









Rural Residential Zone

Covers land intended for residential uses and limited compatible non-residential uses such as home-based businesses or small-scale rural uses on large lifestyle lots with a semi-rural character.



What land uses can be expected in the zone?

Land uses expected in the zone	Other potential land uses
 Dwelling house	 Nature based tourism
 Short-term accommodation (low impact forms e.g. bed and breakfast)	 Short-term accommodation (other types)
 Home-based business	
 Animal husbandry (e.g. grazing of livestock)	
 Cropping (not forestry for wood production, or not involving spraying of pesticides or herbicides)	
 Roadside stall	

A full list of consistent and potentially consistent uses are provided in the Rural Residential Zone Code. Other land uses may also be appropriate in this zone. Some land uses require a planning application to be made to Council (refer to the tables of assessment in the proposed planning scheme for details).

What is the form and density of development intended for this zone?

- Very low density semi-rural environment, where residents enjoy a high level of amenity and privacy.
- Low rise buildings (up to 8.5 metres or 2 storeys) well setbacks to site boundaries.
- Mainly intended for dwelling houses and associated out buildings on relatively large lots.
- Limited compatible non-residential uses such as home-based businesses or small-scale rural uses that do not impact on the rural residential amenity of the zone, may also occur in the zone.
- Minimum lot size varies depending on the location and setting of the zone.
- Typically, development in this zone is not connected to all urban services (e.g. sewerage).

What key changes are proposed?

- Under the proposed planning scheme, the Rural Residential Zone is applied to land currently included in this zone (with minor adjustments).
- No significant expansion of the Rural Residential Zone is proposed.
- Some adjustments to minimum lot sizes proposed (refer to minimum lot size mapping in proposed planning scheme).

How can I find out more?

- Go to the following [information sheets](#):
 - Zones Summary
- Go to the following parts of the [proposed planning scheme](#):
 - Rural Residential Zone Code
 - Dwelling House Code
 - Find out the zoning and overlay mapping that is [proposed for your property](#)
- If you have a question, contact Council's planning scheme team:
 - Email: newplanningscheme@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au
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To explore the proposed planning scheme or make a submission, scan the QR code or visit:

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