

I am writing to apply for Development Approval for our property which is used for short term accommodation.

Since we purchased the purpose-built property in 2016 it has been short term accommodation and at the time all 4 units were also being let on a short term basis and still are currently.

Our property (Unit 4) is managed by me, bookings are received directly online and guests are then given information on how to access the property. A wooden box is located on the outside of the premises where all owners have a private lock box inside it, information is given for the relevant box access, this then allowing the guests entry through the security gate. Each building has its own private secured garage, so guests can park directly at the unit being occupied.

Access to our unit is from 2pm onwards and they must vacate by 10am the day of their departure, cleaners have access once guests have departed to do a full clean, linen change etc ready for the next guest. I have a minimum stay of two nights and no more than 1 month. It is regularly booked by executives coming to town for business as it is in a particularly good location, central to main town Geraldton.

These units were built primarily for short term accommodation, and we have no desire to rent it out on a longer-term basis as they really aren't designed for it, having a full kitchen upstairs and a kitchenette downstairs in the ground level bedroom they are designed specifically for short term stays.

We have never received noise complaints, nor have we had the need to complain about other owners guests. As we are local residents of Geraldton ourselves, if any issues were to arise, we are only 10 minutes away from the property but to date have not ever needed to attend for any complaints.