



Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads

From 14 November 2011, Western Downs Regional Council is working under a new set of local laws to replace the local laws of the former Council areas and provide consistency across Western Downs. *Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2011* provides guidance on activities and behaviours which are restricted or prohibited in various Council areas.

What does Local Law No. 4 cover?

Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2011 provides restricted and prohibited activities in specific public facilities, as well as all local government controlled areas. Additionally, this local law has the ability to restrict opening hours and vehicle access to areas or permanently close areas. At present, opening hours, motor vehicle access restrictions and permanent closures have not been specified.

What areas, facilities and roads are covered?

In addition to all local government controlled areas, the local law also provides specific prohibitions and restrictions for the following types of areas:

- Roads;
- Cemeteries;
- Parks and reserves;
- Local government caravan parks;
- Boat ramps and landings;
- Local government swimming pools;
- Local government camping grounds;
- Local government offices;
- Specified footpaths; and
- Wash down areas.



What type of activities are prohibited?

Prohibited activities vary depending on the type of area or facility, though include such activities and behaviours as:

- Injuring, misusing, defacing, marking or otherwise damaging a building or structure;
- Camping, sleeping, occupying or remaining overnight unless the area is a park or reserve;
- Parking or standing a vehicle bearing a sign or advertisement that the vehicle is offered for sale or hire; and
- Taking part in riotous, disorderly, indecent, offensive, threatening or insulting behaviour.



What type of activities are restricted?

In addition to prohibited activities, there are a number of restricted activities and behaviours for a variety of area and facilities. Most of these activities are restricted in that they are only permitted with the express written authorisation from the local government, chief executive officer or an authorised person for the purpose of the local law.

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