

Checklist 7 - Remove, destroy or lop one tree

Pre-application discussions: Was there a pre-application meeting? Who with and when?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning Officer:	Date: / /
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Information Requirements:


For all planning permit applications, the following **MUST** be provided:

<input type="checkbox"/>	A completed application form
<input type="checkbox"/>	Signed declaration on the application form
<input type="checkbox"/>	The application fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of title issued within the past 30 days and any registered restrictive covenant. The title information must include a 'register search statement' and the title diagram, and any associated 'instruments'.

Accompanying information:

i The council may reduce the information that you need to provide but cannot ask for more information than listed. Please check the information requirements with council. The following information must be provided as appropriate.

<input type="checkbox"/>	If the tree to be removed, destroyed or lopped is identified as a significant tree in the schedule to the overlay, a report prepared by an arborist.
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 copies of a layout plan drawn to scale and fully dimensioned showing:
<input type="checkbox"/>	The location, shape, size and slope of the site.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The location of the tree to be removed, destroyed or lopped.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The location and type of other significant vegetation on the site.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The location, species and height of any significant trees that have been removed or approved to be removed in the past 3 years.
<input type="checkbox"/>	A written statement that describes:
<input type="checkbox"/>	The species, height and trunk girth of the tree to be removed, destroyed or lopped.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The reason the tree is to be removed, destroyed or lopped.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If provision is to be made to replace the tree elsewhere on the land.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If the tree is to be lopped, the extent of lopping proposed.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any impacts on the significance of the area.

<input type="checkbox"/>	A photograph of the tree to be removed, destroyed or lopped.
	Check the land is not located within any overlays.

Seeking Advice Before You Apply

Different types of planning advice are available prior to lodging a planning application, depending on the nature, scale and complexity of the application:

- **Telephone advice** from a Statutory Planner – between the hours 8.15am and 5pm Monday to Friday contact: (03) 5320 5107.
- **Verbal advice** in person can be provided by a Statutory Planning Counter duty officer. To make an appointment telephone (03) 5320 5107 or simply visit the Planning Counter, Phoenix Building, Armstrong Street South – between the hours of 8.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday.
- **Pre-Application meeting** with a Statutory Planning Coordinator at Council's Phoenix Building. Pre-Application meetings are held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at Council's Phoenix Building. Simply telephone Statutory Planning on (03) 5320 5640 and the booking can be made over the phone. **Please note** a Pre-Application meeting can only be booked if you have concept plans of your proposal.
- **Heritage-only pre-Application meeting** – Meetings with Council's Heritage Advisor can be made by contacting Statutory Planning on (03) 5320 5640 to make an appointment.

Electronic Lodgement Service

eServices is Council's electronic lodgement service. This service allows customers to lodge planning permit applications via the internet. To access this service please go to the [Payments](#) section at www.ballarat.vic.gov.au and follow the links.

Disclaimer

Please note that this checklist is only for the standard information required for lodgement of an application. Additional information may be required after registration.

General Enquiries

If you have any further enquiries please contact Council's Customer Service Department on (03) 5320 5500 or visit the Phoenix Building, 25 Armstrong Street South, Ballarat between 8:30am and 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.