

FACT SHEET

Operational Work

What is Operational Work?

The *Planning Act 2016* defines Operational Work as 'work, other than building work or plumbing or drainage work, in, on, over or under premises that materially affects premises or the use of premises'. Examples of operational works may include:

- excavating or filling;
- extracting gravel, rock, sand or soil;
- clearing;
- trimming or otherwise managing vegetation;
- landscaping;
- drainage work;
- placing an advertising device on premises;
- damming, diverting or extracting water;
- undertaking tidal works or work in a coastal management district;
- constructing or raising waterway barrier works;
- performing work in a declared fish habitat area;
- removing, destroying or damaging a marine plant;
- undertaking roadworks on a local government road.

The Logan Planning Scheme 2015 regulates the operational work identified in the table below.

Do I need an approval/permit?

A development permit (approval from Council) is not required if the proposed development is accepted development and it complies with the planning requirements in the Logan Planning Scheme 2015 (i.e. all of the acceptable outcomes of the applicable codes and meets the requirements contained in the category of development and assessment table). If the proposal cannot meet one of these requirements, the development becomes assessable development and requires a development permit (development application approved by Council) before the work can be carried out.

The table below identifies the applicable category of development and assessment for Operational Work:

Type of Operational Work (regulated by the Logan Planning Scheme 2015)	Accepted	Assessable	
		Code	Impact
Advertising device	✓	✓	✓
Driveway crossover ((excluding Dwelling Houses, Dwelling House (Secondary Dwellings) and Dual Occupancy (Auxiliary Units))	✓		
Filling or excavation	✓	✓	
Infrastructure Work	✓	✓	
Landscape Work	✓		
Vegetation Clearing	✓	✓	

To determine if a development permit is required, the zone of the property must be identified; this can be done using the Property Report in the [Logan PD Hub](#). Once the zone is known, refer to the [Logan Planning Scheme 2015](#) for the planning requirements for the particular operational work. Part 5 (Tables of Assessment) specifies if the development is accepted, code assessable or impact assessable, and outlines the applicable assessment benchmarks.

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How do I obtain a development permit?

If the operational work is not accepted development, a development permit is required before the activity can be carried out. To obtain a development permit for operational work, a development application needs to be lodged with Council electronically (online), in person, via post or via email. For more information on application lodgement methods and requirements (such as application forms and relevant supporting information e.g. plans) visit Council's [website](#).

How much will it cost?

Fees for development applications vary depending on the type and scale of development, the category of assessment, and other factors. These fees are set by resolution of Council and can be identified via:

- The [Register of Cost Recovery Fees and Schedule of Commercial and Other Charges](#) published on Council's website;
- The [Logan PD Hub](#), which includes a Development Fees Estimator; or
- By emailing dafeerequest@logan.qld.gov.au

If the development application is lodged electronically (online), payment is not required up front and Council will issue a Notice of Account which identifies the required fees for payment.

Payment can be made [online](#) via credit card or BPay (savings or cheque account), in person via credit card, cheque or cash or by post (via cheque).

Further information

For further information:

- visit Council's [Planning & Development webpage](#);
- contact Council using the details provided in the footer of this Fact Sheet; or
- visit the Planning, Building and Plumbing counter at 150 Wembley Road Logan Central; opening hours and directions are available on Council's [website](#).