



COUNCIL POLICY

DILAPIDATED BUILDINGS AND VACANT ALLOTMENTS

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1. INTRODUCTION

Vacant land and dilapidated buildings have a pronounced negative effect upon the public realm of the City. They detract from the visual quality of public spaces and can have negative impacts upon adjoining properties. They also represent an under-utilisation of valuable City land.

2. POLICY OBJECTIVE

Minimise the number of dilapidated buildings and vacant allotments to maintain a high quality of visual amenity and optimise development and occupancy of land in the City.

3. POLICY STATEMENTS

- 3.1 The Council will apply all available regulatory measures to ensure that dilapidated properties are improved to an acceptable standard.
- 3.2 The Council will seek to ensure that existing buildings are occupied and well maintained.
- 3.3 The Council will seek to ensure that vacant allotments are developed quickly to their best potential.

4. LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS AND CORPORATE POLICY CONTEXT

In adopting this policy it is recognised that there are specific legislative requirements to be met as well as other Corporate goals.

Relevant major legislative requirements are the:

- Local Government Act
- Development Act
- Public and Environmental Health Act
- Heritage Act