

Development Scheme Amendment in a Priority Development Area (PDA)

This fact sheet provides information about how to make a submission on a proposed development scheme amendment for a Priority Development Area (PDA).

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Finalisation of development scheme including a submissions report

What is a development scheme?

A development scheme is a statutory planning document that regulates planning, carrying out, promoting, coordinating and controlling the development of land in the PDA.

Who is responsible for preparing the development scheme for the PDA?

Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) is responsible for undertaking the process of preparing a proposed development scheme on behalf of Minister for Economic Development Queensland (MEDQ).

However, in some instances the MEDQ delegates responsibilities for plan preparation in a PDA to another entity. In the case of the

Maroochydhore City Centre PDA, Sunshine Coast Council is the delegate for plan preparation.

In all circumstances, the MEDQ finalises the development scheme and takes the steps for the scheme to be approved by regulation.

What is a submission?

A submission is a written comment made by any interested community member (including a resident, a landowner, a developer or a business operator) during the notification or submission period for a proposed PDA development scheme or proposed amendment to an existing development scheme.

The submission period is a minimum of 30 business days for a proposed development scheme, and a minimum of 15 business days for a proposed amendment to an existing development scheme. For this proposed amendment, the Council has decided to undertake public notification for a period of 30 business days.

What is required in a properly made submission?

A submission should:

- be in writing
- be received during the public notification period
- include the submitter's name and contact details
- include a description of the issue/s of concern and/or support for specific outcomes of the scheme
- be addressed to the MEDQ
- be lodged with the Council.

Making a properly made submission will ensure your issues or concerns are considered by the MEDQ.

Where should a submission be sent?

Where the responsibility of preparing the amendment to the proposed development scheme has been delegated to another entity, such as in this case to Sunshine Coast Council, then submissions should be lodged with that entity.

Submissions can be lodged with Council by:

Website: Haveyoursay/MCCPDAD/Submission

Email a submission to:

MaroochydoreCityCentre@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

Post a submission to:

The Chief Executive Officer
Sunshine Coast Regional Council
Locked Bag 72
Sunshine Coast Mail Centre QLD 4560

A submitter's details remain strictly confidential. No personal details are published online or included in the submissions report.

What happens following a submission?

After the submission period closes, it may take up to three months to review and consider all submissions received and make any related amendments to the proposed development scheme.

When the development scheme has been 'made' (finalised), the MEDQ will advise each submitter that the development scheme has been approved and is available online, along with the submissions report.

A public notice is also placed in the local newspaper advising the development scheme has been approved and is available to be viewed.



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