

- There is a new appeals jurisdiction for appeals to an independent assessor (a lawyer of at least 5 years standing with expertise in planning and development matters) where the development application was code assessable. The Planning and Environment Court retains jurisdiction for appeals relating to impact assessable applications (ie. where third party appeal rights may be involved).

Most provisions of the Amending Act had not commenced at the time of writing (November 2001).

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Wildlife Conservation Notices 2001

The Wildlife Conservation (Rare Flora) Notice 2001 and the Wildlife Conservation (Speciality Protected Fauna) Notice 2001 were declared on 14 August 2001. These list specially protected fauna and declared rare flora for the purpose of the *Wildlife Conservation Act*.