GOVERNMENT FUNDED SOCIAL HOUSING

Purpose

To support the development of social housing projects funded under the Commonwealth’s Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan.

Scope

This clause applies to the use or development of land for accommodation recommended for funding by the Department of Human Services (Office of Housing Victoria) under the Social Housing Initiative of the Commonwealth’s Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan.

Application requirements

An application to use land, construct a building or carry out works must be accompanied by the following information, as appropriate:

- Written confirmation from the Department of Human Services (Office of Housing Victoria) that the application is a priority project and recommended for funding under the Social Housing Initiative of the Commonwealth’s Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan.

- Certification from a suitably qualified town planning consultant declaring that the application lodged with the Minister for Planning:
  - Is consistent with the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.
  - Contains all necessary information to enable the Minister for Planning to make a decision on the proposal (including assessment against the requirements of Clauses 54.01 and 55.01 in relation to neighbourhood and site description and design response, as appropriate).

The responsible authority may waive or reduce these requirements.

Exemption from notice and review

An application under any provision of the scheme to use land, construct a building or carry out works for accommodation is exempt from the notice requirements of Section 52 (1)(a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of Section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of Section 82(1) of the Act if the application is accompanied by written confirmation from the Department of Human Services (Office of Housing Victoria) that the application is a priority project and has been recommended for funding under the Social Housing Initiative of the Commonwealth’s Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan.

Decision Guidelines

Before deciding on an application, in addition to the decision guidelines in Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

- The State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.

- Any comments from the relevant council.
52.41-5  Transitional arrangements

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The requirements of the planning scheme as in force immediately before 22 May 2009 continue to apply to a permit application for use and development for accommodation, to which this clause would otherwise apply, made before that date.

52.41-6  Expiry

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The provisions of this Clause will expire on 30 June 2012.

Notes: In accordance with Clause 61.01 the Minister for Planning is the Responsible Authority for applications for the use of land for accommodation, or for buildings and works in association with the use of land for accommodation, that have been recommended for funding under the Social Housing Initiative of the Commonwealth’s Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan.