

HERITAGE PLACE CODE

1 **Purpose of the Code**

The purpose of this code is to ensure that development on or adjoining a heritage place maintains the heritage significance of the place by;

- ensuring that development does not detract from the cultural heritage significance of the heritage place;
- ensuring that development respects and incorporates any relevant aspects of Indigenous cultural interests and values in the heritage place;
- ensuring that the impacts of development on the heritage place are assessed and mitigated;
- ensuring that development does not degrade, disturb or cause encroachment on the heritage place;
- conserving the biodiversity and geodiversity¹ of the heritage place; and
- protecting any ecological corridor linkages of the heritage place to other natural areas.

To do so, this code includes heritage controls with the purpose of retaining local places of cultural and natural heritage significance to ensure their ongoing survival for future generations.

2 **Application of the Code**

The provisions of this code apply to any building works (defined in Section 3 Definitions below), Reconfiguring a Lot and operational works, on a heritage place that is listed on the Heritage Place Register for Rockhampton in the Rockhampton City Plan. The code also applies to new buildings, including extensions to a building, and subdivision on sites adjoining heritage places.

The Heritage Place Register for Rockhampton is included in **Planning Scheme Policy No. 4 – Heritage Register**. Heritage Places entered onto the Queensland Heritage Register under the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* are not included in the Heritage Place Register for Rockhampton as the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* regulates the impact of development on the State listed heritage places. Therefore, this code is not applicable for the assessment of development impacts on places on the Queensland Heritage register which instead will be assessed under the provisions of the relevant State heritage legislation.

¹ The term is used so as to ensure all aspects of the abiotic environment, be they geological, geomorphological or pedological, etc are considered. Geodiversity includes the range of geological, geomorphological and soil features, assemblages, systems and processes. Many geo features have formed under conditions, climatic or geological, that are now inactive. They are essentially relict or "fossil" features that once disturbed, will never recover or will be removed forever. (Source: *Conserving Geodiversity, The Importance Of Valuing Our Geological Heritage*, website for the Department of Primary Industries, Water and Environment, Tasmania).



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This code is not applicable to minor repair and maintenance works, as defined in Chapter 3 of this Planning Scheme.

There are no Secondary Codes to this Code.

3 Definitions

There are no definitions specific to this code.

4 Explanation

This code is used to assess the impact of development on the site of a heritage place. The code sets out the criteria for assessing development on or adjoining a heritage place. The assessment criteria is based on the standard for heritage reporting in Australia – The ICOMOS Charter for the Conservation of ‘Burra Charter’ Places of Significance 1998. This is an appropriate approach to heritage assessment given that the significance of a place could be for a range of cultural values including (but not limited to) historical, social, technological or architectural values. Accordingly, the acceptable solution is not a development standard but a report assessing the change against the criteria set out the ICOMOS Charter.

5 Performance Criteria and Acceptable Solutions

Part A - Development of or on a Heritage Place

Performance Criteria

Acceptable Solutions



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<p>P1 The proposal respects the cultural significance of the heritage place and ensures its ongoing survival.</p>	<p>A1 No Acceptable Solution specified.</p> <p><i>Note: A report accompanying the application verifies that the proposal has been prepared in accordance with the Australia ICOMOS Charter for the Conservation of 'Burra Charter' Places of Cultural Significance 1998.</i></p>
<p>P2 The proposal is based on, and takes account of, all aspects of the cultural significance of a place.</p>	<p>A2 No Acceptable Solution specified.</p> <p><i>Note: A report accompanying the application verifies that the proposal has been prepared in accordance with the Guidelines to the Burra Charter: Cultural Significance.</i></p>
<p>P3 The proposal protects the fabric and setting of the heritage place, while providing for its use, interpretation and management.</p>	<p>A3 No Acceptable Solution specified.</p> <p><i>Note: A report accompanying the application verifies that the proposal has been prepared in accordance with the Guidelines to the Burra Charter: Conservation Policy.</i></p>
<p>P4 The proposal is based on the issues relevant to the conservation of the heritage place, with appropriate opportunity for community comment on the findings.</p>	<p>A4 No Acceptable Solution specified.</p> <p><i>Note: A report accompanying the application verifies that the proposal has been prepared in accordance with the Guidelines to the Burra Charter: Procedures for Undertaking Studies and Reports.</i></p>
<p>P5 The proposal does not impair culturally significant attributes of the heritage place identified by the Indigenous people for whom the place is significant.</p>	<p>A5 No Acceptable Solution specified.</p>



Part B - Development on land adjoining a heritage place

Performance Criteria	Acceptable Solutions
Operational works and changes to buildings	
<p>P1 The proposal is sympathetic to and consistent with the values sought to be protected in the setting of the adjoining heritage place.</p>	<p>A1.1 Views of the heritage place from public spaces are maintained where the views contribute to the community knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the heritage place and will not be damaged or reduced in quality by the proposal.</p> <p>A1.2 AND Views from the heritage place are maintained where they contribute to the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the heritage values of the heritage place and will not be damaged or reduced in quality by the proposal.</p> <p>A1.3 AND The proposal will not unreasonably overshadow the adjoining heritage place (in part or in total) and includes appropriate setbacks to protect the values sought to be protected at the heritage place.</p> <p>A1.4 AND Landscaping on the site is sympathetic to and consistent with the species composition of landscaping on the adjoining heritage place (if it exists).</p>
Sub division	
<p>P2 The sub division will not result in development or potential future development that will detract from or damage the setting of the adjoining heritage place and will not:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) block or interfere with significant views, or (b) over shadow; or (c) damage the landscape/setting of the adjoining heritage place. 	<p>A2 No Acceptable Solution specified.</p>

