**MASSAGE SERVICES**

Planning Information Sheet

WHAT CONSTITUTES A MASSAGE SERVICE?

A Massage service is a service where the business carries out the massage, massage therapy or therapeutic/ remedial massage on a client.

Depending on the number of consultants proposed and the information provided, will decipher the use class under the City’s Local Planning Scheme No. 3 (LPS 3) and the way in which the assessment is conducted.

DOES IT REQUIRE PLANNING APPROVAL?

A Massage Service falls under the definition of an ‘Unlisted’ use under LPS 3, which means that this proposal would require planning approval from the City of Cockburn in all zones.

For more information about what forms, fees and information is required please download the [Planning Application Checklist](http://www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/Council_Services/City_Development/Planning_Documents/). Please note that additional information contained below is required to be provided for all proposed Massage Services.

HOW TO APPLY FOR PLANNING APPROVAL

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| **Development Standards**  | **Information Required**  |
| Part 3.4.2 of LPS 3 describes that:*“If a person proposed to carry out any use that is* ***not specifically mentioned*** *in the:-*1. *Zoning Table – Table 1 and cannot reasonably be determined as falling within the type, class or genus of activity of any other use category in the table the local government may –*
2. *Determine that the use is consistent with the objectives of the particular zone and is therefore permitted;*
3. *Determine that the use may be consistent with the objectives of the zone and thereafter follow the advertising procedures of Clause 64(3) of the deemed provisions in considering an application for planning approval; or*
4. *Determine that the use is not consistent with the objectives of the particular zone and is therefore not permitted.*
5. *Land-use Suitability – Table 1 contained in the Statement of Planning Policy No. 2.3 – Jandakot Groundwater Protection Policy which applies to the permissibility of use and development of land in the Resource Zone, and cannot reasonably be determined as falling within the type, class or genus of activity of any other use category in the Table, the use is not permitted.*
 | In addition to the standard application form and fee requirements, the following information is required to accompany with any planning application for a Massage Service: * Number of staff proposed (including consultants, administration staff and any other staff);
* Predicted number of clients;
* Proposed hours of operation;
* Details on each massage room including the inclusion of showers;
* Details on staff rooms, and any other communal areas;
* Full details on qualifications held my massage practitioners;
* Whether any signage is proposed as part of the proposal; and
* Any other information relevant to the business.

If conditional planning approval is granted by the City, the City may wish to inspect the property at any given time, without notice to ensure the conditions of the planning approval are being complied with.  |