

Whitsunday Regional Council Subordinate Local Law (Amending) Whitsunday Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2025

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Short title

This subordinate local law may be cited as *Subordinate Local Law (Amending) Whitsunday Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2025*.

2 Commencement

This subordinate local law commences on the date notice of the making of the subordinate local law is published in the gazette.

3 Subordinate local law amended

This subordinate local law amends *Whitsunday Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2014*.

Part 2 Amendment of Whitsunday Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2014

1 Amendment of Schedule 19 (Operation of short-term accommodation)

(1) Schedule 19, section 2 (Activities that do not require approval under the authorising local law), 'No activities stated.' –

omit, insert –

An approval under the authorising local law is not required for the following activities:

- (a) Operation of Caretaker's accommodation;
- (b) Operation of a Home based business;

- (c) Operation of a Hotel;
 - (d) Operation of a Motel;
 - (e) Operation of Nature-based tourism;
 - (f) Operation of Non-resident workforce accommodation;
 - (g) Operation of a Resort complex;
 - (h) Operation of Rooming accommodation;
 - (i) Operation of Rural workers' accommodation; or
 - (j) Operation of a Tourist park.
- (2) Schedule 19, section 4(f) (Additional criteria for the granting of approval), '3(i)(vi)' –
omit, insert – 3(i)(viii).
- (3) Schedule 19, section 6 (Conditions that will ordinarily be imposed on approvals)
- (a) 1(g)(i) –
after 'arrival' insert (either in person or electronically).
 - (b) 1(g)(iv) –
omit (or organising a private security firm to attend) the premises within 30 minutes of receiving any complaint' insert –

to any complaint received as follows:
 - (A) by initially telephoning the occupant within 30 minutes of the complaint being received; and
 - (B) if a further instance of complaint is received, by visiting the premises or organising a security firm to visit the premises within 60 minutes of a further instance of complaint being received.

(C) emailing Council within 24 hours of each complaint with the reason and how it was attended to.

(c) 1(g)(v) –

omit`', insert`';.

(d) insert new 1(g)(vi) –

(vi) ensure any permit number allocated by the local government in an approval for the operation of short-term accommodation at the premises is stated in every online listing which invites the premises to be used for short-term accommodation.

(e) 1(h)(i), 'on any social media or' –

omit.

2 Amendment of Schedule 32 (Dictionary)

(1) Schedule 32, after definition of 'Blind sign' –

insert –

Budget Accommodation Building means a budget accommodation building as defined under the *Building Act 1975*.

(2) Schedule 32, after definition of 'Canopy sign' –

insert –

Caretaker's accommodation as defined by the Planning Scheme.

(3) Schedule 32, definition of 'Created awning sign' –

omit.

- (4) Schedule 32, after 'Construction advertisement' –

insert –

Created awning sign an advertising device positioned on the face, or aligned with the face of an awning where the shape interrupts the natural line of the awning.

- (5) Schedule 32, after 'Home activity advertisements' –

insert –

Home based business as defined by the Planning Scheme.

- (6) Schedule 32, after 'Home based business advertisements' –

insert –

Hotel as defined by the Planning Scheme.

Motel means a roadside hotel which provides accommodation for travellers in self-contained, serviced units, with parking for their vehicles.

Nature-based tourism as defined by the Planning Scheme.

Non-resident workforce accommodation as defined by the Planning Scheme.

- (7) Schedule 32, after 'Real estate advertisement' –

insert –

Resort complex as defined by the Planning Scheme.

Rooming accommodation as defined by the Planning Scheme and also includes a facility that provides accommodation for persons in a Budget Accommodation Building.

Rural workers' accommodation as defined by the Planning Scheme.

Sign written roof sign an advertising device painted or otherwise affixed to the roof cladding of a building.

- (9) Schedule 32, after definition of 'Structure sign' –

omit –

Sign written roof sign an advertising device painted or otherwise affixed to the roof cladding of a building.

- (10) Schedule 32, after definition of 'Three dimensional replica object or shaped sign' –

insert –

Tourist park as defined by the Planning Scheme.