

21.10 INFRASTRUCTURE

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This Clause for French Island provides local content to support Clause 19 (Infrastructure) of the State Planning Policy Framework.

21.10-1 Community services and facilities

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Overview

French Island has limited community services and facilities, including a general store and post office, a primary school, the Parks Victoria office, a public hall, sports ground, cemetery, a jetty, a radio link to the mainland for telecommunication and a small community tip.

Key issues

- Maintaining a sense of community through the provision of a limited number of community facilities on the Island.

Objective 1 To retain community services and facilities that meets the needs of the community.

Strategy 1.1 Support the development and redevelopment of flexible community facilities that respond to changing needs and uses of the community.

Strategy 1.2 Ensure that community or education facilities associated with new development are accessible to the community.

21.10-2 Local infrastructure

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Overview

Other than roads, the Island’s infrastructure is limited to a radio link to the mainland for telephone services. There is no reticulated service for electricity, gas, water or sewage. Electricity is provided by generators (diesel, solar or wind) and domestic water is provided from rainfall or bores.

Key issues

- Managing the limited infrastructure in an environmentally sustainable manner.
- Recognising that the limited infrastructure restricts the development opportunities on the Island.

Objective 1 To ensure that development is designed in accordance with the Island’s infrastructure capabilities.

Strategy 1.1 Support development in accordance with the capabilities of the land.

Strategy 1.2 Require a waste management plan to be submitted with any development.

Strategy 1.3 Require development to be self-sufficient in the provision of a sustainable water and electricity supply and on-site waste water treatment.

21.10-3 Implementation

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These strategies will be implemented by:

Policy and exercise of discretion

- In planning for the location of education and community facilities, considering demographic trends, the existing and future demand requirements and the integration of facilities into communities.
- In planning areas near to education facilities, ensuring adjoining streets and access ways are designed to encourage safe access.
- Ensuring that planning decisions reflect a reasonable balance between the provision of important telecommunications services and the need to protect the environment from adverse impacts arising from telecommunications infrastructure.
- Ensuring that planning decisions reflect the national implications of a telecommunications network and the need for consistency in infrastructure design and placement. A *Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria* should be used in the consideration of applications for the use and development of telecommunications facilities and sites.

Zones and overlays

- Applying the Public Use Zone over public hospitals, schools, health and community facilities, cemeteries, local government offices, libraries and other community facilities.
- Applying the Public Conservation and Resource Zone to areas of environmental significance in growth areas and set the areas aside as reserves.

Other actions

- Support and encourage the provision of community services and facilities commensurate with the size of the population.
- Recognise the important role of the Perseverance Primary School in serving the educational needs of children in the community.

Reference document

- Department of Sustainability and Environment 2003, Western Port Ramsar Site Strategic Management Plan