

**STRATA PLAN 67807 "LE POINT"  
50-54 NORTH STREET FORSTER**

**BY LAWS**

(Clause 37)

**1 Vehicles**

An owner or occupier of a lot must not park or stand any motor or other vehicle on common property, or permit a motor vehicle to be parked or stood on common property, except with the prior written approval of the owners corporation or as permitted by a sign authorised by the owners corporation.

**2 Damage to common property**

- (1) An owner or occupier of a lot must not mark, paint, drive nails or screws or the like into, or otherwise damage or deface, any structure that forms part of the common property except with the prior written approval of the owners corporation.
- (2) An approval given by the owners corporation under subclause (1) cannot authorise any additions to the common property.
- (3) This by-law does not prevent an owner or person authorised by an owner from installing:
  - (a) any locking or other safety device for protection of the owner's lot against intruders or to improve safety within the owner's lot, or
  - (b) any screen or other device to prevent entry of animals or insects on the lot, or
  - (c) any structure or device to prevent harm to children, or
  - (d) any device used to affix decorative items to the internal surfaces of walls in the owner's lot.
- (4) Any such locking or safety device, screen, other device or structure must be installed in a competent and proper manner and must have an appearance, after it has been installed, in keeping with the appearance of the rest of the building.
- (5) Despite section 62, the owner of a lot must:
  - (a) maintain and keep in a state of good and serviceable repair any installation or structure referred to in subclause (3) that forms part of the common property and that services the lot, and
  - (b) repair any damage caused to any part of the common property by the installation or removal of any locking or safety device, screen, other device or structure referred to in subclause (3) that forms part of the common property and that services the lot.

**3 Damage to lawns and plants on common property**

An owner or occupier of a lot must not, except with the prior written approval of the owners corporation:

- (a) damage any lawn, garden, tree, shrub, plant or flower being part of or situated on common property, or
- (b) use for his or her own purposes as a garden any portion of the common property.

**4 Obstruction of common property**

An owner or occupier of a lot must not obstruct lawful use of common property by any person except on a temporary and non-recurring basis.

**5 Keeping of animals**

By Special Resolution Options A & B deleted of By-Law 16 (SSMR 1997) with **Option C** adopted as follows:

Subject to Section 49, an owner or occupier of a residential lot must not keep any animal on the lot or the common property.

## **6 Noise**

An owner or occupier of a lot, or any invitee of an owner or occupier of a lot, must not create any noise on a lot or the common property likely to interfere with the peaceful enjoyment of the owner or occupier of another lot or of any person lawfully using common property.

## **7 Behaviour of owners, occupiers and invitees**

(1) An owner or occupier of a lot, or any invitee of an owner or occupier of a lot, when on common property must be adequately clothed and must not use language or behave in a manner likely to cause offence or embarrassment to the owner or occupier of another lot or to any person lawfully using common property.

(2) An owner or occupier of a lot must take all reasonable steps to ensure that invitees of the owner or occupier:

(a) do not behave in a manner likely to interfere with the peaceful enjoyment of the owner or occupier of another lot or any person lawfully using common property, and

(b) without limiting paragraph (a), that invitees comply with clause (1).

## **8 Children playing on common property**

(1) Any child for whom an owner or occupier of a lot is responsible may play on any area of the common property that is designated by the owners corporation for that purpose but may only use an area designated for swimming while under adult supervision.

(2) An owner or occupier of a lot must not permit any child for whom the owner or occupier is responsible, unless accompanied by an adult exercising effective control, to be or remain on common property that is a laundry, car parking area or other area of possible danger or hazard to children.

## **9 Smoke penetration**

### **Option A**

(1) An owner or occupier, and any invitee of the owner or occupier, must not smoke tobacco or any other substance on the common property.

(2) An owner or occupier of a lot must ensure that smoke caused by the smoking of tobacco or any other substance by the owner or occupier, or any invitee of the owner or occupier, on the lot does not penetrate to the common property or any other lot.

## **10 Preservation of fire safety**

The owner or occupier of a lot must not do any thing or permit any invitees of the owner or occupier to do any thing on the lot or common property that is likely to affect the operation of fire safety devices in the parcel or to reduce the level of fire safety in the lots or common property.

## **11 Storage of inflammable liquids and other substances and materials**

(1) An owner or occupier of a lot must not, except with the prior written approval of the owners corporation, use or store on the lot or on the common property any inflammable chemical, liquid or gas or other inflammable material.

(2) This by-law does not apply to chemicals, liquids, gases or other material used or intended to be used for domestic purposes, or any chemical, liquid, gas or other material in a fuel tank of a motor vehicle or internal combustion engine.

## **12 Appearance of lot**

(1) The owner or occupier of a lot must not, without the prior written approval of the owners corporation, maintain within the lot anything visible from outside the lot that, viewed from outside the lot, is not in keeping with the rest of the building.

(2) This by-law does not apply to the hanging of any clothing, towel, bedding or other article of a similar type in accordance with by-law 14.

### **13 Floor coverings**

(1) An owner of a lot must ensure that all floor space within the lot is covered or otherwise treated to an extent sufficient to prevent the transmission from the floor space of noise likely to disturb the peaceful enjoyment of the owner or occupier of another lot.

(2) This by-law does not apply to floor space comprising a kitchen, laundry, lavatory or bathroom.

### **14 Cleaning windows and doors**

An owner or occupier of a lot must keep clean all exterior surfaces of glass in windows and doors on the boundary of the lot, including so much as is common property, unless:

(a) the owners corporation resolves that it will keep the glass or specified part of the glass clean, or

(b) that glass or part of the glass cannot be accessed by the owner or occupier of the lot safely or at all.

(1) Except in the circumstances referred to in clause (2), an owner or occupier of a lot is responsible for cleaning all interior and exterior surfaces of glass in windows and doors on the boundary of the lot, including so much as is common property.

(2) The owners corporation is responsible for cleaning regularly all exterior surfaces of glass in windows and doors that cannot be accessed by the owner or occupier of the lot safely or at all.

### **15 Hanging out of washing**

(1) An owner or occupier of a lot may hang any washing on any lines provided by the owners corporation for that purpose. The washing may only be hung for a reasonable period.

(2) An owner or occupier of a lot may hang washing on any part of the lot other than over the balcony railings and only on an airer to the maximum height of 1.5 metres. The washing may only be hung for a reasonable period.

(3) In this by-law:

"**washing**" includes any clothing, towel, bedding or other article of a similar type.

### **16 Disposal of waste-bins for individual lots [applicable where individual lots have bins]**

(1) An owner or occupier of a lot must not deposit or throw on the common property any rubbish, dirt, dust or other material or discarded item except with the prior written approval of the owners corporation.

(2) An owner or occupier of a lot must not deposit in a toilet, or otherwise introduce or attempt to introduce into the plumbing system, any item that is not appropriate for any such disposal (for example, a disposable nappy).

(3) An owner or occupier must:

(a) comply with all reasonable directions given by the owners corporation as to the disposal and storage of waste (including the cleaning up of spilled waste) on common property, and

(b) comply with the local council's guidelines for the storage, handling, collection and disposal of waste.

(4) An owner or occupier of a lot must maintain bins for waste within the lot, or on any part of the common property that is authorised by the owners corporation, in clean and dry condition and appropriately covered.

(5) An owner or occupier of a lot must not place any thing in the bins of the owner or occupier of any other lot except with the permission of that owner or occupier.

(6) An owner or occupier of a lot must place the bins within an area designated for collection by the owners corporation not more than 12 hours before the time at which waste is normally collected and, when the waste has been collected, must promptly return the bins to the lot or other area authorised for the bins.

(7) An owner or occupier of a lot must notify the local council of any loss of, or damage to, bins provided by the local council for waste.

(8) The owners corporation may give directions for the purposes of this by-law by posting signs on the common property with instructions on the handling of waste that are consistent with the local council's requirements or giving notices in writing to owners or occupiers of lots.

(9) In this by-law:

"**bin**" includes any receptacle for waste.

"**waste**" includes garbage and recyclable material.

### **17 Disposal of waste-shared bins [applicable where bins are shared by lots]**

(1) An owner or occupier of a lot must not deposit or throw on the common property any rubbish, dirt, dust or other material or discarded item except with the prior written approval of the owners corporation.

(2) An owner or occupier of a lot must not deposit in a toilet, or otherwise introduce or attempt to introduce into the plumbing system, any item that is not appropriate for any such disposal (for example, a disposable nappy).

(3) An owner or occupier must:

(a) comply with all reasonable directions given by the owners corporation as to the disposal and storage of waste (including the cleaning up of spilled waste) on common property, and

(b) comply with the local council's guidelines for the storage, handling, collection and disposal of waste.

(4) The owners corporation may give directions for the purposes of this by-law by posting signs on the common property with instructions on the handling of waste that are consistent with the local council's requirements or giving notices in writing to owners or occupiers of lots.

(5) In this by-law:

"**bin**" includes any receptacle for waste.

"**waste**" includes garbage and recyclable material.

### **18 Change in use or occupation of lot to be notified**

(1) An occupier of a lot must notify the owners corporation if the occupier changes the existing use of the lot.

(2) Without limiting clause (1), the following changes of use must be notified:

(a) a change that may affect the insurance premiums for the strata scheme (for example, if the change of use results in a hazardous activity being carried out on the lot, or results in the lot being used for commercial or industrial purposes rather than residential purposes),

(b) a change to the use of a lot for short-term or holiday letting.

(3) The notice must be given in writing at least 21 days before the change occurs or a lease or sublease commences.

## **19 Compliance with planning and other requirements**

(1) The owner or occupier of a lot must ensure that the lot is not used for any purpose that is prohibited by law.

(2) The owner or occupier of a lot must ensure that the lot is not occupied by more persons than are allowed by law to occupy the lot.

## **20 Provision of amenities or services**

(1) The owners corporation may, by special resolution, determine to enter into arrangements for the provision of the following amenities or services to one or more of the lots, or to the owners or occupiers of one or more of the lots:

- (a) window cleaning,
- (b) garbage disposal and recycling services,
- (c) electricity, water or gas supply,
- (d) telecommunication services (for example, cable television).

(2) If the owners corporation makes a resolution referred to in subclause (1) to provide an amenity or service to a lot or to the owner or occupier of a lot, it must indicate in the resolution the amount for which, or the conditions on which, it will provide the amenity or service.

**Note.** Section 111 of the Act provides that an owners corporation may enter into an agreement with an owner or occupier of a lot for the provision of amenities or services by it to the lot or to the owner or occupier.

## **21 Renovations**

The owner of a lot may carry out "minor renovations" within their lot as listed below in connection with their lot with the approval of the Strata Committee by an ordinary resolution.

Minor renovation works include:

- Renovating a kitchen
- Changing recessed light fittings
- Installing or replacing wood or other hard floors
- Installing or replacing wiring, cabling, power or access points
- Work involving reconfiguring walls
- Removing carpet or other soft floor coverings to expose underlying wooden or other hard floors
- Installing a rainwater tank
- Installing a clothesline
- Installing a reverse cycle split system air conditioner
- Installing double or triple glazed windows
- Installing a heat pump
- Installing ceiling insulation.

With the owner of the lot is responsible for all costs in relation to "minor renovations" including replacement and ongoing maintenance.

## **Special By –Law 1 - Locks, latches, doors, sliding doors, windows, flyscreens and garage doors**

All locks, latches, doors, sliding doors, windows, flyscreens and garage doors installed prior to and after the registration of this By-Law shall be the responsibility of the current and subsequent proprietor of the lot and that all repairs and maintenance of the locks, latches, doors, sliding doors, windows, flyscreens and garage doors shall be at the cost of the proprietor and should an owner fail to maintain the above in a reasonable working condition the Owners Corporation after written notice to the lot owner is authorized to undertake the required repair and charge the cost to the lot owner.