# Building and Plumbing newsflash number 499

Logan City Council designates transport corridors

### Purpose

To advise that Logan City Council designated transport noise corridors on 27 July 2012 under section 246X of the *Building Act 1975*.

### Background

Properties affected by the designation are now subject to the requirements of the Queensland Development Code (QDC) Mandatory Part 4.4: Buildings in a transport noise corridor.

The designation simplifies noise mitigation measures by overriding any transport noise requirements for building applications under the Council's planning scheme, codes and polices and replacing them with requirements under QDC 4.4.

QDC 4.4 was introduced on 1 September 2010 to ensure residential buildings located in designated transport noise corridors are designed and constructed to mitigate the effects of transport (road and rail) noise on occupants.

The code applies to new residential buildings and to renovations and additions to existing buildings in any of the following building classes a:

- Class 1 building (house or townhouse)
- Class 2 building (unit)
- Class 3 building (boarding house, hotel, motel etc.)
- Class 4 building (caretaker dwelling).

Logan City Council is the first local government to designate local roads as transport noise corridors. The Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) designated state controlled roads in August 2010. Information about transport noise corridor designations can be obtained from the Department of Transport and Main Roads or the relevant local government.



#### **Online search tool**

The department provides a free on-line search tool to find out if a property is located in a designated transport noise corridor.

At present, the online search tool can only search for properties affected by state government designated transport noise corridors. It does not take account of any designations by local governments. To check whether a property in the Logan City Council local government area is within a designated transport noise corridor please contact Logan City Council:

By email:	EAP@logan.qld.gov.au
By phone:	07 3412 4620
By fax:	07 3412 3444
In person:	Logan City Council Administration Centre, 150 Wembley Road, Logan Central 4114
By post:	PO Box 3226, Logan City DC 4114

## **Contact for further information**

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