

FACT SHEET

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On 1 July 2018 Logan City Council started applying infrastructure charges for Auxiliary units, at a rate of 50% of the maximum adopted charge for a Dual occupancy (2 or less bedrooms). The amount is capped as outlined in the current Logan Charges Resolution, available on Council's [website](#).

For Auxiliary units, infrastructure charges apply to any building work approvals for accepted development (subject to requirements) that were lodged with Council **on or after 1 July 2018** (irrespective of the date when approval was granted), or development applications that entered the decision stage after this date. The charges are payable prior to the issue of a Compliance Certificate under the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002*, a Certificate of Classification under the *Building Act 1975*, or the commencement of the land use, whichever occurs first.

Table 1 – Scenario Matrix identifies the scenarios where infrastructure charges do and do not apply.

Type of application	Scenario	Infrastructure charges apply?
Building work* approvals lodged with Council	Lodged before 1 July 2018	No
	Lodged on or after 1 July 2018	Yes (if a development application is not required (accepted development)) No (if related to a development application lodged and decided before 1 July 2018)
Development applications lodged with Council	Lodged and decided (or decision stage commenced) before 1 July 2018	No
	Lodged (or decision stage commenced) on or after 1 July 2018	Yes
Change application made under section 78 of the <i>Planning Act 2016</i>	Lodged after 1 July 2018 to change a development approval that entered decision stage before 1 July 2018 and change is not related to Auxiliary Unit.	No

*Building work approval is considered to be the Decision Notice issued in accordance with section 63 of the *Planning Act 2016*.

How does an Auxiliary unit differ from a Secondary dwelling?

The main difference between an Auxiliary unit and a Secondary dwelling (commonly termed “granny flat”) is the nature of the occupancy:

- A Secondary dwelling must only be occupied by persons who form one (the **same**) **household** with the main dwelling. Infrastructure charges are not applicable for Secondary dwellings.
- An Auxiliary unit may be occupied by a **separate household** to the main dwelling. Infrastructure charges may be levied for Auxiliary units as outlined above.

To learn more about Auxiliary units, Secondary dwellings, Dual occupancies and Dwelling houses, please see our Domestic Housing Fact Sheet on Council's [website](#).

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Further information

For further information please:

- visit Council's [Infrastructure planning and charges 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](#).

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