

Bathing Reserves (Amendment) Local Law (No. 1) 2015

The following Local Law Amendments have been recently proposed to:

- provide for excluded bathing reserves where permitted businesses are not permitted;
- specifically provide for sporting club training activities (e.g. football club swim and run session) to continue to operate without a permit;
- clarify the ability of authorised persons to allow the use of aquatic equipment within a bathing area in special circumstances where it may not otherwise be allowed;
- provide criteria to limit the frequency of regulated activities at the same location in order to provide time for scheduled and emergent maintenance of the beaches and dunes;
- clarify an authorised person's powers to seize a vessel in specific circumstances;
- remove duplication of terminology;
- create a head of power for the subordinate local law to specify details around permitted business, excluded bathing reserves, prohibited permitted business, prohibited regulated activities and prescribed criteria for certain regulated activities; and
- create transitional provisions for regulated activities where Council resolves that the business is a prohibited permitted business or a prohibited regulated activity

The following amendments have recently been proposed to the subordinate local law:

- prohibit fitness equipment, commercial fitness activities and busking within a bathing reserve;
- provide prescribed criteria so that businesses operating a 'delivery of food' and 'delivery of hired beach equipment' do not require a permit;
- clarify the range of business activities that are allowed and/or require a permit within a bathing reserve;
- provide that businesses operating as a 'marriage celebrant' and 'wedding photographer' operating under a 'bride and groom marriage ceremony permit' do not require a separate permit; and
- remove authorised person's powers for SLSQ club patrol members other than for patrol captains. SLSQ support this amendment