

Schedule of Proposed Amendments

March 201

The following table provides details of the amendments proposed to Ballina Development Control Plan 2012 (DCP). The amendments relate to issues and ideas identified during the scheduled annual DCP review process. In the main the proposed amendments seek to provide greater clarity relating to Council requirements, correct minor errors and omissions. The proposed amendments also align the DCP with new planning provisions contained within State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008 – Sign Code, General Housing Code and the Rural Housing Code.

No.	DCP Reference	Existing Provision	Proposed Amendment	Reason	
1	Chapter 1 – Administration - 3.2.3 – Information to accompany development applications	Existing provisions do not contain digital docume requirements.	Incorporate new Digital requirements as specified on DA forms Digital Requirements	Clarifies new requirements for digital documentation.	
			Each plan and supporting document must be supplied in PDF format, no larger than 3MB in size and optimised for publishing to the web.		
			PDF files larger than 3MB should be broken up into logical parts and supplied as separate files.		
			Documents are to be supplied with a descriptive file name using the following naming conventions:		
			Plan Description - Elevation Plan, Site Plan, Floor Plan		
			Plan Number (including version) - 12345, 12345 v2 Report Mame (including version) - Statement of Environmental Effects Example - Traffic Management Report v2; Ground Floor Plan 12345		
2	Chapter 1 – Administration - 3.2.3 – Information to accompany development applications	Existing provisions do not contain digital documentation requirements.	Incorporate the following amendments to DA submission requirements: 1. Digital copies of plans and supporting documentation supplied on a single CD-ROM in accordance with Council's digital requirements (refer below) for all development applications and construction certificates. Council will accept the lodgement of a DA without a digital copy in certain circumstances.	Update requirements for submission of DA to reflect new digital requirement, Group name and process changes.	
			Note: Additional or updated information supplied after the submission of the initial application must also be accompanied by a CD-ROM.		
			Delete reference to 3 plans within clause 3.2.3(iii) and insert 2 plans. Delete reference to Regulatory Services Group in clause 3.2.3(iii) and insert instead Development and Environmental Health Group.		

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			Insert new subsection (viii) as follows: A completed 'Written Request to Vary a Development Standard' or 'Written Request to Vary a Development Control' form (if applicable)	
3	Chapter 1 – Administration - Appendix 2 - Dictionary	No current definition for deep soil zone.	Insert the following definition of deep soil zone within Appendix 2: Deep soil zone means that part of the site which is unbuilt upon and has a soil profile suitable for planting large trees.	Minimum deep soil zones requirements are specified in Chapter 6a - Commercial Development Ballina Town Centre. Chapter 6a contains various requirements for deep soil zones but does not define the term. Defining the term provides increased clarity.
4	Chapter 1 – Administration – Public Notification and Exhibition of Development Proposals - 3.2.4	Temporary uses referenced in relation to advertising of development proposals. No guidance provided as to what constitutes a temporary use.	The following Note is proposed to be inserted to provide guidance as to what type of uses constitute temporary use of land: Note: Temporary uses are uses permitted on land under the provisions of clause 2.8 of BLEP. They include uses that would otherwise be prohibited within the zone applicable to the land. Examples of temporary uses include markets, sporting and community events and the like.	Guidance is required in relation to the nature of uses that could be considered as temporary uses. In accordance with decisions of the Land and Environment Court uses that are held on a recurrent basis such as one day per month can be regarded as temporary uses. Clause 2.8 of BLEP permits temporary uses on land for maximum period of 52 days (whether or not consecutive days) in any period of 12 months.

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5	Chapter 2 – General and Environmental Considerations - Part 3 General Controls – 3.1 – Land Use Conflicts – 3.1.3	B Minimum Buffers and Land Use Conflict Risk Assessment – Non - specific Land Uses i. An application for a land use not specified in Table 2.1 is to be supported by a LUCRA where, in the opinion of Council, the location of the proposed use is of a scale and/or type that is likely to: Impact on the amenity or agricultural activity of adjoining land, or Affect the potential urban development of adjoining land where that land is currently zoned for urban purposes or is identified as a Strategic Urban Growth Area in the BLEP 2012 and in Council's adopted Growth Management Strategy.	Deletion of the word "urban" from the second dot point.	There may be instances where non urban land uses may trigger the need for a LUCRA.
6	Chapter 2 – General and Environmental Considerations – Coastal Hazards - 3.14.3 C	Area C, Lennox Head – Land between the Immediate Hazard Line and the Maximum 50 Year Hazard Line, between Byron Street and Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre. i. Development proposals for land between the identified Maximum 50 Year Hazard Line and the Immediate Hazard Line must be suitably designed by a suitably qualified structural engineer and have the ability to accommodate potential erosion and inundation hazards; ii. Building foundations must be designed to address the effect of the zone of reduced bearing capacity and minimum floor levels may apply where there is a threat of inundation. Design criteria for foundations are as follows: Building foundations are to comprise pilling supporting a suspended floor with a minimum clearance of 0.3 metres between ground level (existing) and the underside of the floor system, and be designed to support the building for the condition of removal of soil to RL 2.0 metres AHD including any lateral loadings imposed by a soil mass failure to this level; Piling referred to above is to be sufficient to fully support the proposed building and is to be designed and certified by a suitably qualified structural engineer; Plans, sections and elevations submitted must	Delete current Area C provisions and insert the provisions detailed in red below: Area C, Lennox Head – Land between the Immediate Hazard Line and the Maximum 50 Year Hazard Line, between Byron Street and Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre Development is permitted on land that is landward of an adopted interim planning line (22 metres landward of the designated immediate hazard line based on a 10 year planning period – refer to illustration in the Coastal Hazard Protection Map). Development is permitted on land that is seaward of an adopted interim planning line, subject to design by an appropriately qualified engineer to accommodate erosion and inundation potential. Foundations must address the effect of the zone of reduced bearing capacity and minimum floor levels may apply where there is the threat of inundation. The following design criteria is applicable: Building foundations are to comprise piling supporting a suspended floor with a minimum clearance of 0.3 metres between ground level (existing) and the underside of the floor system, and be designed to support the building for the condition of removal of soil to RL 2.0 metres AHD including any lateral loadings imposed by a soil mass failure to this level: Piling referred to above is to be sufficient to fully support the proposed building and is to be designed	The amendment seeks to correct an error whereby Area B provisions were applied to Area C. What is now proposed is to reintroduce the Area C provisions as contained in the previously applicable Ballina Shire Combined DCP 2006 with minor updating of references.

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		identify: Floor levels and ground level (existing) and ground level (finished); Top and bottom levels of foundations, footings or piles; and The requirements of (i) and (ii) do not apply to minor improvements and renovations or in relation to maintenance works.	and certified by a suitably qualified structural engineer; Plans, sections and elevations submitted must identify: Floor levels and ground level (existing) and ground level (finished); Top and bottom levels of foundations, footings or piles; and The requirements above do not apply to minor improvements and renovations, or in relation to maintenance work which are permitted on all land.	
7	Chapter 2- General and Environmental Considerations – 3.19.3 Development Controls – E – Car Parking Requirements	Car parking requirements for Food and Drink premises within Table 2.3 are specified as follows: Food and Drink 1 space per 3 seats or 15 per 100m² GFA whichever is the greater 15 per 100m² GFA whichever 15 pe	Align the car parking requirements for Food and Drink Premises located within commercial centres in the Shire, excluding Lennox Head Precinct A with those applicable in the Ballina Town Centre. Food and Drink Premises located within commercial centres • 1 space per 25 m2 of gross floor area at ground floor level. • 1 space per 40m2 gross floor area at the first floor level and above. • On site car parking is required to be accessible parking.	Car parking provisions applicable to Food and Drink premises (Restaurant and café type uses) are significantly higher in areas outside of the Ballina and Lennox Head commercial centres. The current car parking rates may act as a disincentive to restaurant uses establishing within existing commercial centres such as at Alstonville, Wollongbar and East Ballina. The proposed amendments would facilitate a change of use from a shop or office use to a restaurant or café use within existing commercial centres. Lennox Head Precinct A has not been included as special provisions already apply within this area.
8	Chapter 2- General and Environmental Considerations - 3,19.3 Development Controls - E - Car Parking Requirements	No existing provision address public –v- private use of car parking in relation to required car parking rates.	Insert an additional provision as indicated in red below. (ii) The car parking requirements specified in Table 2.3 are minimum requirements. All required spaces associated with commercial and industrial uses shall be made available for unrestricted public access and employee use. Where car parking spaces are proposed to be designated for private use then such spaces are required to be additional to the minimum specified requirements.	All parking spaces as required by set DCP rates, in commercial and industrial developments, must be available for unrestricted public access and employee use (clause 3.19.3Aii.) The proposed control reinforces this requirement.
9	Chapter 2 - General and Environmental	Form 5 contains the following note: Note: Approaches for the management of waste on site	Amend the note within Form 5 as indicated in red below: Note: Approaches for the management of waste on site	Form 5 was based on a form contained within the Blacktown City Waste DCP. This DCP did not

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	Considerations - Appendix A – Form 5	should address the relevant matters set out in Appendix C.	should make provision for the waste generation rates specified with Appendix B.	contain an Appendix C or its equivalent. Amending form 5 as proposed rectifies an error.
10	Chapter 3 – Urban Subdivisions – Section 3.2.3 Major Subdivision Control Elements – Element C – Vision, Content, Master Plan content	Concept Plans — designed to address the following elements: Local strategic planning framework Environmental attributes and characteristics of the land Relationship to surrounding land uses Spatial arrangement of land uses Type and form of residential development (or other urban land uses) Distribution and function of open space Movement networks and road hierarchy Landscaping and street treatments Staging and delivery of key infrastructure Provision for community infrastructure	Incorporate additional requirements related to the Distribution and function of open space element as indicated in red below: - Distribution and function of open space including consistency with the 2008 Ballina Open Space Study and relevant Contribution Plan or Voluntary Planning Agreement requirements.	Additional guidance is proposed related to matters of relevance when considering open space contained within proposed subdivision concept plans.
11	Chapter 3 – Urban Subdivisions – Section 3.2.3 Major Subdivision Control Elements – Element C – Vision, Content, Master Plan content	Minutes of the pre-lodgement consultation meeting will be provided to the proponent identifying the particular issues relevant to the proposed subdivision.	Replace the Note after point ii. In section 3.2.3 – Element C with the following Note: Note: A meeting with the Subdivision Panel may be requested by a proponent for a subdivision involving 10 or more lots. The panel will be chaired by the Manager of Development Services or representative and will include relevant engineering, strategic planning and environmental staff. The Subdivision Panel meeting is a mandatory consultation step in cases where a Subdivision Master Plan is proposed. Minutes of the Subdivision Panel meeting will be provided to the proponent identifying the particular issues relevant to the proposed subdivision.	Additional guidance is proposed in terms of the composition of the Subdivision Panel and when a meeting with the panel is required.

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No.	DCP Reference	Existing Provision		Proposed	Proposed Amendment	
No. 12	Chapter 4 – Residential and Tourist Development 3.1.1 - Application	3.1.1 Application Applies to: Location/s: Development Type/s:	Zones B1, B2, B3, B4, B6, R2 & R3 Residential accommodation and Tourist and visitor accommodation		ings from the General Controls Chapter 4.	Reason Development controls related to secondary dwellings, which are complying development, are located within the Affordable Rental Housing SEPP. These controls do not apply to Ballina Island and some other parts of the Shire which are affected by certain land based exclusions contained within the Codes SEPP. Class 1 and 2 acid sulfate soil affected areas are the most common land based exclusion which excludes secondary dwellings being considered as complying development within Ballina Shire.
				which indicates that the within State Environment Rental Housing) 2009 r complying development w dwellings which require cor State of the provision of the prov	after the table to section 3.1.1 development controls contained tal Planning Policy (Affordable relating to secondary dwelling ill also be applied to secondary	In cases where secondary dwellings cannot be considered as complying development the provisions of the DCP apply. The DCP provisions at times conflict with those contained within the Affordable Rental Housing SEPP. The proposed amendments will align the development controls applicable to affordable rental housing in the DCP with those specified in the SEPP. Floor Space Ratio will be the only control specified in the DCP which will be applied to secondary dwellings. In this case the FSR permitted by the BLEP and DCP is higher than otherwise permitted by the SEPP.

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13	Chapter 4 – Residential and Tourist Development 3.1.1 - Application	No existing provision addressing presence of residential related provisions in rural areas.	An additional note relating to the location of residential related controls within Chapter 7 - Rural Living and Activity is also proposed. This note will follow the note Note: Refer also to the controls contained within Chapter 7 - Rural Living and Activity which contains controls applicable to residential accommodation, and tourist and visitor accommodation within the RU1, RU2, E2, E3, W1 and W2 zones where permissible.	The insertion of the note will provide increased clarity and assist users to navigate to the DCP chapter which contains additional controls.
14	Chapter 4 – Residential and Tourist Development 3.1.3 - Element A – Building Height	No existing provision	Incorporate the following provisions after Control (iii): (iv) A third storey in the form of a loft only is permitted within residential development subject to a 8.5 metre maximum building height subject to compliance with the following: (a) No more than two rooms (for the purposes of a bedroom and/or study) and a bathroom plus an internal link to the storey below are to be contained within the loft space; and (b) Design must ensure that the loft does not have the external appearance of a storey. (c) The maximum roof pitch is not to exceed 35 degrees; and (d) Compliance with building envelop controls.	The definition of building height provides for the height to be measured from existing ground level to the highest point of the building (top of the roof). The 8.5 metre building height applicable within the RU2 and RU3 zones would enable in certain circumstances the incorporation of lofts within roof space. The proposed controls clarify that lofts are permitted and define the applicable controls.

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15	Chapter 4 – Residential and Tourist Development 3.1.3 - Element A – Building Height	No existing provision addressing architectural roof features.	Incorporate the following Note within Element A. Note: Architectural Roof Features which comply with the requirements specified within clause 5.6 of Ballina LEP 2012 are permitted to exceed the building heights specified on the Height of Buildings Map. Architectural roof features are decorative building elements not capable of being used as floor space. They must have minimal shadow impacts. The majority of the roof feature must be contained within the prescribed building height. Where an architectural roof feature is proposed that exceeds the otherwise permitted height it is recommended that the design be discussed with Council's Development Services staff.	Guidance is required as to the circumstances where a variation in building height may be permitted.
16	Chapter 4 – Residential and Tourist Development – 3.1.3 Element B – Floor Space Ratio	No existing provision addressing car parking with respect to floor space ratio.	Insert the following additional control within development controls: In the case of a dwelling house, dual occupancy or semi detached dwelling, which requires 2 car parking spaces, the maximum floor area excluded from the calculation of gross floor area is 44 square metres.	The definition of gross floor space, used to determine floor space ratio, excludes from the calculation of floor area the area occupied by car parking to meet any requirements of the consent authority (including access to that car parking). Guidance is required as to the maximum area that may be excluded from the gross floor space calculation.

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17	Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3 Element F - Development Fronting Laneways	iii.	Garages that are directly accessed from the lane shall have a minimum setback of 5.5m from the lane boundary in accordance with Figure 4.5, except as specified in (v).	Amend control iii. To reflect both the direct and indirect lane access requirements in terms of building setbacks as indicated in red below: iii. Garages that are accessed from the lane shall have a minimum setback of 5.5m for direct access or 3.5m for indirect access from the lane boundary in accordance with Figure 4.5, except as specified in (v).	Figure 4.5 provides two solutions one for direct lane access and the other for indirect lane access. The indirect lane access option (shown below) is not referenced within the controls. In the case of indirect access a minimum setback of 3.5 metres is allowed.
18	Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3 Element E – Building Lines	v.	Balconies may encroach beyond the specified building line provided that: The balcony is of cantilevered type construction, No walls or columns are erected below the balcony, No walls or rooves are erected above the balcony, and The balcony has a maximum projection of 1.8 metres.	Amend the control related to the maximum balcony encroachment of 1.8 metres so as to clarify that this concession is not additional to the 1.5 metre articulation zone concession contained within Element D – Articulation zone. The proposed amendment is detailed in red below: - The balcony has a maximum projection of 1.8 metres and is not located forward of the 1.5 metre articulation zone.	Concern has been raised that the permitted balcony encroachment within the building line may be interpreted as being permitted in front of the articulation zone. This was not intended by this control and therefore is now proposed to be clarified by the amendment.

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19	Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3 Element E – Building Lines	Residential accommodation and tourist and visitor accommodation buildings and all ancillary development on a lot must be setback behind the building line specified on the Building Line Map (except as specified in items (iii) or (iv) below).	will be considered: Insert the following advisory note to clarify the circumstances under which building line concessions Note: In cases where exceptional circumstances exist or site constraints dictate a merit –based assessment of the building line will be made. In such cases it must be able to be demonstrated that it would not be practical to maintain the nominated building line and that no adverse impacts on surrounding properties and or the streetscape will result. Concessions for open form construction such as pergolas and car ports are generally viewed more favourably than for enclosed	The proposed note clarifies the circumstances where building line concessions will be considered.
20	Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3 Element F - Development Fronting Laneways	vii. Adequate infrastructure servicing, including formalised vehicular access, waste collection and postal delivery, must be available to any lane where direct frontages are proposed, except where the requirements of (viii) are met.	Amend control vii. To incorporate a requirements for pedestrian access as indicated in red below: vii. Adequate infrastructure servicing, including formalised vehicular and pedestrian access, waste collection and postal delivery, must be available to any lane where direct frontages are proposed, except where the requirements of (viii) are met.	The incorporation of a requirement for pedestrian access reflects current practice that requires such access to be provided.
21	Chapter 4 -Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3 Element H – Vehicle Access and Parking	iii. Car parking provided in association with residential flat buildings must not be located forward of the building line or setback unless it can be demonstrated that such car parking will be suitably screened along the street frontage.	Delete the reference to residential flat building where it appears in control iii. Related to car parking and insert instead a reference to residential accommodation as indicated in red below: iii. Car parking provided in association with the residential accommodation specified in Table 4.4 must not be located forward of the building line or setback unless it can be demonstrated that such car parking will be suitably screened along the street frontage.	The term residential accommodation is a group term which covers the range of uses specified within Table 4.4. This change provides for a wider application of the provision.

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22	Chapter 4 -Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3	Table 4.4 does not provide rates applicable to shop top housing. A note is provided which references Chapter 2.	Uses to incorporate the car pa	Amend Table 4.4 – Car Parking for Residential and Tourist Uses to incorporate the car parking requirements applicable to shop top housing as follows:	
	Element H – Vehicle Access and Parking		Shop top housing	Dwelling requirement plus shop requirement	
23	Chapter 4 -Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3 Element H – Vehicle Access and Parking	Controls – Garages and carports i. Garages and carports are to be setback at least 1m behind the building line or 5.5 metres from the property boundary (whichever is greater);	Amend control i. by deletion of the reference to car ports and the requirement for a 1 metre setback as detailed below: Controls – Garages i. Garages are to be setback 5.5 metres from the property boundary;		The wording of the control is considered ambiguous including its reference to car ports. The intent of the control is to enable a car to park in front of the garage wholly contained on the lot. For this to be achieved the garage is required to have a setback of 5.5 metres. Car ports are frequently approved in front of garages in accordance with controls iii. and iv.
24	Chapter 4 -Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3 Element H – Vehicle Access and Parking	ii. Carports must not be wider than one car space width or 4m where other means of undercover parking is provided on-site; iii. Carports must not be wider than one car space width or 4m where other means of undercover parking is provided on-site;	Delete the control related to si	ingle space width car ports.	Control iv. Permits car ports forward of the building line to a maximum width of 6 metres or 33% of the lot width. Control ii. is considered in conflict with control iv. and should therefore be deleted.

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25	Chapter 4 -Residential and Tourist Development - 3.1.3 Element I – Overlooking and Privacy		vision providing specific details achieve privacy outcomes.	1	Insert an advisory note after Control iv. which provides that where privacy is proposed to be maintained using a 1.8 metre side boundary fence then such a fence must be erected prior to the adjoining dwelling being occupied. The proposed advisory note is as indicated in below: Note: Where the privacy screen consists of a 1.8 metre high boundary fence then such fencing is required to be erected prior to the occupation of the adjoining dwelling house.		Where fencing is a condition of consent then a Final Occupation Certificate may not be issued until all fencing has been installed. Consent conditions which incorporate the advice contained within the proposed note will enable Final Occupation Certificate to be issued. This provision clarifies Council's policy position.
26	Chapter 4 - Residential and	Table 4.5 - Height	of Fences	\dagger	Table 4.5 - Heigh	nt of Fences	Additional guidance is provided in
	Tourist Development 3.1.3	Fence Location	Height		Fence Location	Height	respect to the location of applicable controls which permit
	Element K – Fences and Walls	Front Fence*	1.2 metres		Front Fence*	1.2 metres unless fence complies with	higher front fences. Point ii.
		Side Fence	1.2 metres forward of the			point ii. below	1.8 metres in height in certain circumstances.
			building line and 1.8 metres for the remainder.		Side Fence	1.2 metres forward of the building line and 1.8 metres for the remainder.	This proposed change provides an
		Rear Fence	1.8 metres. Where the rear fence is the primary frontage, 1.2 metres.		Rear Fence	1.8 metres. Where the rear fence is the primary frontage, 1.2 metres.	improved link between the fencing provisions.
		*Front fence refers to a fence on the front boundary or forward of the building line on the primary street frontage of a site.			*Front fence refers to a fence on the front boundary or forward of the building line on the primary street frontage of a site.		
27	Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development 3.1.3 Element D – Articulation Zone	Controls i. An entry feature porch, veranda or deck associated with residential accommodation or tourist and visitor accommodation in Zone R2 Low Density Residential and Zone R3 Medium Density Residential may project forward of the main building line or setback by up to 1.5m in front;		Include the word "and" after point i.		and" after point i.	Inclusion of "and" signifies that points ii. and iii. are also applicable in circumstances where a 1.5 metre projection into the building line is proposed.

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28 Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development -3.1.3

> Element – M – Adaptable Housing

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Objectives

 Ensure that residential development is designed such that increased opportunities exist for people with limited mobility to reside in the broader community.

Controls

- i. At least 10% of all dwellings in an attached dwelling, residential flat building or multi dwelling housing development (or at least 1 dwelling unit, which ever is the greater) must be designed in accordance with Australian Adaptable Housing Standard (AS 4299-1995); and
- Car parking and garages allocated to dwellings built to the Australian Adaptable Housing Standard (AS 4299-1995) must comply with the dimensions specified in the Standard.

Council at its meeting on 19 December 2013 (Minute No. 191213/9) resolved that a report be prepare on the implications of Council's existing adaptable housing provisions.

Council's adaptable housing provisions were also scheduled for review as part of this DCP following feedback received from staff that they were considered overly onerous by local builders of smaller scale development.

Following review it is proposed to amend control i. as indicated in red below:

At least 10% of all dwellings in an attached dwelling, residential flat building or multi dwelling housing development containing 10 or more dwellings must be designed in accordance with Australian Adaptable Housing Standard (AS 4299-1995). Where this results in a fraction then it shall be rounded to the nearest whole number with 0.5 being rounded down; and

On review the current control which requires a minimum of 1 adaptable dwelling is considered onerous for small scale development. The 1 per 10 dwelling reflects the control applicable in Byron Shire and is seen as more appropriate.

A review of Tweed, Lismore, Clarence Valley, Richmond Valley, Coffs Harbour and Port Macquarie Hastings DCPs found no specific provisions relate to adaptable housing.

The BCA does not contain adaptable housing provisions. It does however call up AS1428.1-2009 Design for access and mobility for Class 2 to 9 buildings.

The option exists to rely only on BCA requirements related to access and mobility and delete the adaptable housing provision from the DCP.

The NSW State – Residential Flat Design Code, the principles of which are applicable to residential development having a height of 3 or more storeys, sets out an objective that the building design optimises the number of accessible and adaptable apartments.

In the context of Ballina Shire's demographic profile – aging population – the retention of an adaptable housing provision is considered to be desirable.

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Chapter 4 - Residential No existing provision explain the theoretical calculation Insert the following advisory note after Control i. The dwelling density map does not and Tourist Development provide for density controls for all of dwelling density. R3 areas. In cases where the map does not nominate a dwelling Element - O - Dwelling density the density is determined The number of dwellings enabled under Density by undertaking a design analysis. this provision is a theoretical maximum based on land area only. The actual Factors such as the floor space number of dwellings possible on a site ratio, building height, setbacks, car may be less than the maximum once parking and landscaping other planning provisions are taken into requirements will determine account. applicable density. In cases where the Dwelling Density Map does not nominate a maximum dwelling density the dwelling density is to be determined through design analysis. Relevant development controls such as floor space ratio, building height, setbacks, car parking and landscaping requirements will determine dwelling

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Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development -3.1.3 Element - P -Earthwork and Slope Sensitive Design Controls Clause 4.2 Aspects Estate & Elevations Estate Element A - Cut and Fill Clause 4.3 Wollongbar Urban Expansion Area Element C - Cut and Fill limits

The controls highlighted in yellow are proposed to be

P. Element - Earthworks and Slope Sensitive **Design Controls**

Objectives

- a. To limit the extent of excavation and filling.
- b. To provide for development that is responsive to existing landform.
- c. To ensure that building design is compatible with the topographical conditions of the site.

Controls

- i. Earthworks are to comply with the following provisions, except as provided for under (ii)
- Earthworks on a lot that will be visible from any point outside the lot are restricted to a maximum height of 1500mm from ground level (existing) for a single cut or fill;
- Excavation and site benching resulting in multiple cuts or fill embankments that are visible from any point outside the lot are restricted to a maximum height of 1100mm per single cut or
- · A landscape plan is required to support any application involving earthworks with multiple cuts or fill embankments;
- · The landscape plan is to demonstrate that landscaping suitable to soften the visual impact of the earthworks can be achieved; and
- Earthworks involving excavation and/or filling on or within 900mm of a property boundary are restricted to maximum height of 1200mm per single cut, single fill or combination cut/fill. These works are to be retained by a masonry structure designed and certified by a suitably qualified structural engineer.

Aspects Estate & Elevations Estate Lennox Head; Wollongbar Urban Expansion Area Element - Cut and fill

 Earthworks involving excavation in association with the construction of dwellings (other than for swimming pools) is limited to a depth of 1.2 metres.

Earthworks involving filling in association with the construction of dwellings is limited to a height of 1.2 metres

Amend Earthwork and Slope Sensitive Design Controls by deletion of sections highlighted in vellow in Column 3 and as indicated in red below:

P. Element - Earthworks and Slope Sensitive Design Controls

Objectives

- To limit the extent of excavation and filling.
- b. To reference controls contained within the General Housing Code and the Rural Housing Code under the provisions of State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008.
- To provide for development that is responsive to existing landform.
- To ensure that building design is compatible with the topographical conditions of the site.

Controls

- Earthworks are to comply with the following provisions, except as provided for under (ii)
- The controls contained within this part are additional to those contained within clause 3.29 General Housing Code and clause 3A.29 of the Rural Housing Code;
- A landscape plan is required to support any application involving earthworks with multiple cuts or fill embankments:
- The landscape plan is to demonstrate that landscaping suitable to soften the visual impact of the earthworks can be achieved; and
- Earthworks involving excavation and/or filling on or within 900mm of a property boundary are restricted to maximum height of 1200mm per single cut, single fill or combination cut/fill. These works are to be retained by a masonry structure designed and certified by a suitably qualified structural engineer.

Deletion of the Cut and Fill limit elements as they apply to the Aspect Estate and Elevations Estate at Lennox Head, and to within the Wollongbar Urban Expansion Area and incorporation of a reference to the amended Earthworks and Slope Sensitive Design Controls detailed above.

Amendments to the General Housing Code and the Rural Housing Code under the provisions of State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008 came into effect on 22 February 2014. These amendments permit cut and fill for complying development, in most cases, at levels significantly above those permitted by the DCP. The amendments proposed align the controls within the SEPP with those contained within the DCP. The SEPP limits excavation within

1 metre of a boundary to a maximum of 1 metre. In this case Council's control of 1200mm maximum excavation within 900mm of the boundary is proposed to be retained.

In other cases the SEPP restricts excavation located more than 1 metre but not more than 1.5 metres from the boundary to 2 metres. Excavation more than 1.5 metres from the boundary is restricted to a maximum of 3 metres.

The amended controls are also proposed to be applied to the Aspects and Elevations Estates at Lennox head and to the Wollongbar Urban Expansion Area.

In the case of the Coastal Grove Estate at Lennox Head no change is proposed at this time due to the previous geotechnical assessments upon which specified requirements are based

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31	Chapter 6a - Commercial Development Ballina Town Centre	No existing provision addressing car parking for health consulting room and medical centre uses specific to Ballina CBD.		s for health consulting room, es within Part 5 – Table 6a.9 king Requirements.	The previously applicable DCP made provision for health care centres which contained more than 3 surgeries to be assessed in accordance with the RTA quidelines. The relevant RTA	
			Health consulting room	3 spaces per surgery	guideline provision stipulated 1 space per 25m ² of gross floor area.	
			Medical Centres	1 space per 25m2 gross floor area	The 1 space per 25m ² of gross floor area is the same rate as is applicable to ground floor retail.	
			Other land uses	To be provided in accordance with the rates specified in Chapter 2	business and office premises uses. For this reason 1 space per 25m² has been nominated as the applicable car parking standard.	
					Health consulting rooms which by definition are required to be located within a dwelling house, and are limited to a maximum of 3 health care professionals practicing their profession at any one time, have also been included and the car parking rate applicable previously outside the Ballina Town centre applied.	
					The reference to other land uses provides improved guidance as to the applicability of rates specified in Chapter 2 to development within the Ballina Town Centre.	

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Chapter 7 - Rural Living Amend the Notes as indicated in red below: There is no prohibition against Notes: Separation between dual and Activity - Section 3.1.3 strata subdivision of dual occupancy dwellings will be Development Controls - F. occupancies within the RU1 and measured from the external walls of the Notes: Separation between dual **Dual Occupancies** RU2 zones. The requirements dwellings or minor ancillary structures occupancy dwellings will be measured contained within clause 4.1B(3) of attached to the dwellings (such as from the external walls of the dwellings or BLEP is that each strata lot, carports and decks). Where minor ancillary structures attached to the excluding common property, measurements are made from dwellings (such as carports and decks). comply with the minimum area structures such as carports or decks, Where measurements are made from shown on the Lot Size Map. structures such as carports or decks, measurements will be from the wall, measurements will be from the wall, column, post etc (not the eaves). This notation provides for column, post etc (not the eaves). consistency between the LEP and If the first dwelling on the land is an DCP. expanded dwelling (as per Section E If the first dwelling on the land is an expanded dwelling (as per Section E above) the second dwelling is to be of above) the second dwelling is to be of a a regular, compact or non-expanded regular, compact or non-expanded form. Council is not able to grant consent to Council is not able to grant consent to strata-title subdivision of rural dualstrata-title subdivision of rural dualoccupancies. occupancies unless each lot created, excluding common property, is not less Consent for a dual occupancy will than the minimum shown on the Lot Size require payment of developer contributions. Consent for a dual occupancy will require payment of developer contributions. Chapter 7 - Rural Living No existing provision addressing Threat Abatement Incorporate a note at the end of the section relating to The note provides a reference and Activity - Section 4.1 -Plans applicable at South Ballina. Threat Abatement Plans prepared by the Office of source for Threat Abatement Plans South Ballina Environment and Heritage. related to pests which are prevalent on South Ballina Island. The following note is proposed: Note: The Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) has prepared Threat Abatement Plans (TAP) for the Red Fox and Bitou Bush. These plans may be accessed from following web http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threate nedspecies/ThreatAbatementPlans.htm Further information concerning consultation requirements associated with a TAP may be obtained by contacting the OEH Pest

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34 Chapter 8 – Other Uses – Section 3.4 Signage – 3.41 Application



Notes:

The provisions of this Section should be read in conjunction with State Environmental Planning Policy No. 64 – Advertising and Signage (SEPP 64) and BLEP 2012 Schedule 2 which contains provisions regarding exempt development including signage.

Where signage provisions are identified elsewhere in this DCP, those provisions prevail over those contained in this section where there is an inconsistency. Expand the Note after Table 3.41 to incorporate references to the exempt and complying development signage provisions inserted into the Codes SEPP on 22 February 2014. The proposed amendments are shown in red below:

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Notes:

The provisions of this Section relate to signage which requires consent. This section should be should be read in conjunction with State Environmental Planning Policy No. 64 – Advertising and Signage (SEPP 64).

Certain signage is exempt from the requirements to obtain development consent. Details of signage that is exempt development is contained within the following legislation:

- SEPP 64 clause 33;
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008 (Codes SEPP) – Advertising and Signage Exempt Development Codes;
- BLEP Schedule 2

Projecting wall signs and freestanding pylon and directory board signs may also be complying development under the provisions of the Codes SEPP's Commercial and Industrial Alterations Code subject to compliance with nominated development standards.

Where signage provisions are identified elsewhere in this DCP, those provisions prevail over those contained in this section where there is an inconsistency.

The proposed note amendments clarify that the DCP provisions only relate to signage that requires consent. The note provides information related to where exempt and complying development provisions are located in other legislation.

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Attention: Paul Hickey

SUBJECT: DRAFT BALLINA SHIRE CAR PARKING CONTRIBUTION PLAN 2014

Dear Sir,

In reference to the above mentioned Draft Plan, the Alstonville Wollongbar Chamber of Commerce wish to submit our support for the draft plan in its current form & are satisfied that the inclusion of the Alstonville CBD in this plan will aid in providing potential new development in the Alstonville CBD with a standardised solution to councils required carparking controls.

However we also wish to add the following comments:

Current Council Owned property:

It has been suggested at previous community meetings, prior to the release of this draft that the council owned property at No. 9 Commercial Road was to be developed into carparking in the near future.

With the imminent release of this plan does the construction of new carparking spaces over this land now require input from developer contributions prior to this construction taking place?

Implementation of New Carparking:

In reference to the carparking lay-out plan as shown in the draft plan (plan no. SR40.019/1), does the construction of the carparking spaces over councils owned land at No. 9 Commercial Road rely upon the private development over No 13 Commercial Road?

Proposed Changes to CBD carparking requirements:

Most importantly, & as previous discussed with John Truman BSC Group Manager for Civil Services, - is the proposed changes to councils existing carparking policy to provide a flat rate carparking requirement for Alstonville's CBD imminent?

Both Ballina & Lennox Head have flat rates for carparking requirements within their CBD areas, & to clarify, this is where the carparking requirements are related to size of premises not type of business, & this system has been recognised by council as a simple, productive & fair implementation of carparking requirements within a CBD area.

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9.6 Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012 - Amendment No 3.DOC

If this suggested change to the carparking requirements in councils current DCP No.1 is not implemented at the same time as this draft becomes council policy, then the AWCC calls on council to delay the implementation of the Carparking Contribution Plan where it relates to the Alstonville CBD until this change has been implemented.

If this is not undertaken there will be an unfortunate period of time whereby new or expanding businesses will be caught up in an unnecessary requirement/cost which will impact on the immediate potential growth of existing businesses & potential new businesses considering opening in our CBD.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, if you wish to further discuss these comments feel free to contact Richard Lutze on 0266 285 048.

Yours sincerely,

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Attachment Three – Submission from Peter Turner & Associates Accredited Building Designers

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Further to our recent telephone conversation in relation to proposed amendments to the DCP, I provide the following comments:

Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development 3.1.1

Council appears to be adopting the development controls of the Affordable Rental Housing SEPP (other than FSR) into the controls of the DCP for secondary dwellings. If this is the case, is Council aware that the requirements of the SEPP, in relation to setbacks from side and rear boundaries, are more onerous than those of the DCP and would make compilation difficult on many site particularly where the secondary dwelling is an addition to an existing dwelling?

Below, in italics, is an exact from the SEPP relating to setbacks from side and rear boundaries. Please note in particular the requirements of 9(2) (a) and (b) and 10(2) (a) (b) and (c). These setback requirements are determined by the encroachment above an arbitrary 3.8m building height. An average single storey dwelling may be in the range of 4.8m to 6.5m high or more.

It is my opinion that adoption of the current setback requirements in the DCP, based on building height and the building envelope, would result in more flexible and practical outcomes for secondary dwellings.

9 Setbacks from side boundaries

(1(1) Development for the purposes of a secondary dwelling must not result in a new building or a new part of an existing building or any new carport, garage, balcony, deck, patio, pergola, terrace or verandah that is attached to such a building having a setback from a side boundary of less than the following:

(a(a) 0.9 metres, if the lot has an area of at least 450 square metres but not more than 900 square metres.

(b(b) 1.5 metres, if the lot has an area of more than 900 square metres but not more than 1500 square metres.

(c(c) 2.5 metres, if the lot has an area of more than 1500 square metres.

(2(2) Development for the purposes of a secondary dwelling that involves the construction of a new building or additions to an existing building where the new or existing building will, at the end of the development, have a building height at any part of more than 3.8 metres must not result in the new building or any new part of the existing building or any new carport, garage, balcony, deck, patio, pergola, terrace or verandah that is attached to such a building, having a setback from a side boundary of less than the sum of:

(a(a) the amount of the setback specified for the relevant sized lot in subclause (1), and

(b(b) an amount that is equal to one-quarter of the additional building height above 3.8 metres.

10 Setbacks from rear boundaries

- (1(1) Development for the purposes of a secondary dwelling must not result in a new building or a new part of an existing building or any new carport, garage, balcony, deck, patio, pergola, terrace or verandah that is attached to such a building having a setback from a rear boundary of less than the following:
- (a(a) 3 metres, if the lot has an area of at least 450 square metres but not more than 900 square metres,
- (b(b) 5 metres, if the lot has an area of more than 900 square metres but not more than 1500 square metres,
- (c(c) 10 metres, if the lot has an area of more than 1500 square metres.
- (2(2) Development for the purposes of a secondary dwelling that involves the construction of a new building or additions to an existing building where the new or existing building will, at the end of the development, have a building height at any part of more than 3.8 metres must not result in the new building or any new part of the existing building or any new carport, garage, balcony, deck, patio, pergola, terrace or verandah that is attached to such a building, having a setback from a rear boundary of less than the sum of:
- (a(a) 3 metres, plus an amount that is equal to three times the additional building height above 3.8 metres, up to a maximum setback of 8 metres, if the lot has an area of at least 450 square metres but less than 900 square metres, or
- (b(b) 5 metres, plus an amount that is equal to three times the additional building height above 3.8 metres, up to a maximum setback of 12 metres, if the lot has an area of at least 900 square metres but less than 1500 square metres, or
- (c(c) 10 metres, plus an amount that is equal to three times the additional building height above 3.8 metres, up to a maximum of 15 metres, if the lot has an area of at least 1500 square metres.
- (3(3) Despite subclauses (1) and (2), a dwelling on a lot that has a rear boundary with a laneway may have a building line that abuts that boundary for up to 50 per cent of the length of that boundary.

Chapter 4 - Residential and Tourist Development 3.1.3

This section of the DCP deals with building heights.

9.6 Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012 - Amendment No 3.DOC

Council should be congratulated for their current overall building height restriction of 8.5m and the flexibility the current DCP provides for design outcomes, without producing overshadowing or loss of privacy, by utilising the building height limit, the building envelope and controls in relation to the location of windows.

The proposed control (b) states:

(b) Design must ensure that the loft does not have the external appearance of a storey.

It would appear from these proposed amendments that council would prefer to revert to 1960's and 70's Cape Cod designs and dormer windows projecting from roof lines.

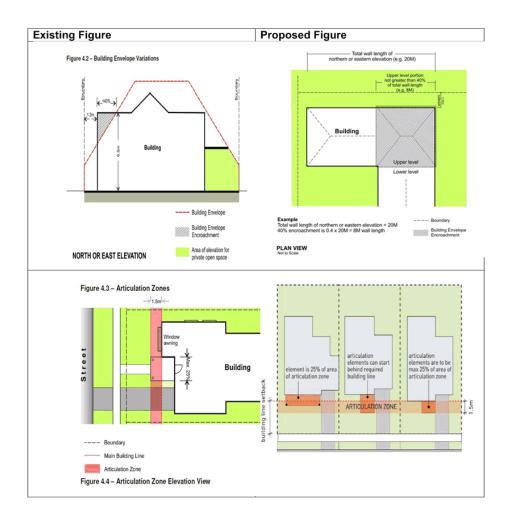
It is my opinion that the proposed amendments (a) (c) and (d) are valid additions to the DCP but (b) is a retrograde move and should not be included in any progressive council's DCP which seeks variation in streetscapes and flexibility in design.

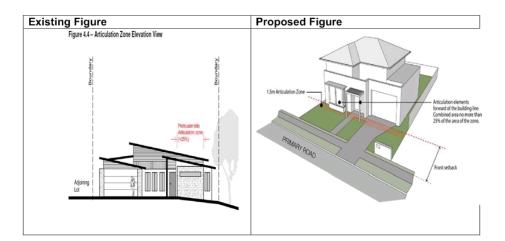
Should you wish to discuss these matter further please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards

Peter Turner

Attachment 4





3.3 Minimum Fill and Floor Levels

- i. Allotments within flood prone areas of the Shire on which buildings are proposed to be erected are to comply with the minimum fill levels indicated in Column 2 of Table 2.
- ii. Buildings within flood prone areas of the Shire are to comply with the minimum floor level for those buildings indicated in Column 3 of Table 2.
- iii. Alterations and additions to existing buildings including attached secondary dwellings and swimming pools will be considered on their individual merits. Council may not require fill or floor levels to meet the adopted standards for the locality depending on circumstances and practicability.
- iv. Detached secondary dwellings which comply with the criteria contained in Clause 3.4C are exempt from minimum fill height levels.

Table 2 - Minimum Fill Level Required					
Column 1 Land	Column 2 Minimum Fill Height	Column 3 Minimum Floor Level			
Land within the Ballina Floodplain as illustrated on Maps 1 and 2	100 year ARI (mAHD) as indicated on the applicable flood planning map*	Height determined by Column 2 plus 0.5m AHD			
Rural Land - Farm Sheds	1 in 50year flood level	1 in 50year flood level			
Secondary Dwellings - Detached	Refer to Clause 3.4C	100 year ARI (mAHD) as indicated on the applicable flood planning map* plus 0.5m AHD			
Wardell Village	Refer to Clause 3.4B	Refer to Clause 3.4B			
Flood Prone Areas in the Remainder of the Shire (Not illustrated on Maps 1 and 2)	300mm above highest recorded or known flood level.	800mm above highest recorded or known flood level.			

*Note: Clause 3.2 identifies the applicable flood planning map to be used.

3.4 Other Flood Planning Provisions

A General Requirements

- i The minimum fill height for rural dwellings shall cover an area comprising the house site plus curtilage. The curtilage will extend a minimum distance of 3 metres beyond the house structure and include any additional areas required for household effluent storage and disposal.
- ii Where necessary, retaining walls and/or dish drains will be required to be provided along common boundaries to contain fill material and drain the site in a manner that minimises impact on adjoining properties.

B Wardell Village

The following provisions apply to infill development in the residential village area of Wardell:

- i Minimum habitable floor heights shall be Map 1b heights plus 0.5m AHD.
- ii In areas other than those identified in clause vi, the floor heights may be achieved by either filling the site to the nominated level or constructing a dwelling which is elevated to the required level.
- iii Where the filling of an allotment does not occur, and the habitable floor is supported on structure, the following shall apply:
 - Certification of flood proofing of the structure including enclosures shall be provided which shall include, but not be limited to, structural assessment, electrical safety assessment etc.
 - Sub-floor areas (areas located beneath the habitable floor level and subject to 1:100 year inundation) may be enclosed up to a maximum area of 50m².
 - Sub-floor enclosures beyond the 50m² is not permitted. It is intended that the
 movement of floodwaters be allowed to pass beneath the building.
 - Any alterations and additions to existing buildings will be considered on their individual merits. Council may require the adoption of minimum habitable floor heights depending on circumstances and practicability.
- iv Filling of allotments along River Street, upstream of the Pacific Highway bridge, shall remain as the most appropriate method for achieving flood protection (due to flood hazard). Minimum fill height shall be as specified on the applicable Flood Planning Map.

C Detached Secondary Dwellings

Site filling for detached secondary dwellings which comply with the criteria below will not be required:

i Site located within a R2 Low Density Residential Zone, and

ii Maximum floor area of 60m².

Detached secondary dwellings which do not comply with i. and ii. above will be considered on their individual merits. Council may not require fill to meet the adopted standards for the locality depending on circumstances and practicability.