

Hon David Templeman MLA Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts

Our Ref

66-04359

Mr Carl Askew Chief Executive Officer Shire of Wyndham–East Kimberley PO Box 614 KUNUNURRA WA 6743

Dear Mr Askew

This letter is regarding Ms Ginny Bulger, who recently sent a letter to me requesting permission to live in a caravan on a residential property for a year.

I am aware that the Shire of Wyndham–East Kimberley (the Shire) approves of Ms Bulger being allowed to continue to stay in her caravan, provided that she obtains a development approval and building permit to construct a suitable dwelling on the premises within the next six months.

If a building permit is obtained, Ms Bulger will be eligible to request a further exemption from the Shire to stay in the caravan for up to a year while the permit applies to the premises.

For this reason, I believe it is unnecessary for me to give Ms Bulger a full twelve month approval. Instead, I have granted a six month approval to give her time to obtain the necessary building permits. Once the permits are obtained, it will be left to the Shire to determine whether Ms Bulger should be allowed to stay in the caravan while construction work occurs.

The conditions of my approval are attached to this letter and I hope that it will assist to resolve this matter in a way that satisfies all parties concerned.

Please note that my approval hinged on the fact that:

- (a) the Shire approves of Ms Bulger staying in the caravan;
- (b) the use of the caravan is unlikely to cause health or safety issues; and
- (c) the caravan will be solely reserved for use by Ms Bulger.

As such, my approval may be reconsidered if these circumstances change or the Shire formally requests that the approval be cancelled.

If you have any queries, please contact Mr Steven Elliott, Senior Legislation Officer, Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, by telephone on (08) 8552 1642 or via email to steven.elliott@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

HON DAVID TEMPLEMAN MLA

MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT; HERITAGE; CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Att

20 MAR 2018

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1. Only one caravan may be occupied on the premises at any given point in time.
- 2. This approval only applies to Ms Ginny Bolger, the owner and operator of 'Poinciana Lodge', and is not transferrable to any other person.
- 3. The premises must continue to comply with all camping, health, building safety and planning legislation which may be applicable in the circumstances.
- 4. The owner of the premises must obtain a development approval within the next three months for a permanent structure/residence to replace the caravan.
- 5. The owner of the premises must obtain a development approval and building permit within the next six months for a permanent structure/residence for use as a caretaker's residence.
- 6. This approval will expire on 31 August 2018 or when cancelled by the Minister for Local Government or if the premises are sold, whichever occurs first.