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IMPORTANT NOTES ABOUT OBJECTIONS TO PERMIT APPLICATIONS

- 1. This form is to help you make an objection to an application in a way which complies with the Planning and Environment Act 1987, and which can be readily understood by the Responsible Authority. There is no requirement under the Act that you use any particular form.
- 2. Make sure you clearly understand what is proposed before you make an objection. You should inspect the application at the Responsible Authority's office.
- 3. The Responsible Authority may reject an application which it considers has been made primarily to secure or maintain a direct or indirect commercial advantage for the objector. In this case, the Act applies as if the objection had not been made.
- 4. Any person may inspect an objection once it has been lodged with Council.
- 5. To ensure the Responsible Authority considers your objection, make sure that the Authority receives it by the date shown in the notice you were sent or which you saw in a newspaper or on the site. All objections received prior to a decision being made will be taken into account, however, the earlier they are received will ensure that you are fully involved in the planning process.
- 6. All objectors will be notified of Council's decision.
- 7. If the Responsible Authority decides to grant the permit, you can appeal against the decision. Details of the appeal procedures are set out on the back of the Notice of Decision you will receive. An appeal must be made on a prescribed form (obtainable from the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT)) and accompanied by the prescribed fee. A copy must be given to the Responsible Authority. The closing date for appeals is 21 days of the Responsible Authority giving notice of its decision.
- 8. If the Responsible Authority refuses the application, the applicant can also appeal. The provisions are set out on the Refusal of Planning Application which will be issued at that time.

<p>Please be aware that the responsible authority must make a copy of every objection available at its office for any person to inspect during office hours, free of charge, until the end of the period during which an application may be made for review of a decision on the application.</p>
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