l) a copy of any agreement to which the local government or a concurrence agency is a party about a condition of the development approval;
- (m) a copy of any infrastructure agreement applying to the premises to which the local government is a party or that it has received a copy of under section 662;
- (n) a description of each amendment, proposed to be made by the local government to its planning scheme, that has not yet been made at the time the certificate is given, including an amendment to include a structure plan.

#### **740 Full planning and development certificates**

- (1) A full planning and development certificate, in addition to the information contained in a limited and standard planning and development certificate, must contain or be accompanied by the following information for premises—
  - (a) if there is currently in force for the premises a development approval or a compliance permit containing conditions (including conditions about the carrying out of works or the payment of money, other than under an infrastructure agreement)—a statement about the fulfilment or non-fulfilment of each condition, at a stated day after the day the certificate was applied for;
  - (b) if there is a master plan that applies to the premises that includes conditions, including conditions of a type mentioned in paragraph (a)—a statement about the

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- fulfilment or non-fulfilment of each condition, at a stated day after the day the certificate was applied for;
- (c) if there is an infrastructure agreement to which the local government is a party—
    - (i) if there are obligations under the agreement that have not been fulfilled—details of the nature and extent of the obligations not fulfilled; and
    - (ii) details of the giving of any security and whether any payment required to be made under the security has been made;
  - (d) advice of—
    - (i) any prosecution for a development offence under this Act or repealed IPA in relation to the premises of which the local government is aware; or
    - (ii) proceedings for a prosecution for a development offence under this Act or repealed IPA in relation to the premises of which the local government is aware.
- (2) However, the applicant may request that a full certificate be given without the information normally contained in a limited and standard certificate.
- (3) If a condition under subsection (1)(a) relates to the ongoing operating requirements of the use of premises, the statement need not make reference to the fulfilment or non-fulfilment of the conditions other than under subsection (1)(c).

#### **741 Time within which planning and development certificate must be given**

A local government must give a planning and development certificate to an applicant within—

- (a) if the certificate is a limited certificate—5 business days after the day the certificate was applied for; or

- (b) if the certificate is a standard certificate—10 business days after the day the certificate was applied for; or
- (c) if the certificate is a full certificate—30 business days after the day the certificate was applied for.

#### **742 Effect of planning and development certificate**

In a proceeding, a planning and development certificate is evidence of the information contained in the certificate.

## **Part 7 Notification stage for particular aquaculture development**

### **Division 1 Preliminary**

#### **743 Purpose of notification stage under pt 7**

The notification stage under this part gives a person—

- (a) the opportunity to make submissions, including objections, that must be taken into account—
  - (i) by the assessment manager before deciding a development application for which this part applies; or
  - (ii) by a concurrence agency before giving a referral agency's response, to the extent the response relates to development mentioned in section 744(1); and
- (b) the opportunity to secure the right to appeal to the court about—
  - (i) the assessment manager's decision; or

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- (ii) a referral agency's response by the concurrence agency.

*Note—*

See, in particular, section 463 (Additional and extended appeal rights for submitters for particular development applications).

#### **744 When notification stage under pt 7 applies**

- (1) This part applies for a development application—
- (a) for which—
- (i) the chief executive (fisheries) is the assessment manager or a concurrence agency; and
- (ii) the chief executive (environment) is a concurrence agency; and
- (b) for development that—
- (i) is a material change of use of premises—
- (A) for a hatchery for the production of larvae; or
- (B) for aquaculture carried out in ponds with a surface area of more than 5ha; and
- (ii) is carried out completely or partly on land within the area with the following boundaries—
- the line every point of which is 5km inland from the line of the highest astronomical tide
  - the parallel of latitude 24°30'00" south
  - the western boundary of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park
  - the parallel of latitude 10°41'20" south; and
- (iii) will cause the discharge of waste into waters.
- (2) However, this part does not apply if—
- (a) chapter 9, part 2 applies to the development; or

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- (b) there is a preliminary approval for the development and the preliminary approval was subject to this part.
- (3) In this section—

***Great Barrier Reef Marine Park*** means the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park established under the *Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975* (Cwlth).

***highest astronomical tide*** means the highest level of the tides that can be predicted to occur under average meteorological conditions and under any combination of astronomical conditions.

#### **745 When can notification stage start**

- (1) If no information requests have been made during the last information request period, the applicant may start the notification period as soon as the last information request period ends.
- (2) If an information request has been made during the information request period, the applicant may start the notification period as soon as the applicant gives—
- (a) all information request responses to all information requests made; and
  - (b) copies of the responses to the assessment manager and each prescribed concurrence agency for the application.

### **Division 2 Public notification**

#### **746 Public notice of proposed development**

- (1) The applicant or, if the applicant has agreed in writing, the assessment manager for the development application must—
- (a) publish a notice at least once in a newspaper circulating generally in the locality of the land; and

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- (b) place a notice on the land in the way prescribed under a regulation; and
  - (c) give a notice to the owners of all land adjoining the land.
- (2) If the assessment manager carried out notification on behalf of the applicant, the assessment manager may require the applicant to pay a fee of not more than the assessment manager's reasonable costs for carrying out the notification.
- (3) For subsection (1)(c), roads, land below high-water mark and the beds and banks of rivers are taken not to be adjoining land.
- (4) In this section—  
*owner*, for land adjoining the land, see section 297(4).

#### **747 Notification period for development applications**

The *notification period* for the application—

- (a) must be no less than 30 business days starting on the day after the last action under section 746(1) is carried out; and
- (b) must not include any business day from 20 December in a particular year to 5 January in the following year, both days inclusive.

#### **748 Requirements for particular notices**

- (1) The notices mentioned in section 746(1) must be in the approved form.
- (2) The notice placed on the land must remain on the land for all of the notification period.
- (3) All actions mentioned in section 746(1) must be completed within 5 business days after the first of the actions is carried out.
- (4) A regulation may prescribe different notification requirements for an application for development on land located—

- (a) outside any local government area; or
- (b) within a local government area but in a location where compliance with section 746(1) would be unduly onerous or would not give effective public notice.

**749 Notice of compliance to be given to assessment manager and concurrence agency**

- (1) If the applicant carries out notification, the applicant must, after the notification period has ended—
  - (a) give the assessment manager and each prescribed concurrence agency for the application written notice that the applicant has complied with the requirements of this division; and
  - (b) give the assessment manager written notice that the applicant has given the prescribed concurrence agency the notice mentioned in paragraph (a).
- (2) If the assessment manager carries out notification, the assessment manager must, after the notification period has ended, give each prescribed concurrence agency for the application written notice that the assessment manager has complied with the requirements of this division.

**750 Assessment manager may assess and decide application if some requirements not complied with**

Despite section 749, the assessment manager may assess and decide the application even if some of the requirements of this division have not been complied with, if—

- (a) the assessment manager is satisfied any noncompliance has not—
  - (i) adversely affected the awareness of the public of the existence and nature of the application; or
  - (ii) restricted the opportunity of the public to make properly made submissions; and

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- (b) each prescribed concurrence agency for the application has given written consent to the assessment and decision being made in this way.

## **751 Making submissions**

- (1) During the notification period, any person other than the applicant or a concurrence agency may make a submission to the assessment manager about the application.
- (2) The assessment manager must accept a submission if the submission is a properly made submission.
- (3) A person who has made a properly made submission may, by written notice—
  - (a) during the notification period, amend the submission; or
  - (b) at any time before a decision about the application is made, withdraw the submission.
- (4) The assessment manager must within 5 business days after the end of the notification period—
  - (a) give a copy of any properly made submission to each prescribed concurrence agency; and
  - (b) if the person who made the submission amends or withdraws the submission under subsection (3)—notify the prescribed concurrence agency that the submission has been amended or withdrawn.

## **752 Submissions made during notification period effective for later notification period**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a person makes a properly made submission under section 751(1); and
  - (b) the notification stage for the application is repeated for any reason.

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- (2) The submission is taken to be a properly made submission for the later notification period and the submitter may, by written notice—
- (a) during the later notification period, amend the submission; or
  - (b) at any time before a decision about the application is made, withdraw the submission.

### **Division 3                    End of notification stage**

#### **753      When does notification stage end**

The notification stage ends—

- (a) if notification is carried out by the applicant—when the assessment manager receives written notice under section 749(1); or
- (b) if notification is carried out by the assessment manager on behalf of the applicant—when each prescribed concurrence agency receives written notice under section 749(2).

### **Division 4                    Changed referral agency provisions for applications to which this part applies**

#### **754      Referral agency must not respond before notification stage ends**

- (1) This section applies if the chief executive (environment) or chief executive (fisheries) is a concurrence agency for the development application.
- (2) Despite section 271, the concurrence agency must not give a referral agency's response for a matter relating to the

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development to which the application relates before the notification stage for the application ends.

### **755 Adjusted referral agency's assessment period**

- (1) This section applies if the chief executive (environment) or chief executive (fisheries) is a concurrence agency for the development application.
- (2) Despite section 283(1), the referral agency's assessment period for the concurrence agency is a period of 30 days starting on the day after the concurrence agency has received both of the following—
  - (a) a notice of compliance under section 749;
  - (b) a copy of all the properly made submissions.

## **Part 7A Provisions for distributor-retailers**

### **Division 1 Preliminary**

#### **755A Definitions for pt 7A**

In this part—

*development application (distributor-retailer)* means a development application—

- (a) made on or after 1 July 2010 but before 1 July 2013; and
- (b) for which a participating local government exercises concurrence agency jurisdiction for a distributor-retailer, to the extent the exercise of the jurisdiction involves—
  - (i) approving all or part of the application subject to conditions; or

- (ii) refusing the application; or
- (iii) giving a preliminary approval, other than a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies, even though the applicant sought a development approval.

***distributor-retailer*** means a distributor-retailer established under the SEQ Water Act.

***participating local government*** means a participating local government for a distributor-retailer under the SEQ Water Act.

***SEQ design and construction code*** means the SEQ design and construction code under the SEQ Water Act.

***SEQ infrastructure charges schedule***—

- 1 An *SEQ infrastructure charges schedule* means—
  - (a) an infrastructure charges schedule; or
  - (b) the part of a planning scheme policy to which section 847 applies that provides for infrastructure contributions for a development infrastructure network, if the policy is in effect.
- 2 An *SEQ infrastructure charges schedule* includes a schedule or part of a planning scheme policy mentioned in paragraph 1 as amended from time to time under division 5, subdivision 3.

***water infrastructure***, of a distributor-retailer, see the SEQ Water Act, section 53BB(1).

***water service or wastewater service***, in relation to a distributor-retailer, means a water service or a wastewater service under the SEQ Water Act.

## **755B Purpose of pt 7A**

The purpose of this part is to provide for matters relevant to the transfer to distributor-retailers on 1 July 2010, under the SEQ Water Act, of infrastructure and functions of local

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governments relating to a water service or wastewater service of a distributor-retailer.

### **755C Application of pt 7A**

This part does not limit or otherwise affect the application of this Act, including to a development application (distributor-retailer), other than to the extent stated in the part.

## **Division 2 Dealing with development applications—generally**

### **755D Application of particular assessment rules**

- (1) This section applies if the SEQ design and construction code is in effect.
- (2) For assessing a development application—
  - (a) sections 313(2) and 314(2) apply to the assessment manager as if the subsections included a reference to the SEQ design and construction code; and
  - (b) to the extent a provision of the SEQ design and construction code is inconsistent with a planning scheme, the code prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

## **Division 3 Dealing with development applications (distributor-retailer)**

### **755E Decision notice or negotiated decision notice for development application (distributor-retailer)**

A decision notice or negotiated decision notice given for a development application (distributor-retailer) must—

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- (a) if the application is approved subject to conditions, identify the conditions imposed because of the exercise of the concurrence agency jurisdiction for the distributor-retailer; or
  - (b) if the application is refused, identify any reasons for the refusal that relate to the exercise of the concurrence agency jurisdiction for the distributor-retailer.

#### **755F Local government to give notices to distributor-retailer**

The local government as assessment manager for a development application (distributor-retailer) must—

- (a) give a copy of the decision notice to the distributor-retailer within 5 business days after deciding the application; and
- (b) give a copy of any negotiated decision notice for the application to the distributor-retailer within the period stated in section 363(4)(a); and
- (c) if the local government receives a deemed approval notice for the application and does not give the applicant a decision notice or negotiated decision notice for the application—give a copy of the deemed approval notice to the distributor-retailer.

### **Division 4 Compliance assessment**

#### **755G Compliance assessment—local government as compliance assessor**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a local government is the compliance assessor for development, a document or work that under this Act requires compliance assessment; and
  - (b) either—

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- (i) the development, document or work involves or is about connecting to or constructing water infrastructure of a distributor-retailer; or
  - (ii) the development or work, or matters to which the document relates, may affect the safety or efficiency of the water infrastructure.
- (2) For a request for compliance assessment for the development, document or work made on or after 1 July 2010 but before 1 July 2013, the distributor-retailer must, before a compliance permit or compliance certificate is given for the development, document or work, assess the development, document or work against—
  - (a) the matters or things that—
    - (i) are mentioned in section 403; and
    - (ii) relate to the connecting to or construction of the distributor-retailer's water infrastructure, or its safety or efficiency; and
  - (b) if the SEQ design and construction code is in effect—that code.
- (3) For the assessment, the distributor-retailer may tell the compliance assessor—
  - (a) the conditions that must attach to a compliance permit or compliance certificate for the development, document or work; or
  - (b) that the distributor-retailer is satisfied the development, document or work does not achieve compliance, including the reasons for the noncompliance and the actions required to achieve compliance; or
  - (c) that it has no requirements relating to the request.
- (4) For subsection (2), to the extent the SEQ design and construction code is inconsistent with a local planning instrument, the code prevails.

*Note—*

Under the SEQ Water Act, section 53, the functions of a distributor-retailer under this division must be delegated to its relevant participating local government.

**755H Compliance assessment—nominated entity as compliance assessor**

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) a nominated entity of a local government is the compliance assessor for development, a document or work that under this Act requires compliance assessment; and
  - (b) either—
    - (i) the development, document or work involves or is about connecting to or constructing water infrastructure of a distributor-retailer; or
    - (ii) the development or work, or matters to which the document relates, may affect the safety or efficiency of the water infrastructure.
- (2) The nominated entity must, under section 402, refer to the local government any request for compliance assessment of the development, document or work made on or after 1 July 2010 but before 1 July 2013.
- (3) The distributor-retailer must, before the local government gives its response to the nominated entity under section 402, assess the development, document or work against—
  - (a) the matters or things that—
    - (i) are mentioned in section 403; and
    - (ii) relate to the connecting to or construction of the distributor-retailer's water infrastructure, or its safety or efficiency; and
  - (b) if the SEQ design and construction code is in effect—that code.

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- (4) For the assessment, the distributor-retailer may tell the local government—
  - (a) the conditions that must attach to a compliance permit or compliance certificate for the development, document or work; or
  - (b) that the distributor-retailer is satisfied the development, document or work does not achieve compliance, including the reasons for the noncompliance and the actions required to achieve compliance; or
  - (c) that it has no requirements relating to the request.
- (5) For subsection (3), to the extent the SEQ design and construction code is inconsistent with a local planning instrument, the code prevails.

#### **755I Notice about compliance permits and compliance certificates**

- (1) A participating local government for a distributor-retailer must give the distributor-retailer a copy of each compliance permit or compliance certificate given by the local government after 1 July 2010 and before 1 July 2013.
- (2) The local government must act under subsection (1) within 5 business days after giving the compliance permit or compliance certificate.
- (3) If a participating local government for a distributor-retailer is given a copy of a compliance permit or compliance certificate under section 408(4), the local government must, within 5 business days after receiving the copy, give the distributor-retailer a copy of the permit or certificate.
- (4) In this section—

***compliance permit or compliance certificate*** means a compliance permit or compliance certificate given for development, a document or work if—

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- (a) the development, document or work involves or is about connecting to or constructing water infrastructure of a distributor-retailer; or
  - (b) the development or work, or matters to which the document relates, may affect the safety or efficiency of the water infrastructure.

## **Division 5                    Infrastructure funding and planning for distributor-retailers**

### **Subdivision 1                Conditions about non-trunk infrastructure and funding trunk infrastructure—general**

#### **755J    Conditions about non-trunk infrastructure**

A local government may impose, under section 626, a condition about non-trunk infrastructure for a distributor-retailer's water service or wastewater service.

*Note—*

Under the SEQ Water Act, section 53, a distributor-retailer's functions as a concurrence agency must be delegated to its relevant participating local government.

#### **755K    Funding trunk infrastructure**

- (1) For this Act, a distributor-retailer may levy a charge—
  - (a) for supplying trunk infrastructure in relation to its water service or wastewater service under either of the following—
    - (i) an SEQ infrastructure charges schedule that is an infrastructure charges schedule;
    - (ii) a regulated infrastructure charges schedule; or

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- (b) for supplying infrastructure in relation to its water service or wastewater service under an SEQ infrastructure charges schedule that is a part of a planning scheme policy to which section 847 applies.
- (2) For subsection (1), a distributor-retailer may give a person—
  - (a) an infrastructure charges notice under section 633(1); or
  - (b) a regulated infrastructure charges notice under section 643(1).
- (3) However, if the notice is for a charge levied under a part of a planning scheme policy to which section 847 applies—
  - (a) section 633(1)(e) to (i) does not apply to the notice; and
  - (b) a local government can not, under section 848(2)(c), impose a condition on a development approval requiring a contribution towards the cost of supplying infrastructure in relation to the distributor-retailer's water service or wastewater service.
- (4) If an infrastructure charges notice or regulated infrastructure charges notice is given as a result of a development approval or compliance permit, the distributor-retailer must give the notice to the applicant or the person who requested compliance assessment—
  - (a) within 10 business days after the distributor-retailer receives a copy of the approval or permit; or
  - (b) for a deemed approval for which a decision notice has not been given—within 20 business days after receiving a copy of the deemed approval notice.
- (5) If an infrastructure charges notice is not given as a result of a development approval or compliance permit, the distributor-retailer must give the notice to the owner of the land.
- (6) Sections 633(4) and 643(3) apply to a charge mentioned in subsection (1).

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- (7) Sections 633(5) and 643(4) apply to an infrastructure charges notice or regulated infrastructure charges notice mentioned in subsection (2).
  - (8) If a negotiated decision notice is given for a development application (distributor-retailer) and section 364(1) applies in relation to the negotiated decision notice, the distributor-retailer may give the applicant—
    - (a) a new infrastructure charges notice under section 633(1), or section 633(1) as applied under subsection (3), to replace the original notice; or
    - (b) a regulated infrastructure charges notice under section 643(1) to replace the original notice.

**755L Agreements about, and alternatives to, paying infrastructure charge**

- (1) Despite section 755K and sections 633 and 634 as applied under that section, a person to whom an infrastructure charges notice or a negotiated infrastructure charges notice has been given and the distributor-retailer may enter into a written agreement about 1 or more of the following—
  - (a) whether the charge may be paid at a different time from the time stated in the notice, and whether it may be paid by instalments;
  - (b) whether infrastructure may be supplied instead of paying all or part of the charge;
  - (c) whether infrastructure that delivers the same standard of service as that identified in the priority infrastructure plan for the land to which the charge applies may be supplied instead of the infrastructure identified in the infrastructure charges schedule;
  - (d) if section 755K(4) applies for the charge and the infrastructure is land owned by the applicant or the person who requested compliance assessment—whether land in fee simple may be given instead of paying the charge or part of the charge.

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- (2) For development infrastructure that is land, the distributor-retailer may give the applicant or the person who requested compliance assessment a notice, in addition to, or instead of, the notice given under section 633, requiring the person to—
  - (a) give the distributor-retailer, in fee simple, part of the land the subject of the development application or request for compliance assessment; or
  - (b) give the distributor-retailer—
    - (i) in fee simple, part of the land the subject of the development application or request for compliance assessment; and
    - (ii) an infrastructure charge.
- (3) If the applicant or person who requested compliance assessment is required to give land under subsection (2)(a), or a combination of land and a charge under subsection (2)(b), the total value of the contribution must not be more than the amount of the charge mentioned in section 633(1).
- (4) The applicant or person who requested compliance assessment must comply with the notice as soon as practicable.
- (5) For this Act, an agreement, as amended from time to time, mentioned in subsection (1) is an infrastructure agreement.

**755M Agreements about, and alternatives to, paying regulated infrastructure charge**

- (1) Despite section 755K and sections 633 and 634 as applied under that section, a person to whom a regulated infrastructure charges notice or a negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice has been given and the distributor-retailer may enter into a written agreement about 1 or more of the following—

- (a) whether the charge may be paid at a different time from the time stated in the notice, and whether it may be paid by instalments;
  - (b) whether infrastructure may be supplied instead of paying all or part of the charge.
- (2) For this Act, an agreement, as amended from time to time, mentioned in subsection (1) is an infrastructure agreement.

**755N Distributor-retailer may supply different trunk infrastructure from that identified in a priority infrastructure plan**

A distributor-retailer may supply different trunk infrastructure from the infrastructure identified in the priority infrastructure plan for the land to which the charge applies if the infrastructure supplied delivers the same desired standard of service identified in the priority infrastructure plan for the relevant network.

**Subdivision 2 Application of particular provisions of ch 8**

**755O Application of particular provisions—generally**

- (1) Subject to this subdivision, the following provisions of this Act also apply to matters about infrastructure funding and planning for a distributor-retailer—
- (a) section 634;
  - (b) section 635(1);
  - (c) section 636(2);
  - (d) sections 644 to 646;
  - (e) sections 649 to 652;
  - (f) chapter 8, part 4.

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- (2) If there is an inconsistency between this subdivision and a provision mentioned in subsection (1), this subdivision prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

### **755P Application of ss 636 and 646**

Sections 636(2) and 646 apply as if a reference in the sections to a local government were a reference to a distributor-retailer for a water service or wastewater service.

### **755Q Application of s 649**

- (1) A local government may, under section 649(2), require different trunk infrastructure (*relevant different trunk infrastructure*) for a distributor retailer's water service or wastewater service.
- (2) A local government may, under section 649(3), impose a condition about trunk infrastructure, including relevant different trunk infrastructure, for a distributor retailer's water service or wastewater service.
- (3) Section 649(5) and (6) applies—
  - (a) as if a reference in the subsections to trunk infrastructure mentioned in section 649(3) included a reference to relevant different trunk infrastructure; and
  - (b) as if the reference in section 649(6)(b) to the infrastructure provider were a reference to the distributor-retailer for the water service or wastewater service.

*Note—*

Under the SEQ Water Act, section 53, a distributor-retailer's functions as a concurrence agency must be delegated to its relevant participating local government.

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### **755R Application of s 650**

- (1) A local government may, under section 650(1), impose a condition about additional trunk infrastructure costs for a distributor retailer's water service or wastewater service.
- (2) Section 650(1) and (3) applies as if a reference in the subsections to the infrastructure provider were a reference to the distributor-retailer for the water service or wastewater service.
- (3) Section 650(5) applies as if a reference in the subsection to the local government were a reference to the distributor-retailer for the water service or wastewater service.
- (4) Section 650(8) applies as if the reference in the subsection to a local government were a reference to a distributor-retailer for a water service or wastewater service.

### **755S Application of s 651**

Section 651(2) applies as if a reference in the subsection to the infrastructure provider were a reference to the distributor-retailer for the water service or wastewater service.

## **Subdivision 3 Amending SEQ infrastructure charges schedule**

### **755T Amending SEQ infrastructure charges schedule**

- (1) This section applies to an SEQ infrastructure charges schedule under which a distributor-retailer may, under this division, levy a charge for supplying trunk infrastructure in relation to its water service or wastewater service.
- (2) The distributor-retailer may, for the purpose of levying the charge and with the approval of the Minister, amend the SEQ infrastructure charges schedule.
- (3) Before seeking the Minister's approval, the distributor-retailer must—

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- (a) notify the distributor-retailer's intention to make the amendment in a newspaper circulating generally in the distributor-retailer's geographic area; and
  - (b) consider any submissions given to the distributor-retailer under subsection (4).
- (4) The notification mentioned in subsection (3) must state the following—
- (a) that the proposed amendment is available for inspection;
  - (b) where copies of the amendment may be inspected;
  - (c) that written submissions about any aspect of the proposed amendment may be given by any person to the distributor-retailer;
  - (d) the period, of at least 20 business days after the notification is published, during which the submissions may be made.
- (5) The distributor-retailer must keep a copy of the proposed amendment available for inspection—
- (a) at the distributor-retailer's head office; and
  - (b) on the distributor-retailer's website.
- (6) However, subsections (3) and (5) do not apply to an amendment of a charge that would result in less than a 5% increase in the charge in any 1 year.
- (7) In working out the percentage increase in a charge for subsection (6), an increase in the charge that is an amount representing the increase in the consumer price index for the year must be disregarded.
- (8) For approving the amendment, the Minister may seek—
- (a) advice or comment from the Queensland Competition Authority about—
    - (i) the consideration of State interests; or
    - (ii) another matter relating to the SEQ infrastructure charges schedule; or

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- (b) further information about the proposed amendment from the distributor-retailer.
- (9) If the SEQ infrastructure charges schedule is amended under this section, the distributor-retailer must notify the amendment in a newspaper circulating generally in the distributor-retailer's geographic area.
- (10) The amendment of the SEQ infrastructure charges schedule has effect on and from—
- (a) the day the making of the amendment is first notified as mentioned in subsection (9); or
- (b) if a later day for the commencement of the amendment is stated in the amendment—the later day.
- (11) Section 630 does not apply in relation to an amendment of the SEQ infrastructure charges schedule.
- (12) If a distributor-retailer amends an infrastructure charges schedule under this section, section 631 applies for the infrastructure charges schedule as if the reference in section 631(1)(e) to the local government were a reference to the distributor-retailer.
- (13) In this subsection—
- consumer price index* means the all groups consumer price index for Brisbane published by the Australian Statistician.

## Division 6 Provisions about appeals

### 755U Appeals for development application (distributor-retailer)

- (1) This section applies if the assessment manager for a development application (distributor-retailer) receives a notice of appeal under section 482 for the application.
- (2) The assessment manager must, within 5 business days after receiving the notice of appeal, give a copy of it to the

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distributor-retailer for whom the assessment manager is exercising concurrence agency jurisdiction.

- (3) A distributor-retailer mentioned in subsection (2) may, within 10 business days after the copy is given to the distributor-retailer, elect to be a co-respondent to the appeal by following the rules of court for the election.
- (4) Subsection (3) applies despite any other provision of this Act.

### **755V Appeals about requests for compliance assessment**

- (1) This section applies if a local government is given notice of an appeal under section 483 about a request for compliance assessment for which a distributor-retailer must, under section 755G or 755H, assess development, a document or work to which the request related.
- (2) The local government must, within 5 business days after receiving the notice of appeal, give a copy of it to the distributor-retailer.
- (3) The distributor-retailer may, within 10 business days after the copy is given to the distributor-retailer, elect to be a co-respondent to the appeal by following the rules of court for the election.
- (4) Subsection (3) applies despite any other provision of this Act.

### **755W Appeals about infrastructure charge or regulated infrastructure charge**

Section 478 applies, for an appeal about an infrastructure charges notice or regulated infrastructure charges notice given by a distributor-retailer, as if the reference in section 478(4)(a) to a relevant local government were a reference to a relevant distributor-retailer.

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## Part 8                      General

### 756      Giving electronic submissions

- (1) This section applies if, under this Act—
  - (a) a notice relating to a development application, a master plan application, a State planning instrument or a local planning instrument is given to a person or published in the gazette or a newspaper; and
  - (b) the notice provides that a person or any other entity may make a submission about the matter the subject of the notice.
- (2) The submission may be made electronically if the notice states it may be made electronically.

### 757      Application of Judicial Review Act 1991

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), the *Judicial Review Act 1991* does not apply to the following matters under this Act—
  - (a) conduct engaged in for the purpose of making a decision;
  - (b) other conduct that relates to the making of a decision;
  - (c) the making of a decision or the failure to make a decision;
  - (d) a decision.
- (2) A person who, but for subsection (1), could have made an application under that Act in relation to a matter mentioned in subsection (1), may apply under part 4 of that Act for a statement of reasons in relation to the matter.
- (3) In particular, for subsection (1), the Supreme Court does not have jurisdiction to hear and determine applications made to it under the *Judicial Review Act 1991*, part 3 or 5 in relation to matters mentioned in subsection (1).

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**758 References to Planning and Environment Court and judge of the court in other Act**

- (1) This section applies if another Act refers to the Planning and Environment Court or a judge of that court.
- (2) If the context permits, the reference may be taken to refer to the court or a judge of the court.

**759 Minister may make guidelines**

- (1) The Minister may make guidelines about—
  - (a) the matters to be considered by an assessment manager in deciding whether there are sufficient grounds to justify a decision that may conflict with a relevant instrument under section 326 or 329; or
  - (b) the form of a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies; or
  - (c) the matters to be considered in deciding whether or not a change to a development application or a development approval would result in a substantially different development; or
  - (d) another matter the Minister considers appropriate for the administration of this Act.
- (2) Before making a guideline, the Minister must consult with the persons or entities the Minister considers appropriate.
- (3) If a guideline is made, the Minister must notify the making of the guideline in the gazette.
- (4) This section does not limit sections 117, 145, 627 and 630.

**760 Chief executive may make guidelines**

- (1) The chief executive may make guidelines about—
  - (a) matters to be considered in deciding if an action is a material change of use; or

- (b) environmental assessment and public consultation procedures for designating land for community infrastructure under chapter 5; or
  - (c) the form in which documents may be given under this Act; or
  - (d) another matter the chief executive considers appropriate for the administration of this Act.
- (2) Before making a guideline, the chief executive must consult with the persons or entities the chief executive considers appropriate.
- (3) If a guideline is made, the chief executive must notify the making of the guideline in the gazette.

## **761 Delegation by Ministers**

- (1) The Minister may delegate the Minister's functions under this Act to an appropriately qualified public service officer.
- (2) The regional planning Minister may delegate that Minister's functions under this Act to an appropriately qualified public service officer.
- (3) An eligible Minister may, if acting under chapter 2, delegate the eligible Minister's functions under that chapter to an appropriately qualified public service officer.
- (4) The Minister administering the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*, if acting under chapter 6, part 11, division 2, may delegate that Minister's functions under the division to an appropriately qualified public service officer.
- (5) In this section—  
*functions* includes powers.

## **762 Approved forms**

The chief executive may approve forms for use under this Act.

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### **763 Regulation-making power**

- (1) The Governor in Council may make regulations under this Act.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), a regulation may—
  - (a) prescribe fees payable under this Act; and
  - (b) impose a penalty for contravention of a provision of a regulation of no more than 20 penalty units; and
  - (c) prescribe a minor change of use that is not a material change of use.

## **Chapter 10 Repeal and transitional provisions**

### **Part 1 Repeal provision**

#### **764 Act repealed**

The Integrated Planning Act 1997, No. 69 is repealed.

### **Part 2 Transitional provisions**

#### **Division 1 Preliminary**

#### **765 Definitions for pt 2**

In this part—

*commencement* means the day on which the provision in which the term is used commences.

*existing*, in relation to a regional planning advisory committee or regional coordination committee under repealed IPA, means in existence under that Act immediately before the commencement.

*existing application* see section 802(1).

*existing planning scheme* see section 778(1).

*existing planning scheme policy* see section 785.

*existing structure plan* see section 790(1).

*existing temporary local planning instrument* see section 782.

## **Division 2                      Provisions for State planning instruments**

### **766      Continuing effect of State planning regulatory provisions**

A State planning regulatory provision in force under repealed IPA immediately before the commencement continues to have effect and is taken to be a State planning regulatory provision under this Act.

### **767      Making or amending State planning regulatory provisions under repealed IPA**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement the Minister has started the process under repealed IPA, chapter 2, part 5C, division 2, to make or amend a State planning regulatory provision, the Minister may continue to make or amend the provision under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that repealed IPA, sections 2.5C.7, 2.5C.8 and 2.5C.12 continue to apply in relation to the

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making or amendment of a State planning regulatory provision mentioned in subsection (1).

- (3) A State planning regulatory provision or amendment mentioned in subsection (1) and made under repealed IPA is taken to be a State planning regulatory provision or amendment made under this Act.

### **768 Continuing effect of regional plans**

A regional plan in force under repealed IPA immediately before the commencement continues to have effect and is taken to be a regional plan under this Act.

### **769 Making or amending regional plans under repealed IPA**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement the regional planning Minister for a designated region has started the process under repealed IPA, chapter 2, part 5A, divisions 4 and 5, to make or amend a regional plan, the regional planning Minister may continue to make or amend the plan under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) A regional plan or amendment mentioned in subsection (1) and made under repealed IPA is taken to be a regional plan or amendment made under this Act.

### **770 Continuing effect of particular directions and notices**

- (1) A direction given to a local government under repealed IPA, section 2.5A.20(1) before the commencement continues to have effect and is taken to be a direction under section 29(1).
- (2) A notice given to a local government under repealed IPA, section 2.5A.20(8) before the commencement continues to have effect and is taken to be a written extension under section 29(6).

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**771 Continuation of regional planning advisory committees**

- (1) An existing regional planning advisory committee continues as a regional planning committee established under this Act.
- (2) The existing regional planning advisory committee—
  - (a) continues with the same name, membership and terms of reference it had immediately before the commencement; and
  - (b) is taken to be established for the same area covered by the region for which it was established under repealed IPA.

**772 Continuation of regional coordination committees**

An existing regional coordination committee for a designated region continues as the regional planning committee established under section 31 for the region.

**773 Continuing effect of particular State planning policies**

- (1) This section applies to a State planning policy in force under repealed IPA immediately before the commencement, other than a State planning policy having effect for less than 1 year.
- (2) The State planning policy continues to have effect and is taken to be a State planning policy made under this Act.
- (3) The State planning policy is taken to have effect on the day it had effect under repealed IPA.
- (4) If the State planning policy had effect at least 10 years before the commencement, section 45 applies to the policy as if the reference in section 45(1)(b) to the day that is 10 years after the day the policy had effect were a reference to the day that is 3 years after the commencement.

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**774 Continuing effect of State planning policy having effect for less than 1 year**

- (1) This section applies to a State planning policy—
  - (a) made under repealed IPA; and
  - (b) having effect under that Act for less than 1 year; and
  - (c) in force immediately before the commencement.
- (2) The State planning policy continues to have effect and is taken to be a temporary State planning policy made under this Act.
- (3) For section 49, the temporary State planning policy is taken to have been made on the day it had effect under repealed IPA.

**775 Making or amending State planning policies under repealed IPA**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement the Minister has started the process under repealed IPA, chapter 2, part 4 to make or amend a State planning policy, the Minister may continue to make or amend the policy under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), repealed IPA, section 2.4.4 continues to apply to the making or amendment of the State planning policy.
- (3) A State planning policy or amendment mentioned in subsection (1) and made under repealed IPA is taken to be a State planning policy or amendment made under this Act.
- (4) However, if the State planning policy mentioned in subsection (1) and made under repealed IPA has effect for less than 1 year, it is taken to be a temporary State planning policy made under this Act.

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**776 Notification requirements do not apply for making particular State planning instruments**

- (1) Sections 60 and 63(1) do not apply to the making of a State planning instrument made within the relevant period if the Minister is satisfied—
- (a) the State planning instrument substantially reflects, and does not change the effect of, an existing code, law or policy; and
  - (b) for an existing code, law or policy, other than an Act or regulation or a code or policy included in an Act or regulation—adequate public consultation was carried out in relation to the making of the code, law or policy.

- (2) In this section—

*existing code, law or policy* means a code, law or policy in force immediately before the commencement that, under repealed IPA, could have been considered in assessing a development application.

*relevant period* means—

- (a) 2 years after the commencement; or
- (b) if the Minister, by gazette notice and within the period mentioned in paragraph (a), nominates a later day that is not more than 4 years after the commencement—the later day.

**Division 3 Provisions for local planning instruments**

**777 Relationship between standard planning scheme provisions and particular instruments**

- (1) This section applies to—
- (a) a local planning instrument under repealed IPA that is in force immediately before the commencement; and

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- (b) a local planning instrument mentioned in section 779, 783 or 786 and made under repealed IPA.
- (2) Sections 53 and 55 do not apply to the local planning instrument.
- (3) Despite sections 88(1)(a) and 141(1)(c), if the local planning instrument is a planning scheme, the planning scheme or an amendment of the planning scheme, including an amendment to include a structure plan, need not reflect the standard planning scheme provisions.
- (4) A planning scheme mentioned in subsection (3) may be amended to state that development is prohibited development only if the standard planning scheme provisions state the development may be prohibited development.
- (5) Despite section 155(1)(b), a master plan made under a structure plan included in a planning scheme mentioned in subsection (3) need not reflect the standard planning scheme provisions.
- (6) A structure plan included in a planning scheme mentioned in subsection (3) may state that development is prohibited development only if the standard planning scheme provisions state the development may be prohibited development.
- (7) Despite section 105(d), a temporary local planning instrument made for all or part of an area to which a planning scheme mentioned in subsection (3) applies need not reflect the standard planning scheme provisions.
- (8) A temporary local planning instrument mentioned in subsection (7) may state that development is prohibited development only if the standard planning scheme provisions state the development may be prohibited development.

## **778 Continuing effect of planning schemes**

- (1) A local government's planning scheme made under repealed IPA that is in force immediately before the commencement (an *existing planning scheme*) continues to have effect and is

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taken to be the planning scheme for the local government's planning scheme area made under this Act.

- (2) However, if on the commencement a local government has more than 1 existing planning scheme, each existing planning scheme has effect for the part of the planning scheme area for which the scheme had effect immediately before the commencement.
- (3) For this Act, the planning scheme is taken to have effect on the day it had effect under repealed IPA.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if an existing planning scheme mentioned in subsection (1) states desired environmental outcomes for the local government's planning scheme area.
- (5) For this Act, the stated desired environmental outcomes are taken to be strategic outcomes for the planning scheme area.

## **779 Making or amending planning schemes under repealed IPA**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement a local government or the Minister has started the process under repealed IPA, chapter 2, part 1, division 3, to make or amend a planning scheme, the local government or Minister may continue to make or amend the planning scheme under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), repealed IPA, section 2.1.6 continues to apply to the making or amendment of the planning scheme.
- (3) A planning scheme or amendment mentioned in subsection (1) and made under repealed IPA is taken to be a planning scheme or amendment made under this Act.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if a planning scheme mentioned in subsection (1) states desired environmental outcomes for the local government's planning scheme area.
- (5) For this Act, the stated desired environmental outcomes are taken to be strategic outcomes for the planning scheme area.

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## **780 Continuing superseded planning schemes**

A planning scheme that was a superseded planning scheme for a planning scheme area under repealed IPA immediately before the commencement is a superseded planning scheme under this Act for the planning scheme area.

## **781 Reviewing planning schemes and priority infrastructure plans**

- (1) This section applies if, immediately before the commencement, a local government is reviewing its planning scheme or priority infrastructure plan under repealed IPA, section 2.2.1 or 2.2.5.
- (2) The local government must continue to carry out the review under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) However, this Act applies to the making of any new planning scheme or amendment of the planning scheme or priority infrastructure plan because of the review.

## **782 Continuing effect of temporary local planning instruments**

- (1) A temporary local planning instrument made under repealed IPA that is in force immediately before the commencement (an *existing temporary local planning instrument*) continues to have effect and is taken to be a temporary local planning instrument made under this Act.
- (2) The temporary local planning instrument—
  - (a) is taken to have effect on the day it had effect under repealed IPA; and
  - (b) continues to have effect for the period it would have had effect under repealed IPA, unless it is sooner repealed under this Act.

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**783 Making temporary local planning instruments under repealed IPA**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement a local government or the Minister has started the process under repealed IPA to make a temporary local planning instrument, the local government or Minister may continue to make the temporary local planning instrument under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1)—
  - (a) repealed IPA, section 2.1.13 continues to apply to the making of the temporary local planning instrument; and
  - (b) section 105(d) does not apply to the temporary local planning instrument.
- (3) A temporary local planning instrument mentioned in subsection (1) and made under repealed IPA is taken to be a temporary local planning instrument made under this Act.

**784 Repealing particular temporary local planning instruments**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement a local government has started the process under repealed IPA to repeal an existing temporary local planning instrument, the local government may continue to repeal the instrument under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) The repeal of a temporary local planning instrument under subsection (1) has effect as if it were repealed under this Act.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies to an existing temporary local planning instrument and a temporary local planning instrument mentioned in section 783.
- (4) The temporary local planning instrument can not be repealed under this Act without the Minister's written approval if the temporary local planning instrument was made by—

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- (a) the local government under a direction of the Minister under repealed IPA, section 2.3.2; or
- (b) the Minister under repealed IPA, section 2.3.3.

### **785 Continuing effect of planning scheme policies**

- (1) A planning scheme policy made under repealed IPA that is in force immediately before the commencement (an *existing planning scheme policy*) continues to have effect and is taken to be a planning scheme policy made under this Act.
- (2) A planning scheme policy made under repealed IPA, section 6.1.20 and continued in effect under subsection (1) can not be amended.

### **786 Making or amending planning scheme policies under repealed IPA**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement a local government or the Minister has started the process under repealed IPA to make or amend a planning scheme policy, the local government or Minister may continue to make or amend the policy under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), repealed IPA, section 2.1.20 continues to apply to the making or amendment of the planning scheme policy.
- (3) A planning scheme policy or amendment mentioned in subsection (1) and made under repealed IPA is taken to be a planning scheme policy or amendment made under this Act.
- (4) Subsection (1) does not apply to a planning scheme policy being made under repealed IPA, section 6.1.20.

### **787 Repealing particular planning scheme policies**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement a local government has started the process under repealed IPA to repeal an existing planning scheme policy, the local government may

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continue the repeal of the policy under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.

- (2) The repeal of a planning scheme policy under subsection (1) has effect as if it were repealed under this Act.

### **788 Particular notices and directions under repealed IPA**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to a notice given by the Minister under repealed IPA, section 2.3.1(1) if on the commencement the Minister has not acted under repealed IPA, section 2.3.1(4) in relation to the notice.
- (2) For this Act, the notice is taken to be a notice given under section 125(1).
- (3) Subsection (4) applies to a direction given to a local government under repealed IPA, section 2.3.2 in relation to an action that, on the commencement, has not been taken by the local government.
- (4) The direction continues to have effect as a direction given under section 126 or 127 of this Act.

## **Division 4 Provisions for planning partnerships**

### **789 Master planned areas**

- (1) An area that is a master planned area under repealed IPA immediately before the commencement is taken to be a master planned area under this Act.
- (2) A master planned area declaration made under repealed IPA, section 2.5B.3 before the commencement is taken to be a master planned area declaration made under this Act.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies to a master planned area declaration mentioned in subsection (2) if on the commencement the process for making the structure plan for the area has not started.

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- (4) Any timeframes stated in the master planned area declaration for steps identified in repealed IPA, schedule 1A, (the *repealed steps*) for the making of the structure plan are taken to be timeframes for carrying out the steps under the process for making the structure plan under this Act that are equivalent to the repealed steps.

## **790 Structure plans**

- (1) A structure plan made under repealed IPA, chapter 2, part 5B for a master planned area and in effect immediately before the commencement (an *existing structure plan*) is taken to be a structure plan made under this Act for the area.
- (2) For this Act, a desired environmental outcome stated in an existing structure plan is taken to be a strategic outcome for the master planned area.

## **791 Making structure plan under repealed IPA**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement a local government has started the process under repealed IPA to make a structure plan, the local government may continue to make the structure plan under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) A structure plan mentioned in subsection (1) and made under repealed IPA is taken to be a structure plan made under this Act.
- (3) Despite section 141(1)(c), the structure plan need not reflect the standard planning scheme provisions.
- (4) However, the structure plan may state that development is prohibited development only if the standard planning scheme provisions state the development may be prohibited development.
- (5) Subsection (6) applies if the structure plan states desired environmental outcomes for a master planned area.
- (6) For this Act, the stated desired environmental outcomes are taken to be strategic outcomes for the master planned area.

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## **792 Application of s 149 to particular structure plans**

Section 149 applies in relation to an existing structure plan and a structure plan mentioned in section 791(1) and made under repealed IPA—

- (a) as if the reference in section 149(1) to the guideline mentioned in section 145 were a reference to repealed IPA, schedule 1A; and
- (b) as if the reference in section 149(2) to comply again were a reference to comply.

## **793 Master plans**

A master plan approved under repealed IPA for a declared master planned area and in force immediately before the commencement (an *existing master plan*) is taken to be a master plan approved under this Act for the area.

## **794 Applications for approval or amendment of master plans under repealed IPA**

- (1) This section applies to a following application made but not decided before the commencement—
  - (a) an application for approval of a proposed master plan for a declared master planned area made under repealed IPA, chapter 2, part 5B, division 5;
  - (b) an application to amend a master plan for a declared master planned area made under repealed IPA, section 2.5B.59.
- (2) For dealing with and deciding the application, repealed IPA, chapter 2, part 5B, division 5 and sections 2.5B.58 and 2.5B.59 continue to apply as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) Without limiting subsection (2), repealed IPA, sections 2.5B.49 and 2.5B.50 continue to apply in relation to the application.

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- (4) Despite section 155(1)(b), a master plan or an amendment mentioned in subsection (1) need not reflect the standard planning scheme provisions.
- (5) For repealed IPA, section 2.5B.34(2), a participating agency or coordinating agency may also give the weight it is satisfied is appropriate to a document of a type mentioned in repealed IPA, section 2.5B.34(1)(b) or (c), that is made under this Act.
- (6) For repealed IPA, section 2.5B.41(2), a local government may also give the weight it is satisfied is appropriate to a document of a type mentioned in repealed IPA, section 2.5B.41(1), that is made under this Act.
- (7) If a proposed master plan or amendment mentioned in subsection (1) is approved under repealed IPA, the master plan or amendment is taken to be a master plan or amendment approved under this Act.

#### **795 Continuation of particular agreements**

- (1) An agreement entered into under repealed IPA, section 2.5B.51, in relation to a master plan and in force immediately before the commencement continues in force and is taken to be an agreement entered into under section 193 of this Act.
- (2) An agreement entered into under repealed IPA, section 2.5B.74, in relation to the preparation of a structure plan and in force immediately before the commencement continues in force and is taken to be an agreement entered into under section 143 of this Act.

#### **796 Continuation of particular local government resolutions**

A resolution of a local government under repealed IPA, section 2.5B.75, to make and levy a charge in relation to a structure plan and in effect immediately before the commencement continues in effect and is taken to be a resolution under section 144 of this Act.

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**797 Master plans prevail over conditions of rezoning approvals under the repealed LGP&E Act**

A master plan under this Act prevails to the extent the plan is inconsistent with a condition—

- (a) of an approval given under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 4.4(5); or
- (b) decided under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 2.19(3).

**Division 5 Provisions for designations of community infrastructure**

**798 Designation of community infrastructure**

- (1) A designation of land for community infrastructure under repealed IPA that is in effect immediately before the commencement—
  - (a) continues as a designation under chapter 5 of this Act; and
  - (b) is taken to have had effect on the day it had effect under repealed IPA.
- (2) A notice given under repealed IPA, section 2.6.15(1)(e) about a designation mentioned in subsection (1) before the commencement continues in effect and is taken to be a notice given under section 215(1)(e) of this Act.

**799 Designation of land under repealed IPA**

- (1) If immediately before the commencement a Minister has started the process under repealed IPA, chapter 2, part 6 to designate land, the Minister may continue the designation under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) The designation of the land is taken to be a designation by the Minister under chapter 5 of this Act.

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- (3) For this Act, a notice given by the Minister under repealed IPA, section 2.6.8(1)(b), in relation to the designation has effect as if it were a notice given under section 208(1)(b) of this Act.
- (4) If under repealed IPA an amendment of a local government's planning scheme is continuing for the purpose of the local government designating land, repealed IPA, section 2.6.13 continues to apply in relation to the proposed amendment.

### **800 Continuing request to acquire designated land under repealed IPA**

- (1) This section applies if, under repealed IPA, section 2.6.19, a person has asked a Minister or local government to buy an interest in land and the request has not been decided before the commencement.
- (2) The Minister or local government must continue to deal with and decide the request under repealed IPA.
- (3) For subsection (2), repealed IPA, sections 2.6.19 to 2.6.25, apply as if this Act had not commenced.

## **Division 6 Provisions for integrated development assessment system**

### **801 Continuing effect of development approvals**

- (1) A development approval under repealed IPA that is in force immediately before the commencement continues as a development approval under this Act.
- (2) For this Act, a development approval continued in force under subsection (1) is taken to have had effect on the day it had effect under repealed IPA.

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**802 Development applications under repealed IPA**

- (1) This section applies to a development application made under repealed IPA, but not decided, before the commencement (an *existing application*).
- (2) For dealing with and deciding the application, repealed IPA continues to apply as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) For repealed IPA, section 3.3.15(2), a referral agency for the application may also give the weight it considers appropriate to any laws, planning schemes, policies and codes of a type mentioned in repealed IPA, section 3.3.15(1), made under this Act and coming into effect after the application was made.
- (4) For repealed IPA, section 3.5.6(2), an assessment manager for the application may also give the weight it considers appropriate to a code, planning instrument, law or policy made under this Act and coming into effect after the application was made, but—
  - (a) before the day for the decision stage for the application under repealed IPA started; or
  - (b) if the decision stage is stopped—before the day the decision stage is restarted.
- (5) To remove any doubt, it is declared that—
  - (a) any requirement or restriction on the making or deciding of the application applying under repealed IPA or another Act as in force before the commencement continues to apply in relation to the application to the extent it would have applied before the commencement; and
  - (b) repealed IPA, chapter 3, part 7 continues to apply in relation to a development permit given for the application.
- (6) Despite subsection (2)—
  - (a) repealed IPA, section 3.2.4 does not apply to the application; and

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- (b) chapter 6, part 11 of this Act applies to the application.
- (7) If a development approval is given under repealed IPA in relation to the application, it is taken to be a development approval given under this Act.

### **803 Dealing with existing applications under other Acts**

- (1) This section applies if, after the commencement, a reference in another Act to the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* or a provision of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* relates to a development application.
- (2) For dealing with and deciding an existing application under repealed IPA, and carrying out any action under the other Act in relation to the application, the other Act as in force before the commencement continues to apply.

### **804 Continuing application of repealed IPA, s 5.1.25(1)**

- (1) This section applies to a development application made under repealed IPA if an acknowledgement notice was given for the application under that Act before the commencement, other than under repealed IPA, section 3.2.4.
- (2) Repealed IPA, section 5.1.25(1) continues to apply in relation to a development approval given for the application as if this Act had not commenced.

### **805 Request about application of superseded planning schemes**

- (1) This section applies if a planning scheme or amendment of a planning scheme creating a superseded planning scheme took effect under repealed IPA before the commencement.
- (2) Section 95 applies to a request mentioned in that section in relation to the superseded planning scheme as if the reference in section 95(2) to within 1 year were a reference to within 2 years.

- (3) Section 99(2) applies to a development application (superseded planning scheme) made in relation to the request as if the reference in section 99(2) to 6 months were a reference to 20 business days.

### **806 Particular acknowledgement notices**

- (1) This section applies to a person given an acknowledgement notice under repealed IPA, section 3.2.5(1)(a) before or after the commencement.
- (2) The person may, under section 98(2) to (5) of this Act, ask a local government to extend the period mentioned in repealed IPA, section 3.2.5(5) for the development to which the acknowledgement notice relates.
- (3) For subsection (2), section 98(2) and (5) apply as if the reference in the subsections to subsection (1) were a reference to repealed IPA, section 3.2.5(5).

### **807 Application of repealed IPA, ch 3, pt 5, div 4**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) an applicant has made representations about a decision notice to an assessment manager under repealed IPA, section 3.5.17 before the commencement; and
  - (b) the assessment manager has not dealt with the representations under that section on the commencement.
- (2) The assessment manager may continue to deal with the representations under that section as if repealed IPA had not been repealed.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if—
  - (a) within 20 business days before the commencement an applicant has given an assessment manager a notice under repealed IPA, section 3.5.18(1) suspending the applicant's appeal period for a decision notice; and

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- (b) on the commencement the applicant has not made representations about the decision notice to the assessment manager under repealed IPA, section 3.5.17.
- (4) Repealed IPA, chapter 3, part 5, division 4 continues to apply in relation to the decision notice as if repealed IPA had not been repealed.

### **808 Preliminary approvals under repealed IPA**

- (1) This section applies to a preliminary approval to which repealed IPA, section 3.1.6 applies, whether the approval was given under repealed IPA before the commencement or after the commencement for a development application made before the commencement.
- (2) The preliminary approval is taken to be a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies.
- (3) Section 342(1) to (3) applies to the preliminary approval.
- (4) Section 343 does not apply to the preliminary approval.

### **809 Requests to extend period under repealed IPA, s 3.5.21**

- (1) This section applies to a request made under repealed IPA, section 3.5.22, and not decided, before the commencement.
- (2) For dealing with and deciding the request, repealed IPA, sections 3.5.22 and 3.5.23 continue to apply as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) However, a decision on the request under repealed IPA, section 3.5.23 is taken to be a decision on a request under chapter 6, part 8, division 5 of this Act.

### **810 Changing development approvals under repealed IPA**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to a request to change a development approval made under repealed IPA, section 3.5.24, and not decided, before the commencement.

- (2) For dealing with and deciding the request, repealed IPA, sections 3.5.24 and 3.5.25 continue to apply as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies to a request to change or cancel a condition of a development approval made under repealed IPA, section 3.5.33, and not decided, before the commencement.
- (4) For dealing with and deciding the request, repealed IPA, section 3.5.33 continues to apply as if this Act had not commenced.
- (5) Subsection (6) applies to a notice given under repealed IPA, section 3.5.33A(7) (the *first notice*) if, before the commencement, notice under repealed IPA, section 3.5.33A(9) had not been given in relation to the first notice.
- (6) On the commencement, the first notice is taken to be a notice given under section 378(7) of this Act and may continue to be dealt with under section 378.

### **811 Request to cancel development approval**

- (1) This section applies to a request to cancel a development approval that was made but not finally dealt with under repealed IPA, section 3.5.26 before the commencement.
- (2) For dealing with the request, repealed IPA, section 3.5.26 continues to apply as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) The cancellation of the development approval under repealed IPA, section 3.5.26 has effect as if the approval were cancelled under section 381 of this Act.

### **812 Particular condition of development approvals**

- (1) This section applies if a condition of a development approval given under repealed IPA before or after the commencement requires, for a matter prescribed under section 3.5.31A of that Act, a document or work to be assessed for compliance with a condition.

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- (2) Repealed IPA, section 3.5.31A and any regulation under that section in force immediately before the commencement continue to apply for the assessment.

**813 Continuation of agreements under repealed IPA, s 3.5.34**

An agreement entered into under repealed IPA, section 3.5.34 in relation to a condition of a development approval continues to have effect and is taken to be an agreement entered into under section 348 of this Act.

**814 Directions and call in powers under repealed IPA**

- (1) Repealed IPA, chapter 3, part 6, division 1 continues to apply in relation to a direction given by the Minister under the division before the commencement.
- (2) Repealed IPA, chapter 3, part 6, division 2 continues to apply in relation to a notice given to the assessment manager under the division before the commencement.

**815 Continuing effect of repealed IPA, ch 3, pt 7**

- (1) This section applies to a development permit given under repealed IPA before the commencement if the permit—
  - (a) authorises the reconfiguring of a lot; or
  - (b) includes a condition requiring a plan for reconfiguring a lot to be submitted to a local government.
- (2) Repealed IPA, chapter 3, part 7 continues to apply in relation to the development permit.

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## **Division 7                      Provisions for appeals and enforcement**

### **Subdivision 1            Planning and Environment Court**

#### **816      Appointments of judges continue**

A judge of the District Court notified by gazette notice under repealed IPA, section 4.1.8 as a judge who constituted the court before the commencement is, until a further notice is gazetted under section 443, a judge who, on and from the commencement, constitutes the court.

#### **817      Rules of court and directions continue**

- (1) The rules of court in force immediately before the commencement continue in force on and after the commencement as if they were made under section 445.
- (2) A direction issued by the Chief Judge of the District Court under repealed IPA, section 4.1.11(2) and in force immediately before the commencement continues in force on and after the commencement as if it were issued under section 446(2).

#### **818      Proceedings for declarations**

- (1) A proceeding started before the court under repealed IPA, section 4.1.21 and not finished on the commencement may be continued and completed by the court under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) A person may bring a proceeding in the court for a declaration under repealed IPA, section 4.1.21 after the commencement in relation to any of the following for which the person could have brought a proceeding if this Act had not commenced—
  - (a) a matter done, to be done or that should have been done, for repealed IPA;

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- (b) the construction of repealed IPA.
- (3) Despite subsection (2), repealed IPA, sections 4.1.5A and 4.1.23(2)(a) do not apply in relation to a proceeding mentioned in the subsection.
- (4) A decision of the court in a proceeding mentioned in subsection (2) is taken to be a decision under this Act for the purposes of an appeal to the Court of Appeal under chapter 7, part 1, division 14.

### **819 Appeals to court—generally**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) a person has appealed to the court under repealed IPA, or repealed IPA as applied under another Act, before the commencement; and
  - (b) the appeal has not been decided before the commencement.
- (2) The court must hear, or continue to hear, and decide the appeal under repealed IPA, or repealed IPA as applied under the other Act, as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if—
  - (a) immediately before the commencement a person could have appealed to the court under repealed IPA, or repealed IPA as applied under another Act; and
  - (b) the person has not appealed before the commencement.
- (4) The person may appeal, and the court must hear and decide the appeal under repealed IPA, or repealed IPA as applied under the other Act, as if this Act had not commenced.
- (5) Subsection (6) applies if a person could have appealed to the court under repealed IPA about a following matter if this Act had not commenced—
  - (a) a matter relating to a development application or a master plan application made before the commencement

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- that is continuing to be dealt with under repealed IPA after the commencement;
- (b) a decision made under repealed IPA after the commencement on a request—
    - (i) under repealed IPA, section 2.6.19; or
    - (ii) for an extension of a period mentioned in repealed IPA, section 3.5.21; or
    - (iii) to make a minor change to a development approval; or
    - (iv) to change or cancel a condition of a development approval;
  - (c) a decision given in a notice under repealed IPA, section 6.1.44 after the commencement to change or cancel a condition of a development approval;
  - (d) a deemed refusal of a request mentioned in paragraph (b) and made before the commencement;
  - (e) a decision made after the commencement on an application to change the conditions attached to an approval given under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 2.19(3) or 4.4;
  - (f) a decision made before or after the commencement about an assessment mentioned in repealed IPA, section 3.5.31A;
  - (g) a decision made under repealed IPA, section 5.4.8 or 5.5.3 after the commencement.
- (6) The person may appeal, and the court must hear and decide the appeal under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
  - (7) Despite subsections (4) and (6), repealed IPA, sections 4.1.5A and 4.1.23(2)(a) do not apply in relation to a proceeding for an appeal mentioned in the subsections.
  - (8) A decision of the court on an appeal mentioned in this section is taken to be a decision under this Act for the purposes of an

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appeal to the Court of Appeal under chapter 7, part 1, division 14.

## **820 Proceedings for particular declarations and appeals**

- (1) If, in a proceeding for a declaration mentioned in section 818(2) or an appeal mentioned in section 819(4) or (6), the court finds a provision of repealed IPA, or another Act in its application to repealed IPA, has not been complied with or has not been fully complied with, the court may deal with the matter in the way the court considers appropriate.
- (2) For a proceeding for a declaration mentioned in section 818(2) or an appeal mentioned in section 819(4) or (6), section 457(2)(a) applies.
- (3) To remove any doubt, it is declared that subsection (1) applies in relation to a development application that has lapsed or is not a properly made application.

## **821 Application of repealed IPA, s 4.1.52**

- (1) This section applies for an appeal to the court under repealed IPA.
- (2) For deciding the appeal, repealed IPA, section 4.1.52(2) applies—
  - (a) as if the reference in repealed IPA, section 4.1.52(2)(a) to new laws and policies included any laws and policies coming into effect after the commencement; and
  - (b) as if the reference in repealed IPA, section 4.1.52(2)(b) to a minor change were a reference to a minor change as defined under this Act.

## **822 Appeals to Court of Appeal**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) a person has appealed to the Court of Appeal under repealed IPA before the commencement; and

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- (b) the appeal has not been decided before the commencement.
  - (2) The Court of Appeal may hear, or continue to hear, and decide the appeal under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
  - (3) Subsection (4) applies if—
    - (a) immediately before the commencement a person could have appealed to the Court of Appeal under repealed IPA; and
    - (b) the person has not appealed before the commencement.
  - (4) The person may appeal, and the Court of Appeal may hear and decide the appeal under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.

## **Subdivision 2 Building and development tribunals**

### **823 Establishment of tribunal under repealed IPA**

- (1) A tribunal established under repealed IPA for a matter before the commencement continues in existence for hearing and deciding the matter.
- (2) If a tribunal mentioned in subsection (1) had not started hearing the matter before the commencement, the tribunal may hear and decide the matter under repealed IPA.

### **824 Continuation of appointment as general or aesthetics referee**

- (1) This section applies to a person who, immediately before the commencement, is a general referee or aesthetics referee appointed under repealed IPA, chapter 4, part 2, division 7.
- (2) On the commencement, the person is taken to be a general referee or aesthetics referee appointed under chapter 7, part 2, division 10 of this Act.

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- (3) The person's term of appointment ends on the day it would have ended if this Act had not commenced, unless the appointment is sooner cancelled.
- (4) Despite subsection (2), the person also continues as a general referee or aesthetics referee for a proceeding under repealed IPA after the commencement.

### **825 Continuation of appointment as registrar or other officer**

- (1) This section applies to a person who, immediately before the commencement, is a registrar of building and development tribunals, or other officer, appointed under repealed IPA, section 4.2.8.
- (2) On the commencement, the person is taken to be a registrar of building and development committees, or other officer, appointed under section 509 of this Act.
- (3) Despite subsection (2), the person also continues as a registrar of building and development tribunals, or other officer, for a proceeding under repealed IPA after the commencement.

### **826 Application of ch 7, pt 2, div 3**

Despite any other provision of this part, chapter 7, part 2, division 3 does not apply in relation to a development application made under repealed IPA before the commencement.

### **827 Appeals to tribunals**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) a person has appealed to a tribunal under repealed IPA before the commencement; and
  - (b) the appeal has not been decided before the commencement.
- (2) The tribunal must hear, or continue to hear, and decide the appeal under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.

- (3) Subsection (4) applies if—
  - (a) immediately before the commencement a person could have appealed to a tribunal under repealed IPA; and
  - (b) the person has not appealed before the commencement.
- (4) The person may appeal, and a tribunal must hear and decide the appeal, under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (5) Subsection (6) applies if a person could have appealed to a tribunal under repealed IPA about a following matter if this Act had not commenced—
  - (a) a matter relating to a development application made before the commencement that is continuing to be dealt with under repealed IPA after the commencement;
  - (b) a decision made under repealed IPA after the commencement on a request—
    - (i) for an extension of a period mentioned in repealed IPA, section 3.5.21; or
    - (ii) to make a minor change to a development approval; or
    - (iii) to change or cancel a condition of a development approval;
  - (c) a decision given in a notice under repealed IPA, section 6.1.44 after the commencement to change or cancel a condition of a development approval.
- (6) The person may appeal, and a tribunal must hear and decide the appeal, under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (7) A decision of the tribunal is taken to be a decision of a building and development committee under this Act for the purposes of an appeal to the court under section 479.

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**828 Application of repealed IPA, s 4.2.33**

- (1) This section applies for an appeal to a tribunal under repealed IPA.
- (2) Section 4.2.33 of that Act applies as if the reference in the section to new laws and policies included any laws and policies coming into effect after the commencement.

**Subdivision 3 Show cause notices and enforcement notices**

**829 Show cause notices**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to a show cause notice given to a person by an assessing authority under repealed IPA, section 4.3.9 before the commencement.
- (2) The show cause notice continues to have effect as if repealed IPA had not been repealed and is taken to be a show cause notice under this Act.
- (3) An assessing authority may act under section 588 as if the reference in that section to a development offence included a reference to a development offence under repealed IPA.

**830 Enforcement notices**

- (1) An enforcement notice given to a person under repealed IPA, section 4.3.11 before the commencement continues in effect and is taken to be an enforcement notice given under section 590.
- (2) An assessing authority may act under section 590 as if a reference in that section to a development offence included a reference to a development offence under repealed IPA.

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## **Subdivision 4      Legal proceedings**

### **831      Proceedings for offences, and orders**

- (1) A proceeding for an offence against a provision of repealed IPA under chapter 4, part 3, division 4 or chapter 4, part 4 of that Act may be continued under that Act as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) If, immediately before the commencement, a proceeding for an offence against a provision of repealed IPA, chapter 4, part 3, division 4 or chapter 4, part 4 could have been started under that Act, the proceeding may be started under this Act.
- (3) An order mentioned in repealed IPA, section 4.3.20, 4.4.5(2) or 4.4.6(2) and in force immediately before the commencement continues in force as if the order were made under this Act.

### **832      Enforcement orders of the court**

- (1) A proceeding under repealed IPA, chapter 4, part 3, division 5 may be continued under that Act as if this Act had not commenced.
- (2) If, immediately before the commencement, a proceeding could have been started under repealed IPA, chapter 4, part 3, division 5, the proceeding may be started under this Act.
- (3) An enforcement order or interim enforcement order made under repealed IPA continues in force as if the order were made under this Act.

## **Division 8                    Provisions about infrastructure**

### **Subdivision 1            Preliminary**

#### **833            Charges for infrastructure**

- (1) This section applies if an infrastructure charge, regulated infrastructure charge or regulated State infrastructure charge is payable under an infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or regulated State infrastructure charges notice given under repealed IPA before the commencement.
- (2) The notice is taken to be an infrastructure charges notice, regulated infrastructure charges notice or regulated State infrastructure charges notice under this Act.

### **Subdivision 2            Infrastructure planning and funding**

#### **834            Priority infrastructure plans for existing planning schemes**

An existing planning scheme need not include a priority infrastructure plan until—

- (a) generally—30 June 2010; or
- (b) if the Minister, by gazette notice, nominates a later day for a particular existing planning scheme—the later day.

#### **835            Continuing effect of priority infrastructure plans**

- (1) On the commencement, a priority infrastructure plan under repealed IPA is taken to be a priority infrastructure plan under this Act.
- (2) If immediately before the commencement a local government has started the process under repealed IPA to prepare a

priority infrastructure plan, the local government may continue preparing the plan under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.

- (3) A priority infrastructure plan mentioned in subsection (2) and prepared under repealed IPA is taken to be a priority infrastructure plan made under this Act.

### **836 Infrastructure charges schedules**

- (1) On the commencement, an infrastructure charges schedule under repealed IPA is taken to be an infrastructure charges schedule under this Act.
- (2) If immediately before the commencement a local government has started the process under repealed IPA to prepare or amend an infrastructure charges schedule, the local government may continue to prepare or amend the infrastructure charges schedule under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) An infrastructure charges schedule or amendment mentioned in subsection (2) and made under repealed IPA is taken to be an infrastructure charges schedule or amendment made under this Act.

### **837 Regulated infrastructure charges schedules**

- (1) A regulated infrastructure charges schedule in effect under repealed IPA immediately before the commencement is taken to be a regulated infrastructure charges schedule under this Act.
- (2) If immediately before the commencement a local government has started the process under repealed IPA to adopt a regulated infrastructure charges schedule, the local government may continue the process under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) A regulated infrastructure charges schedule mentioned in subsection (2) and adopted under repealed IPA is taken to be a

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regulated infrastructure charges schedule adopted under this Act.

**838 Continued application of particular provisions about charges**

Repealed IPA, sections 5.1.10, 5.1.11, 5.1.20 and 5.1.21 continue to apply in relation to an infrastructure charge or regulated infrastructure charge levied and collected under that Act before the commencement.

**839 Application of ch 8, pt 4**

Chapter 8, part 4 applies to a following notice given under repealed IPA as if the notice were given under this Act—

- (a) an infrastructure charges notice;
- (b) a regulated infrastructure charges notice;
- (c) a regulated State infrastructure charges notice.

**Subdivision 3 Infrastructure agreements**

**840 Infrastructure agreements**

An infrastructure agreement in force under repealed IPA immediately before the commencement continues to have effect and is binding on the parties to the agreement as if it were an infrastructure agreement under this Act.

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## **Subdivision 4      Funding of State infrastructure in master planned areas**

### **841      Regulated State infrastructure charges schedules and agreements**

- (1) On the commencement, a regulated State infrastructure charges schedule under repealed IPA is taken to be a regulated State infrastructure charges schedule under this Act.
- (2) An agreement in force under repealed IPA, section 5.3.8 immediately before the commencement continues to have effect and is binding on the parties to the agreement as if it were an agreement under section 673.

## **Division 9              Provisions about matters under repealed IPA, chapter 5**

### **842      Claims for compensation**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if, before the commencement—
  - (a) a person has made a claim for compensation under repealed IPA, section 5.4.2, 5.4.3, 5.4.5 or 5.5.3 to a local government or assessment manager; and
  - (b) the claim has not been decided.
- (2) The local government or assessment manager may decide the claim under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if, immediately before the commencement—
  - (a) a person had a right to claim compensation under repealed IPA, section 5.4.2, 5.4.3, 5.4.5 or 5.5.3; and
  - (b) the person had not exercised the right.
- (4) The person may exercise the right within the period stated under repealed IPA for exercising the right.

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- (5) Subsection (6) applies if, before or after the commencement, a person is given an acknowledgement notice under repealed IPA, section 3.2.5(1)(b) or (3)(b) for a development application (superseded planning scheme) decided after the commencement.
- (6) Any right a person may have to claim compensation under repealed IPA, section 5.4.2 in relation to the development application (superseded planning scheme) continues as if this Act had not commenced.
- (7) A claim for compensation in relation to a right mentioned in subsection (4) or (6) may be dealt with under repealed IPA as if this Act had not commenced.

#### **843 Keeping particular documents**

- (1) A document required to be kept by an entity for inspection and purchase under repealed IPA, chapter 5, part 7 or section 6.1.48 must be kept available by the entity for inspection and purchase under this Act.
- (2) A document required to be kept by an entity for inspection only under repealed IPA, chapter 5, part 7 must be kept available by the entity for inspection under this Act.

#### **844 Planning and development certificates**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to an application for a planning and development certificate made under repealed IPA, but not decided, before the commencement.
- (2) For dealing with and deciding the application, repealed IPA continues to apply as if this Act had not commenced.
- (3) A planning and development certificate given under repealed IPA, whether before or after the commencement, is taken to be a planning and development certificate under this Act.

## **845 Delegations**

A delegation made before the commencement that is necessary to give effect to this part continues to have effect on and after the commencement until specifically withdrawn by the person who gave the delegation.

## **846 Guidelines**

A guideline issued by the chief executive under repealed IPA, section 5.9.9(1)(a) or (b) and in effect immediately before the commencement continues in effect and is taken to be a guideline made by the chief executive under section 760.

# **Division 10 Provisions about matters under repealed IPA, chapter 6**

## **847 Planning scheme policies for infrastructure**

- (1) This section applies if, immediately before the commencement, a local government has an existing planning scheme that includes a planning scheme policy about infrastructure prepared under repealed IPA, section 6.1.20.
- (2) An infrastructure contribution mentioned in the policy may apply to development infrastructure—
  - (a) despite section 82—that is not within, or completely within, the local government’s area; or
  - (b) that is not owned by the local government, if the owner of the infrastructure agrees; or
  - (c) supplied by a local government on a State-controlled road.
- (3) The infrastructure contribution must be for a development infrastructure network that services, or is planned to service, premises and is identified in the policy.

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- (4) The infrastructure contribution required under the policy may be calculated—
  - (a) in the way permitted under the repealed LGP&E Act; or
  - (b) as if it were an infrastructure charge under this Act.
- (5) If the planning scheme policy requires an infrastructure contribution for works for the local function of a State-controlled road, the contribution must be—
  - (a) separately accounted for; and
  - (b) used to provide works on a State-controlled road.
- (6) However, if the local government has an infrastructure charges plan, an infrastructure charges schedule or a regulated infrastructure charges schedule (a *relevant instrument*) and there is an inconsistency between the planning scheme policy and a relevant instrument, the relevant instrument prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.
- (7) This section applies despite section 114.
- (8) A planning scheme policy mentioned in subsection (1) ceases to have effect on—
  - (a) generally—30 June 2010; or
  - (b) if the Minister, by gazette notice, nominates a later day for the planning scheme—the later day.
- (9) Despite subsection (8), a requirement under this section about an infrastructure contribution required under the planning scheme policy before the day it ceases to have effect continues to apply.

#### **848 Conditions about infrastructure for particular applications**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
  - (a) a local government is deciding a development application under an existing planning scheme; and

- (b) the local government has a planning scheme policy about infrastructure prepared under repealed IPA, section 6.1.20.
- (2) For deciding the aspect of the application relating to the planning scheme policy—
  - (a) chapter 8, part 1 does not apply; and
  - (b) section 347(1)(b) does not apply; and
  - (c) the local government may impose a condition on the development approval requiring land, works or a contribution towards the cost of supplying infrastructure, including parks, under the planning scheme policy.
- (3) However—
  - (a) if a condition imposed under subsection (2)(c) is inconsistent with an infrastructure agreement for supplying the infrastructure, to the extent of the inconsistency, the agreement prevails; or
  - (b) if the application is being decided under an existing planning scheme, subsection (2) applies only until—
    - (i) 30 June 2010; or
    - (ii) if the Minister, by gazette notice, nominates a later day for the planning scheme—the later day.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies—
  - (a) if the planning scheme policy provides for the contribution mentioned in subsection (2)(c) to be adjusted or increased; and
  - (b) despite the planning scheme policy.
- (5) The amount of the contribution may only be adjusted or increased, for the relevant period, by not more than an amount representing the increase in the consumer price index for the relevant period.
- (6) In this section—

*consumer price index* means the all groups consumer price index for Brisbane published by the Australian Statistician.

*relevant period*, in relation to a development approval, means the period starting on the day the approval comes into effect and ending on the day the contribution amount payable under a condition of the approval is to be paid.

### **849 Appeals about infrastructure contributions**

- (1) This section applies to a person who—
  - (a) under section 847 or repealed IPA, section 6.1.20, is required to pay an infrastructure contribution under a planning scheme policy; and
  - (b) is dissatisfied with the calculation of the amount of the contribution.
- (2) The person may appeal to a building and development committee about an error in the calculation of the amount.
- (3) An appeal under this section must be started within 20 business days after the day the person is given written notice of the requirement.
- (4) The registrar of building and development committees must, within 10 business days after the appeal is started, give written notice of the appeal to the assessment manager.
- (5) The assessment manager is the respondent for the appeal.
- (6) For an appeal under this section, chapter 7, part 2, divisions 8 and 9 apply with all necessary changes.
- (7) To remove any doubt, it is declared that an appeal under this section can not be about the methodology used to establish the amount of the infrastructure contribution.

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**850 Conditions attaching to land**

- (1) This section applies to a condition mentioned in repealed IPA, section 6.1.24(2) that, under that section, attaches to land and is binding on successors in title.
- (2) On and from the commencement, the condition remains attached to the land and is binding on successors in title.

**851 Applications in progress under transitional planning schemes**

- (1) This section applies to a following application to which repealed IPA, section 6.1.28, 6.1.29, 6.1.30, 6.1.30A or 6.1.32 as in force on the commencement (the *repealed sections*) would have applied if this Act had not commenced—
  - (a) an existing application;
  - (b) a development application (superseded planning scheme), if the superseded planning scheme for the application is a transitional planning scheme under repealed IPA, chapter 6, part 1.
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that—
  - (a) the repealed sections continue to apply for dealing with and deciding the application as if this Act had not commenced; and
  - (b) a reference in repealed IPA, section 6.1.29(3) to a planning scheme policy or a State planning policy includes a reference to a planning scheme policy or a State planning policy made under this Act; and
  - (c) for assessing an application to which repealed IPA, section 6.1.29 applies—repealed IPA, sections 6.4.1 and 6.8.10 continue to apply as if this Act had not commenced.

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**852 Applications to change conditions of rezoning approvals under repealed LGP&E Act**

- (1) This section applies if a person wants to change the conditions attached to an approval given under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 2.19(3)(a) or 4.4(5).
- (2) The person may make a development application to achieve the change.
- (3) On and from the commencement, the person can not apply under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 4.3(1) or 4.15(1) to change the conditions.
- (4) However, if before the commencement an application under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 4.3(1) or 4.15(1) to change the conditions had been made but not decided, the application must be processed by the local government as if the repealed LGP&E Act had not been repealed.

**853 Development approvals prevail over conditions of rezoning approvals under repealed LGP&E Act**

A development approval given under this Act or repealed IPA prevails, to the extent the approval is inconsistent with a condition—

- (a) of an approval given under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 4.4(5); or
- (b) decided under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 2.19(3).

**854 Notice under repealed IPA, s 6.1.44**

- (1) This section applies if, before the commencement, an entity has given a person a notice under repealed IPA, section 6.1.44(4) about a condition of a development approval but has not given a notice under section 6.1.44(6) of that Act in relation to the condition.
- (2) Repealed IPA, section 6.1.44 continues to apply for the development approval.

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**855 Infrastructure agreements**

- (1) An infrastructure agreement made under the repealed LGP&E Act, part 6, division 2 that, immediately before the commencement, was in effect and was binding on the parties to the agreement continues in effect and continues to be binding on the parties as if the repealed LGP&E Act had not been repealed.
- (2) If an infrastructure agreement mentioned in subsection (1) or made under repealed IPA contains permission criteria inconsistent with a regulation made under section 250(a) or 251(a) of this Act, to the extent of the inconsistency the agreement prevails.

- (3) In this section—

*permission criteria* means criteria under any of the following—

- (a) for an agreement—
  - (i) mentioned in subsection (1)—the *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994*, section 40, as in force immediately before 1 December 1999; or
  - (ii) made under repealed IPA—the *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994*, section 40;
- (b) the *Transport Operations (Passenger Transport) Act 1994*, section 145(4), as in force before 19 September 2005.

**856 Rezoning agreements under previous Acts**

- (1) This section applies to an agreement made for securing the conditions of a rezoning approval if the conditions did not attach to the land the subject of the approval and bind successors in title.
- (2) To the extent the agreement was validly made, still has effect and is not inconsistent with a condition of a development approval or master plan, nothing in the repealed LGP&E Act, repealed IPA or this Act affects the agreement.

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- (3) If—
- (a) an assessment manager is imposing a condition under this Act about infrastructure; or
  - (b) a coordinating agency or the local government is proposing to include a condition about infrastructure in a proposed master plan; or
  - (c) a local government is fixing an infrastructure charge under chapter 8, part 1; or
  - (d) a coordinating agency or State infrastructure provider is giving a regulated State infrastructure charges notice;
- any amount relating to infrastructure that has been paid, or is payable, under the agreement must be taken into account.
- (4) In this section—
- rezoning approval* means an approval—
- (a) given under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 4.4(5); or
  - (b) decided under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 2.19(3).

### **857 Development control plans under repealed LGP&E Act**

- (1) This section applies to a development control plan if—
- (a) the plan is included in an existing planning scheme under repealed IPA, section 6.1.45A; and
  - (b) a statement in the existing planning scheme identifies the area of a development control plan included in the scheme.
- (2) The repealed LGP&E Act and the transitional planning scheme and any transitional planning scheme policies under repealed IPA continue to apply to the extent necessary to administer the development control plan.
- (3) Repealed IPA, sections 6.1.28 to 6.1.30 apply for assessing development applications in the development control plan area.

- (4) The development control plan may include or refer to codes or other measures of the planning scheme.
- (5) To the extent the development control plan includes a process for making and approving plans, however called, with which development must comply in addition to, or instead of, the planning scheme or provides for appeals against decisions under the plan—
  - (a) the development control plan is, and always has been, valid; and
  - (b) development under the development control plan must comply with the plans in the way stated in the development control plan; and
  - (c) if the development control plan states that an appeal may be made, and an appeal is made, the appeal is validly made.
- (6) If the development control plan is changed after the commencement in a way that, if repealed IPA and this Act had not commenced, would have given rise to a claim for compensation under the repealed LGP&E Act, the compensation may be claimed as if repealed IPA and this Act had not commenced.
- (7) Subsection (5) applies even if the process mentioned in the subsection is inconsistent with chapter 6 or a guideline made under section 117(1).
- (8) Subsection (9) also applies to a transitional planning scheme under repealed IPA that includes the development control plan.
- (9) The transitional planning scheme or the development control plan may be amended under—
  - (a) the provisions of this Act relating to the process for amending a planning scheme; or

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- (b) a process mentioned in subsection (5) to the extent stated in the development control plan.
- (10) A transitional planning scheme policy mentioned in subsection (2) may be amended under—
  - (a) the provisions of this Act relating to the process for amending a planning scheme policy; or
  - (b) a process mentioned in subsection (5) to the extent stated in the development control plan.
- (11) If the development control plan is amended under subsection (9), subsections (5) and (6) continue to apply to the plan.

#### **858 Transition of validated planning documents to master planning documents**

- (1) This section applies to a development control plan, transitional planning scheme, transitional planning scheme policy or other plan (the *validated planning document*) to which section 857 applies.
- (2) A State planning regulatory provision (the *transitional regulatory provision*) may provide for—
  - (a) the transition of the validated planning document to a structure plan for a declared master planned area, and a master plan or master plans for the area; and
  - (b) any other matter related to the transition.
- (3) Without limiting subsection (2), the transitional regulatory provision may provide for all or any of the following—
  - (a) the identification of the master planned area for the structure plan;
  - (b) how the structure plan is made;
  - (c) how master plans for the identified master planned area are made, with or without approval;
  - (d) infrastructure agreements relating to the identified master planned area.

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- (4) If the transition mentioned in subsection (2)(a) is made under the transitional regulatory provision—
    - (a) the validated planning document ceases to have effect to the extent provided for under the provision; and
    - (b) section 857 ceases to apply for the validated planning document.
  - (5) This section applies despite chapter 2, part 2, chapter 4 and section 857 to the extent provided for under the transitional regulatory provision.
  - (6) However, on the making of the transition, this Act applies to the structure plan, the master planned area and any master plan made under the transitional regulatory provision as if they had been made under chapter 4.
  - (7) Section 66(2) and (3) applies to a transitional regulatory provision.

**859 Local Government (Robina Central Planning Agreement) Act 1992**

Despite the repeal of the repealed LGP&E Act, the *Local Government (Robina Central Planning Agreement) Act 1992* applies as if the repealed LGP&E Act had not been repealed.

**860 Town planning certificates may be used as evidence**

In a proceeding, a town planning certificate issued under the repealed LGP&E Act is evidence of the matters contained in the certificate.

**861 Orders in council about particular land**

- (1) This section applies to—
  - (a) any orders in council made under the repealed *Local Government Act 1936*, section 33(22A) or the repealed *City of Brisbane Town Planning Act 1964*, section

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7A(8), to the extent the orders are still in force immediately before the commencement; and

- (b) all orders in council made under the repealed LGP&E Act, section 2.21(2)(c).
- (2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that all orders mentioned in subsection (1) and still in force immediately before the commencement continue in force as if the orders were regulations made under this Act.
- (3) Any development lawfully undertaken on premises to which an order in council mentioned in subsection (1) applied while the premises were owned by the State is and always has been lawful development, and any use of the premises that is a natural and ordinary consequence of the development is a lawful use.
- (4) Subsection (3) applies even though the premises may no longer be owned by the State.

## **862 Application of repealed IPA, s 6.1.54**

To remove any doubt, it is declared that, for dealing with and deciding an existing application, repealed IPA, section 6.1.54 continues to apply as if that Act had not been repealed.

## **863 Provision for infrastructure charges plans**

- (1) This section applies to an infrastructure charges plan continued in effect as if it were an infrastructure charges schedule under repealed IPA, section 6.2.5.
- (2) A reference in the planning scheme or the infrastructure charges plan to—
  - (a) the infrastructure charges plan is taken to be a reference to an infrastructure charges schedule; and
  - (b) infrastructure identified in the plan is taken to be a reference to trunk infrastructure.

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- (3) For section 650, an assumption about the type, scale, location or timing of future development on which the plan is based has effect as if the assumption were stated in a priority infrastructure plan.
  - (4) If an infrastructure charges plan mentioned in subsection (1) includes public parks infrastructure—
    - (a) the infrastructure is taken to have been validly included in the plan; and
    - (b) any infrastructure charge levied under the plan is taken to have been validly levied.

## Division 11                      Provisions for SEQ regional plan

### 864      Definitions for div 11

In this division—

*former*, for a provision mentioned in this division, means the provision to which the reference relates is a provision of repealed IPA as in force before 21 September 2007.

*SEQ region* means the area, including the area of any Queensland waters, that comprised the SEQ region under former section 2.5A.2 immediately before 11 September 2007.

*SEQ regional plan* means the instrument made by the regional planning Minister under former section 2.5A.15(2) in existence under repealed IPA immediately before 11 September 2007.

*SEQ regional plan structure plan* means a structure plan under former section 2.5A.20(5).

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**865 References in SEQ regional plan and regulatory provisions**

- (1) This section applies to a reference in the SEQ regional plan or the regulatory provisions to a structure plan.
- (2) For this Act a reference to a structure plan is taken to be a reference to an SEQ regional plan structure plan.
- (3) In this section—  
*regulatory provisions* means the regulatory provisions under former section 2.5A.12.

**866 Structure plan**

- (1) This section applies to a local government whose local government area is in the SEQ region if—
  - (a) the local government has resolved to prepare an SEQ regional plan structure plan—
    - (i) before 21 September 2007; or
    - (ii) if the regional planning Minister for the SEQ region and the Minister approve the preparation of the plan—after 21 September 2007; and
  - (b) the local government has prepared the plan; and
  - (c) the regional planning Minister has approved the plan; and
  - (d) on the commencement, the local government has not started the process under repealed IPA to amend its planning scheme to include the plan.
- (2) Despite any provision of a guideline made under section 117(1), the Minister must advise the local government that it may—
  - (a) adopt the plan as an amendment of its planning scheme; or
  - (b) adopt the plan as an amendment of its planning scheme, but subject to compliance with conditions the Minister

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may impose about the content of the proposed amendment of its planning scheme.

- (3) If the local government adopts the plan as an amendment of its planning scheme, section 706(1)(j) applies to the amendment as if it were about a matter comprising a structure plan for a declared master planned area.

## **Division 12            Miscellaneous**

### **867    Provision for particular development applications—local heritage places**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to a development application made under repealed IPA that—
- (a) was made before 31 March 2008 (whether or not the application was decided before 31 March 2008); and
  - (b) was a properly made application.
- (2) For dealing with and deciding the application, repealed IPA, schedule 8, part 1, table 5, item 2A as in force on or after 31 March 2008 does not apply to the application.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies to a development application made under repealed IPA that—
- (a) was made after 30 March 2008 and before 11 December 2008 (whether or not the application was decided before that day); and
  - (b) was a properly made application.
- (4) For dealing with and deciding the application, repealed IPA, schedule 8, part 1, table 5, item 2A as in force on or after 11 December 2008 applies to the application.
- (5) Subsection (2) applies despite repealed IPA, section 1.4.8.

### **868 Particular activities not a material change of use**

Section 10(1), definition *material change of use*, paragraph (e) does not apply to an activity carried out as part of—

- (a) the project for the North-South Bypass Tunnel for which a development approval, held by the Brisbane City Council, was in force immediately before 1 January 2009; or
- (b) the project for the Airport Link Tunnel Project for which a development approval, held by BrisConnections, was in force immediately before 1 January 2009.

### **869 Deferment of application of s 578 to particular material changes of use**

- (1) Section 578 does not apply to the carrying out of a material change of use of premises mentioned in section 10(1), definition *material change of use*, paragraph (d), until 1 year after the commencement of that paragraph.
- (2) Section 578 does not apply to the carrying out of a material change of use of premises mentioned in section 10(1), definition *material change of use*, paragraph (e), until 1 year after the day the activity becomes an environmentally relevant activity.

### **870 References to repealed IPA and other legislation**

- (1) A reference in another Act or document to the *Integrated Planning Act 1997* may, if the context permits, be taken as a reference to this Act.
- (2) A reference in another Act or document to a particular provision of repealed IPA (the *repealed provision*) may, if the context permits, be taken as a reference to any provision of this Act, or a regulation made under this Act, all or part of which corresponds, or substantially corresponds, to the repealed provision.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies—

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- (a) for a reference in this Act to the *Local Government Act 2009* or a provision of that Act or a regulation made under that Act (the **local government reference**); and
  - (b) until the day the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 288 commences.

*Note—*

The *Local Government Act 2009*, section 288 repeals the *Local Government Act 1993*.

- (4) The local government reference may, if the context permits, be taken as a reference to the *Local Government Act 1993* or any provision of that Act, all or part of which corresponds or substantially corresponds to the reference.
- (5) This section is subject to the other provisions of this part.

### **871 Transitional regulation-making power**

- (1) A regulation (a **transitional regulation**) may make provision about a matter for which—
  - (a) it is necessary to make provision to allow or facilitate the doing of anything to achieve the transition from repealed IPA to this Act; and
  - (b) this Act does not make provision or sufficient provision.
- (2) A transitional regulation may have retrospective operation to a day that is not earlier than the commencement.
- (3) A transitional regulation must declare it is a transitional regulation.
- (4) This section and any transitional regulation expire 5 years after the commencement.

## Schedule 1 Prohibited development

schedule 3, definition *prohibited development*, paragraph (1)

For agricultural or animal husbandry activities in a wild river area	
1	<p>Development that is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) a material change of use of premises in a wild river area if the proposed use is for agricultural activities or animal husbandry activities, to the extent the development is—<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) in a wild river high preservation area; or</li><li>(ii) in a wild river preservation area in relation to the production of a high risk species; or</li></ul></li><li>(b) operational work for agricultural activities or animal husbandry activities in a wild river area, if the operations are assessable development prescribed under section 232(1), to the extent the development is—<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) in a wild river high preservation area; or</li><li>(ii) in a wild river preservation area in relation to the production of a high risk species.</li></ul></li></ul>

**For development on land to which property development plan applies**

2	<p>Development that is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) assessable development prescribed under section 232(1) that is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) building work in a declared fish habitat area; or</li> <li>(ii) a material change of use of premises for an environmentally relevant activity or aquaculture; or</li> <li>(iii) a material change of use of premises in a wild river area if the proposed use is for agricultural activities or animal husbandry activities; or</li> <li>(iv) operational work that is the clearing of native vegetation; or</li> <li>(v) operational work that is or allows the taking of, or interfering with, water; or</li> <li>(vi) operational work that is tidal works; or</li> <li>(vii) operational work that is completely or partly within a coastal management district or a declared fish habitat area; or</li> <li>(viii) operational work that is the constructing or raising of a waterway barrier works; or</li> <li>(ix) operational work that is the removal, destruction or damage of a marine plant; or</li> <li>(x) operational work for agricultural activities or animal husbandry activities in a wild river area; or</li> <li>(xi) the removal of quarry material from a watercourse or lake as defined under the <i>Water Act 2000</i>, if an allocation notice is required under that Act; or</li> <li>(xii) an environmentally relevant activity, other than a mining activity or a chapter 5A activity, for which a code of environmental compliance has been approved or made under a regulation under the Environmental Protection Act, carried out in a wild river area; and</li> </ul> </li> <li>(b) on land to which a property development plan under the <i>Wild Rivers Act 2005</i> applies; and</li> <li>(c) inconsistent with the property development plan.</li> </ul>
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<b>For clearing native vegetation</b>	
3	<p>Assessable development prescribed under section 232(1) that—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) is operational work that is the clearing of native vegetation; and</li> <li>(b) is not for a relevant purpose under the Vegetation Management Act, section 22A.</li> </ul>
<b>For tidal work or work within a coastal management district in a wild river area</b>	
4	<p>Assessable development prescribed under section 232(1) that—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) is in a wild river area; and</li> <li>(b) is operational work for tidal works or works completely or partly within a coastal management district, other than operational work for specified works.</li> </ul>
<b>For a brothel</b>	
5	<p>Development that is a material change of use for a brothel if—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) more than 5 rooms in the proposed brothel are to be used for providing prostitution; or</li> <li>(b) any land the subject of the development— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) is in, or within 200m of the closest point on any boundary of, a primarily residential area or an area approved for residential development or intended to be residential in character; or</li> <li>(ii) is within 200m of the closest point on any boundary of land on which there is a residential building, place of worship, hospital, school, kindergarten, or any other facility or place regularly frequented by children for recreational or cultural activities; <p>measured according to the shortest route a person may reasonably and lawfully take, by vehicle or on foot, between the land the subject of the development and the other land; or</p> </li> </ul> </li> <li>(c) any land the subject of the development is within 100m of the closest point on any boundary of land on which there is a residential building, place of worship, hospital, school, kindergarten, or any other facility or place regularly frequented by children for recreational or cultural activities, measured in a straight line; or</li> <li>(d) for land the subject of the development that is in a town with a population of less than 25000— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the local government for the local government area has required that all material changes of use for such development within the area be prohibited; and</li> <li>(ii) the Minister has agreed that the development should be prohibited.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>Aquaculture, or constructing or raising waterway barrier works, in wild river high preservation area</b>	
6	<p>The following assessable development prescribed under section 232(1), to the extent it is development in a wild river high preservation area—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a material change of use of premises for aquaculture;</li> <li>(b) operational work that is the constructing or raising of a waterway barrier works.</li> </ul>
<b>For removal, destruction or damage of marine plants in a wild river area</b>	
7	<p>Operational work that is assessable development prescribed under section 232(1) and the removal, destruction or damage of a marine plant, to the extent it involves operational work in a wild river area, other than operational work—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) for specified works in the area; or</li> <li>(b) that is a necessary and unavoidable part of installing or maintaining works or infrastructure required to support other development for which a development permit or compliance permit is not required or, if a development application or a request for compliance assessment is required, the permit is held or has been applied for.</li> </ul>
<b>For declared fish habitat area in wild river high preservation area</b>	
8	<p>The following assessable development prescribed under section 232(1), to the extent it is development in a wild river high preservation area, other than development for specified works—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) building work in a declared fish habitat area;</li> <li>(b) operational work completely or partly within a declared fish habitat area.</li> </ul>
<b>For an environmentally relevant activity in a wild river area</b>	
9	<p>Development that is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) an environmentally relevant activity, or a material change of use of premises for an environmentally relevant activity; and</li> <li>(b) assessable development prescribed under section 232(1);</li> </ul> <p>to the extent it involves development in waters in a wild river area that is for an extraction ERA, other than if the development application is accompanied by an allocation notice.</p>

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10	<p>Development that is assessable development prescribed under section 232(1) and an environmentally relevant activity, or a material change of use of premises for an environmentally relevant activity, to the extent it involves development in a wild river high preservation area, other than for the following—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a sewage ERA as defined under the Environmental Protection Act, section 73AA(4);</li> <li>(b) a water treatment ERA as defined under the Environmental Protection Act, section 73AA(4);</li> <li>(c) a dredging ERA;</li> <li>(d) an extraction ERA, if the activity is a low impact activity carried out outside waters and is for specified works, or residential complexes, in the area;</li> <li>(e) a screening ERA, if the activity is carried out outside waters and is for specified works, or residential complexes, in the area;</li> <li>(f) a crude oil or petroleum product storage ERA, if the activity is for residential complexes in the area and is carried out outside a designated urban area;</li> <li>(g) an exempt environmentally relevant activity, as defined under the Environmental Protection Act, section 73AA(4), in a designated urban area.</li> </ul>
<p><b>For an environmentally relevant activity in a floodplain management area</b></p>	
11	<p>Development that is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) assessable development prescribed under section 232(1); and</li> <li>(b) an environmentally relevant activity, or a material change of use of premises for an environmentally relevant activity that is an extraction ERA, in a wild river floodplain management area, other than an environmentally relevant activity that is—             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a low impact activity carried out outside waters; and</li> <li>(ii) for specified works, or residential complexes, in the area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

For taking or interfering with water	
12	<p>Development that is operational work that is or allows the taking of, or interfering with, water under the <i>Water Act 2000</i> and is assessable development prescribed under section 232(1), to the extent the development is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) operational work in a wild river high preservation area that interferes with the flow of water in a watercourse, lake or spring, as defined under the <i>Water Act 2000</i>, in the wild river high preservation area; or</li> <li>(b) operational work in a wild river preservation area that interferes with the flow of water in a nominated waterway, as defined under the <i>Wild Rivers Act 2005</i>, and is not a dam or weir, as defined under the <i>Water Act 2000</i>; or</li> <li>(c) operational work in a wild river high preservation area that takes overland flow water, other than works stated in a wild river declaration for the area to be assessable development for which a development application may be made; or</li> <li>(d) operational work that interferes with overland flow water in a wild river floodplain management area, if the operations are declared under the <i>Water Act 2000</i> or the wild river declaration for the area to be assessable development, other than operational work— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) for specified works in the area; or</li> <li>(ii) stated in the wild river declaration for the area to be assessable development for which a development application may be made.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Schedule 3 Dictionary

### section 6

***acknowledgement notice*** see section 267(2).

***acknowledgement period*** see section 267(3).

***Acquisition Act*** means the *Acquisition of Land Act 1967*.

***acquisition land*** means land—

- (a) proposed to be taken or acquired under the Acquisition Act or the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*; and
- (b) in relation to which a notice of intention to resume under the Acquisition Act has been served, and the proposed taking or acquisition has not been discontinued; and
- (c) that has not been taken or acquired.

***action notice*** see section 405(5).

***administering authority*** see the Environmental Protection Act, schedule 4.

***administrative amendment***, of a State planning instrument, means an amendment correcting or changing—

- (a) an explanatory matter about the instrument; or
- (b) the format or presentation of the instrument; or
- (c) a spelling, grammatical or mapping error in the instrument; or
- (d) a factual matter incorrectly stated in the instrument; or
- (e) a redundant or outdated term in the instrument; or
- (f) inconsistent numbering of provisions in the instrument; or
- (g) a cross-reference in the instrument.

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***advice agency***, for a development application, see section 250.

***advice agency's response*** see section 291(2).

***agency's referral day***, for a referral agency, means—

- (a) if the functions of the agency in relation to the application have not been lawfully devolved or delegated to the assessment manager—the day the agency receives the referral agency material; or
- (b) if the agency is a concurrence agency and the functions of the agency in relation to the application have been lawfully devolved or delegated to the assessment manager—
  - (i) if the applicant has paid the fee mentioned in section 272(1)(c) to the assessment manager before the day the acknowledgement notice is given—the day the acknowledgement notice is given; or
  - (ii) if the applicant has not paid the fee mentioned in section 272(1)(c) to the assessment manager before the day the acknowledgement notice is given—the day the fee is paid.

***agricultural activities*** see the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*, schedule.

***allocation notice***, for schedule 1, item 9, means an allocation notice given under—

- (a) the *Water Act 2000*, section 283; or
- (b) the *Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995*, section 76, before 2 December 2005.

***animal husbandry activities*** see the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*, schedule.

***appellant*** means a person who appeals to the court or a building and development committee under chapter 7.

***applicable code***, for development, means a code, including a concurrence agency code, that can reasonably be identified as applying to the development.

***applicant***—

- (a) for chapter 4, means the applicant for a master plan application; or
- (b) for chapter 6, means the applicant for a development application; or
- (c) for a development application mentioned in chapter 7, includes the person in whom the benefit of the application vests.

***applicant's appeal period***, for an appeal—

- (a) by an appellant to the court, for a development application—see section 461(2); or
- (b) by an appellant to the court, for a master plan application—see section 471(2); or
- (c) by an appellant to a building and development committee, for an appeal under section 519—see section 519(4); or
- (d) by an appellant to a building and development committee, for an appeal under section 522—see section 522(4); or
- (e) by an appellant to a building and development committee, for an appeal under section 527—see section 527(2).

***application***, for chapter 6, means a development application.

***appropriately qualified***, for the performance of a function or exercise of a power under this Act, includes having the qualifications, experience or standing appropriate to perform the function or exercise the power.

*Example of standing*—

a person's classification level in the public service

***approved form*** means a form approved by the chief executive under section 762.

***aquacultural ERA*** means an environmentally relevant activity, prescribed under a regulation for this definition, relating to aquaculture.

*aquaculture* see the Fisheries Act, schedule.

*assessable development*—

- 1 Generally, *assessable development* means development prescribed under section 232(1)(c) to be assessable development.
- 2 The term also includes development declared under a State planning regulatory provision to be assessable development.
- 3 For a planning scheme area, the term also includes other development not prescribed under a regulation to be assessable development, but declared to be assessable development under any of the following that applies to the area—
  - (a) the planning scheme for the area;
  - (b) a temporary local planning instrument;
  - (c) a master plan for a declared master planned area;
  - (d) a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies.

*assessing authority* means—

- (a) for development under a development permit other than development to which paragraph (c) applies—the assessment manager giving the permit or any concurrence agency for the application, each for the matters within their respective jurisdictions; or
- (b) for assessable development not covered by a development permit—an entity that would have been the assessment manager or a concurrence agency for the permit if a development application had been made, each for the matters that would have been within their respective jurisdictions; or
- (c) for assessable development for which a private certifier (class A) is, under the Building Act, chapter 6, engaged to perform private certifying functions under that Act—the private certifier or the local government; or

- (d) for self-assessable development other than building or plumbing work—the local government or the entity responsible for administering the code for the development; or
- (e) for building or plumbing work carried out by or for a public sector entity—the chief executive, however described, of the entity; or
- (f) for development to which a State planning regulatory provision applies—the chief executive; or
- (g) for development under a compliance permit—
  - (i) if the compliance assessor giving the permit for the development is a local government or a public sector entity—the compliance assessor; or
  - (ii) if the compliance assessor giving the permit for the development is a nominated entity of a local government—the local government; or
- (h) for development requiring compliance assessment for which there is no compliance permit—
  - (i) if the entity that would have been the compliance assessor is a local government or a public sector entity—the local government or public sector entity; or
  - (ii) if the entity that would have been the compliance assessor is a nominated entity of a local government—the local government; or
- (i) for a document or work to which a compliance certificate applies—
  - (i) if the compliance assessor giving the certificate is a local government or a public sector entity—the compliance assessor; or
  - (ii) if the compliance assessor giving the certificate is a nominated entity of a local government—the local government; or

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- (j) for a document or work requiring compliance assessment for which there is no compliance certificate—
- (i) if the entity that would have been the compliance assessor is a local government or a public sector entity—the local government or public sector entity; or
  - (ii) if the entity that would have been the compliance assessor is a nominated entity of a local government—the local government; or
- (k) for any other matter—the local government.

**assessment and decision provisions**, for chapter 6, part 11, division 2, see section 423.

**assessment manager** see section 246(1).

**available for inspection and purchase** see section 723(1).

**BCA** means Building Code of Australia.

**brothel** see the *Prostitution Act 1999*, schedule 4.

**building** means a fixed structure that is wholly or partly enclosed by walls and is roofed, and includes a floating building and any part of a building.

**Building Act** means the *Building Act 1975*.

**building and development committee** means a building and development dispute resolution committee established under section 502.

**building assessment provisions** see the Building Act, section 30.

**building certifier**—

- 1 A *building certifier* is an individual who, under the Building Act, is licensed as a building certifier.
- 2 A reference to a building certifier includes a reference to a private certifier.

***Building Code of Australia***—

- 1 The *Building Code of Australia* is the edition, current at the relevant time, of the Building Code of Australia (including the Queensland Appendix) published by the body known as the Australian Building Codes Board.
- 2 A reference to the code includes the edition as amended from time to time by amendments published by the board.

***building development application*** means a development application to the extent it is for building work.

***building work*** see section 10.

***business day*** does not include a day between 26 December of a year and 1 January of the following year.

***certificate of classification*** see the Building Act, schedule 2.

***certified copy***, of a document, means—

- (a) for a document held by a local government—a copy of the document certified by the chief executive officer of the local government as a true copy of the document; or
- (b) for a document held by an assessment manager—a copy of the document certified by the assessment manager or the chief executive officer of the assessment manager as a true copy of the document; or
- (c) for a document held by a referral agency—a copy of the document certified by the chief executive officer of the referral agency as a true copy of the document; or
- (d) for a document held by a compliance assessor—a copy of the document certified by the compliance assessor or the chief executive officer of the compliance assessor as a true copy of the document; or
- (e) for a document held by the department—a copy of the document certified by the chief executive of the department as a true copy of the document; or
- (f) for a document held by the Minister—a copy of the document certified by the chief executive of any

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department the Minister has responsibility for as a true copy of the document.

**chapter 5A activity** see the Environmental Protection Act, section 309A(2).

**charge rate**, in relation to trunk infrastructure, means the amount, expressed in dollars, for each unit of demand for the infrastructure.

**chief executive (environment)** means the chief executive of the department in which the Environmental Protection Act is administered.

**chief executive (fisheries)** means the chief executive of the department in which the Fisheries Act is administered.

**clear**, for vegetation—

- (a) means remove, cut down, ringbark, push over, poison or destroy in any way including by burning, flooding or draining; but
- (b) does not include destroying standing vegetation by stock, or lopping a tree.

**coastal management district** means a coastal management district under the *Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995*, other than an area declared as a coastal management district under section 54(2) of that Act.

**code** means a document or part of a document identified as a code—

- (a) in a planning instrument; or
- (b) for IDAS under this or another Act; or
- (c) in a master plan for a declared master planned area; or
- (d) in a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies.

**code assessment** means the assessment of development by the assessment manager under section 313.

**commencement**, for chapter 10, part 2, see section 765.

**common material**, for a development application, means—

- (a) all the material about the application the assessment manager has received in the first 3 stages of IDAS, including—
  - (i) any concurrence agency requirements, advice agency recommendations and contents of submissions that have been accepted by the assessment manager; and
  - (ii) any advice or comment about the application received under section 256; and
- (b) if a development approval for the development has not lapsed—the approval; and
- (c) an infrastructure agreement applicable to the land the subject of the application.

***Commonwealth Environment Act*** means the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cwlth).

***community infrastructure*** means community infrastructure prescribed under a regulation for section 200.

***compliance assessment*** means assessment of development, a document or work for compliance with a matter or thing mentioned in section 403.

***compliance assessor*** see sections 397(3)(b) and 398(2)(b).

***compliance certificate*** see section 395.

***compliance permit*** see section 394.

***concurrence agency***, for a development application, see section 251.

***concurrence agency code***, for a concurrence agency, means a code, or part of a code, the concurrence agency is required under this or another Act to assess a development application against.

***concurrence agency condition***, for a development approval, means a condition imposed on the approval by a concurrence agency.

***concurrence agency's response*** see sections 285(2) and 290(1)(a).

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***consolidated planning scheme*** means a document that accurately combines a local government's planning scheme, as originally made, with all amendments made to the planning scheme since the planning scheme was originally made.

***consultation period***—

- (a) for making a State planning instrument—see section 60(2)(e); or
- (b) for amending a State planning instrument—means the consultation period under section 60(2)(e) as applied under section 70; or
- (c) for making or amending a planning scheme or planning scheme policy, other than an amendment to include a structure plan—see section 118(1)(b); or
- (d) for making a structure plan for a declared master planned area—see section 146(b); or
- (e) for a master plan application—see section 167(1)(f); or
- (f) for making a ministerial designation of land—means the period for the making of submissions stated in any notice given under section 207(4).

***convicted*** includes being found guilty, and the acceptance of a plea of guilty, by a court, whether or not a conviction is recorded.

***coordinating agency***—

- (a) for a structure plan for a declared master planned area—means the entity identified as the coordinating agency in the master planned area declaration for the area; or
- (b) for a master plan application—means an entity identified as a coordinating agency in the structure plan for the relevant master planned area or an entity otherwise identified by the Minister as a coordinating agency.

***coordinating agency assessment period*** see section 176.

***coordinating agency conditions***, for a master plan application or a master plan, see section 178(2)(b).

**core matters**, for the preparation of a planning scheme, see section 89.

**court** means the Planning and Environment Court continued in existence under section 435.

**crude oil or petroleum product storage ERA** means an environmentally relevant activity, prescribed under a regulation for this definition, relating to storing crude oil or petroleum product.

**decision-making period** see section 318.

**decision notice** see section 334(1).

**declared fish habitat area** see the Fisheries Act, schedule.

**declared master planned area** see section 132(4).

**deemed approval** means an approval taken to have been given under section 331.

**deemed approval notice** see section 331(1).

**deemed refusal**, for a proceeding under chapter 7, part 1 or 2, means a refusal that is taken to have happened if a decision is not made—

- (a) for a development application, other than an application to which chapter 6, part 5, division 3, subdivision 4 applies—by the end of the decision-making period, including any extension of the decision-making period; and
- (b) for a request to make a change to a development approval or for a request to extend a period mentioned in section 341—within the time allowed under this Act for the decision to be made; and
- (c) for a request made by a person under section 222 or for a claim for compensation under chapter 9, part 3—within the time allowed under this Act for the decision to be made; and
- (d) for a master plan application—by the end of the period under section 179 for deciding the application; and

- (e) for a request under section 98(2)—within the time allowed under this Act for the decision to be made.

***designate*** means identify for community infrastructure.

***designated land*** means land designated under chapter 5.

***designated region*** see section 22(1).

***designated urban area*** see the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*, schedule.

***designation cessation day*** see section 214(1).

***designator***, in relation to land, means the Minister or local government who designated the land under chapter 5.

***desired standard of service***, for a network of development infrastructure, means the standard of performance stated in the priority infrastructure plan.

***destroy***, for vegetation, includes destroy it by burning, flooding or draining.

***development*** see section 7.

***development application*** means an application for a development approval.

***development application (distributor-retailer)***, for chapter 9, part 7A, see section 755A.

***development application (superseded planning scheme)*** means a development application for development to which a superseded planning scheme applies because under chapter 3, part 2, division 5 the assessment manager for the development has agreed, or is taken to have agreed, to a request made under that part for the development.

***development approval*** means—

- (a) a decision notice or a negotiated decision notice that—
- (i) approves, wholly or partially, development applied for in a development application (whether or not the approval has conditions attached to it); and
  - (ii) is in the form of a preliminary approval, a development permit or an approval combining both

a preliminary approval and a development permit in the one approval; or

- (b) a deemed approval, including any conditions applying to it.

***development infrastructure*** means—

- (a) land or works, or both land and works, for—
- (i) urban and rural residential water cycle management infrastructure, including infrastructure for water supply, sewerage, collecting water, treating water, stream managing, disposing of waters and flood mitigation, but not urban and rural residential water cycle management infrastructure that is State infrastructure; or
  - (ii) transport infrastructure, including roads, vehicle lay-bys, traffic control devices, dedicated public transport corridors, public parking facilities predominantly serving a local area, cycle ways, pathways, ferry terminals and the local function, but not any other function, of State-controlled roads; or

*Note—*

The chief executive administering the Transport Infrastructure Act may make guidelines, including guidelines defining the local function of State-controlled roads.

- (iii) public parks infrastructure supplied by a local government, including playground equipment, playing fields, courts and picnic facilities; or
- (b) land, and works that ensure the land is suitable for development, for local community facilities, including, for example—
- (i) community halls or centres; or
  - (ii) public recreation centres; or
  - (iii) public libraries.

***development offence*** means an offence against section 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582 or 583.

***development permit*** see section 243.

***distributor-retailer*** see section 755A.

***draft EIS*** means a draft EIS for section 693.

***draft terms of reference***, for an EIS, means a document prepared by the chief executive under section 691(2).

***drainage work*** see the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002*, schedule.

***dredging ERA*** means an environmentally relevant activity, prescribed under a regulation for this definition, relating to dredging material.

***ecological sustainability*** see section 8.

***e-IDAS*** see section 262(2).

***EIS*** means a document the chief executive is satisfied—

- (a) addresses the terms of reference; and
- (b) without limiting paragraph (a)—
  - (i) describes the development in sufficient detail to establish its likely environmental effects; and
  - (ii) identifies the likely beneficial and adverse environmental effects of the development; and
  - (iii) states the ways any adverse environmental effects may be mitigated; and
  - (iv) has been prepared using current information, and methodologies that represent best environmental practice.

***EIS assessment report*** see section 697.

***EIS process*** means the process mentioned in chapter 9, part 2.

***eligible Minister***, for chapter 2, means a Minister, other than the Minister administering this Act or the regional planning Minister.

***enforcement notice*** see section 590(1).

***enforcement order*** see section 601(1)(a).

***entity*** includes a department.

***environment*** includes—

- (a) ecosystems and their constituent parts including people and communities; and
- (b) all natural and physical resources; and
- (c) the qualities and characteristics of locations, places and areas, however large or small, that contribute to their biological diversity and integrity, intrinsic or attributed scientific value or interest, amenity, harmony, and sense of community; and
- (d) the social, economic, aesthetic and cultural conditions affecting the matters in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) or affected by the matters.

***environmentally relevant activity*** see the Environmental Protection Act, section 18.

***environmental management plan***, for development to which the EIS process applies, means a document prepared by the proponent that proposes conditions and mechanisms to manage the potential environmental impacts of the development.

***environmental nuisance*** see the Environmental Protection Act, section 15.

***Environmental Protection Act*** means the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.

***establishment cost***, in relation to a trunk infrastructure network, means—

- (a) the cost of preparing an infrastructure charges schedule, including the desired standards of service and plans for trunk infrastructure used to calculate the charges stated in the infrastructure charges schedule; and
- (b) on-going administration costs for the infrastructure charges schedule for the infrastructure; and

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- (c) for future infrastructure—all costs for the design, financing and construction of the infrastructure and for land acquisition for the infrastructure; and
  - (d) for existing infrastructure—
    - (i) the residual financing cost of the existing infrastructure; and
    - (ii) the cost of reconstructing the same works using contemporary materials, techniques and technologies; and
    - (iii) if the land acquisition for the infrastructure was completed after 1 January 1990—the value of the land at the time it was acquired, adjusted for inflation.

***executive officer***, of a corporation, means a person who is concerned with or takes part in its management, whether or not the person is a director or the person's position is given the name of executive officer.

***exempt development*** is development other than self-assessable development, development requiring compliance assessment, assessable development or prohibited development.

***existing***, in relation to a regional planning advisory committee or regional coordination committee under repealed IPA for chapter 10, part 2, see section 765.

***existing application***, for chapter 10, part 2, see section 765.

***existing planning scheme***, for chapter 10, part 2, see section 765.

***existing planning scheme policy***, for chapter 10, part 2, see section 765.

***existing structure plan***, for chapter 10, part 2, see section 765.

***existing temporary local planning instrument***, for chapter 10, part 2, see section 765.

***extraction ERA*** means an environmentally relevant activity, prescribed under a regulation for this definition, relating to extracting rock or other material.

***Fisheries Act*** means the *Fisheries Act 1994*.

***forest practice***—

- 1 *Forest practice* means planting trees, or managing, felling and removing standing trees, on freehold land or indigenous land, for an ongoing forestry business in a—
  - (a) plantation; or
  - (b) native forest, if, in the native forest—
    - (i) all the activities are conducted in a way that is consistent with the native forest practice code; or
    - (ii) if the native forest practice code does not apply to the activities, all the activities are conducted in a way that—
      - (A) ensures restoration of a similar type, and to the extent, of the removed trees; and
      - (B) ensures trees are only felled for the purpose of being sawn into timber or processed into another value added product (other than woodchips for an export market); and
      - (C) does not cause land degradation as defined under the Vegetation Management Act.
- 2 The term includes carrying out limited associated work, including, for example, drainage, construction and maintenance of roads or vehicular tracks, and other necessary engineering works.
- 3 The term does not include clearing native vegetation for the initial establishment of a plantation.

***former***, for a provision mentioned in chapter 10, part 2, division 11, see section 864.

***freehold land*** includes land in a freeholding lease under the *Land Act 1994*.

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**grounds**, for sections 326(1)(b) and 329(1)(b)—

- 1 *Grounds* means matters of public interest.
- 2 *Grounds* does not include the personal circumstances of an applicant, owner or interested party.

**high risk species** see the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*, schedule.

**high-water mark** means the ordinary high-water mark at spring tides.

**IDAS** see section 230.

**impact assessment** means the assessment under section 314 of—

- (a) the environmental effects of proposed development; and
- (b) the ways of dealing with the effects.

**indigenous land** means land held under a following Act by, or on behalf of or for the benefit of, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander inhabitants or for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander purposes—

- (a) the *Local Government (Aboriginal Lands) Act 1978*;
- (b) the *Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders (Land Holding) Act 1985*;
- (c) the *Aboriginal Land Act 1991*;
- (d) the *Torres Strait Islander Land Act 1991*;
- (e) the *Land Act 1994*.

**industrial area**, for the definition *residential building*, means land, however described, that is designated in a planning instrument as industrial, or that is predominantly industrial in character, having regard to—

- (a) dominant land uses in the area; or
- (b) the relevant provisions of a planning instrument applying to the area.

*Examples of ways of describing industrial areas—*

- heavy industry
- commercial industry

- light industry
- service industry
- general industry
- waterfront industry

***information request*** see section 276(1).

***information request period*** see section 276(4) and (5).

***infrastructure*** includes land, facilities, services and works used for supporting economic activity and meeting environmental needs.

***infrastructure agreement*** see section 660.

***infrastructure charge*** see section 631(1)(b).

***infrastructure charges notice*** see section 633(1).

***infrastructure charges plan*** means an infrastructure charges plan under repealed IPA before the commencement of the *Integrated Planning and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2003*, part 2, division 3.

***infrastructure charges register*** see section 724(1)(s).

***infrastructure charges schedule*** means an infrastructure charges schedule under chapter 8, part 1, division 4.

***infrastructure provider***—

- (a) for an application, means a local government that is the assessment manager and—
  - (i) supplies trunk infrastructure for development; or
  - (ii) has an agreement with another entity that supplies trunk infrastructure to the local government area; and
- (b) for a request for compliance assessment, means a local government that is the compliance assessor for the request and—
  - (i) supplies trunk infrastructure for development; or
  - (ii) has an agreement with another entity that supplies trunk infrastructure to the local government area.

***interim enforcement order*** see section 601(1)(b).

***IPA planning scheme*** means a planning scheme made under repealed IPA, schedule 1.

***land*** includes—

- (a) any estate in, on, over or under land; and
- (b) the airspace above the surface of land and any estate in the airspace; and
- (c) the subsoil of land and any estate in the subsoil.

***last day for making comments*** see section 691(3)(e).

***last day for making submissions*** see section 694(1)(a)(iv).

***lawful use*** see section 9.

***local government***, for a provision of this Act about a master planned area, means the local government whose local government area includes the area.

***Local Government Act*** means the *Local Government Act 2009*.

***local government area*** means a part of the State established as a local government area under the Local Government Act.

***local government road*** has the same meaning as in the *Transport Planning and Coordination Act 1994*.

***local heritage place*** means a local heritage place under the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*.

***local infrastructure agreement*** means an infrastructure agreement entered into by a local government.

***local planning instrument*** means a planning scheme, temporary local planning instrument or planning scheme policy.

***lopping***, a tree, means cutting or pruning its branches, but does not include—

- (a) removing its trunk; and
- (b) cutting or pruning its branches so severely that it is likely to die.

**lot** see section 10(1).

**low impact activity** means a borrow pit of not more than 10000m<sup>3</sup>.

**making** a structure plan or master plan includes preparing it.

**marine plant** see the Fisheries Act, section 8.

**master plan** see section 151.

**master plan application** see section 159.

**master planned area** means an area identified under section 132 as a master planned area.

**master planned area declaration** see section 132(2)(c) and (3)(b).

**master planning unit**, for a master plan or proposed master plan, means the declared master planned area, or part of the declared master planned area, to which the master plan or proposed master plan applies.

**material change of use** see section 10(1).

**mining activity** see the Environmental Protection Act, section 147.

**Minister**—

- (a) in chapter 2, part 2 or 3, chapter 4 and chapter 6, part 11, means—
  - (i) generally—the Minister administering the part or chapter; or
  - (ii) for a matter the regional planning Minister is satisfied relates to chapter 2, part 2 or 3 or chapter 4—the regional planning Minister for the region; and
- (b) in chapter 2, part 4 or 5, means the Minister administering the part; and
- (c) in chapter 5—means any Minister; and
- (d) in chapter 6, part 11, division 2, includes the Minister administering the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*; and

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- (e) in any other provision of this Act, means the Minister administering the provision.

**minor amendment**, of a State planning instrument, means—

- (a) for a regional plan or a State planning regulatory provision made by the regional planning Minister—an amendment of the plan or provision, if the regional planning Minister is satisfied—
- (i) the amendment is made merely to reflect a part of another State planning instrument; and
  - (ii) adequate public consultation was carried out in relation to the making of the part; or
- (b) for a State planning instrument to which paragraph (a) does not apply—an amendment of the instrument, if the Minister is satisfied—
- (i) the amendment is made merely to reflect a part of another State planning instrument; and
  - (ii) adequate public consultation was carried out in relation to the making of the part; or
- (c) another amendment of a minor nature prescribed under a regulation.

**minor change**, in relation to a development application, see section 350.

**missed referral agency** see section 357(1).

**mobile and temporary environmentally relevant activity** see the Environmental Protection Act, schedule 4.

**native forest practice** means a forest practice other than in a plantation.

**native forest practice code** means the native forest practice code under the Vegetation Management Act, section 19O(1).

**native vegetation** means vegetation under the Vegetation Management Act.

**negotiated decision notice** see section 363(1).

***negotiated infrastructure charges notice*** see section 679(1)(a).

***negotiated notice***, for a master plan application, see section 185(3).

***negotiated regulated infrastructure charges notice*** see section 679(1)(b).

***negotiated regulated State infrastructure charges notice*** see section 679(1)(c).

***network***, for development infrastructure items, includes part of a network.

***non-trunk infrastructure*** means development infrastructure that is not trunk infrastructure.

***notification period***—

- (a) for a development application to which chapter 9, part 7 applies—see section 747; or
- (b) for another development application—see section 298.

***operational work*** see section 10(1).

***original application***, for chapter 6, part 8, division 2, see section 372(1)(a).

***original assessment manager*** see section 428.

***overland flow water*** see the *Water Act 2000*, schedule 4.

***owner***, of land, means the person for the time being entitled to receive the rent for the land or would be entitled to receive the rent for it if it were let to a tenant at a rent.

*Note*—

See the Transport Infrastructure Act, section 247, for when the chief executive of the department in which that Act is administered is taken to be the owner of particular rail corridor land or non-rail corridor land under that Act.

***participating agency***—

- (a) for a structure plan for a declared master planned area—means an entity identified as a participating agency in the master planned area declaration for the area; or

- (b) for a master plan application—means an entity identified as a participating agency in the structure plan for the relevant master planned area or an entity otherwise identified by the Minister as a participating agency.

***participating local government*** see section 755A.

***party***, for an appeal to the court or a building and development committee, means the appellant, the respondent, any co-respondent for the appeal and, if the Minister is represented in the appeal, the Minister.

***permissible change***, for a development approval, see section 367.

***person*** includes a body of persons, whether incorporated or unincorporated.

***planning instrument*** means a State planning regulatory provision, a designated region's regional plan, a State planning policy, the standard planning scheme provisions, a planning scheme, a temporary local planning instrument or a planning scheme policy.

***planning scheme*** see section 79.

***planning scheme area*** see section 82(1).

***planning scheme policy*** see section 108.

***plans for trunk infrastructure*** means the part of a priority infrastructure plan that identifies the trunk infrastructure network that exists or may be supplied to service future growth in the local government's area to meet the desired standard of service stated in the plan.

***plumbing work*** see the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002*, schedule.

***preliminary approval*** see section 241(1).

***premises*** means—

- (a) a building or other structure; or
- (b) land, whether or not a building or other structure is situated on the land.

***pre-request response notice*** see section 368(3).

***prescribed building*** means a building that is classified under the BCA as—

- (a) a class 1 building; or
- (b) a class 10 building, other than a class 10 building that is incidental or subordinate to the use, or proposed use, of a building classified under the BCA as a class 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 building.

***prescribed concurrence agency***, in relation to a development application to which chapter 9, part 7 applies, means either or both of the following persons if the person is a concurrence agency for the application—

- (a) the chief executive (environment);
- (b) the chief executive (fisheries).

***prescribed tidal work*** means work prescribed under a regulation for this definition under this or another Act.

***principal submitter***, for a properly made submission, means—

- (a) if a submission is made by 1 person—the person; or
- (b) if a submission is made by more than 1 person—the person identified as the principal submitter or if no person is identified as the principal submitter the submitter whose name first appears on the submission.

***priority infrastructure area***, for a local government—

- 1 ***Priority infrastructure area*** means the area—
  - (a) that is used, or approved for use, for any or all of the following—
    - (i) residential purposes, other than rural residential purposes;
    - (ii) retail and commercial purposes;
    - (iii) industrial purposes;

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- (iv) community and government purposes related to a purpose mentioned in subparagraphs (i) to (iii); and
  - (b) that will accommodate at least 10 years, but not more than 15 years, of growth for the purposes mentioned in paragraph (a).
- 2 *Priority infrastructure area* includes an area not mentioned in item 1 that—
- (a) the local government decides to include in the area; and
  - (b) is serviced by development infrastructure.

***priority infrastructure plan*** means the part of a planning scheme that—

- (a) identifies the priority infrastructure area; and
- (b) includes the plans for trunk infrastructure the local government intends to supply or for which infrastructure charges will be levied; and
- (c) identifies, if required by a supplier of State infrastructure with a relevant jurisdiction—
  - (i) a statement of intent for State-controlled roads; or
  - (ii) the roads implementation program under the Transport Infrastructure Act, section 11; and
- (d) states the assumptions about the type, scale, location and timing of future growth on which the plan is based; and
- (e) states the desired standard of service for each development infrastructure network identified in the plan; and
- (f) includes any infrastructure charges schedule.

***private certifier*** means a building certifier whose licence under the Building Act has private certification endorsement under that Act.

***private certifier (class A)*** means a private certifier whose licence under the Building Act has development approval endorsement under that Act.

***prohibited development***—

- 1 Generally, *prohibited development* means development mentioned in schedule 1.
- 2 The term also includes development declared under a State planning regulatory provision to be prohibited development.
- 3 For a planning scheme area, the term also includes development not mentioned in schedule 1, but stated or declared under any of the following for the area to be prohibited development—
  - (a) the planning scheme, including a structure plan;
  - (b) a temporary local planning instrument.

***properly made application***, for a development application, see section 261.

***properly made submission*** means a submission that—

- (a) is in writing and, unless the submission is made electronically under this Act, is signed by each person who made the submission; and
- (b) is received—
  - (i) if the submission is about a draft EIS or a designation—on or before the last day for making the submission; or
  - (ii) if the submission is about a development application—during the notification period; or
  - (iii) otherwise—during the consultation period; and
- (c) states the name and residential or business address of each person who made the submission; and
- (d) states the grounds of the submission and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds; and
- (e) is made—

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- (i) if the submission is about a proposed State planning regulatory provision or an amendment of a State planning regulatory provision being made by the regional planning Minister—to the regional planning Minister; or
  - (ii) if the submission is about a proposed State planning regulatory provision or an amendment of a State planning regulatory provision being made by the Minister—to the Minister; or
  - (iii) if the submission is about a proposed State planning regulatory provision or an amendment of a State planning regulatory provision being made jointly by the Minister and an eligible Minister—to the eligible Minister; or
  - (iv) if the submission is about a designated region's regional plan—to the regional planning Minister for the region; or
  - (v) if the submission is about a proposed State planning policy or an amendment of a State planning policy being made by the Minister—to the Minister; or
  - (vi) if the submission is about a proposed State planning policy or an amendment of a State planning policy being made jointly by the Minister and an eligible Minister—to the eligible Minister; or
  - (vii) if the submission is about the proposed standard planning scheme provisions or an amendment of the standard planning scheme provisions being made by the Minister—to the Minister; or
  - (viii) if the submission is about a ministerial designation—to the Minister; or
  - (ix) if the submission is about a proposed planning scheme or planning scheme policy or an amendment of a planning scheme or planning scheme policy—to the local government; or

- (x) if the submission is about a proposed planning scheme or an amendment of a planning scheme being carried out by the Minister or regional planning Minister—to the Minister or regional planning Minister; or
- (xi) if the submission is about a master plan application—to the local government; or
- (xii) if the submission is about a development application—to the assessment manager.

**proponent** means the person who proposes development to which chapter 9, part 2 applies.

**public housing**—

- (a) means housing—
  - (i) provided by or for the State or a statutory body representing the State; and
  - (ii) for short or long term residential use; and
  - (iii) that is totally or partly subsidised by the State or a statutory body representing the State; and
- (b) includes services provided for residents of the housing, if the services are totally or partly subsidised by the State or a statutory body representing the State.

**public office**, of a local government, means the premises kept as its public office under the Local Government Act.

**public sector entity**—

- 1 *Public sector entity* means—
  - (a) a department or part of a department; or
  - (b) an agency, authority, commission, corporation, instrumentality, office, or other entity, established under an Act for a public or State purpose.
- 2 *Public sector entity* includes a government owned corporation and a distributor-retailer under the SEQ Water Act.

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***public utility easement*** means an easement in favour of a public utility provider within the meaning of the *Land Title Act 1994*, section 81A.

***quarry material*** see the *Water Act 2000*, schedule 4.

***Queensland Competition Authority*** means the Queensland Competition Authority established under the *Queensland Competition Authority Act 1997*.

***Queensland Development Code*** means the version, current at the relevant time, of the document called, Queensland Development Code, published by the department in which the Building Act is administered.

***Queensland heritage place*** means a registered place under the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*.

***reconfiguring a lot*** see section 10(1).

***referral agency*** see section 252.

***referral agency material*** see section 272(1).

***referral agency's assessment period*** see section 283.

***referral agency's response*** means an advice agency's response or a concurrence agency's response.

***regional plan*** see section 23.

***regional planning committee*** means a regional planning committee established under section 31.

***regional planning Minister***, for a designated region, means the Minister administering chapter 2, part 2 or 3 or chapter 4, for the region.

***registered professional engineer*** means a registered professional engineer under the *Professional Engineers Act 2002* or a person registered as a professional engineer under an Act of another State.

***regulated infrastructure charge*** see section 642(1).

***regulated infrastructure charges notice*** see section 643(1).

***regulated infrastructure charges register*** see section 724(1)(t).

**regulated infrastructure charges schedule** see section 641(1).

**regulated State infrastructure charge** see section 668(1)(b).

**regulated State infrastructure charges notice** see section 669(1).

**regulated State infrastructure charges schedule** means a regulated State infrastructure charges schedule made under sections 667 and 668.

**relevant appeal period**, for chapter 8, part 4, see section 675.

**relevant area**, for a State planning regulatory provision, see section 20(1).

**relevant instrument**, for chapter 6, part 10, see section 397(5).

**repealed IPA** means the repealed *Integrated Planning Act 1997*.

**repealed LGP&E Act** means the repealed *Local Government (Planning and Environment) Act 1990*.

**request for information**, for a master plan application, see section 162(1).

**requesting authority** see section 278(1).

**residential building**, for schedule 1, item 5, means a building or part of a building used primarily for private residential use, other than a building or part of a building used only for a caretaker's residence on land in an industrial area.

**residential complex**—

1 A *residential complex* is land in a wild river area, including buildings and infrastructure on the land, that is used to accommodate fewer than the following—

- (i) 50 permanent residents;
- (ii) 200 temporary residents.

*Examples*—

homestead, out-station, resort complex

2 The term does not include land in a designated urban area.

**responsible entity**, for making a permissible change to a development approval, means the responsible entity under section 369 for making the change.

**road**—

- 1 *Road* means—
  - (a) an area of land dedicated to public use as a road; or
  - (b) an area that is open to or used by the public and is developed for, or has as 1 of its main uses, the driving or riding of motor vehicles; or
  - (c) a bridge, culvert, ferry, ford, tunnel or viaduct; or
  - (d) a pedestrian or bicycle path; or
  - (e) a part of an area, bridge, culvert, ferry, ford, tunnel, viaduct or path mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (d).
- 2 *Road* does not include—
  - (a) an area or thing that is busway land, busway transport infrastructure, light rail land or light rail transport infrastructure within the meaning of the Transport Infrastructure Act; and
  - (b) a public thorough easement under either or both of the following provisions, if the easement is in favour of the State—
    - (i) the *Land Act 1994*, chapter 6, part 4, division 8;
    - (ii) the *Land Title Act 1994*, part 6, division 4.

**road works** see the Transport Infrastructure Act, schedule 6.

**screening ERA** means an environmentally relevant activity, prescribed under a regulation for this definition, relating to screening, washing, crushing, grinding, milling, sizing or separating material extracted from earth or dredged.

**self-assessable development**—

- 1 Generally, *self-assessable development* means development prescribed under a regulation for section 232(1) to be self-assessable development.

- 2 The term also includes development declared under a State planning regulatory provision to be self-assessable development.
- 3 For a planning scheme area, the term also includes other development not prescribed under a regulation to be self-assessable development, but declared to be self-assessable development under any of the following that applies to the area—
  - (a) the planning scheme for the area;
  - (b) a temporary local planning instrument;
  - (c) a master plan for a declared master planned area;
  - (d) a preliminary approval to which section 242 applies.

***SEQ design and construction code***, for chapter 9, part 7A, see section 755A.

***SEQ infrastructure charges schedule***, for chapter 9, part 7A, see section 755A.

***SEQ region***, for chapter 10, part 2, division 11, see section 864.

***SEQ regional plan***, for chapter 10, part 2, division 11, see section 864.

***SEQ regional plan structure plan***, for chapter 10, part 2, division 11, see section 864.

***SEQ Water Act*** means the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009*.

***serious environmental harm*** see the Environmental Protection Act, section 17.

***show cause notice*** see section 588(2).

***specified works*** see the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*, section 48(2).

***stage*** of IDAS, means a stage of the IDAS process mentioned in section 257(1).

***standard conditions*** see section 332(1).

***standard planning scheme provisions*** see section 50.

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***State-controlled road*** see the Transport Infrastructure Act, schedule 6.

***State infrastructure*** means any of the following—

- (a) State schools infrastructure;
- (b) public transport infrastructure;
- (c) State-controlled roads infrastructure;
- (d) emergency services infrastructure;
- (e) health infrastructure, including hospitals and associated institutions infrastructure;
- (f) freight rail infrastructure;
- (g) State urban and rural residential water cycle management infrastructure, including infrastructure for water supply, sewerage, collecting water, treating water, stream managing, disposing of water and flood mitigation;
- (h) justice administration facilities, including court or police facilities.

***State infrastructure agreement*** means an infrastructure agreement entered into by a public sector entity other than a local government.

***State infrastructure provider*** means a concurrence agency that—

- (a) supplies, or contributes toward the cost of, State infrastructure; or
- (b) administers a regional plan for a designated region.

***State interest*** means—

- (a) an interest that the Minister considers affects an economic or environmental interest of the State or a part of the State, including sustainable development; or

*Example of an interest the Minister might consider for paragraph (a)—*

a tourism development involving broad economic benefits for the State or a part of the State

- (b) an interest that the Minister considers affects the interest of ensuring there is an efficient, effective and accountable planning and development assessment system.

**statement of intent**, for a State-controlled road, means a statement about the State-controlled road, including proposals for the provision of transport infrastructure included in the roads implementation program under the Transport Infrastructure Act, section 11.

**State planning instrument** means—

- (a) a State planning regulatory provision; or  
(b) a regional plan; or  
(c) a State planning policy; or  
(d) the standard planning scheme provisions.

**State planning policy** see section 40.

**State planning regulatory provision** see section 16.

**strategic port land** see the Transport Infrastructure Act, section 286(5).

**structure plan** see section 137.

**submitter**, for a development application, means a person who makes a properly made submission about the application.

**submitter's appeal period** see section 462(4).

**superseded planning scheme**, for a planning scheme area, means the planning scheme, or any related planning scheme policies, in force immediately before—

- (a) the planning scheme or policies, under which a development application is made, took effect; or  
(b) the amendment, creating the superseded planning scheme, took effect.

**temporary local planning instrument** see section 101.

**temporary State planning policy** see section 46(1) and (2).

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*terms of reference*, for an EIS, means the terms of reference prepared by the chief executive under section 692.

*tidal area*—

- 1 *Tidal area*, for a local government, means—
  - (a) to the extent both banks of a tidal river or estuarine delta are in the local government's area, the part of the river or delta below high-water mark that is—
    - (i) from the mouth of the river or delta as far up the river or delta as the spring tides ordinarily flow and reflow; and
    - (ii) adjacent to the local government's area; and
  - (b) to the extent 1 bank of a tidal river or estuarine delta is in the local government's area, the part of the river or delta between high-water mark and the middle of the river or delta that is—
    - (i) from the mouth of the river or delta as far up the river or delta as the spring tides ordinarily flow and reflow; and
    - (ii) adjacent to the local government's area; and
  - (c) if the boundary of the local government's area is the high-water mark or is seaward of the high-water mark—the area that is seaward and within 50m of the high-water mark.
- 2 *Tidal area*, for a local government, does not include a tidal area for strategic port land.
- 3 *Tidal area*, for strategic port land, means—
  - (a) to the extent both banks of a tidal river or estuarine delta are part of the strategic port land, the part of the river or delta below high-water mark that is—
    - (i) from the mouth of the river or delta as far up the river or delta as the spring tides ordinarily flow and reflow; and
    - (ii) adjacent to the strategic port land; and

- (b) to the extent 1 bank of a tidal river or estuarine delta is part of the strategic port land, the part of the river or delta between high-water mark and the middle of the river or delta that is—
  - (i) from the mouth of the river or delta as far up the river or delta as the spring tides ordinarily flow and reflow; and
  - (ii) adjacent to the strategic port land; and
- (c) if the boundary of the strategic port land is the high-water mark or is seaward of the high-water mark—the area that is seaward and within 50m of the high-water mark.

***tidal works*** see the *Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995*, schedule.

***Transport Infrastructure Act*** means the *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994*.

***trunk infrastructure*** means development infrastructure identified in a priority infrastructure plan as trunk infrastructure.

***use***, in relation to premises, includes any use incidental to and necessarily associated with the use of the premises.

***Vegetation Management Act*** means the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*.

***vehicle***, for schedule 1, item 5, includes any type of transport that moves on wheels but does not include a train or tram.

***water infrastructure***, for chapter 9, part 7A, see section 755A.

***water infrastructure facility*** means a measure, outcome, works or anything else that Queensland Water Infrastructure Pty Ltd ACN 119 634 427 is directed to carry out or achieve under—

- (a) the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*; or
- (b) the *Water Act 2000*.

***water service or wastewater service*** see section 755A.

***waterway barrier works*** see the Fisheries Act, schedule.

***wild river area*** see the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*, schedule.

***wild river declaration*** see the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*, schedule.

***wild river floodplain management area*** means a floodplain management area under the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*.

***wild river high preservation area*** means a high preservation area under the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*.

***wild river preservation area*** means a preservation area under the *Wild Rivers Act 2005*.

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### 3 Key

#### Key to abbreviations in list of legislation and annotations

Key	Explanation	Key	Explanation
AIA	= Acts Interpretation Act 1954	(prev)	= previously
amd	= amended	proc	= proclamation
amdt	= amendment	prov	= provision
ch	= chapter	pt	= part
def	= definition	pubd	= published
div	= division	R[X]	= Reprint No. [X]
exp	= expires/expired	RA	= Reprints Act 1992
gaz	= gazette	reloc	= relocated
hdg	= heading	renum	= renumbered
ins	= inserted	rep	= repealed
lap	= lapsed	(retro)	= retrospectively
notfd	= notified	rv	= revised edition
num	= numbered	s	= section
o in c	= order in council	sch	= schedule
om	= omitted	sdiv	= subdivision
orig	= original	SIA	= Statutory Instruments Act 1992
p	= page	SIR	= Statutory Instruments Regulation 2002
para	= paragraph	SL	= subordinate legislation
prec	= preceding	sub	= substituted
pres	= present	unnum	= unnumbered
prev	= previous		

### 4 Table of reprints

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#### **Great Barrier Reef Protection Amendment Act 2009 No. 42 pts 1, 4**

date of assent 15 October 2009

ss 1–2 commenced on date of assent

remaining provisions commenced 1 January 2010 (2009 SL No. 273)

#### **Vegetation Management and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2009 No. 43 pts 1, 7**

date of assent 3 November 2009

commenced on date of assent (see s 2)

**Building and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2009 No. 51 ss 1, 2(3), pt 10**

date of assent 19 November 2009

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**Transport and Other Legislation Amendment Act (No. 2) 2010 No. 19 s 1, ch 2 pt 16**

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**South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2010 No. 20 ss 1, 2(1)(d), pt 8**

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