

Livingstone SHIRE COUNCIL

Planning scheme
Information sheet #7

What is a Temporary Local Planning Instrument?

Local Governments use temporary local planning instruments (TLPI) to manage specific, emergent issues.

For example a TLPI maybe used to provide:

- Protection for a building of cultural heritage, pending its listing on a local heritage register
- Requirements for development in areas recently affected by disasters, such as flooding

TLPIs are effective for up to two years. After this Councils must choose one of three pathways:

1. Make the rules permanent and incorporate the TLPI into its planning scheme
2. Allow the TLPI to lapse
3. Seek a rare extension from the Queensland Planning Minister or create an entirely new TLPI to address the next phase of the emergent issue.

If a Council chooses the third pathway, they must undertake a brand-new state interest check and seek Ministerial approval.

Livingstone Shire is constantly growing and changing. Our population is expected to reach 68,000 people by 2046. We will need around 11,600 new homes to meet this growth.

How much we will grow

68,000
people by 2046

28,283
additional people

27,608
homes by 2046

11,603
additional homes

Approximate proportions of growth

65%
in Yeppoon

21%
in Emu Park

9%
in Glenlee – Rockyview



Supporting housing supply

In June 2025, Livingstone Shire Council introduced the *Temporary Local Planning Instrument 01-2025 – Housing Supply and Affordability Measures* (TLPI 01/2025) to free up land for new housing investment at locations that have appropriate infrastructure such as water, sewerage, and energy already in place .

Since then, this TLPI and has supported several approvals in Hidden Valley, Kinka Beach and Emu Park, providing investors with opportunities to develop much-needed homes, and supporting long-term housing supply for our community.

The current TLPI ends on 6 June 2027.

After this time, development applications will revert to the existing Planning Scheme provisions. This means development applications will be subject to impact assessments and other planning requirements, significantly slowing down approvals.





A new TLPI

Council is proposing a new Temporary Local Planning Instrument (new TLPI) in early 2027 as the first step to continue delivering homes and meet population growth in the Livingstone Shire.

Without the new TLPI, housing projects may slow and demand may not be met.

The new TLPI will carry forward the existing one with some improvements, while council undertakes it legislatively required planning scheme review and prepares its housing strategy.

Amendments to the Livingstone planning scheme 2018 to reflect the TLPI will take time for State Government approvals and public notification before the planning scheme is amended.

The new TLPI is necessary to continue delivering new homes during this time.

Your input helps make sure our planning scheme reflects what matters most to our community. Keep an eye out for upcoming consultation, and have your say on our shire's future.

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