Community Facilities Zone

The purpose of the **Community Facilities Zone** is to provide for community-related uses, activities and facilities, whether publicly or privately owned, for example:

a. educational establishments;

b. hospitals;

c. transport and telecommunication networks; and

d. utility installations.

DEVELOPMENT THAT IS ENCOURAGED AND EXPECTED (Examples)


Community use


Educational establishment


Health care service


Emergency service


Place of worship


Cemetery


Detention facility

DEVELOPMENT THAT IS UNLIKELY TO BE APPROVED

There are a diverse range of uses in the community facilities zones. In considering what not to expect in that zone, consideration needs to be given to the zones surrounding the specific community facilities zone.

WHAT COUNCIL MIGHT CONSIDER IN ASSESSING A DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION:


Overlays


Development form


Health, amenity and privacy



Access and parking


Public and active transport network connections


Infrastructure and servicing


Co-location

For more information

To find out more about what the Ipswich Plan 2024 (draft) says about the property you own, your local area and our city:

- Visit the new Ipswich Planning Scheme page at **shapeyouripswich.com.au** to view the entire draft new planning scheme.
- Search a property address and get a '**Property Report**' on **shapeyouripswich.com.au** to determine the proposed planning scheme zoning and any overlays affecting the property and view the relevant chapters of the draft new planning scheme.
- Talk to a planning officer by:
  - phoning (07) 3810 6666
  - emailing planningscheme@ipswich.qld.gov.au
  - visiting the Council Customer Service Counter, Ground Floor, 1 Nicholas Street, Ipswich during office hours.
- If you don't have computer or smartphone access, you can view the entire draft planning scheme and mapping electronically at any of council's libraries.

What is an Overlay?

An **overlay** shows unique characteristics of a property, such as particular local circumstances relevant to development. For example, flooding, bushfire hazards and heritage values.

Overlays need to be considered alongside the zoning of the property to determine the appropriate use of land.

Ipswich's overlay mapping tool enables Council and land holders to understand and see the full range of planning matters specific to their property. An overlay map may apply to all or part of your property and your property can be affected by more than one overlay.

The type of and category of development assessment under the planning scheme can be affected by overlays on a property.

Overlays have associated planning scheme codes which outline specific requirements for development if triggered.

Categorisation Tables

The **Categorisation Tables** in Part 5 of the draft planning scheme identify where a development application is necessary for each type of development. Where an application is required, the categories of development and assessment also specify the codes and benchmarks the development may be assessed against.

Use definition

The Categorisation Tables in Part 5 of the draft planning scheme provide additional matters that council will assess included in a range of development and use codes.

Local Frameworks

Local Frameworks provide an opportunity for an expression of the city-wide settlement pattern contained in the **Strategic Framework** of the draft planning scheme at a finer level of detail at the local area scale and allow for the consideration of the distinctive characteristics and needs of these areas in a regional and local context when planning for future land uses and for the outcomes of development. Part 4 of the drafting planning scheme provides the local frameworks including a description of the place-types that form that locality and describing expectations for development and future consolidation of community in that locality. The Local Frameworks make a link between the themes of the Strategic Framework (Part 3 of the draft planning scheme), its place-based settlement pattern and the local area and contextualise the application of zone and overlay requirements.

Use and Development Codes

Development is assessed against a range of requirements for uses to be developed. This may include requirements for things like parking, building shape and size or other technical standards for road construction. These codes are contained in **Part 9** of the draft planning scheme.

Planning Scheme Policies (PSPs)

Planning Scheme Policies in Schedule 6 of the draft planning scheme support code requirements and provide further information for how to meet the benchmarks in the related codes.