OBJECTIVE

To set out the circumstances under which approval will be granted for persons to reside on their property in temporary accommodation.

POLICY

Scope

This policy applies to all privately owned land within the boundaries of the Shire of Gingin.

Definitions

Temporary Accommodation means a caravan with approved basic health facilities included in or adjacent to the caravan.

Policy Statement

- 1. No person/s is allowed to reside on their property in temporary accommodation unless they comply with the following conditions:
 - a. A written request shall be made for occupancy of temporary accommodation and permission received before such temporary accommodation is taken up.
 - b. Plans and specifications for the erection of a dwelling/house shall be approved by Shire of Gingin and the sand pad, footings and slab (or stumps) must be completed before the Shire will grant approval to occupy temporary accommodation.
 - c. If the caravan to be used as Temporary Accommodation is not self-contained, then an external WC, shower and laundry, connected to an approved septic system, shall be provided prior to occupying the Temporary Accommodation.
 - d. An adequate supply of potable water fit for human consumption shall be available on the property. Water can be provided by means of a bore, well or other supply approved by the Shire.
 - e. The applicant must provide a written detailed works programme, showing the various stages of constructed and the associated time frames, with the application.
- 2. Approval shall be in accordance with the *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations* 1997, Regulation 11 (2) (a), (b) and (c).
- 3. The applicant must provide a written detailed works programme, showing the various stages of construction and the associated time frames, with the application.
- 4. Applicants are to be advised that the period of approval shall not be extended beyond eighteen (18) months, being the initial twelve (12) month period and one possible extension of six (6) months.

- 5. After the expiration date of this approval, the Shire will instigate legal against those persons who have not complied with the Shire's conditions of approval for residing in Temporary Accommodation.
- 6. Fees are applicable in accordance with the Shire of Gingin Schedule of Fees and Charges.

GOVERNANCE REFERENCES

Statutory Compliance Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997 – r.11(2)	
Industry Compliance	
Organisational Compliance	

POLICY ADMINISTRATION

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