

Policy on the use of Seacontainers and Transportable Structures

Objectives:

- To protect the amenity of the Williams townsite by ensuring that the visual impact of any proposal to use a sea container or transportable structure is minimised.
- To specify the circumstances under which Council may permit the use of sea containers or transportable structures within the Williams townsite.
- To outline the procedures required to be followed in seeking Council's approval to the use of sea containers or transportable structures within the Williams townsite

Policy:

Statement:

The use of sea containers and transportable structures for purposes other than the transportation of goods (e.g. storage, shed, workshop etc.) has the potential to have a negative impact upon the visual amenity of areas in which they are located due to the general size and appearance of such structures. In order to guard against the potential negative impact of such usage Council requires that all proposals of this type be submitted to Council for its formal planning approval prior to commencement.

Policy Provision:

The use of sea containers or transportable structures within the Williams townsite for purposes other than the transportation of goods is generally not permitted. Council may however issue its planning consent for the use of such structures for purposes other than the transportation of goods where all of the following circumstances apply:

- a) Where the land the subject of such an application is classified / zoned "Commercial", "Industrial" or "Rural";
- b) Where the structure is located on the land so as to be effectively screened from public view.
- c) Where the height of such structures does not exceed 3 metres.

All applications for planning approval to use a sea container or transportable structure shall be made in the form prescribed in Schedule 2 of the Williams Town Planning Scheme No.2 and shall be accompanied by the following information:

- Details of the proposed use of the structure;
- Details of the dimensions and finish of the proposed structure;
- A photo of the proposed structure;
- Details of the structure's proposed location on the subject land; and
- The proposed method of screening.

In considering any application for planning consent to use a sea container or transportable structure within the Williams townsite Council shall have regard to the objectives and provisions of its Town Planning Scheme and may take into account any matters relevant to Town and Regional Planning, the public interest in general and the locality surrounding the proposed development in particular.

Where a sea container is being used to transport goods it is not permitted to remain on any land within the Williams townsite for a period exceeding twenty eight (28) days without Council's approval.