

MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL

PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED AMENDED LOCAL LAWS

On 16 October 2024, Mareeba Shire Council (“Council”) resolved to propose to amend the following Local Laws and Subordinate Local Laws (“**Proposed Amended Local Laws**”):

1. *Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2018*;
2. *Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environmental Management) 2018*;
3. *Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2018*;
4. *Subordinate Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2018*;
5. *Subordinate Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) 2018*;
6. *Subordinate Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environmental Management) 2018*; and
7. *Subordinate Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2018*.

The general purpose of the proposed amendments are as follows:

1. To amend *Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2018* to:
 - (a) provide for directions to be given by an authorised person to a person in a local government controlled area or road that has contravened or is contravening a local law;
 - (b) create new offences for contravening a direction of an authorised person;
 - (c) make changes to the definitions, including definitions for prescribed activities and other clarifying amendments; and
 - (d) provide for a new prescribed activity for the establishment or occupation of temporary accommodation.
2. To amend *Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environmental Management) 2018* to:
 - (a) insert new requirements and offence provisions for the maintenance of premises; and
 - (b) insert a new definition for graffiti.
3. To amend *Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2018* to:
 - (a) to insert a new offence provision for complying with a verbal direction of an authorised person to cease undertaking a prohibited or restricted activity.
4. To amend *Subordinate Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2018* to:
 - (a) make changes to the categories of prescribed activities and categories that are non-transferrable;
 - (b) make changes to the definitions, including definitions for prescribed activities;
 - (c) make changes to the activities that are considered public place activities;
 - (d) provide for a new prescribed activity for the establishment or occupation of temporary accommodation; and
 - (e) provide for additional requirements for activities regarding human remains.
5. To amend *Subordinate Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) 2018* to:
 - (a) make changes to the provisions regarding the prohibition on keeping animals;
 - (b) provide for additional requirements regarding keeping and desexing of animals;

- (c) increase the minimum standards for keeping particular animals;
 - (d) provide for additional requirements regarding the proper enclosures for animals;
 - (e) amending the criteria for declared dangerous animals; and
 - (f) amending the definitions.
6. To amend *Subordinate Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environmental Management) 2018* to:
- (a) make changes to the provisions regarding declared community safety hazards; and
 - (b) provide for additional requirements regarding prohibited fires.
7. To amend *Subordinate Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2018* to:
- (a) make changes to the definitions, including definitions for camping and a designated camping area; and
 - (b) amend the activity of camping from a restricted activity to a prohibited activity, and to include requirements for camping in a designated camping area.

Public Consultation

Council invites the public to provide written submissions on the Amended Local Laws for the period commencing on **Friday, 18th October 2024** and ending on **Wednesday, 4th December 2024** (“**Consultation Period**”). Written submissions made by any person, either supporting or objecting to the Amended Local Laws, must state:

1. The grounds of the submission; and
2. The facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds.

Written submissions may be provided to Council in writing during the Consultation Period and may be delivered to Council:

- (a) by email to info@msc.qld.gov.au;
- (b) by post to PO Box 154, Mareeba Qld 4880; or
- (c) by hand-delivery to Council Chambers located at 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba.

Written submissions may only be considered if they are received by Council **before 5.00pm on Wednesday, 4th December 2024**. Submissions received after this time and date may not be considered by Council.

Copies of the Proposed Amended Local Laws are available for inspection at Council Chambers and on Council’s website.

For more information, please contact Coordinator Health and Local Laws on 1300 308 461 or email info@msc.qld.gov.au



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