

# Objection to a Planning Permit

**Note:** A petition is considered as one objection under Section 57(3), (4a) and (4b) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987. The first person listed will receive correspondence from Council unless another contact is specifically provided.

| Who is objecting? |        |
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| Name:             |        |
| Address:          |        |
| Phone:            | Email: |

| What application do you object to?     |
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| Permit application No:                 |
| Address of proposed permit:            |
| Name of person who applied for permit: |
| What is proposed?                      |

| Reasons for your objection |
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| How will you be affected by the grant of this permit? |
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If there is not enough room, attach a separate page.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

# Important notes about objections to permit applications

1. This form is to help you make an objection to an application in a way which complies with the Planning and Environment Act 1987, and which can be readily understood by the Responsible Authority. There is no requirement under the Act that you use any particular form.
2. Make sure you clearly understand what is proposed before you make an objection. You should inspect the application at the Responsible Authority's office.
3. To make an objection you should clearly complete the details on this form and lodge it with the Responsible Authority as shown on the Public Notice - Application for Planning Permit.
4. An objection must:
  - (a) State the reasons for your objection, and
  - (b) State how you would be affected if a permit is granted.
5. The Responsible Authority may reject an application which it considers has been made primarily to secure or maintain a direct or indirect commercial advantage for the objector. In this case, the Act applies as if the objection had not been made.
6. Any person may inspect an objection during office hours.
7. If your objection related to an effect on property other than at your address as shown on this form, give details of that property and of your interest in it.
8. To ensure the Responsible Authority considers your objection, make sure that the Authority received it by the date shown in the notice you were sent, or which you saw in a newspaper, or on the site.
9. If you object before the Responsible Authority makes a decision, the Authority will tell you its decision.
10. If despite your objection the Responsible Authority decided to grant the permit, you can appeal against the decision. Details of the appeal procedures are set out on the back of the Notice of Decision which you will receive. An appeal must be made on a prescribed form (obtainable from the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal) and accompanied by the prescribed fee. A copy must be given to the Responsible Authority. The closing date for appeals is 28 days of the Responsible Authority giving notice of its decision.
11. If the Responsible Authority refuses the application, the applicant can also appeal. The provisions are set out on the Refusal of Planning Application which will be issued at that time.

## Personal Information

The personal information on this form is collected by Swan Hill Rural City Council (Responsible Authority) for the purpose of considering your objection under the Planning & Environment Act 1987 (the Act).

If you do not provide the prescribed information, Council will not be able to consider your objection. Please be aware in accordance with Part 5, Section 57(5) of the Act, the Responsible Authority must make a copy of every objection (including the personal information of the objector) available for public inspection at its office during office hours free of charge until the end of the period for which an application may be made for review of a decision on an application.

You must not submit any personal information or copyrighted material of third parties without their informed consent. By submitting the material, you agree that the use of the material as detailed above does not breach any third party's right to privacy and copyright.

Personal Information includes:

- \* a third party's opinion about the planning application or related issue
- \* photographs of a third party or their property
- \* the name, address or contact details of any third party

If you have any concerns or wish to request access to your personal information, please contact Council's Planning Department on 5036 2352.