

Day Care Centre

The Shire of Manjimup supports the need for effective Child Care Services within the municipality. The Council is prepared to accommodate such centres within the Residential, Special Residential, Rural, Commercial and Private Clubs & Institutions Zones where it can be demonstrated that the site(s) are suited to the intended use.

Provisions relating to Day Care Centres are prescribed by Council's Town Planning Scheme No 2 Text and Council Policy.

What is a Day Care Centre?

A Day Care Centre is a purpose built or converted premises used as a permanent facility to care for pre-school children. Centres are licensed by the Child Care Services Board and operate on a commercial basis, employing at least two trained staff.

How do I apply for a Day Care Centre?

A completed application form (signed by the land owner) and the application fee is required to be lodged at Council's Administration Offices, along with the following:

- Number of children to be cared for on an ongoing and occasional basis.
- Age of children to be cared for.
- Operating hours.
- Site plan (including details of pick up/set down area, play areas etc).

Will my application need to be advertised?

All proposed Day Care Centres are to be advertised prior to being considered by Council. The advertising will consist of:

- Referral to all adjoining/nearby landowners for comment.

- Advertisement within the local paper, stating that submissions may be made to Council within 14 days from the publication.

In addition to the application fee, the proponent is responsible for all costs associated with the advertising.

Will my application need to go to a Council Meeting for a decision?

If a written objection is received on your proposal, your application will require a decision from Full Council at the next available meeting. If no objections are received, your application may be dealt with administratively under Delegated Authority. This, however, will be dependent on the nature of the proposal.

Will my property need to be inspected?

All proposed Day Care Centres are to be inspected and approved by Council's Environmental Services division, prior to commencement of the service. It is recommended that you liaise with Council's Environmental Services division regarding your proposal.

Please Note

The information contained here is a guide only. It is recommended that the advice and assistance of the Planning Services division be sought in conjunction with any enquires concerning the use of land within the Shire.

Before committing to any development, please discuss your intention with Council. If you need to make application, your time and money can be saved if you are thoroughly prepared.

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