



Affordable and Sustainable Design

What is it?

Principles for Sustainable Medium Density Infill Housing is a design based guideline demonstrating how to optimise the integration of design and sustainability features whilst maintaining the viability of medium density infill development. Features include:

- Site planning in context
- Landscape and environment
- Orientation and ventilation
- Car parking and site works
- Communal open space
- Shared circulation spaces
- Apartment planning
- Services and operations
- Materials
- Aesthetics and quality of place

Who is it for and how should it be used?

This Guideline has been prepared primarily for developers, architects, designers and planners. Devised as a useful tool for the development industry to appreciate opportunities to incorporate sustainable design outcomes in medium density development, it can also be useful for policy makers in the preparation of specific design policy.

How does it address affordability?

The guideline shows how the design features valued by purchasers can be incorporated into medium density development in a cost-effective way. It provides indicative costs and benefits.

Where is located?

The guideline comprises a part of the Liveable Compact Cities Policy and Practice Guideline. This is available on the Council of Mayors (SEQ) website – www.seqmayors.qld.gov.au.