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Dependent Persons Unit

Information

A dependent persons unit is defined in the Greater Shepparton Planning Scheme as:-

A movable building on the same lot as an existing dwelling and used to provide accommodation for a person dependent on a resident of the existing dwelling.

Pursuant to Clause 62.02-2 of the Planning Scheme a planning permit is not usually required for a dependant persons unit if the Council can be satisfied that the following criteria can be achieved:

- The person living in the movable building is dependant on the main household by virtue of medical, economic or social disadvantage,
- The movable building must be connected to reticulated sewerage, water and power systems,
- Must be the only dependant persons unit on the lot,
- The moveable building is removed once the dependant person is no longer dependent on the main household,

A planning permit may not be required for the use and development of a Dependent Person's Unit, provided that the Council is satisfied that it meets the above criteria. Other controls may also affect the development and use of a Dependant Person's Unit. These controls can be.

- Non-planning controls such as other restrictions and or covenants which appear on the relevant copy of title.
- Planning controls such as a relevant overlay or building envelopes which restrict the construction of buildings to a defined area.

As the controls relating the Dependent Person Units are not always straightforward within the Planning Scheme, it is important that you consider the following before the movable building is placed on the land.

- Check your copy of title for any relevant restrictions or any covenants which relate to the property.
- Meet with a planning officer at the Council to seek advice regarding any planning controls.
- Apply for a building permit for the construction of the Dependent Person's Unit.

It is highly recommended that you make an appointment to meet with one of the Council's planning officers by contacting the Council on (03) 5832 9700 or book online at <http://www.greatershepparton.com.au/bookings/>.