

Proposal: Stanley Horse Riding Adventure

Proponent / s

Ms Jen Clingly

Australian Horse Adventures

Location

Highfield Historic Site

Description of proposal

The Australian Horse Adventures proposal is to run a horse riding tour of Stanley, using the paddocks at Highfield Historic Site as a base for ten horses.

The proposal is to run horse riding tours in and around Stanley. The horses would graze/rest in a paddock at Highfield Historic site and commence and complete each day of the riding tour at the site.

Australian Horse Adventures has been involved in delivering horseback tourism for 20 years, leading tours across Tasmania's Central Plateau, the Barossa Valley and Mongolia. It holds a commercial visitor services licence for horse riding in Narawntapu National Park and runs 5-day horse riding tours from Deloraine.

Social, cultural and environmental impact

The proponent will minimise its footprint (or hoof print) at Highfield Historic Site by keeping horses in the paddocks designated to them, riding "softly" by staying on the designated tracks, and staying off sensitive areas including the garden and collecting horse manure. To minimise damage to the vegetation the horses will not graze on any vegetation or trees at the historic site.

The spread of weeds will be avoided by picking out the horse's hooves and keeping them unshod, providing weed free good quality processed feed to the horses, which includes chaff, soaked pellets, and no whole grains.