

22.07 COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY PRECINCT POLICY

This policy applies to any application to develop land within an identified Communications and Technology Precinct.

Policy Basis

Council wishes to promote the development of communication and technology intensive industries within the municipality. Identified Communications and Technology Precincts are to be strategically located to attract and support these industries.

Objectives

To designate specific areas for the establishment of communications and/or technology intensive enterprises.

To ensure that use and development of land in designated areas will not prejudice options for the establishment of new communications and/or technology based enterprises.

Policy

It is policy that: -

- Identified Communications and Technology Precincts be promoted as a focus for:
 - High technology enterprises for research and development in the agricultural industry and in the use and development of natural resources.
 - Technology and research enterprises which extend and reinforce the linkages between the precinct and higher education.
 - Facilities and services that support communications, technology, research and development.
 - Establishing Bendigo as a communications node in regional Victoria, as part of the national communications grid.
- Proposals contribute to the development of a high quality environment in the precinct and surrounding areas.
- Development be compatible with the local amenity of the area, landscape character and built form.
- Consideration be given to the likely effect of traffic generated by the proposal on the efficiency of transport networks in the precinct and surrounding areas.
- Consideration be given to the likely effect of the proposal on the health and safety of persons in the precinct and nearby areas.