

MEDIA RELEASE

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Shire investigates unauthorised accommodation at Paraburdoo LIA

Paraburdoo Light Industrial Area will be subjected to planning, building and health inspections commencing 20 November 2012 to ascertain whether unauthorised accommodation has been established.

At the October Council meeting, Council resolved to *direct the Chief Executive Officer to investigate unauthorised accommodation at Paraburdoo Light Industrial Area and take appropriate action.*”

In order to carry out Council’s resolution, Shire staff from the planning, building and health departments will be undertaking coordinated inspections of all land within the Paraburdoo Light Industrial Area.

Buildings of any kind require planning and building approval. In this case, accommodation comes under the Shire’s Town Planning Scheme No. 7, which means transient workforce accommodation or any kind of building developed for accommodation purposes including dongas are not permitted. The only accommodation that can be approved is a single bedroom caretakers dwelling.

All buildings must comply to Australian standards, including fire regulations and building codes.

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