



13/006 Camping other than at a Caravan Park or Camping Ground

Objective

The objective of this policy is to provide guidance about the regulation of camping on land that is not a licensed caravan park or camping ground.

Content

1. *Application to camp at a location that is not a licensed caravan park or camping ground*

An application to camp on land that is not a licensed caravan park or camping ground shall be made in writing to the Town's Environmental Health department.

All applications shall be processed in accordance with the *Caravan Parks & Camping Grounds Regulations 1997*.

Camping on land other than a caravan park or camping ground must be conducted according to requirements of regulation 11 of the *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997*.

The proposed location shall be assessed for its suitability for camping in relation to access to services, safety and health.

Applications will only be considered on land that is zoned Rural, Rural Residential and Residential.

Applications for camping on land that is zoned Residential will only be considered if there is an existing dwelling on the lot or a building licence has been issued for construction of a dwelling or associated structure and the construction work has commenced.

2. *Requirements for temporary camping accommodation applications*

Temporary camping accommodation must:

- Contain laundry, kitchen, shower and toilet facilities and be contained within a caravan or other accommodation considered appropriate by the Manager Environmental Health and Community Safety;
- Be connected to a potable water source, reticulated mains power supply and an approved method of sewage, effluent and liquid waste disposal by the Manager Environmental Health and Community Safety; and
- Ensure that any pet animals are restrained within the property and do not cause a public nuisance.

All applications are to be processed and assessed by the Town's Environmental Health department to ensure that minimum structural and hygiene requirements are able to be achieved and maintained.

The land used for camping must be deemed suitable and maintained so as to not create a hazard to health.

### 3. Licence requirements

A licence to camp on land that is not a licensed caravan park or camping ground is to be temporary only. Temporary licences may be granted for temporary camping accommodation for a period of no longer than 3 months in any period of 12 consecutive months.

Not more than one caravan is permitted to be used to camp at an undesignated location at one time, unless otherwise approved by the CEO.

If a building licence has been issued for a dwelling on a lot and construction has commenced, approval for temporary accommodation on the same lot may be granted for an initial period of 6 months. The approval period may be extended to a maximum period of 12 consecutive months.

## Definitions

Nil.

Relevant legislation	<i>Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995</i> <i>Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997</i>
Delegated authority	See section 18 of the Town's Delegation Register
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Directorate	Regulatory Services

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