

Administration - Local Law (Amending) Local Law No. 1 Administration 2019

Local Law No.1 (Administration) 2013

This document relates to Council's current *Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2013* whose objective is to provide a legal framework for the administration, implementation and enforcement of the local government's local laws and subordinate local laws. In summary it provides the processes for:

- Applications and approvals under Council's local laws
- Legal proceedings for offences under the local laws including general defences, recovery of costs and service of legal instruments
- Appointment of authorised officers and their powers
- Investigation and enforcement including compliance notices
- Protection of Council officers in undertaking their role
- Reviewable decisions

Have your say

Council has reviewed the existing laws and is seeking your feedback on the proposed amendments.

The consultation period will be from 6.00 am on Wednesday 17 July to 6.00 am on Wednesday 7 August.

To have your say a written submission must be received supporting or objecting to the proposed local laws on or before the last day of the consultation period stating:

- your personal details
- The grounds for your submission (if you support/object to the proposed amendments)
- The facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds (the reasons why you support/object the proposed amendments)

The submission can be made by visiting ipswich.qld.gov.au/locallawreview and

- electronically using the 'Have Your Say' link which will be available from 6.00 am on Wednesday 17 July to 6.00 am on Wednesday 7 August
- or completing the form provided and

- delivering to council's Administration Building at 45 Roderick Street, Ipswich during office hours
- send to council at PO Box 191, Ipswich QLD 4305

All submissions must be formally received at Council no later than 6.00 am on Wednesday 7 August.

To review a copy of *Local Law No.1 (Administration) 2013* and the amending laws please visit ipswich.qld.gov.au/locallawreview or collect a copy from council's Administration Building at 45 Roderick Street, Ipswich during office hours.

Note: you will need to read the amending laws in conjunction with the existing laws.

Local law review

The local law review has resulted in the preparation of *Local Law (Amending) Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2019* (It is noted that there have been no anti-competitive provisions identified in the amended law.

A review has been conducted and drafting undertaken to:

- a. correct typographical errors and inconsistencies and provide an improved layout and formatting to the law;
- b. clearer requirements of what is required in the application and approval process;
- c. clearer clarification and definition of compliance notices for contravention of local laws or approval conditions;
- d. Inclusion of 'stop order' provisions to enable an authorised person to give a relevant person an order to immediately stop an activity if the authorised person believes that continuation of the activity poses: an urgent and serious threat to public health and safety; or an urgent and serious risk of property damage or loss of amenity. The order may be given orally or in writing. This is a standard provision in local laws for Council's in Queensland and the same wording appears in the State Government's Administration Model Local Law.