

1. Policy Intention

To provide guidelines for the processing and consideration of development applications for decision by the Joint Development Assessment Panel (JDAP).

2. Policy

- (a) Council accepts the intent of JDAP is to streamline the decision-making process for significant development applications, rather than duplicate the decision-making process, and therefore only requires development applications to be referred to it for consideration of a recommendation to the JDAP, which are outside current delegations.
- (b) Council acknowledges that in instances where the officer recommendation is different to a Council recommendation on a particular application, then the report that is to be forwarded to JDAP to set out both the officer and Council recommendations.
- (c) To ensure Council Members are properly informed of JDAP applications Council Members are to be notified of the lodgement of a JDAP application and of key milestones in the assessment process.
- (d) In view of the tighter statutory timeframes for the processing of JDAP applications, applicants should meet with Council officers and where appropriate relevant State agencies prior to the submission of the application to ensure specific issues are properly addressed and all supporting information is submitted with the application. Applications are to be complete on submission, including all plans, supporting technical studies and fees, to enable the application process to commence immediately. Council acknowledges that it may be necessary to convene a Special Council Meeting in some instances in order to meet tight statutory timeframes.

Policy Detail		
Responsible Directorate	Planning and Sustainability	
Responsible Department	Planning and Environment Services	
Responsible Officer	Manager Planning and Environment Services	
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