

Strategic policy			
Infill Development In	centives		
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Endorsed by Council	26 May 2022 (OM22/39)	
Manager responsible for policy	Manager Transport and Infrastructure Planning	

# **Policy purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to encourage infill development in the target areas.

# **Policy outcome**

The success of the policy will be measured by new or increased development in the Nambour and Caloundra centres in the term of the policy.

# **Policy scope**

Development is eligible for a reduced infrastructure charge if the development meets the criteria outlined below.

# **Policy statement**

Council is committed to encouraging infill development in the centres of Nambour and Caloundra, where spare Council infrastructure network capacity has been identified, and to assist in the delivery of the infill targets outlined in the SEQ Regional Plan.

# **Guiding principles**

The guiding principles for the introduction of an incentives policy are:

- The SEQ Regional Plan includes targets for infill development and Council identified a need to provide incentives for this type of development.
- Nambour and Caloundra would benefit from increased infill development.

#### Criteria

To be eligible for a reduced infrastructure charge, a development must comply with all of the following criteria (refer explanatory notes below for clarification):

- 1. Development is within the target areas of the Nambour and Caloundra centres, shown on the maps in Appendix A;
- 2. Development creates new demand which is at least double the existing demand;
- 3. Development is for a new building, not the re-purposing of an existing building;
- 4. The application for an incentive is received by Council between the dates of 1 July, 2022 and 30 June, 2025;
- 5. The building work for the development is substantially commenced by 30 December 2025.

#### Explanatory note:

The demand referred to in Criteria 2 above is calculated in accordance with the Adopted Infrastructure Charges Resolution. The following examples would be eligible for an incentive program Infrastructure Charges reduction:

- a. The existing use of the site is 200 m<sup>2</sup> GFA, and the new development is a new building creating 500 m<sup>2</sup> GFA;
- b. The existing use of the site is  $100 \text{ m}^2$  GFA, and the new development contains  $2 \times 2$  bedroom apartments (each  $120 \text{ m}^2$ ).

#### Financial Incentive

Council will reduce the infrastructure charges applicable for complying development by 50%. The amount of reduced charges in Nambour and Caloundra will be lapsed to a total incentives limit. The program is offered to applicants on a first in, first served basis. Applicants can also apply for a staged payment plan, if desired. Refer to Appendix B for details of the staged payment plan policy.

Incentive	<b>Details</b>		
Reduction of infrastructure charges	50%		
Limit of incentives program	\$10 million over six years: 1 July 2019 - 30 June 2025		

### How to apply

Application is made by emailing <a href="mailto:icinfo@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au">icinfo@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au</a> outlining:

- 1. Details of the development application.
- 2. Eligibility with the incentives criteria.

#### Review

A three-year extension to the original policy was adopted by Council on 23 May 2019, allowing applications for an incentive to be received by Council from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2022.

Following this extension to the 30 June 2025 no further extensions to the policy are anticipated.

## **Roles and responsibilities**

Transport and Infrastructure Planning Branch is responsible for the delivery and administration of the Infill Development Incentives Policy.

#### **Measurement of success**

The measures of success of the policy will be:

- New buildings creating infill development within the target areas of Nambour and Caloundra.
- Applications for the incentives package.

# Related policies and legislation

The Planning Act 2016 provides the framework for infrastructure charges.

The Council's Adopted Infrastructure Charges Resolution forms the basis of the calculation of infrastructure charges applicable to development.

The policy for rebates for community organisations continues to apply under the separate policy Infrastructure Charges Rebates for Community Organisations

The Local Government Act 2019.

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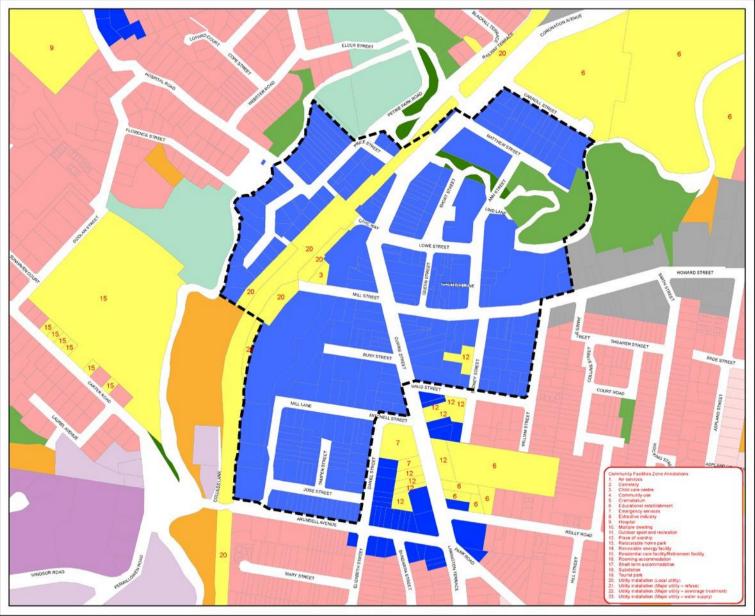
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# Appendix A Target Area Maps









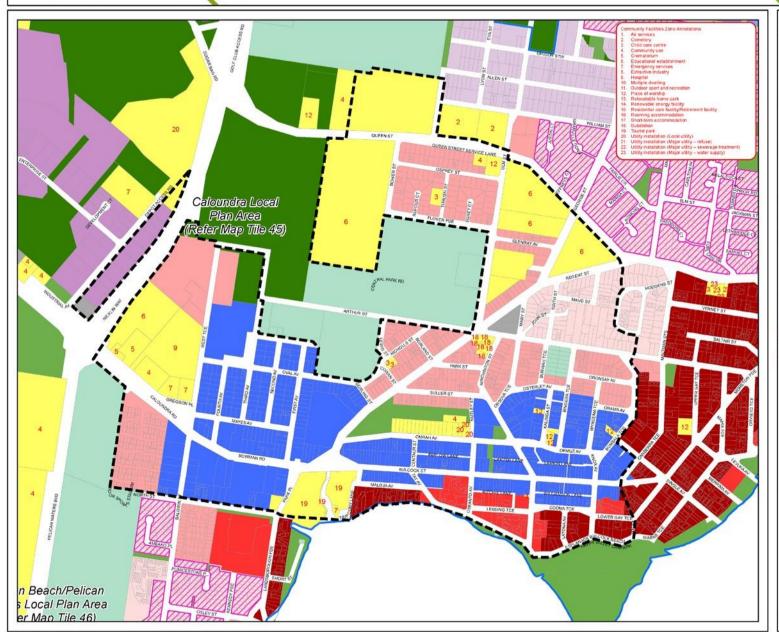
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Sunshine Coast Planning Scheme 2014



# Sunshine Coast Planning Scheme 2014 Map 2 - Incentives Area - Caloundra





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#### Appendix B

#### Staged payments

Payment of infrastructure charges can be staged over time, through a written agreement with Council. The applicant must make a request to Council detailing circumstances and basis for consideration before allowing staged payments of infrastructure charges to be approved.

The total infrastructure charge amount applicable is the issued amount plus variations in indexation from the date of issue to the date when payment of the infrastructure charge becomes payable less the reduction approved under this policy.

A first payment of 25% of the payable amount is to be made at the commencement of the use.

The remaining balance with applied interest is to be paid in four six-monthly instalments until the full payment has been made.

The remaining balance owing, after each payment, will be subject to application of compound interest (currently 3%), calculated daily from the first payment until full payment has been completed.

Staged payments to not apply to any development that will be strata or community titled or reconfiguring a lot approvals.

Sale of any property relating to the charge will require full payment of the balance owing prior to any settlement of the sale of the property.

The applicant must provide a signed written agreement to the staged payment arrangement offered by Council.

Non-compliance with any component of the above arrangement will be deemed as a breach of the agreement for the staged payment arrangement and any balance owing will be transferred to the rates account for the property for the purposes of recovery.