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What Type of Approval Do I Need?

Within Blayney Shire, depending on the type of development. Many types of minor home renovations and small building projects such as the erection of a carport or garden shed don't need a planning or building approval. These types of projects are called exempt development. As long as the building project meets specific development standards and land requirements, no planning approval is needed.

Other straightforward, low impact residential, commercial and industrial developments that do require planning approval may qualify for a fast-track approval process known as complying development. If the application meets specific standards and land requirements a Complying Development Certificate (CDC) can be obtained through your local Council or an accredited certifier without the need for a full development application.

Notwithstanding, many types of development require a combination of the below approvals. If you are unsure what you need to apply for, feel free to fill out a pre-planning enquiry to get tailored advice regarding planning controls within our Shire and the types of approvals you will require for your development.

Pathway

	Exempt Development	Complying Development	Development Consent
Level of approval	No approval	Approval by issue of complying development certificate by certifier	Council consent
Potential impact	Minimal environmental/ amenity impact	Predictable environmental/amenity impacts	Could be major environmental/ amenity impact
Level of assessment	Must comply with pre-set standards	Must comply with pre-set standards and conditions	Merit assessment

