# Part 6 Development codes

# 6.1 Preliminary

- (1) Development codes are codes for assessment where identified as an applicable code in Part 4.
- (2) Use codes and other development codes are specific to each planning scheme area.
- (3) The following are the use codes for the planning scheme:
  - (a) General Development Code.
- (4) The following are the other development codes for the planning scheme:
  - (a) Reconfiguring a lot code
  - (b) Operational works code.

# 6.2 General Development Code

## 6.2.1 Purpose - General development code

This code applies to assessing a development application if identified in the categories of development and assessment tables in Part 4.

The purpose of the General development code is to ensure that development in the shire is located, designed and managed in a safe and efficient manner.

Compliance with this code will achieve the community's views on:

- what development should look like;
- how development complements the area;
- how the effects of a development on infrastructure and the environment will be minimised;
- how development responds to constraints such as flooding and bushfire; and
- how development will be serviced by roads and utilities.

Note—For the purposes of the Planning Act, the 'What do we want to achieve' column in table 6.2.2 below forms the Performance Outcomes of the code. The 'One way to achieve it' column in this table represents the Acceptable Outcomes.

Editor's note—The 'What could be negotiated' and 'What we don't want to see' columns represent additional contextualisation to meeting the relevant Performance Outcome. These columns constitute editor's notes to the planning instrument and have the effect of that nature – guiding the interpretation of the instrument.

# 6.2.2 Assessment benchmarks - General development code

What we want to achieve (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
Site Layout			
PO1 The scale of new buildings and facilities suits its site and its surroundings.	New buildings cover less than the following percentage of site area:  Township zone (where not in a precinct) – 50%;  Township zone (Industrial precinct) – 40%; and  Rural zone – no acceptable outcome prescribed.	Total site cover may be able to be increased if proven to provide long term benefits to area – e.g. goods and service store in a Township zone (where not in a precinct).	The scale of new buildings and facilities exceeds what is intended for the site and surrounding area.

Editor's note—The following animation is included to provide an illustrated indication of how the acceptable outcome could be met.



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PO2	AO2.1		
Setbacks for	Setbacks are to meet the Building Code of	Sometimes	Building or site
buildings and	Australia requirements (including any	different setbacks	layout that
structures for the	variations as per the Queensland	are needed	means others
front, side and rear	Development Code).	depending on the	can't use their
are in keeping with		site layout or the	properties
other nearby	AO2.2	type of new	properly, or
buildings.	Setbacks are to allow for off street parking	buildings	that means the
	and vehicle movement, and in the	proposed. It is	streetscape
	Commercial precinct, off street parking is	important to make	would look
	located at the rear of buildings to allow for	sure that	substantially
	easy vehicle movement and access.	reductions in	different if the
		setbacks don't	proposed new
		impose on other	buildings or
		properties, make	facilities were
		it difficult for	approved.
		others to then use	
		their properties,	
		or go against	
		what is common	
		in the	

What we want to achieve  (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
		street/surrounding area.	



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## PO<sub>3</sub>

Landscaping is provided to improve the presentation of the property – including, wherever possible, keeping existing trees that provide good shade.

#### AO3.1

Except in the Rural zone, a minimum of 10% of the total area for new buildings and facilities is landscaped.

#### AO3.2

In all areas, keep, or provide and maintain, shade trees and shrubs on the site – not just grass and shrubs.

Slight reductions in landscaping on site if it is offset in some other way that still provides good amenity and heat reduction. Landscaping which doesn't improve the appeal of the surrounding streetscape and existing buildings – e.g. concrete dominating the site.

Editor's note—The following animation is included to provide an illustrated indication of how the acceptable outcome could be met.



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## **Building Design**

## PO4

Building height is similar to the other buildings in town and around the shire.

## A04

New buildings are less than the following heights:

- Township zone (Industrial precinct) 15m above ground level;
- Township zone (other than in the Industrial precinct) – 2 storeys and 8.5m above ground level; and
- Rural zone no acceptable outcome provided.

The height of a building can be higher if it needs to be for a particular purpose – e.g. a church steeple, or a concrete batching plant.

Buildings higher than stated.

Editor's note—The following animation is included to provide an illustrated indication of how the acceptable outcome could be met.

#### What we want to One way to achieve it achieve What could be What we don't negotiated want to see (Performance (Acceptable Outcomes) Outcomes) View animated code provision. PO5 AO5.1 New buildings have In the Township zone (other than in the Commercial and Building a similar look and Industrial precinct) new buildings include at industrial designs which do not reflect feel to any least 3 of the following: buildings might surrounding · verandas or porches; need to look a the buildings, and look certain way surrounding awnings and shade structures; like they belong in because of what buildings, or · variations to the roof and building lines; the local area. they are used for contribute recesses and projections of the external (e.g. a service poorly to the facade: station, or a streetscape. doors and window openings; warehouse) - but • a range of building materials, colours and buildings in these textures matching or complementing areas should still those prevailing in neighbouring look and feel buildings; or similar to other windows or other design features which buildings in the overlook the street to allow for passive local area. surveillance. Editor's note—Refer to PO25 related to retention/reuse of existing commercial buildings. Editor's note—The following animation is included to provide an illustrated indication of how the acceptable outcome could be met. View animated code provision. **PO6** New buildings include design features which allow for passive surveillance of the streetscape and

measures that increase the safety

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What we want to achieve (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
Dual Occupancy an	d Multiple Dwelling	_	
PO7 Dual occupancy and multiple dwellings are built to a high standard and look like they belong in the local area, by using similar design features and layout to other nearby buildings.	New buildings use high standards of design which reflects surrounding residential buildings.  In particular, new buildings have at least one of these roof types with a pitch of 20 degrees or greater:  • skillion  • gable  • hipped; or  • pitched.  AO7.2  Each dwelling includes the following design elements:  • a visible entry (i.e. a front door) from the main street frontage  • bathroom, laundry and toilet windows which are located to offer privacy from the street and other dwellings on the premises  • privacy screening to adjacent neighbours, either through landscaping or screen structures  • on-site parking provided at the side or rear of the site.	Sometimes newer buildings can look different to the surrounding area because of advances in architecture and building design. The design of new buildings should try as much as possible to complement the area they are located in.	Buildings that look like 'dongers' or trailer homes.  Poor design and layout – e.g. poor positioning of car parks (stopping doors from opening fully or driveways leading onto intersections), or poor vehicle circulation designs.  Poor and/or lack of privacy and shading.
	the same site (Ancillary uses)		
PO8 In areas other than the Rural zone, additional buildings such as sheds, which support or do not dominate the purpose of the main building/s are reasonable in size and function.	In areas other than the Rural zone, ancillary buildings are not more than 10% of the floor area of the main building/s on the premises.	It is important that an additional building or use doesn't dominate the site it is on, or the purpose of the original building, useless it is supporting the function of the building/s.	Additional buildings with a gross floor area over 10% of the main building and do not support the use of the main building/s and streetscape.

What we want to achieve  (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
Editor's note— Development on the same premises as an existing use that does not support that purpose, or dominates it, is considered a new use.		Additional uses on the same site in the Rural zone may be a material change of use.	



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Traffic, access, mar	Traffic, access, manoeuvring and parking		
PO9	AO9.1		
Expected increases	Local transport and traffic design	Some uses may	Flows of heavy
in traffic volume are	standards/local laws are met.	need to utilise	vehicle or
properly managed		local or residential	significantly
and mitigated.	AO9.2	roads for short or	increased
	Development makes sure that:	limited heavy	traffic along
	<ul> <li>local and residential roads are used</li> </ul>	vehicle	residential
	only for local traffic; and	movements, so	streets that
	traffic or freight movement on local and	actual impact will	could create
	residential roads is avoided.	be a	unacceptable
		consideration in	noise or
		the assessment.	inconvenience
			to residents, or
		Some uses may	impact on the
		create a lot of	condition of
		new vehicle	rural roads by
		movements, and	heavy
		these will need to	vehicles.
		be analysed	
		against traffic	
		standards as part	
		of the	
		assessment	
		process.	
PO10	AO10.1		
Sufficient parking	Car parking is provided as per the rates in	If there is no	Poor or lack of

spaces are

Table 6.2.2.1.

onsite parking.

building work

What we want to achieve (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
provided for the use.	AO10.2 On-street parking is maintained.	(and it is just a change of use), reductions in onsite parking can be considered.	Reductions in on-street parking, unless more is provided on site.

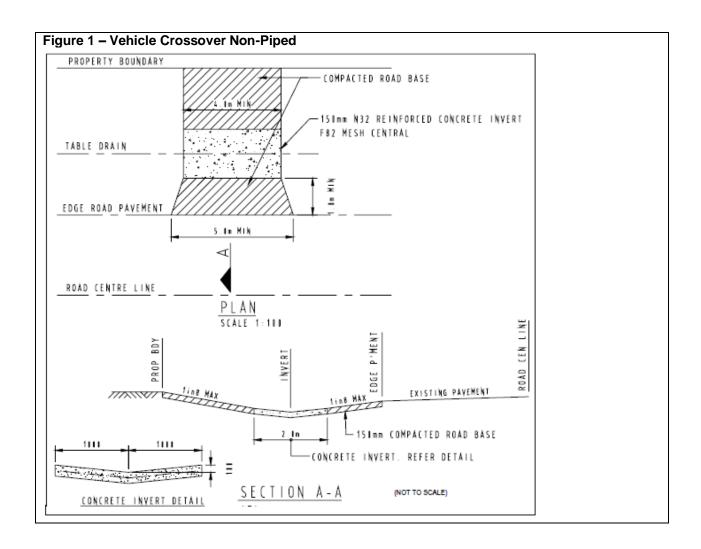
Table 6.2.2.1 Car parking requirements

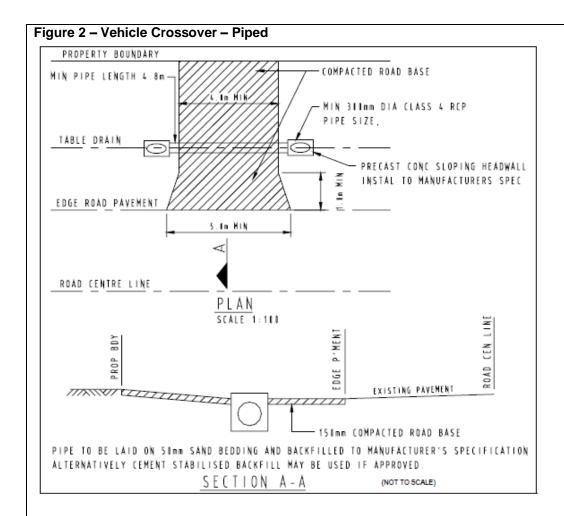
Use	Requirements
Childcare Centre	1 space for every employee, and 1 space for every 4 children.
Commercial activities	1 space per 50m <sup>2</sup> of gross floor area.
Dual Occupancy	1 covered space for every 2 bedrooms, plus 1 space for every additional bedroom.
Dwelling house	1 covered space per dwelling.
Dwelling unit	1 covered space per dwelling unit.
Home-based business	1 space of additional parking to be provided for the dwelling.
Industrial activities	1 space per 50m <sup>2</sup> of gross floor area for the first 1000m <sup>2</sup> and 1 additional space per 100m <sup>2</sup> of gross floor area exceeding 1000m <sup>2</sup> .
Multiple dwelling	1 covered space for every 2 bedrooms, plus 1 space for every additional bedroom.
Non-resident workforce accommodation	1 space per unit plus 1 visitor space per every 5 units.
Rural activities	1 space per 100m <sup>2</sup> of gross floor area
Service station	1 space per 30m² site area.
Short-term accommodation	1 covered space per guestroom or suite, 1 additional space per 30m² of gross dining area, and 1 space per employee.
Tourist park	1 space per site, plus 1 extra space for every 3 sites.
All other uses	Sufficient spaces to accommodate the amount of vehicle traffic likely to be generated by the particular use.



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What we want to achieve (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
PO11 Vehicle access and movement is:      easy and safe;     does not create problems for the external road network; and     provides safe pedestrian access – this includes access for people with a disability.	AO11.1 Car parking and manoeuvring areas are designed to comply with:  • AS2890.1 – Parking Facilities; and  • Austroads Publication AP-G34-13 – Austroads Design Vehicles and Turning Path Templates.  AO11.2 Avoid conflict with obstacles which may obstruct parking – e.g. man holes, power poles, vegetation, bus stops, gully pits and other obstacles.  AO11.3 Vehicle crossovers are to be designed as per Figures 1 or 2 below.  AO11.4 The minimum distance between a driveway and an intersection connecting to another street is 6m, and driveway access is provided from the quietest/smallest road frontage available.		Tight parking which reduces manoeuvring – both on premises and on-street.  Lack of safe pedestrian access and parking for people with disabilities.  Obstacles on or near driveway – e.g. bus stops, man holes etc.  Driveway is poorly positioned and is not safe – e.g. within 6m of an intersection with another street or leads onto a busy road.







What we want to achieve (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
Off-site impacts			
PO12 Development avoids air, light and noise pollution which impacts the surrounding occupants, environment and streetscape.	Industrial and commercial activity adhere to air, light and noise pollution requirements.  Editor's note—Reports prepared to justify compliance with AO12.1 should follow best practice, such as the guidelines in the Department of Environment and Science's Noise Measurement Manual, National Environment Protection (Ambient Air Quality) Measure (NEPC 1998), AS/NZS 1269 Set: Occupational Noise Management Set and Australian Standard 1055.2:1997 – Acoustics – Description and measurement of environment noise.  AO12.2  New buildings and facilities include measures to reduce the impacts of air, light and noise pollution if situated along busy roads and/or near areas of industrial and/or commercial activity – such as sound dampening in walls, or acoustic barriers.	Depending on where new buildings or facilities are located, or what is actually proposed, these requirements might not be required.  E.g. In a very remote area, noise might not be an issue.	New buildings or facilities that increase pre- existing levels of air, noise, or other pollutants in areas where other residents might be affected.  New buildings situated along busy roads which do not minimise the impacts from air and noise pollution caused by large amounts of traffic.
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PO13 Suitable connections to power and telecommunications are provided.	AO13 Telecommunications and power supplies are designed to meet provider requirements.		
PO14 Adequate supply of potable water is provided to the premises, and new buildings are designed to be able to appropriately treat and dispose of	AO14.1 In the Township zone, all new buildings are connected to Barcoo Shire Council's reticulated water supply network in accordance with:  • Water Services Association of Australia (WSAA), 2011, "WSA 03-11 Water Supply Code of Australia" Version 3.1; and		

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effluent and other waste water.	Queensland Department of Energy and Water Supply, 2010, Planning Guidelines for Water Supply and Sewerage.  AO14.2 In the Township zone, all new buildings and facilities are connected to a reticulated sewerage network, where available.  AO14.3 In the Rural zone, or in the Township zone where a reticulated sewerage network is not available, sewage disposal is provided generally in accordance with the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code.		
PO15 Stormwater is collected and discharged to ensure no impacts on adjoining land, or Council or state infrastructure, while also ensuring environmental values of receiving waters are maintained.	AO15 Stormwater drainage is provided in accordance with:  • Queensland urban drainage manual, 3rd Edition, Queensland Department of Energy and Water Supply, 2013; and  • Pilgrim, DH, (ed)., Australian Rainfall & Runoff – A Guide to Flood Estimation, Institution of Engineers, Australia, Barton, ACT, 1987.		
Council assets			
PO16 Council infrastructure is protected from encroachment or interference.	AO16.1 All building proposals are clear of Council easements and underground infrastructure within site boundaries.  AO16.2 All invert crossing(s) and driveways are clear of all gully pits, street lights, power poles and other infrastructure located within the road reserve with a minimum separation distance of 1 metre.		New buildings that impact the function and use of Barcoo Shire Council assets.

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What we want to achieve	One way to achieve it	What could be	What we don't
(Performance	(Acceptable Outcomes)	negotiated	want to see
Outcomes)			
Development locate	ed in a Bushfire Prone Area		
Editor's note—At the da	ate of adoption, there is no Bushfire Prone Area iden	tified over the Townshi	p zone.
PO17			
Vulnerable uses,			
essential service			
uses and			
hazardous			
chemical facility			
uses are not			
established or			
intensified within a			
bushfire prone			
area.			
PO18	AO18.1		
Development in a	New buildings and facilities are not situated		New buildings
bushfire prone	in a bushfire prone area as identified on		in bushfire
area, or	SPP mapping – Safety and Resilience to		prone areas.
intensification of	Hazards (Natural Hazards Risk and		
existing uses in a	Resilience – Bushfire Prone Area)		
bushfire prone			
area, is avoided, or,	OR		
the risk to people			
and property from	AO18.2		
bushfire is	Development mitigates the risk to people		
mitigated to an	and property from bushfire to an acceptable		
acceptable or	or tolerable level by:		
tolerable level.	a) incorporating an adequate bushfire		
	defendable space between buildings		
	and hazardous vegetation; and b) providing safe evacuation routes for		
	b) providing safe evacuation routes for occupants and access for emergency		
	services; and		
	c) providing a dedicated static water		
	supply available for fire fighting; and		
	d) does not create additional bushfire risk		
	through revegetation or landscaping.		
PO19	AO19.1		
Emergency	Emergency services and community		Emergency
services and	infrastructure is not located in a bushfire		services
community	prone area as identified on SPP mapping –		cannot function
infrastructure	Safety and Resilience to Hazards (Natural		in or access
continue to function			the area,

What we want to achieve  (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
effectively during and immediately after a bushfire event.	Hazards Risk and Resilience – Bushfire Prone Area).		facility or building.
PO20 Development avoids or mitigates the bushfire risk from manufacture or storage of hazardous materials within a bushfire prone area.	Hazardous materials are not stored or manufactured in a bushfire prone area as identified on SPP mapping – Safety and Resilience to Hazards (Natural Hazards Risk and Resilience – Bushfire Prone Area)  OR  AO20.2  Buildings and structures used for the manufacture or storage of hazardous materials are designed to prevent exposure of the hazardous materials in the event of a bushfire.  Editor's note—Refer to the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 and associated Regulation and Guidelines; the Environmental Protection Act 1994; and the relevant building assessment provisions under the Building Act 1975 for requirements related to the manufacture and storage of hazardous substances. Information is provided by Business Queensland on the requirements for storing and transporting hazardous chemicals, available at www.business.qld.gov.au/running-business/protecting-business/risk-management/hazardous-chemicals/storing-transporting		New buildings or activities involving manufacture or storage of hazardous materials in bulk in a bushfire prone area.
PO21	ed in a Flood Hazard Area  AO21.1		
People and property are not exposed to intolerable risk from flood hazards.	New development is:  • situated outside of mapped flood areas identified in Schedule 2 – Flood mapping; or  • if within a mapped flood area identified in Schedule 2 – Flood mapping, a fit for purpose risk assessment is		Uses and activities that are incompatible with the flood risk present.

What we want to achieve	One way to achieve it	What could be	What we don't
(Performance Outcomes)	(Acceptable Outcomes)	negotiated	want to see
Outcomes)	conducted to ensure that development in that area does not increase risk beyond a tolerable level.  AO21.2  New buildings in a mapped flood area identified in Schedule 2 – Flood mapping should include a finished floor level 500mm higher than the defined flood level for that area.  Editor's note—Refer to copy of resolution made under section 13 of the Building Regulation 2006 in Schedule 4 for information on the defined flood level.  AO21.3		The development relies on evacuation routes that are subjected to flooding.  Infrastructure and essential community services are unable to function during and following a flood event.
	If located in a mapped flood area identified in <u>Schedule 2 – Flood mapping</u> , at least one evacuation route is provided which allows safe passage for emergency evacuation during flood events (this must be sufficient enough to cater for evacuation and emergency access). <sup>10</sup>		New buildings that increase the vulnerability of people located in a flood hazard area.
	If located in a mapped flood area identified in Schedule 2 – Flood mapping, hazardous materials are not stored on site, or are stored so the release of the hazardous materials is prevented.  AO21.5  Development in a mapped flood area identified in Schedule 2 – Flood mapping does not:		New buildings which impede or restrict the response of emergency services before, during and after a hazard event.
	<ul> <li>a) alter a watercourse or floodway, including by clearing vegetation; or</li> <li>b) involve filling or excavating greater than 10m<sup>3</sup>.</li> </ul>		New buildings or facilities that significantly increases the intensity of use

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The State Planning Policy – state interest guidance material for Natural hazard, risk and resilience – flood provides specifications for evacuation routes. Refer to <a href="https://dilgpprd.blob.core.windows.net/general/spp-guidance-natural-hazards-risk-resilience-flood.pdf">https://dilgpprd.blob.core.windows.net/general/spp-guidance-natural-hazards-risk-resilience-flood.pdf</a>.

What we want to achieve  (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
	AO21.6 Development maintains the protective function of landforms and vegetation to lessen the flood risk.		and users in a hazard area.
PO22 Essential community services and infrastructure continue to be functional during and after a flood event.	AO22 Community infrastructure is located in accordance with community infrastructure flood immunity standards identified in the SPP guidance material for Natural hazards, risk and resilience - flood.		Essential services like hospitals, substations, or water treatment plants placed where they might be adversely affected by flooding.
Stock Route Network	rk		J
PO23 Stock routes are able to operate efficiently and safely without impact or interference from buildings, operations, or accesses, including without disruptions caused by proximity of sensitive land uses like residential or commercial uses.  Editor's note— Pasturage rights exist where the mapped Stock Route Network adjoins a term lease for pastoral purposes. Section 432 of the Land Act 1994 provides guidance on	AO23.1  Development occurring adjacent to or nearby a stock route identified on SPP mapping - Economic Growth, Agriculture, Stock Route Network should not impact the operation and safety of the stock route.  AO23.2  The stock route is to be easily accessible at all times by stock route users.		Development that makes it more difficult for people to access the stock route network or otherwise makes use of the route more challenging, or impacts the safety of the route— e.g.nonrural or residential activities within the 800m designated pasturage rights area either side of an unsurveyed road or stock

What we want to			
achieve	One way to achieve it	What could be	What we don't
(Performance Outcomes)	(Acceptable Outcomes)	negotiated	want to see
the extent to which the pasturage rights overlap the adjoining lease area in this instance.			route and access points across the stock route should be
Editor's note— Conditions required by a lease or permit relating to travelling stock, pastures for the use of			limited to one access per 200m of lot frontage.
depasturing travelling stock, or fencing, are complied with in accordance with the Stock Route			
Management Act 2002.			
Petroleum/high pres	ssure gas pipelines		
PO24	AO24		
Pipelines carrying petroleum and gas continue to operate without impact.	New buildings are not situated within 200m of petroleum and gas pipelines or easements as identified on SPP mapping – Safety and Resilience to Hazards		New buildings within 200m of petroleum and gas pipelines
Editor's note—The holder of the Pipeline Licence or Petroleum Facility Licence must be consulted prior to activities in those areas in accordance with sections 807 and 808 of Petroleum and	(Emissions and Hazardous Activities – High Pressure Gas Pipelines).		or easements.
Gas (Production and			
Safety) Act 2004.			
Local heritage place	es		
PO25	AO25.1		
Heritage places,	Development:	As a means to	Development
and other buildings	does not impact, destroy or modify any	encourage	which either
that give the town	local heritage place identified in <u>Table</u>	retention and	impacts,
its character, are	SC3.1 – Local Heritage Place of	refurbishment of	destroys or
kept in place wherever possible	Schedule 3 and requires no building or	older buildings (particularly in	modifies the value, use,
Mileterel hossing	operational work;	(particularly III	value, use,

What we want to achieve (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
or re-used as a means to reflect local values and cultural heritage.	or is in accordance with current best practice guidance as made under the Queensland Heritage Act 1992 in relation to development of heritage places <sup>11</sup> ; or is undertaken in accordance with an exemption certificate issued under the Queensland Heritage Act 1992.  AO25.2  Demolition or removal of key parts of the place's cultural heritage significance is avoided unless there is no prudent and reasonable alternative to demolition or removal.  Editor's note—Reports prepared to justify compliance with the AO above must be prepared by suitably qualified consultants, such as conservation architects or engineers, and detail alternative options investigated. The report must also provide an archival record to document the proposed changes.	commercial areas), re-use of older buildings could be accompanied by reductions in car parking requirements for the new use.	facilities and significance of local heritage places.  Undertaking development (including demolition) without having an exemption certificate, or without suitable assessment by Council.



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Biodiversity		
PO26	AO26	
State	Development occurring outside of the	New
environmentally	Township zone must be 100m from the	development in
significant areas	bank of all waterways, water storages and	areas of
are protected, not	areas identified as Matters of State	environmental
encroached upon,	Environmental Significance as identified in	significance
or otherwise	SPP mapping – Environment and Heritage	that are
degraded, with	(Biodiversity).	identified by

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> This is presently the guideline 'Developing heritage places - using the development criteria' prepared by the then department of Environment and Heritage Protection. It is available at <a href="https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/assets/documents/land/heritage/gl-heritage-development.pdf">https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/assets/documents/land/heritage/gl-heritage-development.pdf</a>.

What we want to achieve  (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
vegetation and wildlife movement corridors maintained.			the State Planning Policy.  New buildings
Note—Where it is demonstrated that adverse impacts cannot be avoided or minimised, significant residual impacts on matters of state environmental significance may require an offset in accordance with the Environmental Offsets Act 2014.			within 100m of the banks of waterways, water storages and areas identified as Matters of State Environmental Significance.  Activities which negatively impact the environment or negatively impact ecological connectivity.
Airports and Aviation			
PO27 Windorah airport, Jundah airport, Stonehenge airport and aviation facilities can operate as normal without impact from development.  Note—Refer to the SPP Mapping — Infrastructure (Strategic Airports and Aviation Facilities) for infrastructure of State significance to be protected.	AO27.1  Development situated within the building restricted area for an aviation facility must not:  (a) disrupt the line of sight between the antenna by physical obstructions  (b) create electrical or electromagnet fields which interfere with signals transmitted by the facility  (c) include reflective surfaces that could deflect or interfere with signals transmitted by the facility.  AO27.2  Development and associated activities must not:  (a) create a permanent or temporary physical or transient intrusion into an		Any sort of development which may interfere with the function of airports and aviation facilities

What we want to achieve  (Performance Outcomes)	One way to achieve it (Acceptable Outcomes)	What could be negotiated	What we don't want to see
Editor's note— Strategic Airports and Aviation Facilities of State significance are identified in the planning scheme area (ie.the non-directional beacon (NDB) located at Windorah at latitude -25.41092778, longitude 142.6631972 and siting height (AHD) 131.139). In addition, the function of Barcoo Shire Council's airport infrastructure and aviation facilities must also be protected.	airport's operational airspace, unless the intrusion is approved in accordance with the relevant federal legislation;  (b) include a light source or reflective surfaces that could distract or confuse pilots approaching the airport to land;  (c) cause emissions which significantly increase air turbulence, reduce visibility or compromise the operation of aircraft engines the operational airspace of an airport;  (d) attract wildlife or increase wildlife hazards to the operational airspace of the airport or the airport land;  (e) increase the number of people living, working or congregating in the Public Safety Area;  (f) involve the manufacture, use or storage of flammable, explosive, hazardous or noxious materials in the Public Safety Area  Editor's note—For further guidance on achieving or applying the above outcomes, refer to the 'State Planning Policy - state interest guidance material: Strategic airports and aviation facilities', available at https://dilgpprd.blob.core.windows.net/general/spp-strategic-airports-and-aviation-facilities-july-2017.pdf.		

# 6.3 Reconfiguring a lot code

## 6.3.1 Purpose - Reconfiguring a lot code

This code applies to assessing a development application involving reconfiguring a lot if identified in the categories of development and assessment tables in Part 4.

The purpose of the reconfiguring a lot code is to:

- (1) facilitate the creation of lots, of a size and dimension, that allow the intended uses within zones and precincts to be achieved.
- (2) ensure that future lots are resilient to the impacts of flood and bushfire.
- (3) prevent, minimise or mitigate the adverse impacts of development on the cultural heritage, water quality and biodiversity values of an area.
- (4) ensure that the reconfiguring of lots does not adversely impact on the shire's economy.

## 6.3.2 Overall outcomes - Reconfiguring a lot code

The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:

- (1) Reconfiguring of lots creates safe, functional and suitable lots that are consistent with the existing zone and precinct intent.
- (2) Reconfiguration of lots ensures that subsequent use and development of the created lots can:
  - (a) occur outside of flood hazard areas and bushfire prone areas, or where it is not possible to avoid these areas, development mitigates the risks to people and property to an acceptable or tolerable level:
  - (b) support, and not hinder, disaster management capacity and capabilities;
  - (c) accommodate adequate infrastructure provision; and
  - (d) access adequate services.
- (3) Reconfiguring of lots does not lead to a loss of biodiversity and ecological connectivity.
- (4) Reconfiguring of lots ensures the environmental values and quality of Queensland waters are protected and enhanced.
- (5) Reconfiguring of lots assists in the protection of places of national, state, local and Aboriginal cultural heritage value.
- (6) Rural land is protected from fragmentation that would result in diminished productivity.
- (7) Reconfiguring of lots ensures the protection of the stock route network.

## 6.3.3 Assessment benchmarks – Reconfiguring a lot code

What we want to achieve	One way to achieve it
(Performance Outcomes)	(Acceptable Outcomes)
Lot size and configuration	
PO1	AO1
The proposed lots are of a size and dimension to meet the outcomes for development in the zones and precincts in respect of:  (a) preserving land for agriculture, animal production and environmental conservation in the Rural zone;  (b) achieving a safe and pleasant residential environment	Allotment dimensions comply with Table 6.3.3.1.
in the Township zone; (c) consistency with the nature and layout of existing subdivision patterns; and	

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(d) providing a variety of lot sizes for residential living,	
industry and commerce.	
PO2	
Lots created through reconfiguring, will not lead to	
diminished productivity of rural land, or compromise the	
long-term viability of rural activities in the Rural zone.	
PO3	
The layout of lots, roads and infrastructure:	
(a) provides connections to and is integrated with	
environmental corridors, open space and movement	
networks in the surrounding area; and	
(b) contributes to efficient use of land and infrastructure.	
Roads and accesses	
PO4	AO4.1
Roads are constructed and upgraded to provide for the safe	New road infrastructure is designed and
and efficient movement of:	constructed in accordance with Austroads
(a) vehicles to and from the site;	Publication AP-G34-13 – Austroads
(b) emergency vehicles accessing each proposed lot; and	Design Vehicles and Turning Path
(c) pedestrians and cyclists.	Templates.
(b) pedestrians and systists.	Tompiates.
	AO4.2
	Any pre-existing roads, part of or within
	the development site, are upgraded to the
	standards detailed in the Institute of
	Public Works Engineering Australasia
	(Queensland) Lower Order Road Design
	Guidelines.
PO5	Guidelli 163.
Each proposed lot has a legal point of access from the local	
or state controlled road network.	
Stormwater	
Stormwater	
PO6	AO6
The development is planned, designed, constructed and	A site stormwater quality management
managed to avoid:	plan (SQMP) is prepared and
(a) adverse impacts on surrounding development; and	implemented, which provides for
1 , ,	achievable stormwater quality treatment
(b) compromising the natural health and functioning of	
adjoining waters.	measures meeting design objectives
	listed in Table 6.4.3.1 (construction phase).

# Service provision

A potable water supply and adequate sewerage services are available to each lot in a development that will be used for residential, commercial or industrial purposes.

#### A07.1

All lots within the Township zone, where reticulated water and sewerage is available, are connected to the reticulated water and sewerage service.

## A07.2

All lots within the Rural zone have a potable water supply and on site sewerage is provided generally in accordance with the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code.

#### PO8

An electricity supply and telecommunications services are available to each lot in a development that will be used for residential, commercial or industrial purposes.

## **Biodiversity**

#### PO9

The creation of new lots avoids significant adverse impacts on the shire's important biodiversity identified in <a href="SPP">SPP</a> mapping — Environment and Heritage (Biodiversity) and maintains and enhances ecological connectivity.

## Flood

## PO10

Lot design in areas of flood hazard:

- (a) maintains personal safety and minimises property impacts at all times, through siting and layout of lots and access:
- (b) provides safe egress from all building areas in flood emergency.

## **AO10**

Reconfiguration on land identified as mapped flood area in <u>Schedule 2 – Flood mapping</u> is sited and designed so that:

- (a) all new lots contain:
  - a building envelope located outside of the mapped flood area identified in <u>Schedule 2 –</u> <u>Flood mapping</u>; or
  - ii. can achieve the flood immunity level of 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP); and

Editor's note—Flood immunity level not included here for Stonehenge because there is no flood hazard area mapped over the Township zone at Stonehenge.

(b) there is a least one (1) evacuation route that achieves safe egress for

emergency evacuations during all floods.

## **Bushfire**

#### PO11

A separation distance from hazardous vegetation, to effectively mitigate bushfire hazard risk, can be established at the edge of the proposed lot(s).

#### AO11.1

No new lots are created within the bushfire prone area.

Editor's note—Bushfire prone areas are identified on <u>SPP mapping – Safety and Resilience to Hazards (Natural Hazards Risk and Resilience – Bushfire Prone Area).</u>

OR

#### AO11.2

Lots are separated from hazardous vegetation by a distance that:

- (a) achieves radiant heat flux level of 29kW/m² at all boundaries; and
- (b) is contained wholly within the development site.

#### Editor's note-

- Where a separation distance is proposed to be achieved by utilising existing cleared developed areas external to the site, certainty must be established (through tenure or other means) that the land will remain cleared of hazardous vegetation.
- For staged developments, temporary separation distances, perimeter roads or fire trails may be absorbed as part of subsequent stages.
- The achievement of a cleared separation distance may not be achievable where other provisions within the planning scheme require protection of certain ecological, slope, visual or character features or functions.

## PO12

Where reconfiguring of a lot is undertaken in the Township zone, a constructed perimeter road with reticulated water supply is established between the lots and the hazardous vegetation and is readily accessible at all times for the type of fire fighting vehicles servicing the area.

The access is available for both firefighting and maintenance/defensive works.

#### AO12.1

Lot boundaries are separated from hazardous vegetation by a public road which:

- (a) has a two lane sealed carriageway;
- (b) contains a reticulated water supply;
- (c) is connected to other public roads at both ends and at intervals of no more than 500m:
- (d) accommodates geometry and turning radii in accordance with Qld Fire and

- Emergency Services' Fire Hydrant and Vehicle Access Guidelines;
- (e) a minimum of 4.8m vertical clearance above the road;
- is designed to ensure hydrants and water access points are not located within parking bay allocations; and
- (g) incorporates roll-over kerbing.

#### AO12.2

Fire hydrants are designed and installed in accordance with AS2419.1 2017, unless otherwise specified by the relevant water entity.

## PO13.1

Where the reconfiguring of a lot is undertaken outside of the Township zone:

- (a) a constructed perimeter road or a formed, all weather fire trail is established between either, the lots or building envelope/s, and hazardous vegetation; and
- (b) the road or fire trail is readily accessible at all times for the type of fire fighting vehicles servicing the area; and
- (c) access is available for both firefighting and maintenance/hazard reduction works.

OR

## PO13.2

If, as a result of the location and context of the development, a fire trail would not serve a practical fire management purpose, a fire trail is not required.

#### **AO13**

Lot boundaries are separated from hazardous vegetation by a public road or fire trail which has:

- (a) a reserve or easement width of at least 20m:
- (b) a minimum trafficable (cleared and formed) width of 4 metres capable of accommodating a 15 tonne vehicle and which is at least 6 metres clear of vegetation;
- (c) no cut or fill embankments or retaining walls adjacent to the 4 metres wide trafficable path;
- (d) a minimum of 4.8 metres vertical clearance;
- (e) turning areas for fire-fighting appliances in accordance with Queensland Fire and Emergency Services' Fire Hydrant and Vehicle Access Guidelines;
- (f) a maximum gradient of 12.5%;
- (g) a cross fall of no greater than 10 degrees;
- (h) drainage and erosion control devices in accordance with the IECA 2008 Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control (as amended);
- (i) vehicular access at each end which is connected to the public road

	network at intervals of no more than	
	500 metres;	
	(j) designated fire trail signage;	
	(k) if used, has gates locked with a	
	system authorised by Queensland	
	Fire and Emergency Services; and	
	(I) if a fire trail, has an access easemer	nt
	that is granted in favour of Barcoo	
	Shire Council and Queensland Fire	
	and Emergency Services.	
PO14	A014	
The development design responds to the potential threat of	The lot layout:	
bushfire and establishes clear evacuation routes which	(a) minimises the length of the	
demonstrate an acceptable or tolerable risk to people.	development perimeter exposed to,	
demonstrate an acceptable of tolerable flow to people.	or adjoining hazardous vegetation;	
	(b) avoids the creation of potential bottle	
	neck points in the movement	
	network;	
	(c) establishes direct access to a safe	
	assembly /evacuation area in the	
	event of an approaching bushfire;	
	and	
	(d) ensures roads likely to be used in th	_
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	event of a fire are designed to	
	minimise traffic congestion.	
	Editor's note— For example, developments	
	should avoid finger-like or hour-glass	
	subdivision patterns or substantive vegetated	
	corridors between lots.	
	In order to demonstrate compliance with the	
	performance outcome, a bushfire management	nt
	plan prepared by a suitably qualified person	
	may be required. The bushfire management	
	plan should be developed in accordance with the Public Safety Business Agency (PSBA)	
	guideline entitled <i>Undertaking a Bushfire</i>	
	Protection Plan. Advice from the Queensland	
	Fire and Emergency Services should be	
	sought as appropriate.	
PO15	AO15	
Critical infrastructure does not increase the potential	Critical or potentially hazardous	
bushfire hazard.	infrastructure such as water supply,	
	electricity, gas and telecommunications	
	are undergrounded.	

## Local heritage places PO16 Development maintains an intact context and setting that is compatible with the cultural heritage significance of the local heritage places identified in Table SC3.1 - Local Heritage Place of Schedule 3. Stock route network PO17 AO17.1 The stock route network identified in SPP mapping -No new allotments are created within or Economic Development (Agriculture – Stock Route adjacent to the stock route network. Network) is protected from incompatible development on OR adjoining sites. Note—Pasturage rights exist where the mapped Stock Route AO17.2 Network adjoins a term lease for pastoral purposes. Section 432 (a) Proposed lots fronting a stock route of the Land Act 1994 provides guidance on the extent to which the are large enough to ensure any pasturage rights overlap the adjoining lease area in this instance. development can be sited a minimum of 800m from the stock route; and (b) any new accesses across the stock route are limited to no more than one access per 200m of lot frontage. Petroleum/high pressure gas pipelines PO18 AO18 The integrity of pipelines carrying petroleum and gas is No development is located closer than maintained 200m from a pipeline or pipeline easement identified on SPP mapping -Safety and Resilience to Hazards (Emissions and Hazardous Activities -

#### Table 6.3.3.1 – acceptable outcomes for lot sizes and frontages

Zone/Precinct	Allotment Size	Road frontage
Township zone – Industrial precinct	2000m <sup>2</sup>	30 metres
Township zone	1000m²	20 metres
Rural zone	10000ha	N/A

High Pressure Gas Pipelines).

# 6.4 Operational work code

## 6.4.1 Purpose - Operational work code

This code applies to assessing development applications involving operational work if identified in the categories of development and assessment tables in Part 4.

The purpose of the operational works code is to:

- (1) ensure all operational works are undertaken to appropriate levels and standards;
- (2) maintain a high standard of environmental amenity; and
- (3) protect surface water, ground water and biodiversity values.

## 6.4.2 Overall outcomes - Operational work code

The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:

- (1) Operational work involving excavating and filling land is designed and undertaken so as to ensure:
  - (a) site disturbance is minimised;
  - (b) water and sediment runoff is controlled; and
  - (c) once work is complete, the site is rehabilitated to a safe stable area that does not cause further erosion and safety issues.
- (2) Levees are constructed in accordance with the applicable State Code;

Editor's note— For requirements for accepted development for category 1 levees, refer to the 'Self-assessable code for the construction or modification of levees' made by the chief executive of the *Water Act 2000* and published by the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy. In relation to the construction or modification of category 2 and 3 levees, refer to the *Water Regulation 2016*, which includes at Schedule 10, Code for assessment and development for construction or modification of particular levees. This code should be read together with the 'Guidelines for the construction or modification of category 2 and 3 levees' published by the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy. For more information regarding the regulation of levees, visit: https://www.business.gld.gov.au/industries/mining-energy-water/water/authorisations/constructing-modifying-levee-banks

(3) Biodiversity values and ecological connectivity are protected, maintained and enhanced.

## 6.4.3 Assessment benchmarks - Operational work code

What we want to achieve	One way to achieve it	
(Performance Outcomes)	(Acceptable Outcomes)	
Earthworks		
PO1 Adverse impacts of operations are minimised, including impacts from: (a) noise; (b) dust; (c) silt; (d) lighting; or (e) other noxious emissions.	Editor's note—A construction management plan may be required where there are reasonable concerns regarding the potential for impacts on amenity for nearby uses.	
PO2	AO2	
Changes to adjoining land and natural features, including	Excavation or filling on all land (except	
surface and groundwater, are minimised and do not	dams on rural zoned land for rural	
adversely impact adjoining properties or the locality.	purposes):	

does not exceed 1 metre deep or 1 metre high (except for excavation for building works); (b) ensures the fill or excavation line is not closer than 10 metres from an adjoining property boundary: (c) is enclosed by a childproof fence if excavation is for a water retaining structure: (d) ensures no ponding develops on adjacent land at any time; (e) restores all surfaces exposed or damaged by the operations immediately on conclusion of the works to their original standard; and ensures works are a minimum 100 metres from wetlands and 200 metres from rivers, creeks and streams. PO3 AO3 Operational works or the construction activities for the Development occurs in accordance with development avoid or minimise adverse impacts on an erosion and sediment control plan stormwater quality. (ESCP) prepared by a suitably qualified person which demonstrates that release of sediment-laden stormwater is avoided for the nominated design storm, and minimised when the nominated design storm is exceeded, by addressing design objectives listed below in Table 6.4.3.1 (construction phase) or local equivalent, for: (a) drainage control; (b) erosion control: (c) sediment control; and (d) water quality outcomes. Vegetation clearing PO4 Development: (a) identifies matters of state environmental significance as identified in SPP mapping - Environment and Heritage (Biodiversity); (b) facilitates the protection and enhancement of matters of state environmental significance; and (c) protects and enhances ecological connectivity.

**Table 6.4.3.1** 

Part 1: Construction phase—st	Part 1: Construction phase—stormwater management design objectives <sup>1</sup>				
Issue	Desired outcomes				
Drainage control	Manage stormwater flows around or through areas of exposed soil to avoid contamination.				
	Manage sheet flows in order to avoid or minimise the generation of rill or gully erosion.				
	3. Provide stable concentrated flow paths to achieve the construction phase stormwater management design objectives for temporary drainage works (part 2).				
	4. Provide emergency spillways for sediment basins to achieve the construction phase stormwater management design objectives for emergency spillways on temporary sediment basins (part 3).				
Erosion control	Stage clearing and construction works to minimise the area of exposed soil at any one time.				
	Effectively cover or stabilise exposed soils prior to predicted rainfall.				
	3. Prior to completion of works for the development, and prior to removal of sediment controls, all site surfaces must be effectively stabilised <sup>2</sup> using methods which will achieve effective short-term stabilisation.				
Sediment control	Direct runoff from exposed site soils to sediment controls that are appropriate to the extent of disturbance and level of erosion risk.				
	2. All exposed areas greater than 2500m² must be provided with sediment controls which are designed, implemented and maintained to a standard which would achieve at least 80% of the average annual runoff volume of the contributing catchment treated (i.e. 80% hydrological effectiveness) to 50mg/L Total Suspended Solids (TSS) or less, and pH in the range (6.5–8.5).				
Litter, hydrocarbons and	Remove gross pollutants and litter.				
other contaminants	Avoid the release of oil or visible sheen to released waters.				
	3. Dispose of waste containing contaminants at authorised facilities.				
Waterway stability and flood flow management	Where measures are required to meet post-construction waterway stability objectives (specified in table B), these are either installed prior to land disturbance and are integrated with erosion and sediment controls, or equivalent alternative measures are implemented during construction.				
	Earthworks and the implementation of erosion and sediment controls are undertaken in ways which ensure flooding characteristics (including stormwater quantity characteristics) external to the development site are not worsened during				

	construction for all events up to and including the 1 in 100 year ARI (1% AEP).				
Part 2: Construction phase—st works	tormwater managemen	t design objectives for	temporary drainage		
Temporary drainage works	Anticipated operation design life and minimum design storm event				
	< 12 months	12-24 months	> 24 months		
Drainage structure	1 in 2 year ARI/39% AEP	1 in 5 year ARI/18% AEP	1 in 10 year ARI/10% AEP		
Where located immediately up-slope of an occupied property that would be adversely affected by the failure or overtopping of the structure	1 in 10 year ARI/10% AEP				
Culvert crossing	1 in 1 year ARI/63% AEP				
Part 3: Construction phase—stormwater management design objectives for emergency spillways on temporary sediment basins					
Drainage structure	Anticipated operation design life and minimum design storm event				
	< 3 months	3-12 months	> 12 months		
Emergency spillways on temporary sediment basins	1 in 10 year ARI/10% AEP	1 in 20 year ARI/5% AEP	1 in 50 year ARI/2% AEP		

Note—For Table 6.4.3.1:

Refer to IECA 2008 Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control (as amended) for details on the application of the Construction Phase requirements. Advice should be obtained from a suitably qualified person e.g. Certified Practitioner in Erosion and Sediment Control, or Registered Professional Engineer Queensland, with appropriate knowledge and experience in erosion and sediment control design and implementation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Drainage, erosion and sediment controls should be appropriate to the risk posed by the activity for the relevant climatic region e.g. considering the potential soil loss rate, monthly erosivity or average monthly rainfall.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> An effectively stabilised surface is defined as one that does not, or is not likely to result in visible evidence of soil loss caused by sheet, rill or gully erosion or lead to sedimentation water contamination.