

Application for Seniors Housing

Information

Council provides accommodation to the Shire's senior residents, supporting them to stay safe, healthy and connected with the community. The ten self-contained units are located in Pakenham and Cockatoo and modified for wheelchair and disability access.

Residents meeting eligibility outlined in this application form along with an assessment of suitability conducted by an independent agency will have their details listed on a waiting list and be contacted when a unit becomes available. The assessment of suitability consists of two areas: Mobility/Functional Status and Cognitive Function and Sociability in order to determine a person's ability to live independently in the senior housing unit managed by Council.

Successful applicants will be required to sign a lease agreement detailing responsibilities of the tenant and landlord (Council) consistent with the Residential Tenancies Act 1997.

Rent is calculated at 25% of accessible income with a refundable \$100 bond payable at the commencement of tenancy.

For more information or assistance in completing an application, please contact Cardinia Shire Council customer service on 1300 787 624

Please return completed application form to:

Community Strengthening
Cardinia Shire Council
PO BOX 7
Pakenham
VIC 3810

Criteria

Cardinia Shire Council has developed criteria to assess and prioritise access to the units at Pakenham and Cockatoo.

To be eligible to live in one of the units managed by Cardinia Shire Council applicants must:

- * Be a senior citizen. A senior citizen is described as a person over 65 years of age or an indigenous person over 50 years of age.
- * Require support for housing based on financial or health status, or other circumstances that make their current living arrangements insecure.
- * Earn no more than \$1086 per fortnight. (This figure will be reviewed and adjusted on a regular basis).
- * Not be the owner of a home or have assets and savings that would allow the purchase of a house/unit including associated expenses.
- * Agree to an assessment by independent agency on suitability.
- * Complete and sign this application form.

Preference will be given to applicants who currently live locally, have shown contribution to their local community and/or undertaken volunteer or community service activities in Cardinia Shire.

Application for

Thomas Lodge – Flower St, Pakenham

Cockatoo Cottages – McBride St, Cockatoo

Details of Applicant

Title.....First name:.....Surname.....

Current mailing address:

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Phone:..... Mobile.....

Date of birth:..... Age at date of application:.....

Marital status: Single

Married

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Widowed

Separated

Divorced

Other (please describe).....



Please attach documentation identifying name and current address. (e.g. bill, driver's license)

Current housing situation

Current residential address:.....

Household details: Live alone Live with husband/wife/partner

Share

Other (Please describe)

Type of housing:

House

Unit

Flat

Caravan

Other (please describe)

Ownership:

Owned

Owned by other family member

Private Rental

Department of Housing Rental

Other (Please describe)

If rental, what is your current rent per week? \$.....

Housing status:

Secure

Insecure – Please explain why?.....

Not suitable – Please explain why?.....

Financial Details of applicant

Weekly income: \$.....


Income source: Aged pension Disability pension Veteran affairs pension
 Superannuation Other (please describe)

If in receipt of a pension, please provide pension number:.....

Current savings at date of application: \$.....

Please indicate if you have any other assets and the value of the assets: (eg: large amount of savings, shares, vehicles or other properties.)

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 **Please attach a copy of your last bank statement**

Other information

Have you performed any volunteer role, community service work or had any civic involvement in Cardinia? If yes, please tick ONE box only below:

- No volunteer work, community service or civic involvement
- One off volunteer work, community service or civic involvement
- Occasional volunteer work, community service or civic involvement
- Regular volunteer work, community service or civic involvement
- Significant volunteer work, community service or civic involvement
- Lifelong involvement in volunteer work, community service or civic activities

If you ticked a box that outlines that you have been involved with the community, please provide details of what it was that you were involved in:

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Do you have family that live in or close to Cardinia Shire?

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Do you receive any support from family or close friends?

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Other information - continued

Do you receive any services? If yes, please indicate:

Home help or personal care (through myagedcare or National Disability Insurance Scheme)

RDNS (Royal District Nursing Service)

Other (please describe)

Do you require an interpreter? No Yes - If yes, what language?.....

Are you Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? No Yes

Do you have any pets? No Yes

Are you a smoker? No Yes

 **Please attach any other information that supports our application (Maximum of five pages).**

Emergency Contact Details

Please provide the details of at least two people that could be contacted in an emergency

Contact name:Relationship.....Phone number.....

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Declaration

I certify that all information provided in this application is true and accurate at the time of completion and agree to an assessment by mecwacare.

Signature:.....Date:.....

Witness name:Relationship to applicant:.....

Witness signature:.....Date:.....

The provision of false or misleading information may affect the outcome of this application.

Privacy statement

Cardinia Shire Council is committed to the protection of personal information. The information sought through this application form will only be used by Cardinia Shire Council for the purpose of assessing a person's suitability to live in units located at Thomas Lodge, Flower Street, Pakenham or Cockatoo Cottages, McBride Street, Cockatoo.