
Title: OUTDOOR EATING & SIGNAGE IN THE YASS COMMERCIAL AREA **DA-POL-9**

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Service: DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Responsible Officer: MANAGER – DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Objective

To provide guidelines for outdoor eating and signage in the Yass Commercial area.

Policy

1. The Importance of Footpaths

The footpath outside shops and business can form part of an overall commercial street character incorporating the buildings, footpaths, shop fronts and street furniture.

If treated well, they can add to the vibrant nature of a commercial street. Treated poorly the use of footpaths can result in unnecessary clutter, obstructions for shoppers and a poor presentation to passers by.

2. Land to which this Policy applies – Figure No. 1.

3. Design guidelines and standards.

3.1 Outdoor eating/seating areas

Outdoor eating and seating areas may be provided in a variety of ways. They may include:

- (a) umbrellas or some other form of shade structure;
- (b) a temporary barrier to clearly define the outdoor eating area.

Barriers could include ropes or flower boxes.

3.2 Outdoor eating/seating areas and sales/displays

The outdoor eating/seating area and sales/displays must:

- (a) not unduly obstruct the free passage of pedestrians, especially children, people with prams, the elderly and people with disabilities including wheel chair users;
- (b) shall be located to maintain a clear pedestrian travel path of 2.0 metres;
- (c) be located to adjoin an approved retail or commercial use;
- (d) be carried out from a safe structure if a structure is used;

- (e) not be located in front of driveways or entrances to properties unless the permission of the property owner has been obtained;
- (f) comply with Council's standards concerning food premises should outdoor eating be involved;
- (g) be of a high standard in design and construction.

3.3 Furniture

Outdoor furniture should be of a high standard which reflects the high exposure of the main street and the importance of a good first impression to passersby.

Accordingly, Council is able to provide information on a range of outdoor furniture types which might be suitable.

3.4 Sandwich board advertising

Permission to occupy the footways by sandwich board signs may be granted for commercial premises in the Yass commercial area subject to the following:

- (a) signs shall be located to ensure a clear pedestrian travel zone of 2.0 metres in width;
- (b) an area of 600 mm in width from the top of the kerb shall be kept clear;
- (c) the size of the signs shall be restricted to a maximum of 1.2 metres vertical and 1.0 metres horizontal;
- (d) signs shall be limited to a maximum of two per shop front;
- (e) the signs at all times is to be professionally presented;
- (f) Council is satisfied that the signs do not restrict or endanger the public use of or obstruct the footway or interfere with public convenience;
- (g) the signs because of their construction, size, colour or material do not endanger the public using the Council footways.

3.5 Licensing

- (a) an annual licence is obtained from Council to permit the placement of the sign, outdoor eating / seating areas and sales / displays in a place on the footway designated by Council and also at such times as may be designated by Council;
- (b) if at any time the policy is contravened to constitute an obstruction, the licence may be revoked by Council.

3.6 Insurance

- (a) the licensee shall possess a public liability insurance policy of a minimum of 10 million dollars showing Council as a named insurer and contain a cross liability;
- (b) the public liability policy document or Certificate of Currency should include the insured's business or profession.

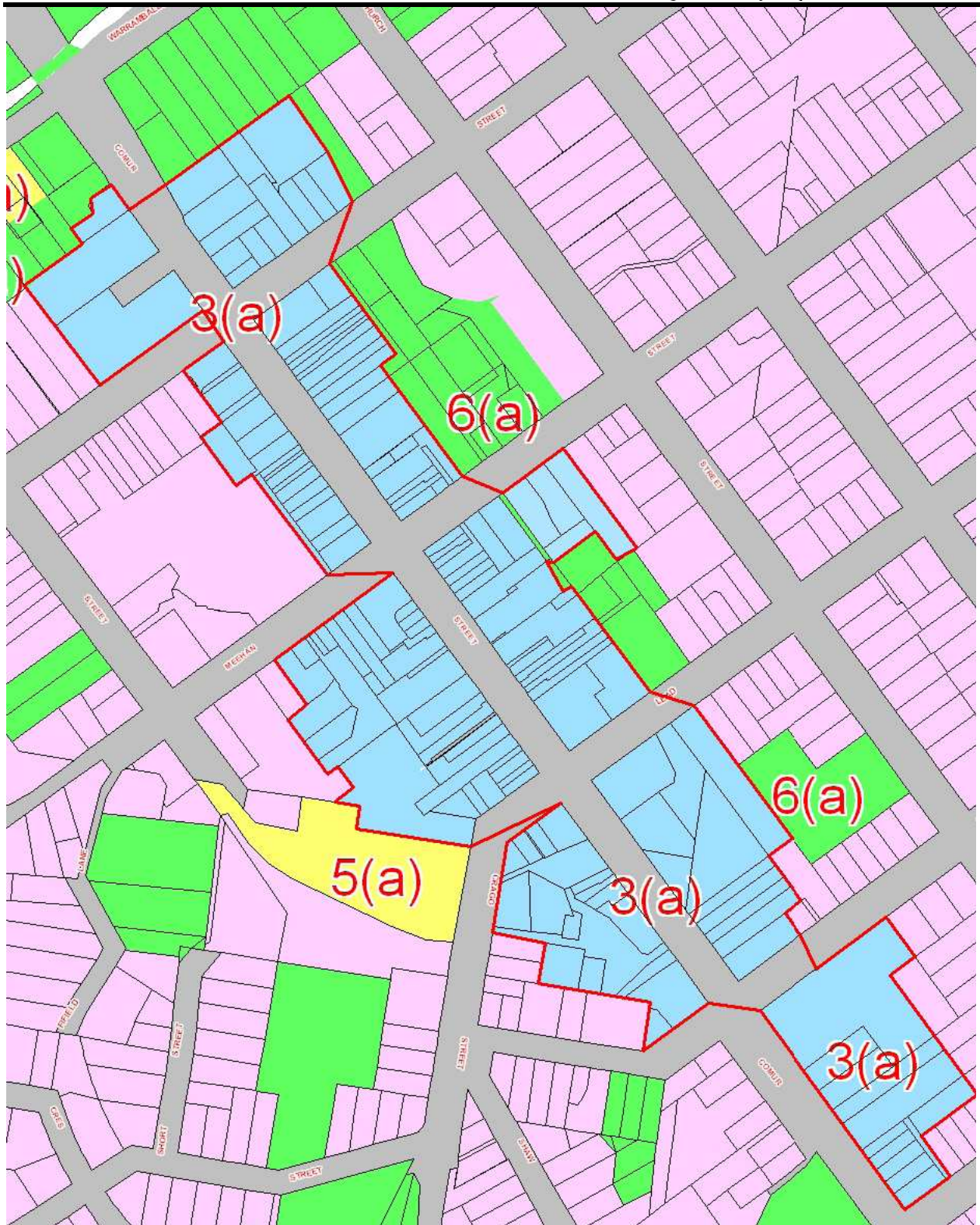


FIGURE 1

4. Street Vending

The Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) requires anyone engaged in street vending activity to obtain prior approval from Council.

Street vending involves the selling of articles either directly or from a stall or at a footpath restaurant or takeaway service facility on public roads and public places.

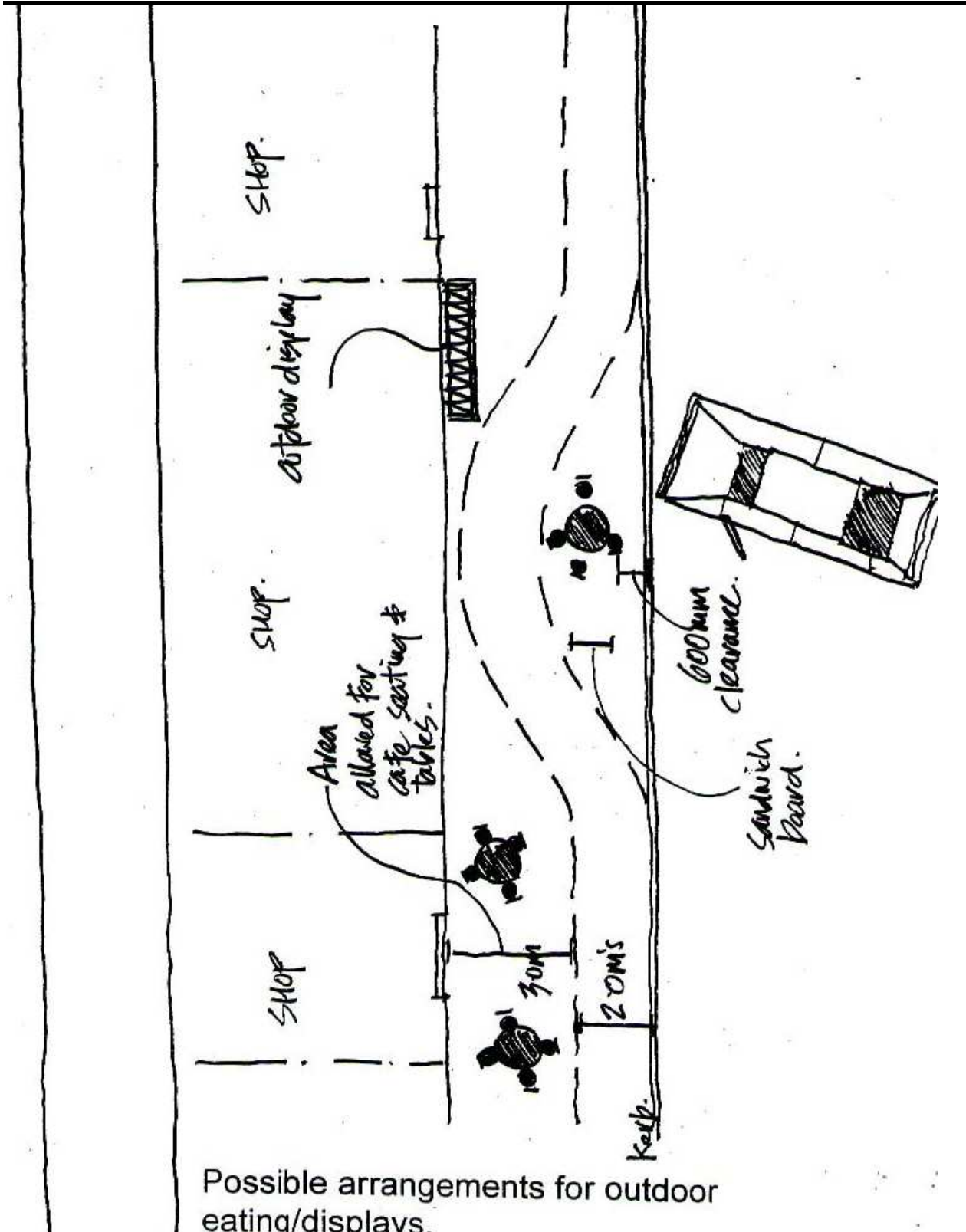
Other Relevant Policies/Procedures

Previously known as Policy F.10.

DA-POL-11 Use of Yass Central Business District Footpaths – Non Business

History

| <i>Minute No</i> | <i>Date of Issue</i> | <i>Written</i> | <i>Author</i> | <i>Checked By</i> |
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| 494 | 10 October 2007 | Adopted | | PP&R Meeting |



Possible arrangements for outdoor eating/displays.

The Council OF YASS VALLEY P.O Box 6, YASS NSW 2582

LICENCE APPLICATION FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC FOOTPATHS

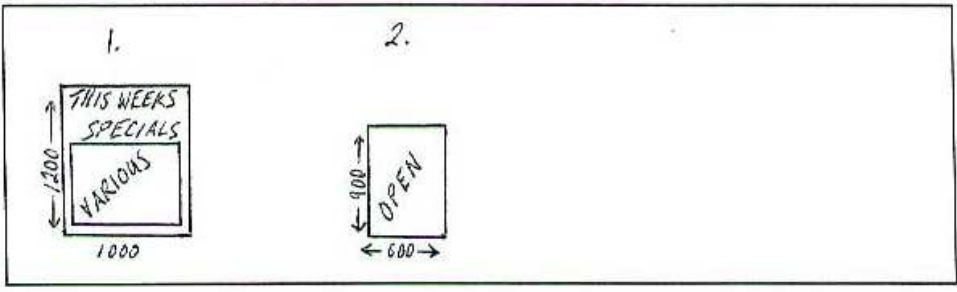
OFFICE USE ONLY Licence No: Date Received: Fee: \$80.00/sign and \$40.00/m2 (T80) Receipt No: NOTE: Please ensure application is completed correctly & all necessary documentation (e.g. proof of insurance) is supplied, or the issue of the licence may be delayed.

1. Proposed Use

(a) Advertising Signage

Size and Dimension: 1 x 1000 x 1200 and 1 x 600 x 900 Number of Signs: 1 [] 2 [x] (Remember signs must be a maximum of 1m wide x 1.2m high) Details of Wording: 1) This weeks specials 2) Open

(Please sketch proposed signs)



(b) Outdoor Eating

Number of Chairs: 6 Number of tables: 3 Details of Construction: round shape - aluminium Location on Footpath: see sketch Details of any associated items (e.g. umbrellas): 1 umbrella in each table.

(c) Outdoor Displays

Details of Merchandise: 2 Pot plants

Location on Footpath (sketch below): see sketch

Details of stands etc. on which merchandise will be placed (e.g. steel clothes rack): _____

2. Business Details

(a) Name of business associated with the proposed use:

Business Name: Joe Smith

Trading Name (if different): Joe Smith's Diner

Business Postal Address: P.O. Box 123, Yass NSW 2582

(b) Insurance - details of public liability insurance

A copy of your current policy **MUST** be provided to Council with this application form.

3. Consent of all applicants required

As the proprietor of the above business, I/We consent to this application.

Signature(s): Joe Smith

Name(s): Joe Smith

Date: 01/09/2005

Sketch of location of tables and/or outdoor displays on footpath (please do not forget to include area in m² that you will be using)

