



Yarriambiack Shire Council

**LOCATIONS OF  
HEAVY VEHICLES  
PARKING IN URBAN AREAS**



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## 1. PURPOSE

This document has been created to assist with identifying areas, and assisting vehicles longer than 9m and with a gross vehicle mass (GVM) of greater than 10.5 tonnes to park across our Shire. These are referred to as 'heavy vehicles' throughout the document.

The purpose of this document is to assist the Council in planning, design and prioritization of heavy vehicles to accommodate the need for sleeping and rest opportunities during heavy vehicle movement.



Woomelang Main Street

## 2. BACKGROUND

The Victorian Road Safety Road Rules 2017 state, that in a built-up area, a vehicle of 4.5 tonnes GVM or 7.5 metres in length or longer may park for only one hour even if the parking signs indicate a longer parking. If the time limit on the parking sign is less than one hour, truck drivers must obey these signs.

Truck drivers can only park for more than one hour in built up areas where specific long vehicle signage is installed or in areas permitted by the local Council (such as the overnight-long term parking area located at the southern end of the Warracknabeal Sale Yards), or the driver is engaged in dropping off or picking up goods.

Parking a heavy or long vehicle on the road can obstruct the view for other drivers and create a hazard for motorists and pedestrians. Extended parking of heavy vehicles in residential or built-up areas can lead to increased damage to sealed and paved roads.

Trucks are an integral part of the community transport network, it is important that Council is proactive around identifying truck parking areas across the Shire.

### 3. LIMITATION OF THE DOCUMENT.

This document has identified truck parking for Beulah, Lascelles, Hopetoun, Warracknabeal, Minyip, Murtoa, and Rupanyup townships.

The plan does not include identified truck parking areas for Woomelang, Tempy, Speed, Patchewollock, Turriff, Brim, Yaapeet and Sheep Hills.



*Figure 1 An example of a heavy truck greater than 9m*

### 4. KEY ASSUMPTION FEATURES

The following assumptions were made for finding the best truck parking locations in towns:

- Pull-through capability of road (i.e. no reversing movements)
- Road alignment- maximum sight distance, straight alignment
- Road capacity of parking
- Quiet locations – possibly away from local houses
- Close to amenities/facilities
- Separation of road lane

### 5. FINDINGS AND PREFERRED LOCATIONS IN TOWNS

#### WOOMELANG

In researching the best location for truck parking in Woomelang, it was identified that there were no suitable locations for long term parking for heavy vehicles. However, a short-term stop location for the pick up of food and use of amenities was identified. The preferred location in Woomelang is Brook street and Gloucester Ave (refer to map).

#### LASCELLES

West side of Wychunga Street, North of Sea Lake Lascelles Road.

Truck drivers usually park in this location for rest and use the provided facility. However, in selecting this location, the following actions would need to be implemented to the site.

- Install truck parking signs for showing the designated area to park heavy vehicles.
- Surface treatment of the area (approximately 50m<sup>2</sup>), including widening.

## HOPETOUN

Location in Hopetoun would be North end of Henty Highway. This is an established site and is within walking distance of the Caravan Park, making it easier and more accessible to facilities such as toilets and water. The location accommodates safe operation and freedom of traffic movements outside the community as well as road users.

### *Site requirements:*

- Not identified at this time.

## BEULAH

Located on the corner of Henty Highway and Birchip-Rainbow Road is an established and currently well utilise truck parking location.

### *Site requirements:*

- Not identified at this time

## WARRACKNABEAL

### *Preferred location 1:*

The Sale Yards site located east of Henty Highway and opposite of Warracknabeal Sale yards. The location will serve for long-term parking for heavy vehicles and no further site development is required at this stage (refer to map).

### *Preferred location 2:*

There is an alternative location in Werrigar Roadhouse, which has well-managed parking for trucks and rest areas for truck drivers.

## MINYIP

Mill Street between Stawell Warracknabeal Road and Market Street was identified as the best location to park heavy vehicles. (refer to map).

### *Site requirements:*

- Widening of the section along Mills Street is required for parking or storage of a heavy vehicle. The estimated cost to construct this is \$10,000.

## RUPANYUP

### *Preferred Location 1:*

McIntyres Road, West side of Stawell Warracknabeal Road, South side of Rupanyup Depot.(refer to map)

### *Site requirements:*

- Site requires clearing of unused gravel materials or can be spread and compacted over the parking area.

### *Preferred Location 2:*

The Corner of Dyer Street and McIntyres Road.

### *Site requirements:*

- Road shoulders require reconstruction to make enough space to park heavy vehicles. The estimated cost to construct this is \$10,000.

### *Preferred Location 3:*

Connolly Parade, between Stawell Warracknabeal Road and Dyer Street.

### *Site requirements:*

- A wide intersection is required at the entry and exit point of Connolly Parade and Dyer Street.
- Road shoulders require reconstruction to make enough space to park heavy vehicles. The estimated cost to construct this is \$10,000.

## MURTOA

Glenorchy Road (Corner of Racecourse Road and Murtoa Glenorchy Road). This selected site would utilise the road reserve for heavy vehicle parking. This would require consultation with the Recreation Reserve Committee before work commences.

Advantages of this location are:

- More traffic flow without interrupting the Murtoa Glenorchy Road.
- Less disruption to adjoining neighbours and free from noise, dust, fumes, vibration, odor, or potentially hazardous loads.

*Site requirements:*

- Trees need to be trimmed at the preferred location.
- For access of vehicles, culverts on both entry and exit points need to be installed to facilitate water passing through the natural drains at the site. The estimated cost to construct this is \$30,000.

## 6. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Council has identified through the formulation of this document the following additional items will need to be considered in relation to heavy vehicle parking:

- Council's role and ability in regulating the movement of heavy vehicles in terms of long-term and short-term parking at the designated locations.
- Detailed investigation into the costs associated with construction of parking bays and associated works at the identified locations.
- Consideration of forming a policy position to guide heavy vehicle parking in urban areas recommendation.

## 7. REFERENCES

- Yarriambiack Shire Council – General Local Law No.5
- Austorads – Guidelines for the Provision of Heavy Vehicle Rest Area Facilities

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**Appendix A.**

**Maps for heavy vehicles parking showing locations in each town**

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TOWN-LASCELLES

LOCATION - CORNER OF WYCHUNGA STREET AND SEA LAKE LASCELLES ROAD



CAMPBELL STREET

HENTY HIGHWAY

LASCELLES STREET

CONRAN STREET

PROPOSED TRUCK PARKING

TOWN-HOPETOON

LOCATION 1 - NORTH END OF HENTY HIGHWAY



BIRCHIP - RAINBOW ROAD

PHILLIPS STREET

HENTY HIGHWAY

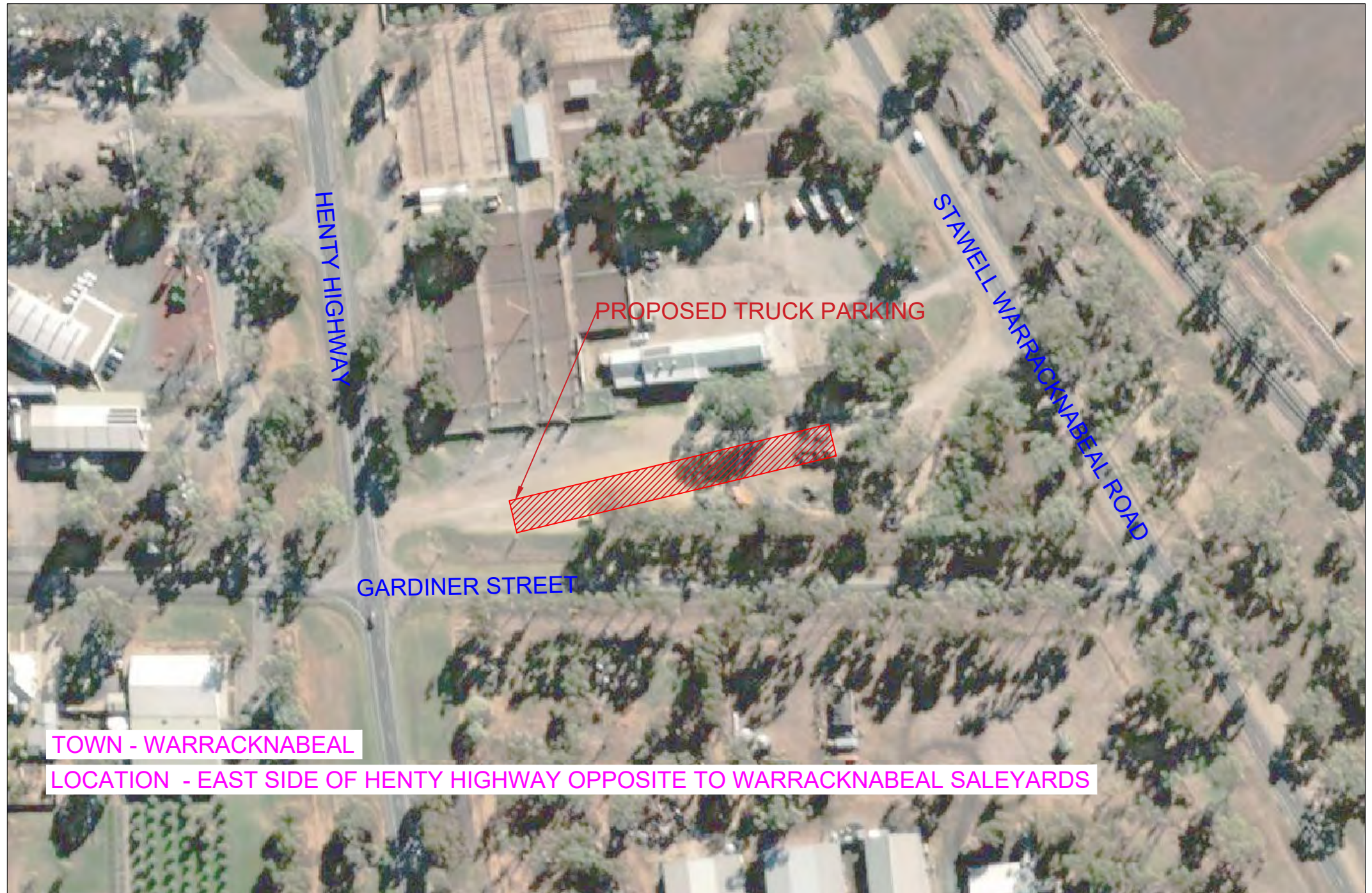
GLADSTONE STREET

TRUCK PARKING LOCATION

TAVERNERS STREET

TOWN - BEULAH

LOCATION - CORNER OF HENTY HIGHWAY AND BIRCHIP-RAINBOW ROAD



HENTY HIGHWAY

PROPOSED TRUCK PARKING

STAWELL WARRACKNABEAL ROAD

GARDINER STREET

TOWN - WARRACKNABEAL

LOCATION - EAST SIDE OF HENTY HIGHWAY OPPOSITE TO WARRACKNABEAL SALEYARDS



TOWN - MINYIP

LOCATION - CORNER OF MILL STREET AND PETERING STREET



CEMETERY ROAD

DYER STREET

STAWELL WARRACKNABEAL ROAD

TRUCK PARKING LOCATION

McINTYRES ROAD

TOWN - RUPANYUP

LOCATION 1 - McINTYRES ROAD, ON SIDE OF FUEL STATION

LOCATION 2 - CORNER OF DYER STREET AND McINTYRES ROAD



TRUCK PARKING LOCATION

FRAYNE AVENUE

CROMIE STREET

GIBSON STREET

CONNOLLY PDE

DYER STREET

TOWN - RUPANYUP

LOCATION - CORNER OF CONNOLLY PARADE AND CROMIE STREET



RACECOURSE ROAD

LAKE STREET

FRIEND STREET

LLOYD STREET

TRUCK PARKING LOCATION

TOWN - MURTOA

LOCATION - CORNER OF RACECOURSE ROAD AND GLENORCHY ROAD

Note: The trees on the proposed truck parking location will be trimmed.





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