



PUBLIC NOTICE OF MAKING COMMUNITY AMENITY (AMENDMENT)
LOCAL LAW 2026

Notice is given, pursuant to section 74 of the **Local Government Act 2020**, that at its meeting held 6 May 2026, Port Phillip City Council resolved to make the Community Amenity (Amendment) Local Law 2026 applying throughout the municipal district.

The Local Law will take effect from 1 June 2026.

The Local Law amendment introduces a new Part 4A – Encampment Equipment on Council Land, Roads and Footpaths – into the Community Amenity Local Law 2023.

The Local Law will empower authorised officers to address encampments impacting community safety and amenity. The powers include directing a person to remove encampment equipment, removing the equipment if that direction is not followed, and impounding the equipment where required.

The Local Law gives authorised officers the power to exercise these powers only when encampments are causing adverse impacts on amenity or community wellbeing, while ensuring a continued focus on welfare. Although any exercise of power remains a last-resort measure, the change may help prevent camps from developing in ways that create safety or amenity risks for the community.

A copy of the Local Law may be obtained from Council Offices at: 99a Carlisle Street, St Kilda (8.30 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday) or 333 Bay Street, Port Melbourne (10.00 am to 4.00 pm Monday, Tuesday and Friday).

The document may be accessed also on Council's website, www.portphillip.vic.gov.au or telephone 03 9209 6777.

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