



Ordinary Meeting of Council Agenda

to be held on Tuesday 20 September 2016 at 7.00pm
Richmond Town Hall

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Order of business

- 1. Statement of recognition of Wurundjeri Land**
- 2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence**
- 3. Declarations of conflict of interest (Councillors and staff)**
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- 11. Council business reports**
- 12. Notices of motion**
- 13. Urgent business**

1. Statement of Recognition of Wurundjeri Land

"Welcome to the City of Yarra."

"Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri as the Traditional Owners of this country, pays tribute to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Yarra and gives respect to the Elders past and present."

2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence

Anticipated attendees:

Councillors

- Cr Roberto Colanzi (Mayor)
- Cr Geoff Barbour
- Cr Misha Coleman
- Cr Jackie Fristacky
- Cr Sam Gaylard
- Cr Simon Huggins
- Cr Stephen Jolly
- Cr Amanda Stone
- Cr Phillip Vlahogiannis

Council officers

- Vijaya Vaidyanath (Chief Executive Officer)
- Ivan Gilbert (Group Manager – CEO's Office)
- Andrew Day (Director - Corporate, Business and Finance)
- Chris Leivers (Director - Community Wellbeing)
- Bruce Phillips (Director - Planning and Place Making)
- Guy Wilson-Browne (Director – City Works and Assets)
- Mel Nikou (Governance Officer)

3. Declarations of conflict of interest (Councillors and staff)

4. Confidential business reports

Item

- 4.1 Matters prejudicial to Council and/or any person
- 4.2 Matters relating to legal advice

Confidential business reports

The following items were deemed by the Chief Executive Officer to be suitable for consideration in closed session in accordance with section 89 (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989. In accordance with that Act, Council may resolve to consider these issues in open or closed session.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the meeting be closed to members of the public, in accordance with section 89 (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989, to allow consideration of:
 - (a) matters prejudicial to Council and/or any person; and
 - (b) matters relating to legal advice.
2. That all information contained within the Confidential Business Reports section of this agenda and reproduced as Council Minutes be treated as being and remaining strictly confidential in accordance with the provisions of sections 77 and 89 of the *Local Government Act* 1989 until Council resolves otherwise.

5. Confirmation of minutes

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6 September 2016 be confirmed.

That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Monday 12 September 2016 be confirmed.

6. Petitions and joint letters

7. Public question time

Yarra City Council welcomes questions from members of the community.

Public question time is an opportunity to ask questions, not to make statements or engage in debate.

Questions should not relate to items listed on the agenda. (Council will consider submissions on these items separately.)

Members of the public who wish to participate are to:

- (a) state their name clearly for the record;
- (b) direct their questions to the chairperson;
- (c) ask a maximum of two questions;
- (d) speak for a maximum of five minutes;
- (e) refrain from repeating questions that have been asked previously by themselves or others; and
- (f) remain silent following their question unless called upon by the chairperson to make further comment.

- 8. General business**
- 9. Delegates' reports**
- 10. Questions without notice**

11. Council business reports

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Public submissions procedure

The public submission period is an opportunity to provide information to Council, not to ask questions or engage in debate.

When the chairperson invites verbal submissions from the gallery, members of the public who wish to participate are to:

- (a) state their name clearly for the record;
- (b) direct their submission to the chairperson;
- (c) speak for a maximum of five minutes;
- (d) confine their remarks to the matter under consideration;
- (e) refrain from repeating information already provided by previous submitters; and
- (f) remain silent following their submission unless called upon by the chairperson to make further comment.

12. Notices of motion

Nil

13. Urgent business

Nil

11.1 Proposed rezoning 510 Swan Street Richmond

Trim Record Number: D16/131795

Responsible Officer: Director Planning and Place Making

Purpose

1. This report outlines the processes proposed by DELWP to rezone the land at 510 Swan Street (Ryans Reserve – Attachment 1) as part of the land swap proposed by the State to deliver on the Richmond Secondary School site project.

Background

2. By letter dated 18 July 2016 the Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Victorian School Building Authority the (VSBA) advised Council that the proposed Richmond High School would be constructed on two sites, the Gleadell Street site and the vacant Department of Housing and Human Services (DHHS) land on the south west corner of Highett and Griffith Streets.

Context

3. To facilitate the construction of the development of the school, the VSBA advised that the DHHS had agreed to exchange the Griffiths Street land for a site owned by the Department of Employment and Training (DET) at 510 Swan Street Richmond (also known as Ryan's Reserve). The land is zoned Public Park and Recreation Reserve (PPRZ) and currently contains four netball courts and associated club rooms.
4. The City of Yarra manages the site under a formal agreement with DET to use the land for a recreation facility. This agreement expires on 23 October 2016. Council had advised DET that it wished to exercise the option to extend the agreement for a further five years. However, in the letter of 18 July 2016, DET formally gave notice that it will terminate the agreement on 23 October, 2016 and offer Council a short term lease over the same area to coincide with construction of the new recreation facilities at the new school.
5. DET have provided a commitment that the netball use of Ryan's Reserve will continue until the new netball facilities, as part of the Gleadell Street campus of the school, have been developed and are available for use.

Rezoning proposal by DELWP

6. As part of the exchange agreement between DET and DHHS, 510 Swan Street will be rezoned before the exchange is formally completed. The rezoning will be dealt with by the State Government's Fast Track Government Land Service which is administered by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP).
7. The proposal is to rezone the land from PPRZ to a Commercial 1 Zone, retain the existing Design and Development overlay Schedule 2 (Main Roads and Boulevards) and the Design and Development Overlay Schedule 5 (City Link Exhaust Stack Environs) and introduce a new Development Plan Overlay Schedule 13.
8. The rezoning of the land will be processed by the Government Land Standing Advisory Committee (GLSAC) and managed by DELWP. Council will have no direct involvement in the rezoning, but will have the opportunity to make a submission to the GLSAC. The GLSAC is an initiative of the Minister for Planning *"to deliver changes to planning provisions for land owned by the Victorian Government."* The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Minister for Planning on the suitability of changes to planning provisions for land owned by the Victorian Government.
9. Essentially, the main difference between the amendment process that Council undertakes and the GLSAC process is that DELWP manages the process rather than Council.

10. Under the GLSAC process, the Minister effectively becomes the Planning Authority for the purpose of the rezoning. The Terms of Reference also outline the process the GLSAC is to undertake, which is:
 - (a) Exhibition – relevant stakeholders, Council and nearby residents affected by the rezoning are notified of the rezoning and a notice is placed in local newspapers. Interested parties have six weeks to make a submission;
 - (b) Public Hearing – the GLSAC conducts a public hearing to ensure all submitters have an opportunity to be heard;
 - (c) Outcomes – the GLSAC effectively functions as a Panel reporting on a planning scheme amendment and provides the Minister with a written report with recommendations; and
 - (d) The Minister makes the decision on the recommendations (note: the Advisory Committee report does not come back to Council).
11. Once the GLSAC has reported to the Minister for Planning, the Minister makes a decision on the proposed changes to the Planning Scheme.
12. The exhibition of the rezoning commenced on 22 August, 2016 and likely timetable is outlined in the table below. The GLSAC public hearings have been delayed until after the Council election.

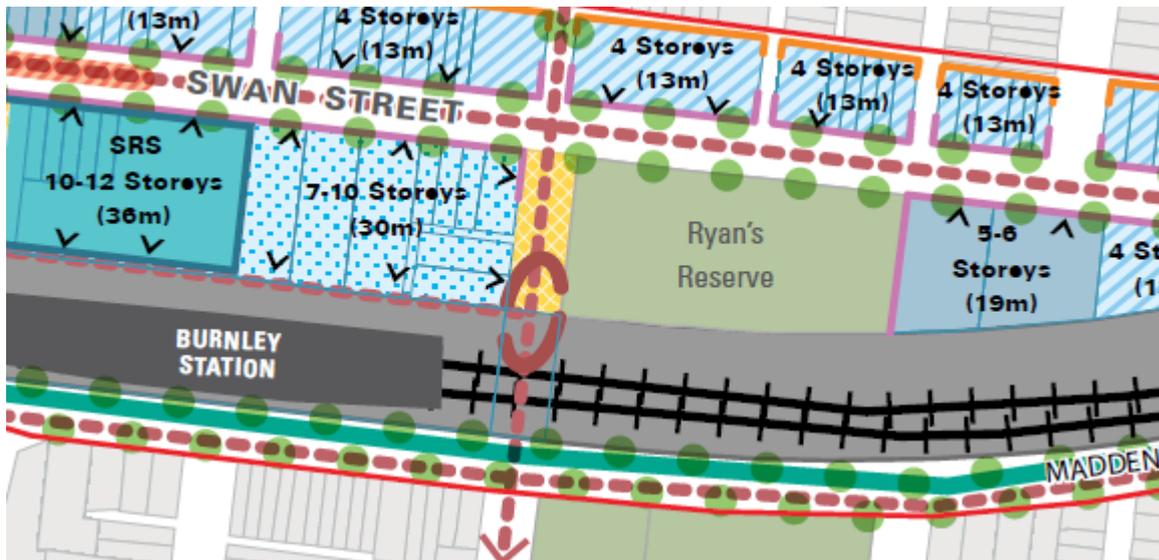
Activity	Dates
Exhibition period (6 weeks)	22/08/2016 to 30/09/2016
Break (3 weeks)	30/09/2016 to 24/10/2016
Public hearings (2 weeks)	24/10/2016 to 28/10/2016
GLSAC deliberations and report writing (4 weeks)	31/10/2016 to 26/11/2016
Assessment of GLSAC report (5 weeks)	28/11/2016 to 23/12/2016
Decision/Announcement (3 weeks)	Late December 2016 or January, 2017

13. DELWP are preparing all the documentation associated with the rezoning and are managing the process. Council has no role in the preparation or management of the rezoning other than as one of the parties that must be notified of the amendment and potentially as a submitter.
14. DELWP are preparing the Commercial 1 Zone for the site, replacing PPRZ and have proposed a Development Plan Overlay (DPO) to control the development of the site. Officers have met with the staff of DELWP to discuss the amendment and, as a consequence, have provided an alternative DPO (Attachment 2) which is broadly consistent with the Swan Street Structure Plan, Council's approach to similar developments and the controls recently exhibited as part of Amendment C185 which affects 462-482 Swan Street, the Burnley timber yard site.
15. It is noted that Amendment C185 proposes to rezone the land known as the Burnley Timber Yard to a Commercial 1 Zone and established a 12 storey height limit. The DPO developed by Council officers for 510 Swan Street suggests a 10 storey height limit and also the following provisions:
 - (a) a minimum 5% of total dwellings as affordable housing;

- (b) contribution to the shared space in Stawell Street and integration of any building to this space;
- (c) a minimum 6m setback from Swan Street for any building above three stories;
- (d) an environmentally sustainable development assessment of the building; and
- (e) consideration of the Swan Street Structure Plan as one of the decision guidelines.

Swan Street Structure Plan

16. The 2014 Swan Street Structure Plan had identified the site as open space, reflecting its current use and at that stage development of the site was not anticipated. .



- 17. The Swan Street Structure Plan did not include a height limit for Ryan's Reserve largely because, at the time of preparation of the plan, it was not anticipated that the site would be developed. The site to the west of Ryan's reserve has a recommended height between 7 and 10 stories. The site to the east a recommended height between 5 and 6 stories. The work currently being undertaken by Tract Consultants to test the assumptions and controls of the Swan Street Structure Plan indicates that a 10 storey height for this part of Swan Street is acceptable.
- 18. In the proposed DPO13 the 10 storey height would be defined as 32 metres. This would allow for two commercial levels at 4 metres floor to floor and then 8 levels at 3 metres floor to floor. This is a common configuration for multi-level buildings. Also a 32 metre maximum height would mean that the shadow of any building on the site would fall only on the rail lines at the Winter Solstice.
- 19. The DELWP has included an advisory 10 storey (32 metre) height as part of the proposed rezoning of the land. Officers consider that this is an acceptable height.

Development Plan Overlay 13

- 20. The DELWP proposal introduces two main changes to the site. The first is the change in zone from PPRZ to C1Z and the second the inclusion of the DPO13 (Attachment 3). The full rezoning documentation is included in Attachment 4-5.
- 21. As discussed above, Council officers have developed a version of the DPO (referred to as the officer version) which has been provided to DELWP. The proposed changes to the planning scheme by DELWP commenced public exhibition on 22 August 2016 and the exhibited version (referred to as the exhibited version) differs from the Council officer version in the following ways:

- (a) the exhibited version removes any reference to the provision of 5% of the dwellings as affordable housing and the development integrating with the shared space in Stawell Street, both of which were contained in the officer version;
- (b) some, but not all, elements of the Vision in the officer version have been included in the development plan objectives of the exhibited version. The elements of the version of a Vision by officers that have not been included in the exhibited version are:
 - (i) *the development will provide appropriate floor to floor heights (four metres) to accommodate commercial activity on the lower levels of buildings;*
 - (ii) *the development will provide a range of housing types to allow for a diversity of households. This is to include affordable housing provided in association with a registered housing association;*
 - (iii) *the development will contribute to improved pedestrian and bicycle connections to Burnley Station, Burnley Village and Bicenenteennial Park, including a new public space on the western edge of the site fronting Stawell Street that integrates with the 'shared street' on Stawell Street;*
 - (iv) *the development will enhance the amenity and appearance of the public realm along the Swan Street frontage via elements such as widened and improved footpath treatments, lighting, street trees and street furniture; and*
 - (v) *the development will safeguard the potential for the future integration and redevelopment of the land immediately to the south between the site and the train line.*
- (c) the officer version contains a mandatory 32 metre height limit. The exhibited version has an advisory 32 metre (10 stories) height limit;
- (d) the exhibited version reduces the matters to be addressed in the traffic management report mostly around non-vehicular transport and the promotion of sustainable transport;
- (e) the exhibited version removes the requirements for:
 - (i) a landscape masterplan;
 - (ii) a waste management plan;
 - (iii) noise attenuation from the train line; and
 - (iv) measures to ameliorate adverse wind conditions; and
- (f) the exhibited version places an obligation on Council to exhibit the development plan within 28 days of it being received. The development must be displayed for at least 14 days but no longer than 28 days. This requirement is unusual and was not in the officer version.

22. In effect, the exhibited version of the DPO falls short of the requirements proposed in the officer version of the DPO13.

External Consultation

23. Exhibition of the proposal is being managed by DELWP with advice from Council officers. A total of 927 property owners and occupiers have been provided with formal notice of the proposed rezoning in addition to a notice in the newspapers and on the DELWP website.

Internal Consultation (One Yarra)

24. Executive and some Managers at this stage.

Financial Implications

25. The loss of Ryan's Reserve as open space is also significant because of the number of people impacted. Council also will lose around \$22,000 nett per annum (being \$42,000 in fees collected less \$20,000 spent on maintenance and utilities annually). DET have not yet discussed arrangements for the management of the netball facilities on the new school site.

Economic Implications

26. The proposed netball courts as part of the school development at the Richmond Town Hall precinct negates the loss of netball courts as the result of the land swap. However, it does so by placing the burden and costs of dealing with the traffic and parking issues on Council in that precinct.

Sustainability Implications

27. Sustainability provisions have been included in the officer version of the DPO13, but not in the exhibited version by DELWP.

Social Implications

28. Affordable housing requirements are included in the officer version of the DPO13, but not in the exhibited version by DELWP.

Human Rights Implications

29. There are no known human rights implications associated with this report.

Communications with CALD Communities Implication

30. There has been no separate communication with CALD communities at this stage by DELWP.

Council Plan, Strategy and Policy Implications

31. The Richmond Town Hall Precinct UDF was adopted by Council in 2007. This has been provided to DET and the appointed architect in relation to the Richmond Secondary School Project. Senior officers have encouraged and urged precinct thinking with DET, the planning committee and the architect.
32. The design of the school and its location on the land will remove the possibility of some aspects of the UDF being delivered. The key principles have been stressed to the DET and the architect in discussions to date. These will continue to be further promoted in ongoing further conversations with the DET.

Legal Implications

33. There are no known legal implications for Council associated with this report.

Other Issues

34. Shared facilities between the new Richmond Secondary school and the Council facilities is a matter that is also in discussion. Relevant Council managers have been consulted; this will need to progress further and no commitments have been made as yet. It has to date, only been dialogue.
35. The exhibition period of the rezoning for 510 Swan Street, Richmond will continue into the election period. As a consequence, should Council determine to lodge a submission to the rezoning it should be submitted before 21 September, when the caretaker period commences.
36. It should be noted that the public hearings will commence after the election but before the results are known. Consequently, should it be decided to lodge a submission, it will be the current Council's submission that is presented to the GLSAC. DELWP have advised that these dates cannot be altered.

Options

37. Council has the option of making a submission to the proposed rezoning - this is recommended. The recommended version of the Development Plan Overlay 13 (DPO13) is shown in Attachment 2 (the officer version).

Conclusion

38. Council should make a submission to the Government Land Standing Advisory Committee and seek to be heard at that Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the officer's report in relation to the proposed rezoning of 510 Swan Street Richmond (known as Ryan's Reserve) as part of the State Government program to deliver the Richmond Secondary School project;
 - (b) note the process being undertaken by the State Government in relation to the rezoning proposal of 510 Swan Street, Richmond;
 - (c) note the proposed Development Plan Overlay 13 by the State Government and the officer recommended version of the overlay in relation to the rezoning of 510 Swan Street, Richmond;
 - (d) make a submission to the Government Land Standing Advisory Committee based on the officer version of the Development Plan Overlay Schedule 13 as shown in Attachment 2 with a recommendation that the Advisory Committee substitute the officer version for the exhibited version of Development Plan Overlay Schedule 13; and
 - (e) authorise the CEO to arrange for representation at the hearings of the Government Land Standing Advisory Committee to advocate the Council position.

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Attachments

- 1 Ryan's Reserve Locality Plan
- 2 DPO13 Proposed Council version
- 3 Exhibited version of the DPO13
- 4 Government Land Standing Advisory Committee planning scheme -changes for 510 Swan Street Richmond - part 1
- 5 Government Land Standing Advisory Committee planning scheme -changes for 510 Swan Street Richmond - part 2

Attachment 1 - Ryan's Reserve Locality Plan

Locality Plan



Attachment 2 - DPO13 Proposed Council version

--/--/20- **SCHEDULE 13 TO THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN OVERLAY**

Shown on the planning scheme map as **DPO13**

Site Description

This schedule applies to land generally known as 510 Swan Street, Richmond.

1.0 Requirement before a permit is granted

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A permit may be granted before a development plan has been prepared to the satisfaction of the responsible authority for the following:

- A permit to subdivide
- A permit to construct or carry out minor works.

Before granting a permit the responsible authority must be satisfied that the permit will not prejudice the future use and development of the land in an integrated manner and will contribute to the vision for the site as set out in this schedule.

The site may be developed in stages.

2.0 Conditions and requirements for permits

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Except for a permit issued as provided for under Clause 1.0, a permit must contain conditions or requirements which give effect to the provisions and requirements of the approved Development Plan.

Before granting any permit in accordance with an approved development plan, the owner/s of the land must provide, to the satisfaction of the responsible authority:

- A report demonstrating how the development will provide 5% of the overall housing stock as affordable housing managed by a registered housing association or the Department of Human Services.
- A statement how the development will contribute to and integrate with the shared street on the western edge of the site.

3.0 Requirements for development plan

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The development plan must be prepared to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority for the whole site.

The development plan must be consistent with the following vision for the site:

Vision

- In recognition of the site's strategic location on the edge of Burnley Village and excellent access to public transport, future development will provide for a mix of commercial uses at street level with residential uses above.
- The development will provide appropriate floor to floor heights (four metres) to accommodate commercial activity on the lower levels of buildings.
- The development will minimise the impacts of vehicular access on pedestrian, cyclist, and tram movements along Swan Street and Stawell Street.
- The development will support sustainable travel initiatives to minimise car travel.
- The development will provide a range of housing types to allow for a diversity of households. This is to include affordable housing provided in association with a registered housing association.
- The development will contribute to improved pedestrian and bicycle connections to Burnley Station, Burnley Village and Bicenenteennial Park, including a new public space

Attachment 2 - DPO13 Proposed Council version

on the western edge of the site fronting Stawell Street that integrates with the 'shared street' on Stawell Street.

- The development will enhance the amenity and appearance of the public realm along the Swan Street frontage via elements such as widened and improved footpath treatments, lighting, street trees and street furniture.
- The development will demonstrate a high quality architectural response, implement innovative Environmentally Sustainable Design features, and provide a high standard of internal amenity.
- The development will safeguard the potential for the future integration and redevelopment of the land immediately to the south between the site and the train line.
- The development will include separation between buildings at the ground and upper levels to maintain the built form rhythm of the streetscape and provide suitable amenity within the development.

Development plan components

The development plan must include the following documents, reports, guidelines and plans, prepared to the satisfaction of the responsible authority:

- A site analysis that identifies the key attributes of the land, its topography, and its relationship with existing or proposed uses on adjoining land.
- A context analysis identifying the adjoining roads, tram stops, walking and cycling connections, pedestrian crossings and the relationship of the site to Burnley Village and Burnley Train Station.
- Identification of important views to be protected and enhanced, including views of the site and views from the site.
- Plans which show:
 - the new shared street on the western edge of the site fronting Stawell Street and other public realm areas;
 - the siting and orientation of buildings;
 - the car and bicycle parking areas, vehicle and pedestrian access locations;
 - the locations and indicative scale of communal open spaces;
 - the proposed indicative uses of each building and estimated floor area for each use;
 - an indication of the approximate residential yield for the site, the range of different dwelling types and bedroom mix.
- Plans which include indicative:
 - elevations and cross sections;
 - building envelopes for new buildings including maximum building heights, the separation distances between buildings, the setback from the street frontage, and the street address;
 - building materials, treatments, including reflectivity details, and architectural styles throughout the site;
 - treatments for key interface areas, including:
 - Swan Street;
 - Stawell Street;
 - the rail corridor and land to the south;
 - the land to the east;
 - waste storage and collection points.
- A concept plan for the new shared street on the western edge of the site fronting Stawell Street showing:
 - how the public space would integrate with a future shared street along Stawell Street and tram stop;

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- the relationship to ground floor uses;
- any land that is to be transferred to Council (at no cost to Council).
- A development sequencing plan that includes:
 - the stages (if any) in which the land is to be subdivided and developed. The responsible authority must be satisfied that staged development will not prejudice the ability for the future use or development of the balance of the land to achieve the overall development plan requirements;
 - the staging and early provision of infrastructure and other key facilities.
- Design Guidelines for the entire site. The guidelines must reflect the following requirements:
 - the building heights must not exceed a maximum of 32m and provide an appropriate transition to site interfaces;
 - the built form must provide adequate building separation and articulation across the site to avoid long and continuous facades along Swan Street;
 - the street wall height along Swan Street should create a consistent 3 storey built form;
 - the upper levels above 3 storeys must be setback:
 - a minimum of 6m from Swan Street to provide upper level setbacks from the primary street frontage;
 - a minimum of 4.5m from the eastern boundary to provide upper level building separation between the subject site and any future redevelopment of the abutting property.
 - the street wall, building heights and setbacks of buildings on the southern boundary of the site must not prejudice the future redevelopment of the land to the south;
 - the buildings must be well spaced and offset to distribute access to outlook and sunlight between built forms, provide sunlight to communal open space areas, and manage overlooking between habitable room windows;
 - the built form elements above the street wall must be visually recessive and not contribute to visual bulk;
 - the building services, including roof top services/elements, must be screened from the public realm and communal open spaces;
 - car parking must be obscured from the public realm;
 - buildings must provide awnings over footpaths to Swan Street to provide weather protection.
- Shadow diagrams internal and external to the site for the equinox between 9.00am and 3.00pm based on the proposed building envelopes.
- An Environmentally Sustainable Development (ESD) submission which addresses:
 - energy efficient orientation of buildings;
 - energy efficiency and renewable energy;
 - daylight and natural ventilation;
 - urban heat island effect;
 - water conservation and reuse;
 - waste recycling;
 - sustainable building materials and construction techniques;
 - demolition and construction waste management;
 - sustainable transport.

The submission must demonstrate best practice in ESD and how compliance with all relevant statutory obligations in environmental sustainability will be achieved through the development of the site.

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- A Landscape Master Plan for the site that includes:
 - the location of landscape areas on all interfaces as appropriate;
 - the management of landscaped areas, including sustainable irrigation treatments such as water sensitive urban design opportunities.
- A Traffic Management Report identifying:
 - the likely traffic generation by residents, staff and visitors, and for deliveries and service vehicles to the site;
 - the likely traffic impacts of the proposed development on the broader road network;
 - the proposed access arrangements for pedestrians and vehicles and how these arrangements minimise conflicts with pedestrians, cyclists, trams and vehicles on Swan Street and Stawell Street;
 - the means proposed to promote reduced car use and promote sustainable travel including opportunities for the provision of a car share system and Green Travel Plan initiatives;
 - the means proposed to address the impacts of traffic generated by the development on the surrounding road network;
 - the recommended car parking and bicycle parking rates and the location of on-site car and bicycle parking;
 - the provision for loading and unloading of vehicles and means of access to them, including waste collection and delivery vehicles.
- A waste management plan.
- Proposed measures to provide noise attenuation from the train line and vehicular traffic on Swan Street.
- Proposed measures to ameliorate any adverse wind conditions at street level, communal spaces, balconies and adjoining properties.

4.0 Decision guidelines

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Before deciding on a request to approve or amend a Development Plan, the responsible authority must consider:

- The provisions of this planning scheme including relevant local policies;
- Yarra City Council's Swan Street Structure Plan, January 2014;
- The views of Public Transport Victoria, Vic Roads, Vic Track and Metro Trains that are received as appropriate.

Attachment 3 - Exhibited version of the DPO13

YARRA PLANNING SCHEME

SCHEDULE 13 TO THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as **DPO13**

Site Description

This schedule applies to land generally known as 510 Swan Street, Richmond.

1.0 Requirement before a permit is granted

A permit may be granted before a development plan has been approved for the following:

- Subdivision
- Minor buildings or works
- Removal or creation of easements or restrictions

Before granting a permit, the responsible authority must be satisfied that the permit will not prejudice the preparation of a Development Plan and future use and development of the land in an integrated manner and will not compromise the objectives for the site.

The site may be developed in stages.

2.0 Development plan objectives

- Future development will provide for a mix of commercial uses at street level with residential uses above.
- The development will provide a range of dwelling types, as appropriate, to allow for a diversity of households.
- The development will minimise the impacts of vehicular access on pedestrian, cyclist, and tram movements along Swan Street.
- The development will support sustainable travel initiatives to minimise car travel.
- The design will be responsive to the site's diverse interfaces.
- The development will demonstrate a high quality architectural response, implement innovative Environmentally Sustainable Design features, and provide a high standard of internal amenity.
- The development will include building articulation at the upper levels to maintain the built form rhythm of the streetscape and provide suitable amenity within the development.

3.0 Requirements for development plan

The development plan may be prepared for the whole site or in stages. The development plan must be consistent with the objectives for the site, which takes into account the site's strategic location on the edge of Burnley Village and excellent access to public transport.

Development plan components

The development plan must include the following information:

- A site analysis that identifies the key attributes of the land, its topography, and its relationship with existing or proposed uses on adjoining land.
- A context analysis identifying the adjoining roads, tram stops, walking and cycling connections, pedestrian crossings and the relationship of the site to Burnley Village and Burnley Train Station.
- Concept plans for the layout of the site which show:
 - The siting and orientation of buildings.

Attachment 3 - Exhibited version of the DPO13

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- The car and bicycle access locations.
- The proposed indicative uses of each building.
- Three dimensional building envelopes for new buildings including indicative building heights, the separation distances between buildings and the setback from the street frontage.
- Shadow diagrams internal to the site for the equinox (22 September / 20 March) between 10:00am and 2:00pm based on the building envelopes or arrangement shown in the proposed Development Plan.
- Design Guidelines for the site which reflect the following requirements:
 - The building heights should not exceed 32m (10 storeys) and provide an appropriate transition to site interfaces.
 - The built form must provide adequate variety of building form and articulation across the site to avoid long and continuous facades along Swan Street.
 - The street wall height along Swan Street should create a consistent 3 storey built form.
 - The levels above 3 storeys should be setback:
 - a minimum of 6m from Swan Street to provide upper level setbacks from the primary street frontage.
 - a minimum of 4.5m from the eastern boundary to provide upper level building separation between the subject site and any future redevelopment of the abutting property.
 - The Golden Square Bicentennial Park should generally be free of significant overshadowing between 11:00am and 2:00pm at the equinox (22 September / 20 March).
 - Car parking should be obscured from the public realm.
 - Building services, including roof top services/ elements, must be screened from the public realm.
 - Buildings should provide for weather protection along Swan Street.
 - Sustainable design principles to address water management, solar access and energy conservation.
 - Landscape principles for the site.
 - Proposed measures to provide noise attenuation from the train line and vehicular traffic on Swan Street.
- A Traffic Management Report outlining:
 - The existing capacity within the surrounding road network.
 - The likely traffic generation of the development.
 - Indicative access arrangements for vehicles and recommendations for managing potential conflicts with pedestrians, cyclists, trams and vehicles on Swan Street.
 - Recommended car parking rates for the development.

The development plan for any part of the development area may be amended from time to time to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

The responsible authority may waive the need to provide any of the information detailed above that is not relevant to a particular Development Plan or part of a Development Plan.

4.0 Display of Development Plan

4.0

Before deciding to approve a development plan, the responsible authority must display the plan for public comment. Notice of the development plan must be given to the owners and

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occupiers of adjoining land. A development plan must be displayed or further information required within 28 days after the plan is received by the responsible authority. The plan must be displayed within 14 days of satisfactory further information being received.

The development plan must be displayed for at least 14 days but no longer than 28 days.

The responsible authority may display an amendment to a development plan if it is considered to potentially impact the surrounding residential area.

5.0 Decision guidelines

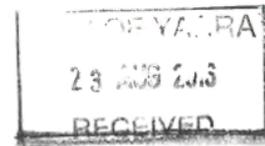
Before deciding on a request to approve or amend a Development Plan, the responsible authority must consider:

- The provisions of this planning scheme including relevant local policies.
- Yarra City Council's Swan Street Structure Plan, January 2014.
- The views of Public Transport Victoria, Vic Roads, Vic Track and Metro Trains that are received as appropriate.
- Shadow impacts on Golden Square Bicentennial Park for the equinox between 11:00am and 2:00pm.
- The likely traffic and car parking impacts.

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Proposed planning scheme changes documentation.



Key Dates

Exhibition starts: 22 August 2016

Information Session: 6.30pm, 6 September 2016, at Hearing Room 2, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne

Exhibition closes: 5pm, 30 September 2016

Public Hearings: Week of 24 October 2016

Government Land Standing Advisory Committee report submitted to Minister for Planning: December 2016

Copies of the current and proposed planning scheme provisions can be found at: www.delwp.vic.gov.au/fast-track-government-land



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Government Land Standing Advisory Committee

Information Sheet – August 2016

Site: 510 Swan Street, Richmond

Proposal

The Department of Education and Training (DET) is the owner of 510 Swan Street, Richmond. DET has determined the site is surplus and no longer required for educational purposes. The site is currently leased to the City of Yarra and used for netball facilities.

DET has requested that the site be rezoned from a **Public Park and Recreation Zone** to a **Commercial 1 Zone** and that a **Development Plan Overlay** be applied.

The site has two existing overlays, which will also be retained; **Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 2 (Main Roads and Boulevards)** and **Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 5 (City Link Exhaust Stack Environs)**.

The Minister for Planning has referred the proposal to the Government Land Standing Advisory Committee (the Advisory Committee) to assess and make a recommendation on proposed changes to the planning provisions. The Advisory Committee is made up of planning and development experts who provide independent advice to the Minister for Planning.

You are invited to make a written submission so that your views on the proposal can be considered by the Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee will also hold Public Hearings.

All local residents, land owners, servicing authorities, the local council and other interested parties are also able to make a submission.

Site Details

The site is approximately 5540 square metres and is mostly flat. It currently accommodates four netball/tennis courts and is located in a well-established mixed use area consisting of residential, business, industrial land uses and excellent transport access.



Background

The Victorian Government is committed to providing a world class education system and appropriate housing for some of our most vulnerable Victorians. One of the ways to do this is by getting the best use of our existing land assets.

A new secondary school is being delivered by the Victorian Government in Richmond, with stage one to open by the commencement of the 2018 school year. As part of the school planning, the Director of Housing and DET have identified that each owns a parcel of land in Richmond that can be better utilised to deliver services:

- 280 Highett Street, owned by the Director of Housing; and
- 510 Swan Street, owned by DET.

It is proposed a 'land swap' occur, which would provide an additional site for the new secondary school (Highett Street) and a new mixed use development that may include social housing (Swan Street). This will enable the best locations possible for both the new schools precinct – which will be able to offer a range of educational and sporting facilities in the one location, and new housing options.



KEY DATES

Exhibition starts: 22 August 2016
 Information Session: 6.30pm, Tuesday 6 September 2016, Hearing Room 2, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne
 Exhibition closes: 5pm, Friday 30 September 2016
 Public Hearings: Late October 2016
 Advisory Committee report submitted to Minister for Planning: November 2016

MORE INFORMATION

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Department of Education and Training Site: 510 Swan Street, Richmond

Making changes to a planning scheme

A planning scheme is a statutory document which sets out objectives, policies and provisions for the use, development and protection of land. It regulates the use and development of land through planning provisions to achieve those objectives and policies. Each municipality in Victoria has its own planning scheme.

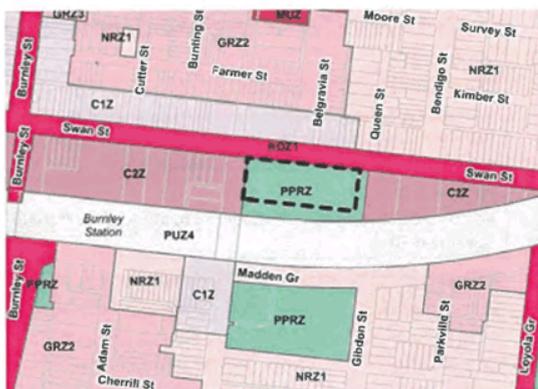
Zones indicate the primary character of the land, whether it is residential, industrial or rural, and determine the types of uses that may occur in that zone. Some local areas have special planning controls (known as overlays), to address issues such as areas of significant vegetation or special heritage significance. These controls are in addition to the zone controls and ensure that important aspects of the land are recognised.

Requested planning scheme changes for the site

DET has requested the following changes to the planning provisions for 510 Swan Street, Richmond:

Site: 510 Swan Street, Richmond		
	Current	Proposed
Zoning:	Public Park and Recreation Zone	Commercial 1 Zone (new)
Overlays and other provisions:	Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 2 (Main Roads and Boulevards) Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 5 (City Link Exhaust Stack Environs)	Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 2 (Main Roads and Boulevards) Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 5 (City Link Exhaust Stack Environs) Development Plan Overlay (new)

Current Zoning



Public Park and Recreation Zone: The purpose of the Public Park and Recreation Zone (PPRZ) is to recognise areas that provide public recreation and open space and to protect and conserve areas of significance where appropriate.

The current zoning reflects the use of the site for public recreation and open space. Traditionally sites owned by DET would be zoned a Public Use Zone to reflect its education purpose.

Proposed Zoning



Commercial 1 Zone: The purpose of the Commercial 1 Zone (C1Z) is to create vibrant mixed use commercial centres for retail, office, business, entertainment and community uses, and to provide for residential uses at densities complementary to the role and scale of the commercial centre.

Existing and Proposed Overlays

The site has two existing overlays, which will be retained; Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 2 (Main Roads and Boulevards) and Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 5 (City Link Exhaust Stack Environs). No changes are proposed to the two existing overlays as part of this proposal.

It is proposed that a new Development Plan Overlay (DPO) be applied on the site.

Development Plan Overlay: The DPO requires that a 'master plan' be approved for the site before a planning permit is issued. The overlay requires issues such as density, design and traffic impacts to be considered in an integrated way. There are no third party appeal rights for a proposal that accords with an approved Development Plan. The DPO requires the draft Development Plan be placed on public exhibition for comment. The Development Plan is approved by the Responsibility Authority, which is usually the local council.

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Government Land Standing Advisory Committee

Department of Education and Training Site: 510 Swan Street, Richmond

Government Land Standing Advisory Committee

The Minister for Planning established the Government Land Standing Advisory Committee (the Advisory Committee) to provide expert advice and recommendations on changes to planning provisions for government land. The Advisory Committee comprises independent experts in statutory and strategic planning, land development, economics and social and environmental issues.

The aim of the Advisory Committee is to provide a consistent, transparent and timely process for the consideration of changes to planning scheme provisions of government land. Matters that must be addressed by the Advisory Committee in its report to the Minister for Planning are set out in the Terms of Reference, which can be found at:

www.delwp.vic.gov.au/fast-track-government-land

Referral of a site to the Advisory Committee

The Minister for Planning has referred the proposal to the Advisory Committee for its consideration. The Advisory Committee will visit the site during its deliberations.

The Advisory Committee will host a public information session at 6.30pm, Tuesday 6 September 2016, at Hearing Room 2, 1 Spring St, Melbourne. The public information session will provide an opportunity to ask questions about the Advisory Committee process and timing.

Have your say

The proposed changes for 510 Swan Street, Richmond are now open for public comment. All land owners, occupiers and other interested stakeholders are invited to make a written submission on the proposed changes to the planning provisions for the site. **Written submissions are due by Friday 30 September 2016.**

Submissions must be made online at:

www.delwp.vic.gov.au/fast-track-government-land

Submissions must be directed to the Advisory Committee through Planning Panels Victoria. All submissions are treated as public documents.

Submissions can address any matter the submitter considers relevant, including whether the proposal is supported or objected to or if an alternative zone or overlay may be appropriate. It is outside the scope of the Advisory Committee to consider whether a site should be surplus or not. The Advisory Committee cannot consider the use of alternative public land zones, unless specifically requested by the Fast Track Government Land Service.

Public Hearings

You can also make a verbal presentation at the Public Hearing that will be held by the Advisory Committee. The Public Hearings will be held in late October 2016.

If you would like to make a presentation at the Public Hearing, you must make a written submission and complete the relevant section of the online form by Friday 30 September 2016.

What will the Advisory Committee do?

The Advisory Committee will take into account all submissions (written and verbal) before making a recommendation to the Minister for Planning. The Advisory Committee has 20 business days from the last day of the Public Hearing to submit their report and recommendations to the Minister.

Key steps in the Advisory Committee process



After the Advisory Committee reports

The Minister for Planning will consider the recommendations of the Advisory Committee and make the final decision on the proposed changes to the planning provisions for the site.

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Government Land Standing Advisory Committee

Department of Education and Training Site: 510 Swan Street, Richmond

Where can I get more information?

An information pack has been prepared that provides more detailed information about the proposed changes to the planning provisions on the site. The information pack includes:

- A planning report which provides details on the site and why the proposed planning provisions were selected.
- Planning provisions - which provide information on the current and proposed planning provisions (zones and overlays).
- Submissions - information on how to make a written submission or request to be heard at the Public Hearings.

The information pack is available on-line at:

www.delwp.vic.gov.au/fast-track-government-land

Hard copies of the information pack are also available for viewing at your local council office:

- Richmond Town Hall, 333 Bridge Road, Richmond.

Fast Track Government Land Service

The Fast Track Government Land Service has been established to provide a consistent and transparent process to facilitate changes to planning provisions for government land. Land owning departments and agencies can request to have changes to the planning provisions of their sites through this new service. Fast Track Government Land Service is administered by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.

Surplus Government Land

Why does government owned land become surplus?

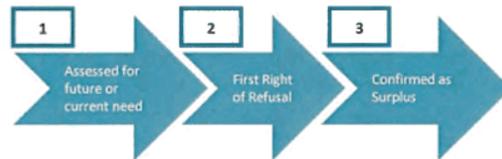
The Victorian Government is a major land holder in the state. Its significant portfolio of land assets, including schools and health facilities, is regularly reviewed to ensure efficient service delivery to communities. Any land that is no longer required for current or future service delivery must be sold.

Selling government land provides a direct benefit to the community by generating funds to:

- Reinvest in new infrastructure such as schools, hospitals and public transport.
- Reduce the cost of government services and deliver more services.
- Eliminate unnecessary expenditure on maintenance and security services on vacated sites.
- Provide for the renewal of sites no longer required.

Regular review of Government land assets

There is a three step process for regularly reviewing land assets:



Each government land holding agency must regularly review its land holdings to determine whether the land is required for future or current need. Land no longer required by the landholding body is first offered to other State, local and Commonwealth government authorities who have a first right of refusal to purchase the land for a government or community purpose. Through this process, other government bodies can consider if they need the site to meet their current or future needs.

If no purchaser is identified as part of this 'first right of refusal process' the site is determined to be surplus and sold. For more information, see the *Victorian Government Landholding Policy and Guidelines* section at www.delwp.vic.gov.au/fast-track-government-land

Further Information

If you have questions about the site and the selection of the proposed planning provisions, please contact the Department of Education and Training on (03) 9637 3096 or email mills.geoffrey.f@edumail.vic.gov.au

If you have questions about the Advisory Committee process, please contact Planning Panels Victoria on (03) 9223 5317 or email planning.panels@delwp.vic.gov.au

All other questions should be directed to the Fast Track Government Land Service on (03) 9094 8473 or email ftgl.service@delwp.vic.gov.au

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Richmond High School *

*interim school name

Fact Sheet

August 2016

NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

The Victorian Government has committed a total of \$43 million to establish a new secondary school for Richmond. This will allow for the continued planning and delivery of a new co-educational secondary school that will be built to progressively cater for 650 students from term 1, 2018.

LOCATION IN RICHMOND

The school will be built across two sites in Richmond. One site is located at 16 Gleadell Street and the other at 280 Highett Street in Richmond.

The Highett street site will host the main administration building and classrooms, while the Gleadell Street site will feature sporting and recreational facilities, including a competition grade indoor gymnasium.

Building the school across two sites will allow greater flexibility in the design of the school and increase outdoor and recreational space for students.

Being in the heart of Richmond, the school site has great transport links and is close to existing community infrastructure and services.



ADDITIONAL SITE

The Highett Street site is currently owned by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). DHHS has confirmed that the Department of Education and Training (DET) can acquire this vacant land to deliver this valuable school resource for the Richmond community.

This additional site will ensure the new school precinct will offer educational and sporting facilities in the one location.

NEIGHBOURING BUSINESSES

Measures are in place, and others are being explored to ensure that the impact to neighbouring sites is reduced. Neighbouring businesses and organisations are being consulted.

SCHOOL DESIGN

Richmond High School will provide excellent, wide-ranging services, facilities and accommodation for the school and the surrounding local community.

The school environment will have a high degree of flexibility and agility of use. Settings and spaces will promote a range of experiences and activities to suit the varying needs of students and staff.

The sports precinct will make sporting and recreational facilities accessible to the wider community for use outside of school hours. The academic precinct will provide a campus heart with provision for after-hours resource and study spaces at the ground level and outdoor spaces for learning, gathering and play.



SWAN STREET SITE

The Swan street site is currently owned by DET and has determined that the site is no longer required for educational purposes and has been determined surplus. The site is currently leased to the Yarra City Council and is used for the provision of netball facilities.

DET has requested that the site be rezoned from a Public Park and Recreation Zone to a Commercial 1 Zone and that a development plan overlay be applied. Subject to rezoning, it is expected that DHHS will acquire 510 Swan Street in exchange for the Highett Street site on which the new school will be built. This proposed site 'swap' will leave land available for potential new social housing as well as sports and education facilities for the community.



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SPORTS AT SWAN STREET

It is intended that the new, high-quality venue at Gleadell Street will provide a new home for the Swan Street netballers. DET is working closely with Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV), DHHS and Netball Victoria (NV) to design the new facilities to competition standard.

Current users can continue to use Ryan's Reserve facilities until the new site is developed.

NEW SCHOOL FACILITIES AT RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL

There will be four new competition-standard netball courts, one of them indoors. All outdoor courts will be floodlit.

Users will also have access to new facilities, including showers and toilets, a canteen and administration area.

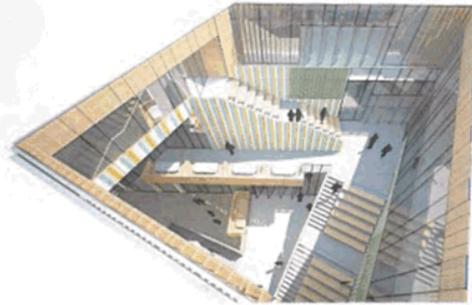


VICTORIAN SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

The school is being delivered by the Victorian School Building Authority. The authority is a new infrastructure body that will build on the existing infrastructure planning and delivery strengths of the Department of Education and Training. The authority has a dedicated focus on project planning, delivery and community engagement.

NEXT STEPS

The Authority will work closely with SRV, NV and sports groups using Swan Street to progress the design and proposed arrangements for netballers at the new school venue.



FURTHER INFORMATION

You can contact the Victorian School Building Authority via:

Email: vsba@edumail.vic.gov.au

Phone: 1800 896 950

Weekdays from 8.30 am to 5.30 pm

You can also visit the webpage and join the project update email list at www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au

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Ryan's Reserve

FAQs for Swan Street Users Edition 1: August 2016

2016-17 STATE BUDGET ANNOUNCEMENT

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WHO IS BUILDING THE SCHOOL?

Richmond High School is being delivered by the Victorian School Building Authority (The Authority). The Authority is a new infrastructure body that will build on the existing infrastructure planning and delivery strengths of the Department of Education and Training (DET). The Authority has a dedicated focus on project planning, delivery and community engagement.

WHERE WILL THE SCHOOL BE BUILT?

The school will be built across two sites in Richmond. One site is located at 16 Gleadell Street and the other at 280 Highett Street, Richmond.

The Highett Street site will host the main administration building and classrooms and the Gleadell Street site will feature a distinct sporting precinct, including a competition grade indoor gymnasium and multi-purpose spaces.

Building the school across two sites will allow greater flexibility in the design of the school and increase outdoor and recreational space for students.

Located in the heart of Richmond, the school site has great transport links and is close to existing community infrastructure.

The Highett Street site is currently owned by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). DHHS has confirmed that DET can acquire the site to deliver this valuable school resource for the Richmond community.

WHY DOES THIS AFFECT 510 SWAN STREET?

Ryan's Reserve at 510 Swan Street is owned by DET and leased to the City of Yarra. This site is surplus to future educational needs but provides an excellent location for DHHS to develop affordable housing. By swapping the sites, DHHS will still be able to build new social housing and the Authority will be able to deliver high quality education and sporting facilities for students and the community in the heart of Richmond.

HOW WILL THIS AFFECT THE SPORTS CLUBS AT SWAN STREET?

The design of Richmond High School features an academic precinct on Highett Street and a sports precinct on Gleadell Street. The sports precinct will include one indoor and three outdoor courts. The Authority is working closely with Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV) and Netball Victoria (NV) to design the new facilities to competition standard. It is intended that the new, high-quality facilities at Gleadell Street will provide a new home for the Swan Street Netballers.

WHAT SPORTS FACILITIES ARE PLANNED AT RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL?

In addition to four new competition-standard netball courts including one indoor, users will have access to new facilities including showers and toilets, a canteen and administration area. All outdoor courts will be floodlit.

WHEN WILL NEW FACILITIES BE AVAILABLE?

The sports precinct will be complete in 2018. The Authority will keep users informed once timelines are finalised.

WILL THERE BE A GAP IN PROVISION OF NETBALL FACILITIES?

The Authority, DHHS and SRV are working together to ensure the continued availability of courts for sports use.

IS THERE PARKING AT THE NEW SITE?

There will not be on-site parking at Richmond High School; however some on-street parking is available. A traffic study for the precinct is being undertaken by the Authority to understand the impacts of the various precinct uses. The results of the study will be shared with the Yarra City Council.

HOW CAN I HAVE MY SAY ABOUT SWAN STREET?

The proposed changes for 510 Swan Street, Richmond are now open for public comment. All land owners, occupiers and other interested stakeholders are invited to make a written submission on the proposed changes to the planning provisions for the site. Written submissions are due by 23 September 2016.

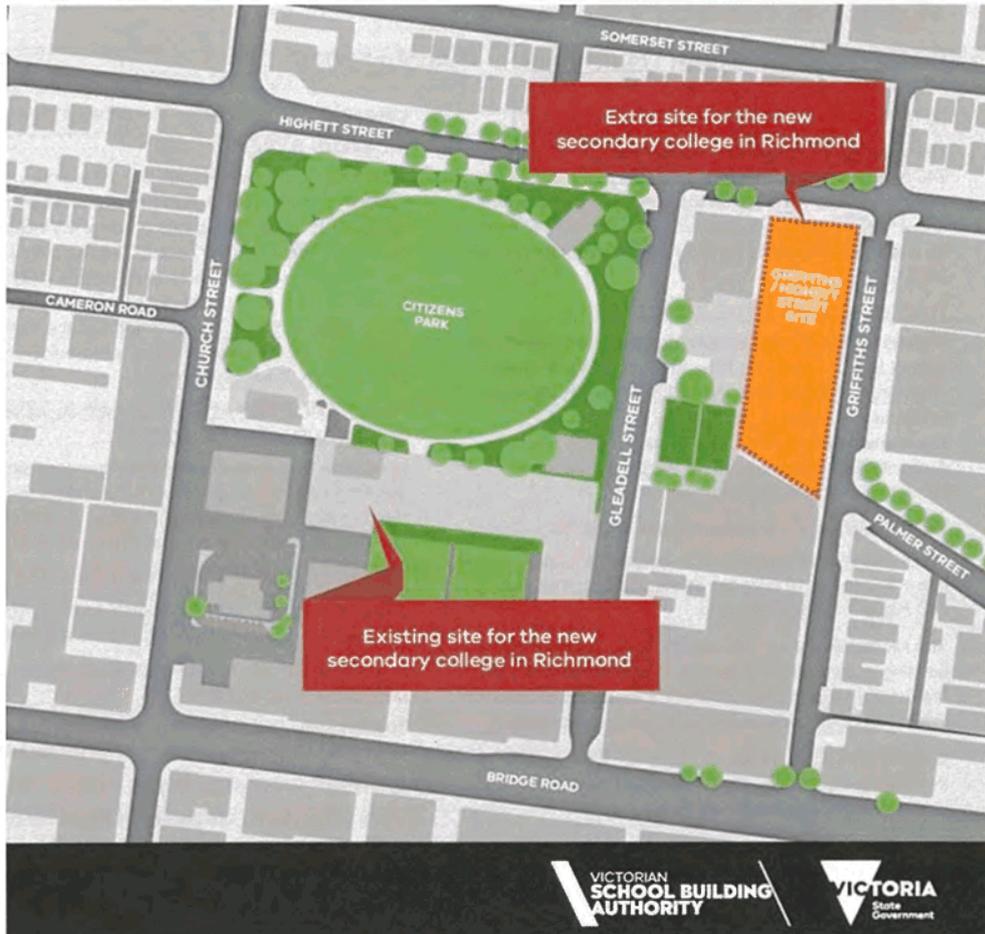
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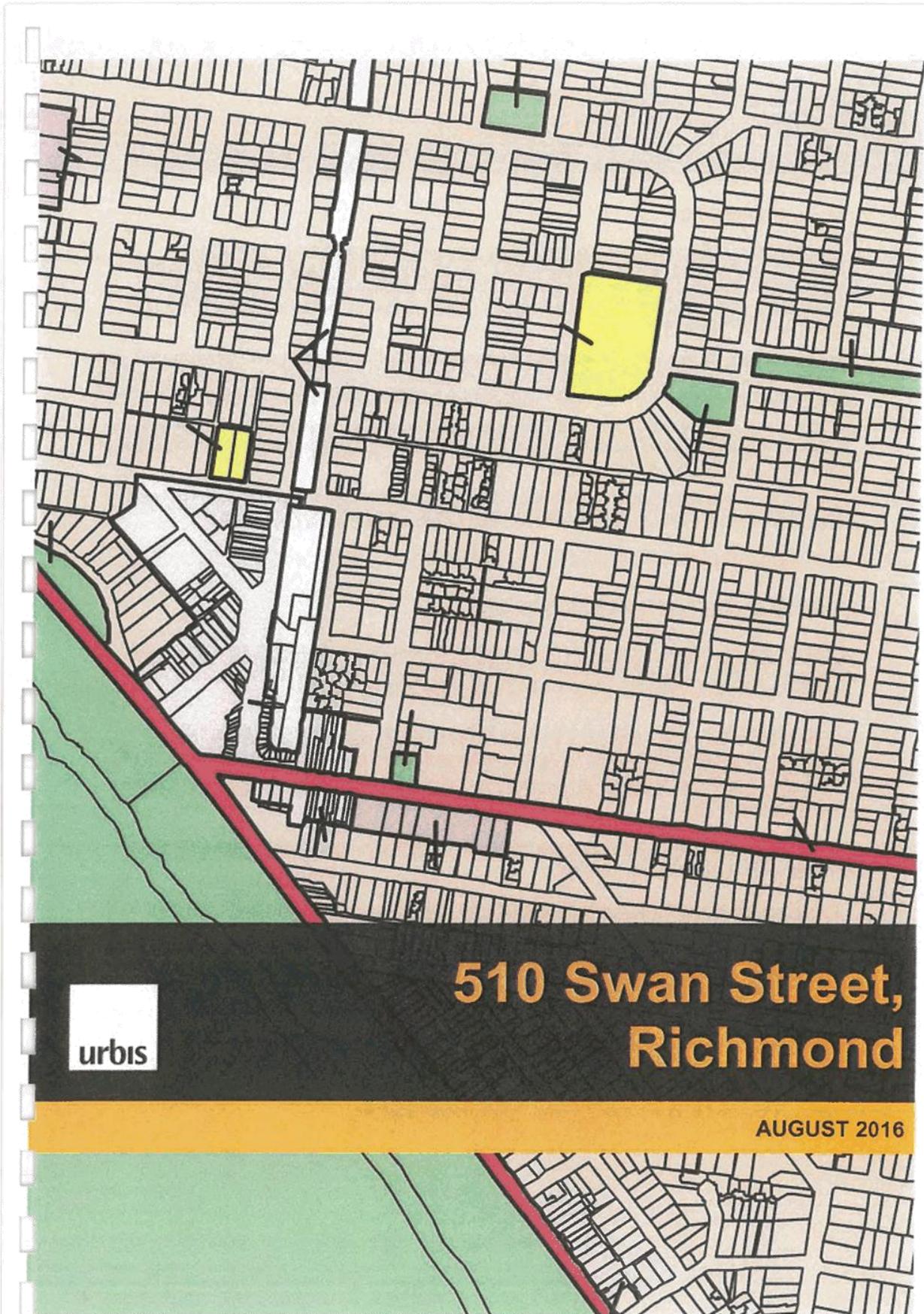


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510 Swan Street, Richmond

AUGUST 2016

1 INTRODUCTION

The Department of Education and Training (DET) is the owner land located at 510 Swan Street, Richmond, locally known as Ryan's Reserve. DET has determined that this site is now surplus to their requirements. This report has been prepared by Urbis Pty Ltd on behalf of the DET and provides a review of the subject land and its physical and policy context, to determine the most appropriate future planning provisions for the site.

Records indicate the land was purchased by the former Department of Education and Training in 1912, and was part of the former Burnley Primary School. Historic aerial photographs of the site indicate the land being extensively vacant between 1931 and 1991. The existing recreation facilities were established in the 1990s.

In 2006 the Department of Education and Training entered into a Development and Licence Agreement for a period of 10 years to enable Council to continue to use the land for the playing, performing or conducting of community recreation and sporting activities.

The land is contained in a Freehold Title and is not reserved for any purpose. Separate to the planning process it is proposed that the existing sporting facilities be relocated within the City of Yarra.

2 BACKGROUND

Surplus Government Land and Government Policy

The Victorian Government is a major land holder in the state and the Victorian Government Landholding Policy 2015 requires Government departments and agencies to regularly review their land assets. Any land that is no longer required for current or future service delivery must be sold.

The site at 510 Swan Street, Richmond is surplus to Department of Education and Training's (DET's) requirements. This site has been identified by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) as being suitable for the provision of affordable housing. Richmond is a high need area for public housing, and the Swan Street site is strategically located to take advantage of existing infrastructure and facilities to serve future residents.

Proposed Land Exchange between Department of Education and Training (DET) and Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) currently own a site at the corner of Highett Street and Griffiths Street, Richmond, which was previously earmarked for a mixed use development including public housing. This site has now been identified by the Department of Education and Training (DET) as being essential in the delivery of the new high school for Richmond. The site at Highett and Griffiths Streets will double the area available to develop the new school and will increase opportunities for future expansion and recreation, including new netball facilities.

It is proposed that a land exchange takes place between DET and DHHS involving the site at 510 Swan Street, and the site at the corner of Highett Street and Griffiths Street, Richmond. By exchanging the sites, there will continue to be land available for housing, as well as consolidated sports and education facilities for the community. To facilitate the land swap, the planning provisions at 510 Swan Street need to change to allow DHHS to pursue the mixed residential development.

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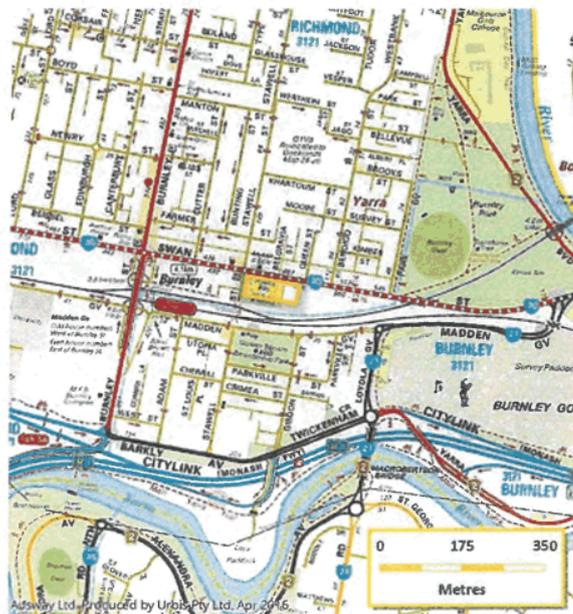
Netball Facilities

The new Richmond high school will include a high quality sports precinct which will include both indoor and outdoor netball facilities. The Department of Education and Training is liaising closely with Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV) and Netball Victoria (NV) to ensure the new facilities are designed to competition standard. It is proposed to relocate the existing netball users from 510 Swan Street, to the new facilities at the secondary collage.

The existing Swan Street netball courts will continue to operate until the new facilities are available. The ongoing provision of the netball facilities will be subject to negotiation with the land owner and Council (as the lessee) and the users. The proposed rezoning of the Swan Street site from the Public Use and Recreation Zone will not impact upon the ability for the site to be used for netball courts until the facilities are available, due to the establishment of existing use rights.

3 SITE DETAILS

Address:	510 Swan Street, Richmond
Municipality:	Yarra City Council
Size:	5,540.9sq.m
Covenants/Easements:	None apply
Current Zoning:	Public Park and Recreation Zone (PPRZ)
Current Overlays:	Design and Development Overlay - Schedule 5 (DDO5 – City Link Exhaust Stack Environs Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 2 (DDO2 – Main Roads and Boulevards)



SITE LOCATION (MELWAYS)

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AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF THE SUBJECT SITE

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4 SITE & SURROUNDS

The Site

The subject site comprises a number of titles with frontage to Swan Street to the north and a secondary frontage to Stawell Street to the west. The total site area is approximately 5540 sq m.

The site contains a centrally located single storey brick veneer sporting pavilion which is used for the existing sporting facilities on the site. Either side of the pavilion contains two courts which can be used for either tennis or netball (Image B).

The frontage to both Swan and Stawell Streets contain vegetation including canopy trees together with garden beds of shrubbery and ground cover planting (Image A). An arboricultural assessment was undertaken by Tree Logic (29 June 2016) to assess the health and significance of the existing trees on site and trees immediately adjacent to the site. The assessment identified six (6) trees on the site, and none were identified as being indigenous or on the City of Yarra Significant Tree Register. Three (3) trees on site were identified as being 'significant' due to their size, and it is anticipated that at least one of these trees (located in the centre of the property immediately to the south of the pavilion building) would require removal as part of the site's future development.

Preliminary investigation into environmental contamination has identified that the land has no groundwater contamination but some imported fill. This is not considered to represent an unacceptable health or ecological risk under the existing site use, or under any likely future mixed use setting, on the basis that exposure to the contaminated fill is prevented by the presence of structures, pavements or landscaped areas filled with imported clean soil.

The Detailed Site Investigation report prepared by Senversa, dated 30 June 2016, can be made available by contacting Geoffrey Mills at the Department of Education and Training on (03) 9637 3096.

Surrounding Area

The surrounding area is an established inner-city location comprising of medium density development, consistent with the role of Swan Street as a Central Subregional Activity Centre.

The area to the east of the site, bound by Swan Street to the north and the railway line to the south, contains a number of different land uses including trade supplies immediately adjacent the site furniture stores, and commercial offices (Images D and G). The scale of development ranges from



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Opposite site – Stawell Street

single to triple storey buildings with minimal or no front setbacks to Swan Street.

The area to the immediate **south** of the subject site contains a single storey sub-station and open yards used in association with the railway line located to the south. The Burnley Railway Station is located approximately 40 metres to the southwest.

Access to Burnley Station is provided via a pedestrian access way along the northern boundary of the station together with a pedestrian underpass through to Madden Grove immediately adjacent to the southwest corner of the subject site.



Commercial site – Swan Street

The area to the **west** of the site, generally bound by Stawell Street, Swan Street to the north and the railway line to the south contains a café and a number of trade supply businesses including building supplies, showrooms, and vehicular related repair and maintenance uses (Image F).



Commercial site – Swan Street

Development comprises generally older, 1-2 storey building stock with extensive site coverage and varying building setbacks.

The area to the **north** of Swan Street contains numerous uses including dwellings to the northeast (Image J); whilst opposite the site are a number of offices located in retrofitted dwellings, a medical centre (Images D and J), and offices/radio station (Image B).

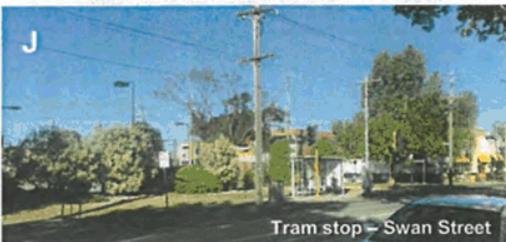
Local Amenities

The site has excellent access to public transport with Burnley Railway Station, being only 3 stops from the Central City, being located within 50 metres of the site, and a tram stop immediately adjacent to the site on Swan Street (Image I) servicing route 70 (13 stops from the CBD).



Commercial site – Swan Street

Swan Street is a 'declared main road' and is under the management of Vic Roads. VicRoads has identified Swan Street as a Tram Priority Route, Pedestrian Priority Area, and a Bicycle Priority Route (*Road Use Hierarchy, VicRoads, October 2012*).



Tram stop – Swan Street

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5 ZONING & OVERLAYS

Zoning

The site is zoned **Public Park and Recreation Zone**. This zone is consistent with the public ownership of the land and its use for sporting facilities. The purpose of this zone is to recognise areas for public recreation and open space and to protect and conserve areas of significance where appropriate.



ZONING CONTEXT

The land adjoining the site immediately to the east and to the south is also included in the Public Park and Recreation Zone. This appears to be an anomaly, as the land to the south is owned by Vic Track, and the land to the east is privately owned and is an access way to a car park. The owners of these parcels will be consulted with during this process about the possible correction to the zoning of these parcels.

The subject site is covered by **Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 2 (DDO2 – Main Roads and Boulevards)** which aims to protect and enhance the public realm along main streets through high quality urban design and architecture. This overlay does not contain any design standards but rather design objectives and decision guidelines for the Responsible Authority.

The site is also at the edge of the area covered by **Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 5 (DDO5 – City Link Exhaust Stack Environs)** which aims to ensure new developments are not negatively impacted by the City Link exhaust stack and requires notice of an application to the EPA and Transurban City Link Limited and the Roads Corporation. This overlay does not contain any design guidelines but rather design objectives.



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Surrounding Zoning and Overlays

The zoning context plan illustrates the zoning of land surrounding the site, which reflects the primary commercial nature of the area. The site is surrounded by Commercial 2 Zone land (main purpose is for commercial areas for offices, appropriate manufacturing and industries and large format retail), and land zoned Commercial 1 (mix of uses including retail, office, entertainment and higher density residential development) to the northern side of Swan Street. Further east, to the north of Swan Street, the zoning is Neighbourhood Residential.

Land to the north east on the opposite side of Swan Street is affected by Heritage Overlay HO309. Land to the South of the Railway line is included in Heritage Overlay HO322. These overlays are precinct based.

Heritage Overlay Schedule 309 – Bendigo Street Precinct, Richmond relates to an area that was sold to J M Chisholm in 1840. By 1895, three quarters of the area was developed with housing and in the Edwardian era, the Wertheim Piano Factory which was once the largest piano factory in Australia and the GTV9 television studios dominated the area. The main architectural styles in the precinct are Victorian and Edwardian and the contributory buildings in the precinct are predominantly small single storey attached and detached Victorian and Edwardian era dwellings and include the Edwardian era Wertheim Piano Factory building.

Heritage Overlay Schedule 322 – Golden Square Heritage Overlay Area is a precinct that was originally part of the Colonial Police Reserve or Police Paddocks used for the agistment of horses by the police force. The area was subdivided in the 1860s and 1870s. The Terry's Burnley Brewery was built in 1893 with visually distinctive concrete silos added in the 20th century. The predominant architectural eras in the precinct are the Victorian and Edwardian periods. Contributory buildings are generally single storey but some are two storey row houses.



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6 STRATEGIC POLICY CONTEXT

The strategic policy context for the site is summarised below.

State Planning Policy Framework

The area along Swan Street has been identified as an important Major Activity Centre by the City of Yarra and has since been classified as a Central Subregional Activity Centre within the 2015 Activity Centres Overview by DELWP. **Clause 11.01 (Settlement)** of the Yarra Planning Scheme aims to build up activity centres as a focus for high-quality development, activity and living for the whole community. The SPPF aims to develop a network of activity centres that:

- Are a focus for business, shopping, working, leisure, and community facilities.
- Provide different types of housing, including forms of higher density housing.
- Are connected by public transport and social interaction.
- Maximise choices in services, employment, and social interaction.

The **Built Environment and Heritage** provisions of **Clause 15** aims to ensure planning achieves high quality urban design and architecture by:

- Ensuring new development or redevelopment contributes to community and cultural life by improving safety, diversity and choice, the quality of living and working environments, accessibility and inclusiveness and environmental sustainability.
- Ensuring transport corridors integrate land use planning, urban design and transport planning and are developed and managed with particular attention to urban design aspects.

Local Planning Policy Framework

The Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) contained within the Local Planning Policy Framework outlines the key strategic planning, land use and development objectives for the municipality; and the strategies and actions for achieving them. The MSS **Municipal Profile** contained within **Clause 21.02** identifies key characteristics of the Municipality including:

- The residential population is projected to increase to 90,000 by 2031.
- A total of 32.4% of all households within the municipality are single person households.
- An additional 12,800 dwellings will be required by 2030 to house the increased population.
- Industrial uses are moving away from "heavy" industry and towards printing, publishing, recorded media and business services and office activities.

The main local policies of relevance are as follows:

- **Clause 21.04 (Land Use)** includes a number of objectives in relation accommodating housing growth whilst protecting neighbourhood character and heritage elements including the following of direct relevance:
 - To accommodate forecast increases in population
 - To maintain the long term viability of activity centres.
- **Clause 21.08-2 (Neighbourhood)** outlines the area as being located within the "Burnley-Cremorne-South Richmond" neighbourhood. It is anticipated that future development in this area would result in *'Ensuring that the development of land around the Burnley train station enhances access and the amenity of the area.'*

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Other Strategic Considerations

The Swan Street Structure Plan represents Yarra Council's current thinking in relation to the future land use and built form outcomes for Swan Street. The Structure Plan was adopted by Council on 17 December 2013, following community consultation. The subject site is located within the Burnley Station Village Precinct of the Structure Plan. The objectives and strategies of this precinct include:

Objectives:

- *To intensify land uses in the precinct.*
- *To establish a precinct that supports retail, commercial and residential uses.*
- *To encourage transit-orientated development focused around Burnley Station.*
- *To improve the quality of the connections to Burnley Station.*

Strategies:

- *Investigate appropriate zoning to achieve land use outcomes for the precinct.*
- *Accommodate housing growth in the precinct.*
- *Provide active frontages to the street.*
- *Develop a public plaza linking Swan Street and entrance to Burnley Station as part of any redevelopment.*
- *Investigate upgrades to the railway underpass connecting Madden Grove and Stawell Street.*

The Swan Street Structure Plan identifies the preferred heights for the areas surrounding the subject site. The Structure Plan does not include a preferred height or the subject site as it is located in a Public Park and Recreation Zone. Preferred heights in the surrounding area range from 4 storeys on the north side of Swan Street (Commercial 1 Zone) where it adjoins residential areas, up to 12 storeys on the southeast corner of Swan Street and Burnley Street.

Through discussions with Council's Strategic Planning Department, Urbis has been made aware that a Planning Scheme Amendment is to be prepared by Council later this year to implement the recommendations of the Swan Street Structure Plan. This will likely include the proposed rezoning of land along Swan Street in the vicinity of the site from Commercial 2 Zone to Commercial 1 Zone, and the introduction of built form controls via a Design and Development Overlay, based on the recommended heights contained within the Structure Plan.

7 OPEN SPACE CONTEXT

The existing site is within a Public Park and Recreation Zone (PPRZ) and currently occupied with tennis/netball courts.

The City of Yarra's Open Space Strategy 2006 has been adopted by Council but is not included within the Yarra Planning Scheme. This document provides a guide for the future provision, planning, design, and management of public land reserved for recreation and nature conservation purposes. Ryan's Reserve has been identified for formal sporting uses. At the time of preparing the strategy, the Council were not aware of this proposal to rezone the site.

The overall recommendations for East Richmond (which includes the subject site) identify a requirement for new/improved facilities in existing open space, rather than the provision of additional open space. The Burnley/Cremorne area, immediately south of the railway line, is also noted as having an adequate provision of open space and Loys Paddock and Twickenham Crescent Reserves are identified for further improvements to assist the greater utilisation of these areas.

The surrounding area is well serviced by both passive open space and recreational areas with more than 5 formally recognised parks or reserves within a 750m radius of the site, including:

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Passive Open Space

- Bicentennial Park/Golden Square is approximately 80m to the south of the site, and contains playgrounds, seating, BBQs and a dog off-leash area.
- Loys Paddock Reserve, approximately 460m to the south, contains a dog off-leash area and access to the main Yarra Trail and other parks and reserves.
- Athol J Brown Reserve is located approximately 200m to the west and contains vegetated areas of trees and grassed areas.
- Barkly Gardens is located approximately 650m to the west of the site. The Gardens are highly landscaped and include play equipment, public toilets shelter, seating and dog off-leash areas.

Recreation

- Allan Bain Reserve is located south of Barkly Gardens, approximately 710m to the southwest of the site and contains a sporting ground with infrastructure for both soccer and cricket.
- Burnley Park provides both passive and recreational open space for the immediate and wider Richmond area. The 6 hectare park is located approximately 200m to the east of the site and contains BBQ facilities, dog off-leash area together with formal recreational infrastructure including a basketball court and sporting grounds used for football, cricket, and soccer.
- The Burnley Public Golf Course is located approximately 200m to the east of the site, south of Swan Street. The 9-hole course includes practice putting and chipping greens and nets.

Other open space

- Twickenham Crescent is approximately 240m to the south of the site and contains two areas of open space occupied with grassed areas and scattered canopy trees. These areas are zoned General Residential but are identified within the City of Yarra's Open Space Strategy.

8 ANALYSIS

The site's locational and policy context can be summarised as follows:

- Excellent locational attributes, due to its location within an Activity Centre, with immediate access to fixed rail and trams, and a range of services and facilities;
- Physically separated from sensitive 'residential' uses;
- Frontage to two roads including Swan Street, providing excellent vehicle access;
- Within an area identified for growth;
- Located on a main street with a range of commercial uses with activation at ground floor, which is supported by planning policy;
- Within a strip of land identified to be rezoned to Commercial 1 to enable the development of residential uses (which is currently prohibited under this land's Commercial 2 zoning);
- Strong policy support to increase densities in the area, particularly on sites which will not impact on established residential areas.

The rezoning of the site would allow for development of the land for commercial and residential purposes and subsequently the loss of a formal recreation area. The City of Yarra has identified that there is adequate open space within East Richmond generally and that additional facilities will be accommodated within existing open space areas. Further, by way of a separate government process it is proposed that the existing sporting clubs and courts be relocated elsewhere within the Municipality.

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The loss of the open space is considered to be offset by an opportunity to deliver an affordable housing outcome on a large inner-city parcel of land within a Central Subregional Activity Centre, as supported within the State and Local Planning Policy Framework. Planning policy supports increased development and increased residential density within close proximity to public transport and activity centres.

The surrounding Commercial 2 Zone does not allow residential uses. Work undertaken in the preparation of the Swan Street Structure Plan has identified that the Commercial 2 Zone is generally redundant in this area and does not make the best use of the area's locational opportunities. The recommendation of the Structure Plan is that land on the south side of Swan Street in this location be rezoned to the Commercial 1 Zone, consistent with the zoning on the northern side of Swan Street.

From an investigation of the site in the context of the objectives and provisions of the Yarra Planning Scheme, together with a site inspection to establish the prevailing local character of the area, it is considered that the Commercial 1 Zone would be the 'best fit' for the future zoning of the land.

A rezoning of the land to Commercial 1 and its subsequent redevelopment for infill commercial and residential purposes would be in keeping with the existing and preferred future character and use of the immediate area. This zone would enable a range of as of right land uses including housing at the upper levels and active uses at ground level which would include retail, food and drink fronting Swan Street.

A Development Plan Overlay (DPO) should also be applied to the site to guide the form of future development. A DPO requires that a Development Plan be approved for the site before a planning permit is issued (subject to some exclusions). A Development Plan Overlay Schedule which relates specifically to this site is proposed.

The DPO for the subject site should require the preparation of a Development Plan that has regard to a range of factors including the objectives of the Swan Street Structure Plan, in relation to building scale, and uses.

The Development Plan Overlay also includes:

- A requirement for public exhibition of a proposed Development Plan, or amended Development Plan, at the discretion of the Responsible Authority.
- Decision guidelines for approval of Development Plans and Planning Permits.
- Future planning permit applications that are generally in accordance with an approved Development Plan will be exempt from the public notice and review requirements of the Planning and Environment Act.
- Requirements for traffic and car parking analysis in preparation of a Development Plan
- Recognition of the desire for a mix of residential densities and higher density housing in this location.
- Preferred maximum heights derived from the Swan Street Structure Plan, including a street wall height of 3 storeys and overall heights of 7 – 10 storeys.

Council's strategic work for the surrounding area has identified a potential future height in the precinct of between 4 – 12 storeys. The preferred height for the southern side of Swan Street transitions from 4 storeys (13m) in the east to 10-12 storeys on the strategic redevelopment site on the southeast corner of Swan Street and Burnley Street.

The sites immediately adjacent the subject site are identified for a scale of 5-6 storeys (19m) to the east and 7-10 (30m) storeys to the west. The size of the site and the lack of sensitive land uses adjacent to the site, support the adoption of a height of 10 storeys for the subject site. This approach would be consistent with the work undertaken for the surrounding precinct and the desire for higher density housing forms in this strategic location.

The potential impact of higher buildings has been tested in terms of their general suitability with respect to the City Link Vent Stack requirements (DDO5) and overshadowing of Bicentennial Park and have been

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found to be acceptable. These considerations, and the general policy provisions of the Yarra Planning Scheme will continue to apply to future proposals.

The Development Plan Overlay is an appropriate tool for a site in one ownership with limited sensitive adjoining interfaces and facilitates a strategic approach to future development. In the event that the Council proceeds to rezone surrounding land along Swan Street (and apply design based overlays), the proposed Commercial 1 Zone and DPO will remain relevant and consistent with the strategic vision for the area.

9 RECOMMENDATIONS

In light of the physical and policy context of the site, there is strategic justification for the rezoning of the land to a Commercial 1 Zone. A Development Plan Overlay that encourages the development of the land for medium or high-density, mixed use development is recommended.

This outcome would be consistent with Yarra Council's strategic directions for Swan Street, and their forthcoming amendment to implement the recommendations of the Swan Street Structure Plan.

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3. Current Planning Provisions

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36.02
23/09/2011
VC77

PUBLIC PARK AND RECREATION ZONE

Shown on the planning scheme map as **PPRZ**.

Purpose

To implement the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.

To recognise areas for public recreation and open space.

To protect and conserve areas of significance where appropriate.

To provide for commercial uses where appropriate.

36.02-1
23/09/2011
VC77

Table of uses

Section 1 - Permit not required

Use	Condition
Informal outdoor recreation	
Open sports ground	Must be conducted by or on behalf of the public land manager. Must not be on coastal Crown land under the Coastal Management Act 1995. Must not be costeaning or bulk sampling.
Any use listed in Clause 62.01	Must meet the requirements of Clause 62.01.
Contractor's depot	Must be either of the following:
Heliport	A use conducted by or on behalf of a public land manager or Parks Victoria under the relevant provisions of the Local Government Act 1989, the Reference Areas Act 1978, the National Parks Act 1975, the Fisheries Act 1995, the Wildlife Act 1975, the Forest Act 1958, the Water Industry Act 1994, the Water Act 1989, the Marine Act 1988, the Port of Melbourne Authority Act 1958, or the Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978.
Office	
Retail premises	
Store	
Any other use not in Section 3	A use specified in an Incorporated plan in a schedule to this zone.

Section 2 - Permit required

Use	Condition
Contractor's depot - if the Section 1 condition is not met	Must be associated with the public land use.
Heliport - if the Section 1 condition is not met	Must be associated with the public land use.
Office - if the Section 1 condition is not met	Must be associated with the public land use.

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Use	Condition
Retail premises - if the Section 1 condition is not met	Must be associated with the public land use.
Store - if the Section 1 condition is not met	Must be associated with the public land use.

Section 3 - Prohibited

Use
Brothel
Cinema based entertainment facility
Corrective institution
Display home
Funeral parlour
Industry
Saleyard
Transport terminal (other than Heliport)
Veterinary centre
Warehouse (other than Store)

36.02-2
19/01/2006
VC37

Permit requirement

A permit is required to:

- Construct a building or construct or carry out works. This does not apply to:
 - Pathways, trails, seating, picnic tables, drinking taps, shelters, barbeques, rubbish bins, security lighting, irrigation, drainage or underground infrastructure.
 - Playground equipment or sporting equipment, provided these facilities do not occupy more than 10 square metres of parkland.
 - Navigational beacons and aids.
 - Planting or landscaping.
 - Fencing that is 1 metre or less in height above ground level.
 - A building or works shown in an Incorporated plan which applies to the land.
 - A building or works carried out by or on behalf of a public land manager or Parks Victoria under the Local Government Act 1989, the Reference Areas Act 1978, the National Parks Act 1975, the Fisheries Act 1995, the Wildlife Act 1975, the Forest Act 1958, the Water Industry Act 1994, the Water Act 1989, the Marine Act 1988, the Port of Melbourne Authority Act 1958 or the Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978.
- Subdivide land.

36.02-3
19/01/2006
VC37

Application requirements

An application for a permit by a person other than the relevant public land manager must be accompanied by the written consent of the public land manager, indicating that the public land manager consents generally or conditionally either:

- To the application for permit being made.
- To the application for permit being made and to the proposed use or development.

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36.02-4 Exemption from notice and review

19/01/2006
VC37

An application to subdivide land which is consistent with an Incorporated plan is exempt from the notice requirements of Section 52(1) (a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of Section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of Section 82(1) of the Act.

36.02-5 Decision guidelines

19/01/2006
VC37

Before deciding on an application to use or subdivide land, construct a building or construct or carry out works, in addition to the decision guidelines in Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

- The State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.
- The comments of any public land manager or other relevant land manager having responsibility for the care or management of the land or adjacent land.
- Whether the development is appropriately located and designed, including in accordance with any relevant use, design or siting guidelines.

36.02-6 Incorporated plan

19/01/2006
VC37

An Incorporated plan is a plan which shows the way the land is to be used and developed. An Incorporated plan may include the following information:

- Recognition of existing use and how the area is to be developed.
- The building envelope of any proposed buildings.
- Details of any proposed buildings or works.
- The location of pedestrian or vehicle access points or car parking areas.
- The location of any areas for specific uses or a schedule of specific uses which are allowed without permit.
- Topographic details including any proposed cut and fill.
- The location of existing and proposed features.
- The location of existing native and other vegetation and any proposed landscaping works or areas of vegetation to be added or removed.
- The identification of sites of flora or fauna significance (including, in particular, any potentially threatened species or significant habitat) or other places of cultural heritage or scientific value.

The Incorporated plan must be consistent with the intent of the public land reservation under any Act and make reference to relevant policies and guidelines.

An Incorporated plan may be prepared in parts or stages.

36.02-7 Use and development of land identified in a schedule

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VC37

Land identified in a schedule to this zone may be used and developed in accordance with the schedule or the specific controls contained in an incorporated document corresponding to the land, provided any condition in the schedule or incorporated document is complied with.

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36.02-8
19/01/2006
VC37

Advertising signs

Advertising sign requirements are at Clause 52.05. This zone is in Category 4 unless a different requirement is specified in the schedule to this zone.

Note: Refer to the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement, for strategies and policies which may affect the use and development of the land.

Check whether an overlay also applies to the land.

Other requirements may also apply. These can be found at Particular Provisions.

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YARRA PLANNING SCHEME

19/01/2006
VC37

SCHEDULE 2 TO THE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as DDO2

MAIN ROADS AND BOULEVARDS

1.0
19/01/2006
VC37

Design objectives

- To recognise the importance of main roads to the image of the City.
- To retain existing streetscapes and places of cultural heritage significance and encourage retention of historic buildings and features which contribute to their identity.
- To reinforce and enhance the distinctive heritage qualities of main roads and boulevards.
- To recognise and reinforce the pattern of development and the character of the street, including traditional lot width, in building design.
- To encourage high quality contemporary architecture.
- To encourage urban design that provides for a high level of community safety and comfort.
- To limit visual clutter.
- To maintain and where needed, create, a high level of amenity to adjacent residential uses through the design, height and form of proposed development.

2.0
19/01/2006
VC37

Decision guidelines

Before deciding on an application to construct a building or construct or carry out works, the responsible authority must consider as appropriate:

- The contribution of the proposal to the streetscape.
- The design, height and visual bulk of the development in relation to surrounding land uses and developments.
- The design, height and form of the development in relation to the built form character of the street.

Policy References

City of Yarra Built Form Review 2003

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19/01/2006
VC37

SCHEDULE 5 TO THE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY

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CITY LINK EXHAUST STACK ENVIRONS

1.0
19/01/2006
VC37

Design objectives

- To ensure that the development of land around the City Link exhaust stack is not adversely affected by the operation of the stack.
- To ensure that development of land around the City Link exhaust stack does not adversely affect the operation of the stack.
- To ensure that the relevant authorities are informed of development within close proximity of the City Link exhaust stack and to facilitate comment by those authorities on any specific requirements relating to the design and built form of new development in the area which might be desirable having regard to the proximity of the stack.

2.0
19/01/2006
VC37

Buildings and works

A permit is not required to construct a building or construct or carry out works. .

3.0
19/01/2006
VC37

Subdivision

A permit is not required to subdivide land.

4.0
19/01/2006
VC37

Notice requirement

Where a permit is required to use land or for the construction of a building or the construction or carrying out of works under another provision in this scheme, notice must be given under section 52(1)(c) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to the person or body specified as a person or body to be notified in Clause 66.06 or a schedule to that clause.

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34.01 COMMERCIAL 1 ZONE

22/08/2013
VC104

Shown on the planning scheme map as **B1Z, B2Z, B5Z** or **C1Z**.

Purpose

To implement the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.

To create vibrant mixed use commercial centres for retail, office, business, entertainment and community uses.

To provide for residential uses at densities complementary to the role and scale of the commercial centre.

Operation

A schedule may apply under this zone to a planning scheme outside of metropolitan Melbourne. That schedule may:

- specify the maximum leasable floor area for office
- specify the maximum leasable floor area for shop (other than restricted retail premises)

34.01-1 Table of uses

15/07/2013
VC100

Section 1 - Permit not required

Use	Condition
Accommodation (other than Corrective institution)	Any frontage at ground floor level must not exceed 2 metres (other than a bed and breakfast and caretaker's house).
Child care centre	Any frontage at ground floor level must not exceed 2 metres and access must not be shared with a dwelling (other than a caretaker's house).
Cinema	
Cinema based entertainment facility	
Education centre	
Exhibition centre	
Home occupation	
Informal outdoor recreation	
Minor utility installation	
Office	The leasable floor area for all offices must not exceed any amount specified in the schedule to this zone.
Place of worship	The gross floor area of all buildings must not exceed 250 square metres.
Railway	
Retail premises (other than Shop)	
Shop (other than Adult sex bookshop)	The leasable floor area for all shops must not exceed any amount specified in the schedule to this zone.

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Use	Condition
Tramway	
Any use listed in Clause 62.01	Must meet the requirements of Clause 62.01.

Section 2 - Permit required

Use	Condition
Adult sex bookshop	Must be at least 200 metres (measured by the shortest route reasonably accessible on foot) from a residential zone or, land used for a hospital, primary school or secondary school or land in a Public Acquisition Overlay to be acquired for a hospital, primary school or secondary school.
Agriculture (other than Apiculture and Intensive animal husbandry)	
Industry	Must not be a purpose listed in the table to Clause 52.10.
Leisure and recreation facility (other than Informal outdoor recreation, Major sports and recreation facility and Motor racing track)	
Place of assembly (other than Carnival, Cinema, Circus, Exhibition centre and Place of worship)	
Utility installation (other than Minor utility installation and Telecommunications facility)	
Warehouse	Must not be a purpose listed in the table to Clause 52.10.
Any other use not in Section 1 or 3	

Section 3 - Prohibited

Use
Corrective institution
Intensive animal husbandry
Major sports and recreation facility
Motor racing track

34.01-2
15/07/2013
VC100

Use of land

A use must not detrimentally affect the amenity of the neighbourhood, including through the:

- Transport of materials, goods or commodities to or from the land.
- Appearance of any building, works or materials.
- Emission of noise, artificial light, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, waste water, waste products, grit or oil.

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34.01-3 Subdivision

15/07/2013
VC100

A permit is required to subdivide land.

34.01-4 Buildings and works

15/07/2013
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A permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works.

This does not apply to:

- The installation of an automatic teller machine.
- An alteration to an existing building façade provided:
 - The alteration does not include the installation of an external roller shutter.
 - At least 80 per cent of the building facade at ground floor level is maintained as an entry or window with clear glazing.
- An awning that projects over a road if it is authorised by the relevant public land manager.

Maintenance

All buildings and works must be maintained in good order and appearance to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

34.01-5 Neighbourhood and site description and design response

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An application for any of the following must be accompanied by a neighbourhood and site description and a design response as described in Clause 54.01 or 55.01, as appropriate:

- Construction or extension of one dwelling on a lot of less than 300 square metres.
- Construction of a dwelling if there is at least one dwelling existing on the lot.
- Construction of two or more dwellings on a lot.
- Extension of a dwelling if there are two or more dwellings on the lot.
- Construction or extension of a dwelling on common property.
- Construction or extension of a residential building.

Satisfactory neighbourhood and site description before notice and decision

The responsible authority must inform the applicant in writing:

- Before notice of an application is given, or
- If notice of an application is not required to be given, before deciding the application,

that the neighbourhood and site description meets the requirements of Clause 54.01 or 55.01 and is satisfactory or does not meet the requirements of Clause 54.01 or 55.01 and is not satisfactory.

If the responsible authority decides that the neighbourhood and site description is not satisfactory, it may require more information from the applicant under Section 54 of the Act.

The responsible authority must not require notice of an application to be given or decide an application until it is satisfied that the neighbourhood and site description meets the requirements of Clause 54.01 or 55.01 and is satisfactory.

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This does not apply if the responsible authority refuses an application under Section 52(1A) of the Act.

Application requirements

Use

An application to use land must be accompanied by the following information, as appropriate:

- The purpose of the use and the types of activities which will be carried out.
- The likely effects, if any, on adjoining land, including noise levels, traffic, the hours of delivery and despatch of goods and materials, hours of operation and light spill, solar access and glare.
- The means of maintaining land not required for immediate use.
- If an industry or warehouse:
 - The type and quantity of goods to be stored, processed or produced.
 - Whether a Works Approval or Waste Discharge Licence is required from the Environment Protection Authority.
 - Whether a notification under the Occupational Health and Safety (Major Hazard Facilities) Regulations 2000 is required, a licence under the Dangerous Goods Act 1985 is required, or a fire protection quantity under the Dangerous Goods (Storage and Handling) Regulations 2000 is exceeded.
 - The likely effects on adjoining land, including air-borne emissions and emissions to land and water.

Buildings and works

An application to construct a building or construct or carry out works must be accompanied by the following information, as appropriate:

- A plan drawn to scale which shows:
 - The boundaries and dimensions of the site.
 - Adjoining roads.
 - The location, height and purpose of buildings and works on adjoining land.
 - Relevant ground levels.
 - The layout of existing and proposed buildings and works.
 - All driveway, car parking and loading areas.
 - Proposed landscape areas.
 - All external storage and waste treatment areas.
 - Areas not required for immediate use.
- Elevation drawings to scale showing the colour and materials of all buildings and works.
- Construction details of all drainage works, driveways, vehicle parking and loading areas.

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- A landscape layout which includes the description of vegetation to be planted, the surfaces to be constructed, site works specification and method of preparing, draining, watering and maintaining the landscape area.

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Exemption from notice and review

An application to subdivide land or construct a building or construct or carry out works is exempt from the notice requirements of Section 52(1)(a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of Section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of Section 82(1) of the Act. This exemption does not apply to land within 30 metres of land (not a road) which is in a residential zone, land used for a hospital or an education centre or land in a Public Acquisition Overlay to be acquired for a hospital or an education centre.

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VC100

Decision guidelines

Before deciding on an application, in addition to the decision guidelines in Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

General

- The State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.
- The interface with adjoining zones, especially the relationship with residential areas.

Use

- The effect that existing uses may have on the proposed use.
- The drainage of the land.
- The availability of and connection to services.
- The effect of traffic to be generated on roads.
- The interim use of those parts of the land not required for the proposed use.

Subdivision

- Provision for vehicles providing for supplies, waste removal and emergency services and public transport.
- The effect the subdivision will have on the potential of the area to accommodate the uses which will maintain or enhance its competitive strengths.

Building and works

- The movement of pedestrians and cyclists, and vehicles providing for supplies, waste removal, emergency services and public transport.
- The provision of car parking.
- The streetscape, including the conservation of buildings, the design of verandahs, access from the street front, protecting active frontages to pedestrian areas, the treatment of the fronts and backs of buildings and their appurtenances, illumination of buildings or their immediate spaces and the landscaping of land adjoining a road.
- The storage of rubbish and materials for recycling.

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- Defining the responsibility for the maintenance of buildings, landscaping and paved areas.
- Consideration of the overlooking and overshadowing as a result of building or works affecting adjoining land in a General Residential Zone, Neighbourhood Residential Zone, Residential Growth Zone or Township Zone.
- The availability of and connection to services.
- The design of buildings to provide for solar access.
- The objectives, standards and decision guidelines of Clause 54 and Clause 55. This does not apply to a development of five or more storeys, excluding a basement.

34.01-9 Advertising signs

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VC100

Advertising sign requirements are at Clause 52.05. This zone is in Category 1.

Notes: Refer to the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement, for strategies and policies which may affect the use and development of land.

Check whether an overlay also applies to the land.

Other requirements may also apply. These can be found at Particular Provisions.

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DEVELOPMENT PLAN OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as **DPO** with a number.

Purpose

To implement the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.

To identify areas which require the form and conditions of future use and development to be shown on a development plan before a permit can be granted to use or develop the land.

To exempt an application from notice and review if it is generally in accordance with a development plan.

43.04-1

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VC37

Requirement before a permit is granted

A permit must not be granted to use or subdivide land, construct a building or construct or carry out works until a development plan has been prepared to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

This does not apply if a schedule to this overlay specifically states that a permit may be granted before a development plan has been prepared to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

A permit granted must:

- Be generally in accordance with the development plan.
- Include any conditions or requirements specified in a schedule to this overlay.

43.04-2

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Exemption from notice and review

An application under any provision of this scheme which is generally in accordance with the development plan is exempt from the notice requirements of Section 52(1)(a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of Section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of Section 82(1) of the Act.

43.04-3

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VC116

Preparation of the development plan

The development plan may consist of plans or other documents and may, with the agreement of the responsible authority, be prepared and implemented in stages.

A development plan that provides for residential subdivision in the Neighbourhood Residential Zone, General Residential Zone, Residential Growth Zone, Mixed Use Zone, Township Zone, Comprehensive Development Zone and Priority Development Zone must meet the requirements of Clause 56 as specified in the zone.

The development plan must describe:

- The land to which the plan applies.
- The proposed use and development of each part of the land.
- Any other requirements specified for the plan in a schedule to this overlay.

The development plan may be amended to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

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Notes: Refer to the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement, for strategies and policies which may affect the use and development of land.

Check the requirements of the zone which applies to the land.

Other requirements may also apply. These can be found at Particular Provisions.

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SCHEDULE 13 TO THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN OVERLAY

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Site Description

This schedule applies to land generally known as 510 Swan Street, Richmond.

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Requirement before a permit is granted

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A permit may be granted before a development plan has been approved for the following:

- Subdivision
- Minor buildings or works
- Removal or creation of easements or restrictions

Before granting a permit, the responsible authority must be satisfied that the permit will not prejudice the preparation of a Development Plan and future use and development of the land in an integrated manner and will not compromise the objectives for the site.

The site may be developed in stages.

2.0

Development plan objectives

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- Future development will provide for a mix of commercial uses at street level with residential uses above.
- The development will provide a range of dwelling types, as appropriate, to allow for a diversity of households.
- The development will minimise the impacts of vehicular access on pedestrian, cyclist, and tram movements along Swan Street.
- The development will support sustainable travel initiatives to minimise car travel.
- The design will be responsive to the site's diverse interfaces.
- The development will demonstrate a high quality architectural response, implement innovative Environmentally Sustainable Design features, and provide a high standard of internal amenity.
- The development will include building articulation at the upper levels to maintain the built form rhythm of the streetscape and provide suitable amenity within the development.

3.0

Requirements for development plan

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The development plan may be prepared for the whole site or in stages. The development plan must be consistent with the objectives for the site, which takes into account the site's strategic location on the edge of Burnley Village and excellent access to public transport.

Development plan components

The development plan must include the following information:

- A site analysis that identifies the key attributes of the land, its topography, and its relationship with existing or proposed uses on adjoining land.
- A context analysis identifying the adjoining roads, tram stops, walking and cycling connections, pedestrian crossings and the relationship of the site to Burnley Village and Burnley Train Station.
- Concept plans for the layout of the site which show:
 - The siting and orientation of buildings.

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- The car and bicycle access locations.
- The proposed indicative uses of each building.
- Three dimensional building envelopes for new buildings including indicative building heights, the separation distances between buildings and the setback from the street frontage.
- Shadow diagrams internal to the site for the equinox (22 September / 20 March) between 10:00am and 2:00pm based on the building envelopes or arrangement shown in the proposed Development Plan.
- Design Guidelines for the site which reflect the following requirements:
 - The building heights should not exceed 32m (10 storeys) and provide an appropriate transition to site interfaces.
 - The built form must provide adequate variety of building form and articulation across the site to avoid long and continuous facades along Swan Street.
 - The street wall height along Swan Street should create a consistent 3 storey built form.
 - The levels above 3 storeys should be setback:
 - a minimum of 6m from Swan Street to provide upper level setbacks from the primary street frontage.
 - a minimum of 4.5m from the eastern boundary to provide upper level building separation between the subject site and any future redevelopment of the abutting property.
 - The Golden Square Bicentennial Park should generally be free of significant overshadowing between 11:00am and 2:00pm at the equinox (22 September / 20 March).
 - Car parking should be obscured from the public realm.
 - Building services, including roof top services/ elements, must be screened from the public realm.
 - Buildings should provide for weather protection along Swan Street.
 - Sustainable design principles to address water management, solar access and energy conservation.
 - Landscape principles for the site.
 - Proposed measures to provide noise attenuation from the train line and vehicular traffic on Swan Street.
- A Traffic Management Report outlining:
 - The existing capacity within the surrounding road network.
 - The likely traffic generation of the development.
 - Indicative access arrangements for vehicles and recommendations for managing potential conflicts with pedestrians, cyclists, trams and vehicles on Swan Street.
 - Recommended car parking rates for the development.

The development plan for any part of the development area may be amended from time to time to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

The responsible authority may waive the need to provide any of the information detailed above that is not relevant to a particular Development Plan or part of a Development Plan.

4.0 Display of Development Plan

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Before deciding to approve a development plan, the responsible authority must display the plan for public comment. Notice of the development plan must be given to the owners and

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occupiers of adjoining land. A development plan must be displayed or further information required within 28 days after the plan is received by the responsible authority. The plan must be displayed within 14 days of satisfactory further information being received.

The development plan must be displayed for at least 14 days but no longer than 28 days.

The responsible authority may display an amendment to a development plan if it is considered to potentially impact the surrounding residential area.

5.0 Decision guidelines

Before deciding on a request to approve or amend a Development Plan, the responsible authority must consider:

- The provisions of this planning scheme including relevant local policies.
- Yarra City Council's Swan Street Structure Plan, January 2014.
- The views of Public Transport Victoria, Vic Roads, Vic Track and Metro Trains that are received as appropriate.
- Shadow impacts on Golden Square Bicentennial Park for the equinox between 11:00am and 2:00pm.
- The likely traffic and car parking impacts.

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5. Treelogic Arboricultural Assessment 510 Swan Street,
Richmond June 2016

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Arboricultural Assessment 510 Swan Street, Richmond

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Below right: Group 2 of shrubs, view from across the street of Group 2 consisting of large shrubs.

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1. Objectives

Tree Logic was engaged by Geoffrey Mills of the Victorian School Building Authority to undertake an arboricultural assessment and prepare an arboricultural report for trees at 510 Swan Street, Richmond. The requirements of the arboricultural report include;

- 1.1. To provide information on the species, origin, dimensions, health and structure of the trees and their appropriateness for retention.
- 1.2. To offer recommendations regarding the management of the trees, including any tree protection measures for retained trees.
- 1.3. Determine the Tree Protection Zones (TPZ) for assessed trees compliant with AS4970 'Protection of trees on development sites'.

2. Method

- 2.1. A site inspection was carried out on Thursday 23rd June 2016.
- 2.2. The trees were inspected from the ground and observations were made of the growing environment and surrounding area. The trees were not climbed and no samples of the tree or site soil were taken.
- 2.3. Assessment details of individual trees are listed in the Tree Assessment Table in Appendix 1. A copy of the tree plan can be seen in Appendix 2.
- 2.4. Observations were made of the assessed trees to determine species, origin, age category, useful life expectancy and condition. Measurements were taken to establish tree crown height (measured with a height meter), crown width (paced) and trunk dimensions (measured 1.4 m up the trunk with a diameter tape unless otherwise stated). Descriptors used in the tree assessment can be seen in Appendix 3.
- 2.5. Some photographs of the trees and the environs were taken for further reference and inclusion in the report.
- 2.6. Only trees with a single stem diameter greater than 150 mm at a height of 1.4 m above ground level were assessed. Several smaller trees and larger shrubs were observed and were categorised into groups for this report.
- 2.7. Each of the assessed trees was attributed an 'Arboricultural Rating'. The arboricultural rating correlates the combination of tree condition factors (health and structure) with tree amenity value. Definitions of arboricultural ratings can be seen in Appendix 3.
- 2.8. The assessed trees have been allocated tree protection zones (TPZ). The Australian Standard, AS 4970-2009, has been used as a guide in the allocation of TPZs for the assessed trees. This method provides a TPZ that addresses both the stability and growing requirements of a tree. TPZ distances are measured as a radius, from the centre of the trunk at (or near) ground level. All TPZ measurements are provided in Appendix 1.
- 2.9. Documents reviewed include:
 - City of Yarra Street Tree Policy – City of Yarra
 - The City of Yarra Street Tree Policy states that trees are to be retained whenever possible and removal is subject to the appropriate authority of the City of Yarra.

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- Environmental Local Law No.3 of 2012 – City of Yarra
 - According to the Environmental Local Law No.3, a significant tree must not be removed without a permit. A significant tree is defined as a tree that is single trunked with a trunk diameter 400mm or greater measured at 1500mm (1.5m) above the ground; or is listed in the City of Yarra Significant Tree Register.
- Planning Property Report for 510 Swan St – Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning. The site is zoned as Public Park and Recreation Zone (PPRZ).
- Detailed Site Investigation plan – Senversa Pty Ltd.

3. Observations

3.1 The subject site was located on the corner of Swan Street and Stawell Street in Richmond. The tree study area comprised a diverse group of planted and self-seeded trees within the subject site, neighbouring properties and surrounding streets.

The site is currently utilised as a fenced sporting facility which is comprised of hard court surfaces, clubrooms and general recreation space.

The site was landscaped with various small trees and large shrubs, primarily concentrated within the southern boundary.

3.2 Tree population

3.3 Seventeen (17) trees were inspected in total.

- Six (6) trees located within the subject site
- Nine (9) street trees
- Two (2) trees in a neighbouring property south-west of the subject site.
- A range of larger smaller trees and larger shrubs were observed and categorized into two (2) groups based on location and species.

Refer to Appendix 1 for individual tree details and Appendix 2 for tree locations and numbering.

The tree population consisted of various species. Most trees were identified as exotic deciduous or evergreen species with a smaller number of trees identified as an Australian native. There were no indigenous or trees on the City of Yarra Significant Tree Register located within the subject site.

The species are listed below in Table 1.

Table 1: Common Name (<i>Botanic name</i>)	Origin	No. of Trees
London Plane (<i>Platanus xacerifolia</i>)	Exotic deciduous	6
Crepe Myrtle (<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i>)	Exotic deciduous	3
River She-oak (<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i>)	Australian native	2
Desert Ash (<i>Fraxinus angustifolia</i> subsp. <i>angustifolia</i>)	Exotic deciduous	2
Lemon Scented Gum (<i>Corymbia citriodora</i>)	Australian native	2
Chinese Elm (<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i>)	Exotic deciduous	1
Peppercorn (<i>Schinus areira</i>)	Exotic evergreen	1
Total		17

Table 1. Species list

3.4 **Tree health** was assessed based on foliage colour, size and density as well as shoot initiation and elongation.

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- Six (6) trees were within the subject site.
Trees within the site displayed characteristics considered typical or better with the exception of the Desert Ash which displayed reduced foliage density and minor tip dieback.
- Nine (9) trees were street trees within the surrounds of the subject site.
Of the six (6) London Plane trees, five (5) were in Fair to poor health displayed low vigour and signs of decline
Three (3) Crepe Myrtles displayed characteristics typical of young and newly planted trees.
- Two (2) trees located in neighbouring property displayed characteristics typical or better within the current growing conditions.

A summary of tree health is listed below in Table 2.

Health rating	Number
Fair	10
Fair to poor	6
Poor	1
Total	17

Table 2. Tree health.

3.5 **Tree structure** was assessed for structural defects and deficiencies, likelihood of failures and risk to potential targets.

- Trees within the subject site generally displayed Fair structure with the exception of a Tree 6, a Lemon Scented Gum, with a codominant fork and slightly suppressed canopy and Tree 4, a Desert Ash, that has been lopped numerous times.
- Street trees generally displayed Fair-poor structure with all trees having been pruned for power line clearance or had evidence of previous failures.
- Trees in neighbouring properties displayed Fair-poor structure with Tree 17, a Peppercorn, displaying slight asymmetric canopy and over-extended limbs and Tree 16, a self-seeded Desert Ash that has been suppressed by the adjacent Peppercorn.

A summary of tree structure is listed below in Table 3.

Health rating	Number
Fair	6
Fair to poor	10
Poor	1
Total	17

Table 3. Tree structure

3.6 The assessed trees were given an **arboricultural rating**. This rating relates to the combination of tree condition factors, including health and structure (arboricultural merit), and also conveys an amenity value. Amenity relates to the trees biological, functional and aesthetic characteristics within an urban landscape context. It should be noted that the arboricultural rating is different to the conservation/ecological values placed on trees by other professions. Definitions of arboricultural ratings can be seen in Appendix 3.

A summary of arboricultural ratings is listed below in Table 3.

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Arboricultural Rating	No. of trees	Tree numbers
Moderate	7	1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 15, 17
Low	7	4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16
Low (size)	3	12, 13, 14 and Groups 1, 2
Total	17	

Table 3. Arboricultural ratings for subject site

- 3.6..1 Moderate rated trees are desirable and suitable to be retained within the site redevelopment if they can be incorporated into the design and can be appropriately protected throughout the planning, design and construction stages of any redevelopment.
- 3.6..2 Trees with a Low arboricultural rating displayed general health and/or structural deficiencies or were considered as functionally inappropriate to retain in conjunction with occurring development within the site. Low rated trees are generally not considered worthy of being a constraint on reasonable design intent and outcomes. Retention of Low rated trees may be considered if not requiring a disproportionate expenditure of resources to successfully incorporate them into the design or manage their condition.
- 3.6..3 Trees 12, 13 and 14 were attributed a Low (size) value as they were newly planted trees. Groups 1 and 2 were attributed a Low (size) value. Trees with a Low (size) arboricultural rating are not canopy tree species or were fair specimens of small size that could be easily replaced within the landscape.

4. Tree permit requirements

- 4.1. The site is zoned as Public Park and Recreation Zone (PPRZ). There are no overlays applying to the site that confer any specific tree controls. However, the City of Yarra Local Law No.3 (2012) states that: "A person must not, without a permit, remove, damage, destroy or lop a significant tree."

The City of Yarra defines a Significant Tree as:

- A tree that is single trunked with a trunk diameter 400mm or greater measured at 1500mm (1.5m) above the ground; or
- A tree that is multi-trunked with a combined trunk diameter 400mm or greater at 1500mm (1.5m) above the ground.

Table below lists the trees on site, in surrounding streets and neighbouring properties that trigger a permit:

Tree No.	Common Name (<i>Botanic name</i>)	DBH
1	River She-oak (<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i>)	49
2	River She-oak (<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i>)	52
4	Desert Ash (<i>Fraxinus angustifolia</i> subsp. <i>angustifolia</i>)	72
5	Lemon Scented Gum (<i>Corymbia citriodora</i>)	53
15	London Plane (<i>Platanus xacerifolia</i>)	45
17	Peppercorn (<i>Schinus areira</i>)	121

- 4.2. All trees on neighbouring properties and council managed trees, regardless of Arboricultural Rating, must be afforded appropriate protection to sustain them in conjunction with any proposed development of the site, unless otherwise negotiated with their respective owners.

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5. Tree Protection Zones

- 5.1. The arboricultural assessment report provides planners and designers with information on the measures required to protect trees suitable for retention.
- 5.2. The most important consideration for the successful retention of trees is to allow appropriate above and below ground space for the trees to continue to grow. This requires the allocation of tree protection zones (TPZ) for all retained trees.
- 5.3. The Australian Standard for Protection of Trees on Development Sites (*AS4970 – 2009*) has been used as the method for calculating a TPZ. The TPZ defines an area in which construction activity is either avoided, or at least controlled, in order to successfully sustain a tree. The TPZ measurements are provided in the tree assessment data in Appendix 1.
- 5.4. Minor encroachment, up to 10% of the TPZ, is generally permissible provided encroachment is compensated for the recruitment and protection of an equivalent area contiguous with the TPZ. No construction should be proposed in the Reduced TPZ unless based the results of non-destructive root investigation, utilising root sensitive design & construction methods. Refer to Figure 1 for examples of minor encroachment.

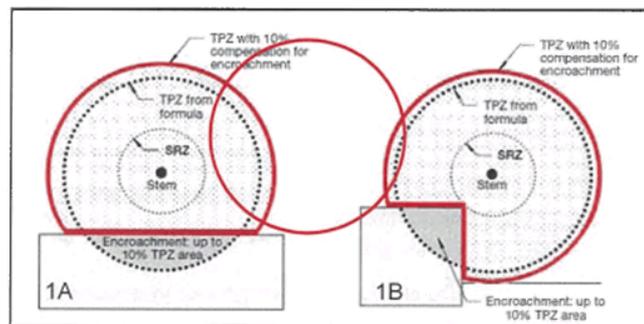


Figure 1: 1A & 1B - Examples of minor encroachment into a TPZ.

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- 5.5. The Structural Root Zone (SRZ) represents the minimum area required to maintain tree stability without consideration to the ongoing health of the tree. No works are recommended within the SRZ.
- 5.6. All TPZ measurements are provided in the tree assessment data in Appendix 1.

6. Design review

- 6.1. At the time of preparing the report no plans were available to be reviewed. Given the site is likely to be redeveloped it is clear that some trees within the middle of the site may need to be removed and others may have some disturbance close to or within the recommended TPZ to provide access and allow other essential infrastructure to be installed.
- 6.2. In the absence of site design plans, it is not appropriate to speculate on which trees are considered sustainable apart from the general guide provided by the arboricultural ratings attributed to each tree. Retention suitability is dependent on the proposed landscape setting in which trees are intended to be retained. The following recommendations are provided for consideration in the design process.

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- 6.3. On the basis of tree quality, safety and potential amenity, preference should be given to retaining trees of Moderate arboricultural value in areas of built form or areas of increased target potential.
 - 6.3.1. Trees 1 and 2, both River She-oaks located in the south-west corner of the site, were in Fair health and structure. These trees display typical vigour, growth extension and balanced canopy with typical foliage density. These trees are expected to grow unhindered with the exception of minor pruning for nearby power cable.
 - 6.3.2. Tree 3, a Chinese Elm, was in Fair health and structure and is capable of developing into a medium-sized shade canopy tree. The tree requires weight reduction on some westerly branches and can develop a balanced canopy.
 - 6.3.3. Tree 5, a Lemon Scented Gum located centre of the subject site, was in Fair health and structure. This tree has the potential to become a moderate to long term feature of the landscape, displaying a rounded canopy, fair taper and sound branch unions with no evidence of previous failures. The lower branches of this tree are becoming overextended and may require weight reduction.
 - 6.3.4. Tree 6, a Lemon Scented Gum located centre and north adjacent of Tree 5, was in Fair health and Fair-poor structure. This tree has been slightly suppressed by the canopy of Tree 5, as a result the canopy is slightly asymmetrical to the north-east with the majority of the foliage held by codominant stems. Reduction of the lesser codominant stem is recommended.
- 6.4. One tree within the subject site was attributed a Low arboricultural rating (Tree 4) and trees of small trees or large shrubs were attributed a Low rating due to low significance in size (Groups 1 and 2). These trees are easily replaceable and retention should not be a constraint on reasonable redevelopment of the site.

Small trees of Low arboricultural value that are otherwise in reasonable condition (Fair-poor or better Health and /or Structure) may offer a potential established tree resource, even if only as an interim measure.
- 6.5. Eleven (11) trees were located outside the subject site. These trees must be considered for retention within any design concept proposed on site.
 - 6.5.1. Trees 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 (London Plane trees) were council street trees located south of the subject site on Swan Street and Stawell Street.
 - 6.5.2. Trees 16 and 17 (Desert Ash and Peppercorn) were located in neighbouring property north-west of the site.
 - 6.5.3. Each of these trees require minimum tree protection comprising the reduced TPZ extending into the subject site.
- 6.6. Tree protection zones have been allocated in Appendix 2 to the three moderate rated trees to indicate the area required were they to be retained in any future redevelopment plans.
- 6.7. Appropriate tree protection management will be required when designing building foot prints, benching requirements, paths of access and location of underground services.
- 6.8. All trees that are to be retained will require tree protection zone fences to be established prior to commencing any works onsite including demolition, bulk earthworks, construction, landscaping activity, delivery and storage of materials or placement of site sheds.

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- 6.8.1. Where TPZ fencing is impractical, ground protection measures in accordance with AS4970 will be required in order to prevent root damage and soil compaction. Appendix 4 provides tree protection and tree and ground buffering guidelines that should be incorporated into the design and management plans for retained trees.
- 6.9. Existing soil levels within the TPZ's must not be altered during construction activities, including landscape design
- 6.10. It is imperative that no open cut excavation occurs within the recommended TPZ area of any retained trees for installation of underground services such as water, drainage, electricity, gas, telecommunications, security or any other landscape feature.
- 6.11. Reduction of up to 10% of the TPZ area is acceptable if a commensurate area contiguous with the TPZ is protected from further encroachment. This would be applicable to all trees located in adjoining properties and the street tree.
- 6.12. Any encroachment of a TPZ in excess of 10% must be based on the results of non-destructive root investigation using either Air-spade® or Hydro-excavation and approved by the consulting arborist and/or relevant authority.
- 6.13. Any recommended pruning must be undertaken by a qualified arborist and comply with Australian Standard AS 4373-2007 - Pruning of Amenity trees. All TPZ and reduced TPZ radius distances are provided in Appendix 1. Pruning recommendations have been provided for Trees 3, 4, 5 and 6.

7. Photographic examples



- 1 Moderate rated Tree 5, Lemon Scented Gum, within site viewing west.
- 2 Moderate rated Tree 1 and Tree 2, River She-Oaks, within site viewing south.



- 3 Low rated Tree 4, Desert Ash, within site viewing north.

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4 Group 2, Kohuhu and variegated Pittosporum species, within site viewing south-west.



5 Moderate rated Trees 4 and 5, Lemon Scented Gums, within site viewing west.

6 Group 1, Kohuhu and variegated Pittosporum species, within site viewing south.



7 Moderate rated Tree 3, Chinese Elm, within site viewing south.

8 Street Tree 15, London Plane, with power line pruned canopy, viewing south.



9 Street Trees 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, London Planes, viewing south-east.

10 Neighbouring Trees 16 and 17, Desert Ash and Peppercorn, viewing south.

8. Conclusion and Recommendations

- 8.1. Seventeen (17) trees were inspected within the subject site and neighbouring properties.
- 8.2. The most important consideration for the successful retention of suitable trees is to allow appropriate above and below ground space for the trees to continue to grow. This requires the allocation of tree protection zones for all trees to be retained. All TPZ measurements are provided in the tree assessment data in Appendix 1.

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- 8.3. In the absence of a design proposal it is recommended Moderate rated trees be considered as suitable for retention in conjunction with increased development of the site. Such trees have been allocated TPZs, the distance of the recommended TPZs has been provided. Refer to Appendix 1 for individual tree details.
- 8.4. Five (5) moderate rated trees: 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 represent the best options for tree retention in conjunction with site redevelopment.
- 8.5. Trees 3, 4, 5 and 6 have pruning recommendations.
- 8.6. Trees attributed an arboricultural rating of Low or Low (size) are small specimens that are readily replaceable if required or trees that are in poor health or structure. Retention should not be a constraint on reasonable redevelopment of the site.
- 8.7. Provision must be provided for trees located within neighbouring properties or on the street (Trees 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and Groups 1 and 2). These trees are to be protected during redevelopment. The TPZs of these trees can be referred to in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2.
- 8.8. To successfully sustain those trees deemed to be most suitable for retention in conjunction with any re-development, tree protection zones must be incorporated into the design and appropriate construction controls, fencing and management practices must be implemented prior to commencing any construction related activity including demolition and bulk earthworks. Where TPZ fencing is impractical, ground protection measures will be required.
 - Refer to Appendix 4 for TPZ establishment and management guidelines.

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Appendix 1: Tree details: 510 Swan Street, Richmond

DBH = Diameter at Breast Height (measured in centimetres at 1.4m above ground unless otherwise stated). TPZ = Tree Protection Zone (metre radius). Radius distances measured in metres from the centre of trunk. For tree location and numbering refer Appendix 2. See Appendix 3 for Tree descriptors

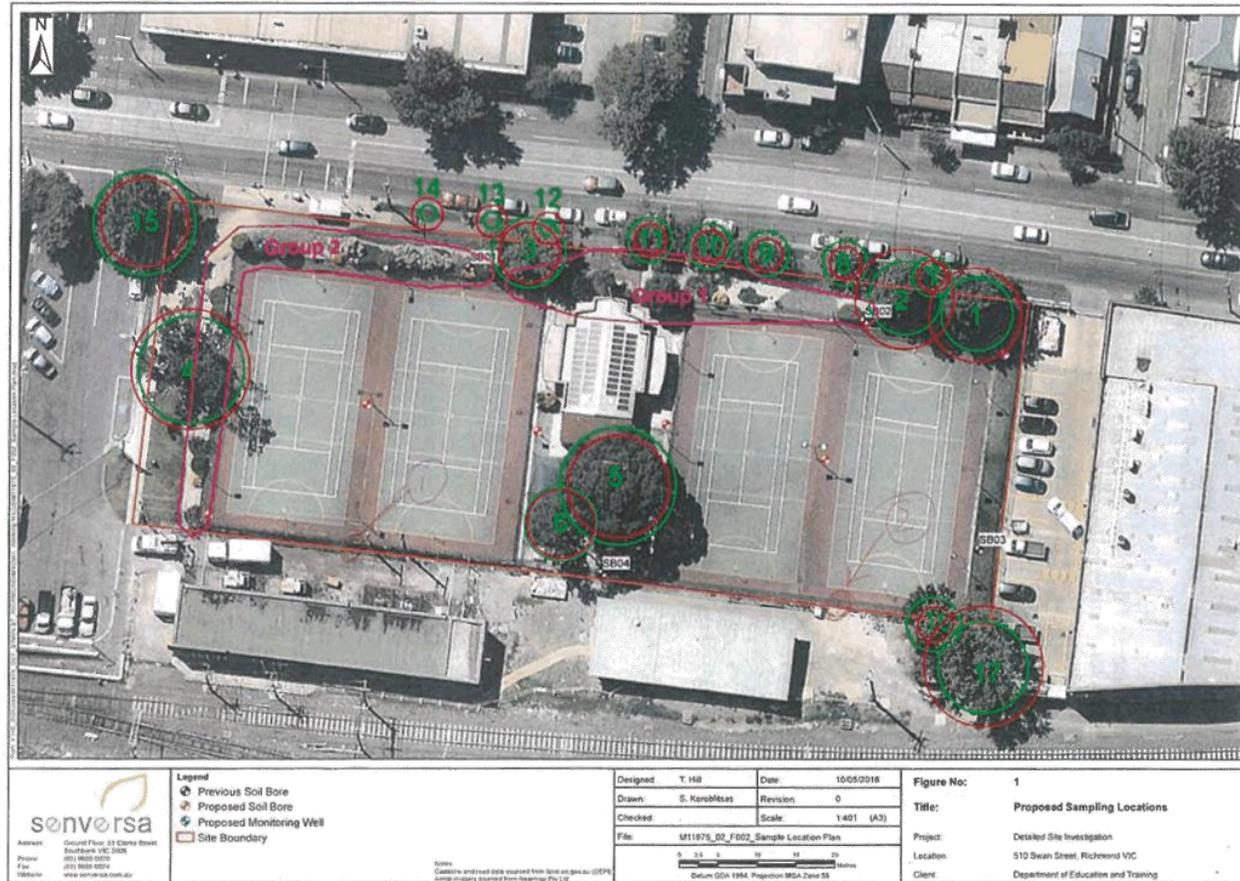
No.	Species	Common Name	Type	DBH (cm)	Basal (cm)	HxW	Age	Health	Structure	Arb. rating	TPZ (radius m)	SRZ (radius m)	Comments	Recommended works
1	<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i>	River She-oak	Australian native	49	58	9x9	Early mature	Fair	Fair	Moderate	5.9	2.6	Powerline pruned, codominant fork at 4 m	
2	<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i>	River She-oak	Australian native	52	58	10x9	Early mature	Fair	Fair	Moderate	6.2	2.6	Powerline pruned.	
3	<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i>	Chinese Elm	Exotic deciduous	31	38	6x11	Semi-mature	Fair	Fair	Moderate	3.7	2.2	Powerline pruned.	Weight reduction on westerly overextending limbs.
4	<i>Fraxinus angustifolia</i> subsp. <i>angustifolia</i>	Desert Ash	Exotic deciduous	72	80	10x15	Mature	Fair-poor	Poor	Low	8.6	3	Lopped, Epicormic end shoots, Previous branch failures.	Deadwood removal.
5	<i>Corymbia citriodora</i>	Lemon-scented Gum	Australian native	53	65	11 x 15	Early mature	Fair	Fair	Moderate	6.4	2.8	Round balanced canopy, Minor deadwood, Overextended limbs	Weight reduction on overextending limbs.
6	<i>Corymbia citriodora</i>	Lemon-scented Gum	Australian native	36	44	12 x 8	Semi-mature	Fair	Fair-poor	Moderate	4.3	2.3	Codominant fork with Included bark @ 4m, Minor deadwood,	Reduce lesser south-easterly codominant stem
7	<i>Platanus Xacerifolia</i>	London Plane	Exotic deciduous	7	18	4x4	Semi-mature	Poor	Fair-poor	Low	2.0	1.6	Street tree, Lopped, Poor vigour, Union decay	
8	<i>Platanus Xacerifolia</i>	London Plane	Exotic deciduous	24	35	4x5	Semi-mature	Fair-poor	Fair-poor	Low	2.9	2.1	Street tree, Lopped, Poor vigour, Codominant fork.	
9	<i>Platanus Xacerifolia</i>	London Plane	Exotic deciduous	25	31	4x4	Semi-mature	Fair-poor	Fair-poor	Low	3.0	2	Street tree, Lopped, Poor vigour.	
10	<i>Platanus Xacerifolia</i>	London Plane	Exotic deciduous	25	31	4x8	Semi-mature	Fair-poor	Fair-poor	Low	3.0	2	Street tree, Lopped, Powerline pruned.	
11	<i>Platanus Xacerifolia</i>	London Plane	Exotic deciduous	25	31	4x8	Semi-mature	Fair-poor	Fair-poor	Low	3.0	2	Street tree, Lopped, Powerline pruned, Epicormics	
12	<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i>	Crepe Myrtle	Exotic deciduous	3	3	2x1	Young	Fair	Fair	Low (size)	2.0	2	Street tree.	
13	<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i>	Crepe Myrtle	Exotic deciduous	3	3	2x1	Young	Fair	Fair	Low (size)	2.0	2	Street tree.	
14	<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i>	Crepe Myrtle	Exotic deciduous	3	3	2x1	Young	Fair	Fair	Low (size)	2.0	2	Street tree.	
15	<i>Platanus Xacerifolia</i>	London Plane	Exotic deciduous	45	53	14x10	Early mature	Fair	Fair-poor	Moderate	5.4	2.5	Street tree, Powerline pruned, Overextended limb, Unbalanced canopy.	
16	<i>Fraxinus angustifolia</i> subsp. <i>angustifolia</i>	Desert Ash	Exotic deciduous	20	36	5x5	Semi-mature	Fair-poor	Fair-poor	Low	2.4	2.2	Neighbouring tree, Self seeded, Suppressed canopy.	
17	<i>Schinus areira</i>	Peppercorn Tree	Exotic evergreen	121	150	12x16	Mature	Fair	Fair-poor	Moderate	14.5	3.9	Neighbouring tree, Minor deadwood, Western lean	
Grp 1	<i>Pittosporum eugenioides</i> 'Variegatum'	Variegated Tarata	Exotic evergreen	10	15	3x3	Semi-mature	Fair	Fair	Low (size)	1.2	1.5	Group of <i>Pittosporum eugenioides</i> 'Variegatum', <i>Pittosporum tenuifolium</i> and <i>Photonia serratafolia</i>	
Grp 2	<i>Pittosporum tenuifolium</i>	Kohuhu	Exotic evergreen	10	31	5x4	Early mature	Fair-poor	Fair	Low (size)	1.2	2	Group of Hedge shrubs x4 with variegated species intermingled	

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**Appendix 2:
Tree
numbers and
locations:
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Refer to following page.
Green circle: Tree with tree
number. Red circle: Tree
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Appendix 3: Arboricultural Descriptors (April 2015)

Note that not all of the described tree descriptors may be used in a tree assessment and report. The assessment is undertaken with regard to contemporary arboricultural practices and consists of a visual inspection of external and above-ground tree parts.

1. Tree Condition

The assessment of tree condition evaluates factors of health and structure. The descriptors of health and structure attributed to a tree evaluate the individual specimen to what could be considered typical for that species growing in its location under current climatic conditions. For example, some species can display inherently poor branching architecture, such as multiple acute branch attachments with included bark. Whilst these structural defects may technically be considered arboriculturally poor, they are typical for the species and may not constitute an increased risk of failure. These trees may be assigned a structural rating of fair-poor (rather than poor) at the discretion of the assessor.

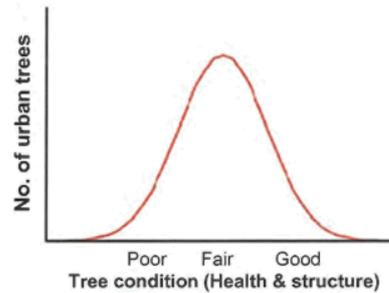


Diagram 1: Indicative normal distribution curve for tree condition

Diagram 1, provides an indicative distribution curve for tree condition to illustrate that within a normal tree population the majority of specimens are centrally located within the condition range (normal distribution curve). Furthermore, that those individual trees with an assessed condition approaching the outer ends of the spectrum occur less often.

2. Tree Name

Provides botanical name, (genus, species, variety and cultivar) according to accepted international code of taxonomic classification, and common name.

3. Tree Type

Describes the general geographic origin of the species and its type e.g. deciduous or evergreen.

Category	Description
Indigenous	Occurs naturally in the area or region of the subject site. Remnant.
Victorian native	Occurs naturally within some part of the State of Victoria (not exclusively) but is not indigenous (component of EVC benchmark). Could be planted indigenous trees.
Australian native	Occurs naturally within Australia but is not a Victorian native or indigenous
Exotic deciduous	Occurs outside of Australia and typically sheds its leaves during winter
Exotic evergreen	Occurs outside of Australia and typically holds its leaves all year round
Exotic conifer	Occurs outside of Australia and is classified as a gymnosperm
Native conifer	Occurs naturally within Australia and is classified as a gymnosperm
Native Palm	Occurs naturally within Australia. Woody monocotyledon
Exotic Palm	Occurs outside of Australia. Woody monocotyledon

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4. Height and Width

Indicates height and width of the individual tree; dimensions are expressed in metres. Crown heights are measured with a height meter where possible. Due to the topography of some sites and/or the density of vegetation it may not be possible to do this for every tree. Tree heights may be estimated in line with previous height meter readings in conjunction with assessor's experience. Crown widths are generally paced (estimated) at the widest axis or can be measured on two axes and averaged. In some instances the crown width can be measured on the four cardinal direction points (North, South, East and West).

Crown height, crown spread are generally recorded to the nearest half metre (crown spread would be rounded up) for dimensions up to 10 m and the nearest whole metre for dimensions over 10 m. Estimated dimensions (e.g. for off-site or otherwise inaccessible trees where accurate data cannot be recovered) shall be clearly identified in the assessment data.

5. Trunk diameters

The position where trunk diameters are captured may vary dependent on the requirements of the specific assessment and an individual trees specific characteristics. DBH is the typical trunk diameter captured as it relates to the allocation of tree protection distances. The basal trunk diameter assists in the allocation of a structural root zone. Some municipalities require trunk diameters be captured at different heights, with 1.0 m above grade being a common requirement. The specific planning schemes will be checked to ascertain requirements.

Stem diameters shall be recorded in centimetres, rounded to the nearest 1 cm (0.01 m).

Diameter at Breast Height (DBH)

Indicates the trunk diameter (expressed in centimetres) of an individual tree measured at 1.4m above the existing ground level or where otherwise indicated, multiple leaders are measured individually. Plants with multiple leader habit may be measured at the base. The range of methods to suit particular trunk shapes, configurations and site conditions can be seen in Appendix A of Australian Standard AS 4970-2009 *Protection of trees on development sites*. Measurements undertaken using foresters tape or builders tape.

Basal trunk diameter

The basal dimension is the trunk diameter measured at the base of the trunk or main stem(s) immediately above the root buttress. Used to ascertain the Structural Root Zone (SRZ) as outlined in AS4970.

6. Health

Assesses various attributes to describe the overall health and vigour of the tree.

Category	Vigour, Extension growth	Decline symptoms, Deadwood, Dieback	Foliage density, colour, size, intactness	Pests and or disease
Good	Above typical. Excellent. Full canopy density	Negligible	Better than typical	Negligible
Fair	Typical. 90-100% canopy density	Minor or expected. Little or no dead wood	Typical. Minor deficiencies or defects could be present.	Minor, within damage thresholds
Fair to Poor	Below typical - low vigour	More than typical. Small sub-branch dieback	Exhibiting deficiencies. Could be thinning, or smaller	Exceeds damage thresholds
Poor	Minimal - declining	Excessive, large and/or prominent amount & size of dead wood	Exhibiting severe deficiencies. Thinning foliage, generally smaller or deformed	Extreme and contributing to decline
Dead	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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7. Structure

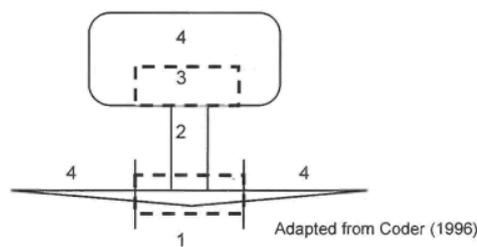
Assesses principal components of tree structure (Diagram 2).

Descriptor	Zone 1 - Root plate & lower stem	Zone 2 - Trunk	Zone 3 - Primary branch support	Zone 4 - Outer crown and roots
Good	No obvious damage, disease or decay; obvious basal flare / stable in ground	No obvious damage, disease or decay; well tapered	Well formed, attached, spaced and tapered. No history of failure.	No obvious damage, disease, decay or structural defect. No history of failure.
Fair	Minor damage or decay. Basal flare present.	Minor damage or decay	Generally well attached, spaced and tapered branches. Minor structural deficiencies may be present or developing. No history of branch failure.	Minor damage, disease or decay; minor branch end-weight or over-extension. No history of branch failure.
Fair to Poor	Moderate damage or decay; minimal basal flare.	Moderate damage or decay; approaching recognised thresholds	Weak, decayed or with acute branch attachments; previous branch failure evidence	Moderate damage, disease or decay; moderate branch end-weight or over-extension. Minor branch failure evident.
Poor	Major damage, disease or decay; fungal fruiting bodies present. Excessive lean placing pressure on root plate	Major damage, disease or decay; exceeds recognised thresholds; fungal fruiting bodies present. Acute lean. Stump re-sprout	Decayed, cavities or has acute branch attachments with included bark; excessive compression flaring; failure likely. Evidence of major branch failure.	Major damage, disease or decay; fungal fruiting bodies present; major branch end-weight or over-extension. Branch failure evident.
Very Poor	Excessive damage, disease or decay; unstable / loose in ground; altered exposure; failure probable	Excessive damage, disease or decay; cavities. Excessive lean. Stump re-sprout	Decayed, cavities or branch attachments with active split; failure imminent. History of major branch failure.	Excessive damage, disease or decay; excessive branch end-weight or over-extension. History of branch failure.

Structure ratings will also take into account general branching architecture, stem taper, live crown ratio, crown symmetry (bias or lean) and crown position such as tree being suppressed amongst more dominant trees.

Diagram 2: Tree structure zones

- Root plate & lower stem
- Trunk
- Primary branch support
- Outer crown & roots



The lowest or worst descriptor assigned to the tree in any column could generally be the overall rating assigned to the tree. The assessment for structure is limited to observations of external and above ground tree parts. It does not include any exploratory assessment of underground or internal tree parts unless this is requested as part of the investigation. Trees are assessed and then given a rating for a point in time. Generally, trees with a poor or very poor structure are beyond the benefit of practical arboricultural treatments.

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The management of trees in the urban environment requires appropriate arboricultural input and consideration of risk. Risk potential will take into account the combination of likelihood of failure and impact, including the perceived importance of the target(s).

8. Age class

Relates to the physiological stage of the tree's life cycle.

Category	Description
Young	Sapling tree and/or recently planted. Approximately 5 or less years in location.
Semi-mature	Tree increasing in size and yet to achieve expected size in situation. Primary developmental stage.
Early-mature	Tree established, generally growing vigorously. 50% of attainable age/size.
Mature	Specimen approaching expected size in situation, with reduced incremental growth.
Over-mature	Mature full-size with a retrenching crown. Tree is senescent and in decline. Significant decay generally present.

9. Arboricultural Rating

Relates to the combination of tree condition factors, including health and structure (arboricultural merit), and also conveys an amenity value. Amenity relates to the trees biological, functional and aesthetic characteristics (Hitchmough 1994) within an urban landscape context. The presence of any serious disease or tree-related hazards that would impact risk potential are taken into account.

Category	Description
High	Tree of high quality in good to fair condition. Generally a prominent arboricultural/landscape feature. These trees have the potential to be a medium- to long-term component of the landscape if managed appropriately. Retention of these trees is highly desirable.
Moderate	Tree of moderate quality, in fair or better condition. Tree may have a condition, and or structural problem that will respond to arboricultural treatment. These trees have the potential to be a medium- to long-term component of the landscape if managed appropriately. Retention of these trees is generally desirable.
Low	Unremarkable tree of low quality or little amenity value. Tree in either poor health or with poor structure or a combination. Tree is not significant because of either its size or age, such as young trees with a stem diameter below 15 cm. These trees are easily replaceable. Tree (species) is functionally inappropriate to specific location and would be expected to be problematic if retained. Retention of such trees may be considered if not requiring a disproportionate expenditure of resources for a tree in its condition and location.
None	Trees of low quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of less than 5 years. Tree has either a severe structural defect or health problem or combination that cannot be sustained with practical arboricultural techniques and the loss of the tree would be expected in the short term. Trees that are dead or are showing signs of significant, immediate, and irreversible overall decline. Tree infected with pathogens of significance to either the health or safety of the tree or other adjacent trees. Tree whose retention would not be viable after the removal of adjacent trees (includes trees that have developed in close spaced groups and would not be expected to acclimatise to severe alterations to surrounding environment – removal of adjacent shelter trees). Tree has a detrimental effect on the environment, for example, the tree is a recognised environmental woody weed with potential to spread into waterways or natural areas. Unremarkable tree of no material landscape, conservation or other cultural value.

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Trees have many values, not all of which are considered when an arboricultural assessment is undertaken. However, individual trees or tree group features may be considered important community resources because of unique or noteworthy characteristics or values other than their age, dimensions, health or structural condition. Recognition of one or more of the following criterion is designed to highlight other considerations that may influence the future management of such trees.

Significance	Description
Horticultural Value/ Rarity	Outstanding horticultural or genetic value; could be an important source of propagating stock, including specimens that are particularly resistant to disease or exposure. Any tree of a species or variety that is rare.
Historic, Aboriginal Cultural or Heritage Value	Tree could have value as a remnant of a particular important historical period or a remnant of a site or activity no longer in action. Tree has a recognised association with historic aboriginal activities, including scar trees. Tree commemorates a particular occasion, including plantings by notable people, or having associations with an important event in local history.
Ecological Value	Tree could have value as habitat for indigenous wildlife, including providing breeding, foraging or roosting habitat, or is a component of a wildlife reserve. Remnant Indigenous vegetation that contribute to biological diversity

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Appendix 4: Tree protection zones.

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Introduction

In order to sustain trees on a development site consideration must be given to the establishment of tree protection zones.

The physical dimensions of tree protection zones can sometimes be difficult to define. The projection of a tree's crown can provide a guide but is by no means the definitive measure. The unpredictable nature of roots and their growth, differences between species and their tolerances, and observable and hidden changes to the trees growing environment, as a result of development, are variables that must be considered.

Most vigorous, broad canopied trees survive well if the area within the drip-line of the canopy is protected. Fine root density is usually greater beneath the canopy than beyond (Gilman, 1997). If few to no roots over 3cm in diameter are encountered and severed during excavation the tree will probably tolerate the impact and root loss. A healthy tree can sustain a loss of between 30% and 50% of absorbing roots (Harris, Clark, Matheny, 1999), however encroachment into the structural root system of a tree may be problematic.

The structural root system of a tree is responsible for ensuring the stability of the entire tree structure in the ground. A tree could not sustain loss of structural root system and be expected to survive let alone stand up to average annual wind loads upon the crown.

Allocation of tree protection zone (TPZ)

The method of allocating a TPZ to a particular tree will be influenced by site factors, the tree species, its age and developed form.

Once it has been established, through an arboricultural assessment, which trees and tree groups are to be retained, the next step will require careful management through the development process to minimise any impacts on the designated trees. The successful retention of trees on any particular site will require the commitment and understanding of all parties involved in the development process. The most important activity, after determining the trees that will be retained is the implementation of a TPZ.

The intention of tree protection zones is to:

- mitigate tree hazards;
- provide adequate root space to sustain the health and aesthetics of the tree into the future;
- minimise changes to the trees growing environment, which is particularly important for mature specimens;
- minimise physical damage to the root system, canopy and trunk; and
- define the physical alignment of the tree protection fencing

Tree protection

The most important consideration for the successful retention of trees is to allow appropriate above and below ground space for the trees to continue to grow. This requires the allocation of tree protection zones for retained trees.

The Australian Standard AS 4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites has been used as a guide in the allocation of TPZs for the assessed trees.

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The TPZ for individual trees is calculated based on trunk (stem) diameter (DBH), measured at 1.4 metres up from ground level. The radius of the TPZ is calculated by multiplying the trees DBH by 12. The method provides a TPZ that addresses both the stability and growing requirements of a tree. TPZ distances are measured as a radius from the centre of the trunk at (or near) ground level. The minimum TPZ should be no less than 2m and the maximum no more than 15m radius. The TPZ of palms should be not less than 1.0m outside the crown projection.

Encroachment into the TPZ is permissible under certain circumstances though is dependent on both site conditions and tree characteristics. Minor encroachment, up to 10% of the TPZ, is generally permissible provided encroachment is compensated for by recruitment of an equal area contiguous with the TPZ. Examples are provided in Diagram 1. Encroachment greater than 10% is considered major encroachment under AS4970-2009 and is only permissible if it can be demonstrated that after such encroachment the tree would remain viable.

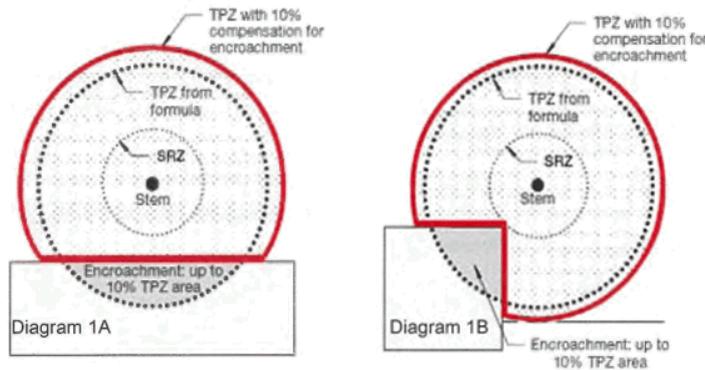


Diagram 1: Examples of minor encroachment into a TPZ.

(Extract from: AS4970-2009, Appendix D, p.30 of 32)

The 10% encroachment on one side equates to approximately 1/3 radial distance. Tree root growth is opportunistic and occurs where the essentials to life (primarily air and water) are present. Heterogeneous soil conditions, existing barriers, hard surfaces and buildings may have inhibited the development of a symmetrically radiating root system.

Existing infrastructure around some trees may be within the TPZ or root plate radius. The roots of some trees may have grown in response to the site conditions and therefore if existing hard surfaces and building alignments are utilised in new designs the impacts on the trees should be minimal. The most reliable way to estimate root disturbance is to find out where the roots are in relation to the demolition, excavation or construction works that will take place (Matheny & Clark, 1998). Exploratory excavation prior to commencement of construction can help establish the extent of the root system and where it may be appropriate to excavate or build.

The TPZ should also give consideration to the canopy and overall form of the tree. If the canopy requires severe pruning in order to accommodate a building and in the process the form of the tree is diminished it may be worthwhile considering altering the design or removing the tree.

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General tree protection guidelines

The most important factors are:

- Prior to construction works the trees nominated for tree works should be pruned to remove larger dead wood. Pruning works may also identify other tree hazards that require remedial works.
- Installation of tree protection fencing. Once the tree protection zones have been determined the next step is to mulch the zone with woodchip and erect tree protection fencing. This must be completed prior to any materials being brought on-site, erection of temporary site facilities or demolition/earth works. The protection fencing must be sturdy and withstand winds and construction impacts. The protection fence should only be moved with approval of the site supervisor. Other root zone protection methods can be incorporated if the TPZ area needs to be traversed.
- Appropriate signage is to be fixed to the fencing to alert people as to importance of the tree protection zone.
- The importance of tree preservation must be communicated to all relevant parties involved with the site.
- Inspection of trees during excavation works.

Exploratory excavation

The most reliable way to estimate root disturbance is to find out where the roots are in relation to the demolition, excavation or construction works that will take place (Matheny & Clark, 1998).

Exploratory excavation prior to commencement of construction can help establish the extent of the root system and where it may be appropriate to excavate or build. This also allows management decisions to be made and allows time for redesign works if required.

Any exploratory excavation within the allocated TPZ is to be undertaken with due care of the roots. Minor exploration is possible with hand tools. More extensive exploration may require the use of high pressure water or air excavation techniques. Either hydraulic or pneumatic excavation techniques will safely expose tree roots; both have specific benefits dependent on the situation and soil type. An arborist is to be consulted on which system is best suited for the site conditions.

Substantial roots are to be exposed and left intact.

Once roots are exposed decisions can be made regarding the management of the tree. Decisions will be dependent on the tree species, its condition, its age, its relative tolerance to root loss, and the amount of root system exposed and requiring pruning.

Other alternative measures to encroaching the TPZ may include boring or tunnelling.

How to determine the diameter of a substantial root

The size of a substantial root will vary according to the distance of the exposed root to the trunk of the tree. The further away from the trunk of a tree that a root is, the less significant the root is likely to be to the tree's health and stability.

The determination of what is a substantial root is often difficult because the form, depth and spread of roots will vary between species and sites. However, because smaller roots are connected to larger roots in a framework, there can be no doubt that if larger roots are severed, the smaller roots attached to them will die. Therefore, the larger the root, the more significant it may be.

Gilman (1997) suggests that trees may contain 4-11 major lateral roots and that the five largest lateral roots account (act as a conduit) for 75% of the total root system.

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These large lateral roots quickly taper within a distance to the tree, this distance is identified as the Structural Root Zone (SRZ). Within the SRZ distance, all roots and the soil surrounding the roots are deemed significant.

No root or soil disturbance is permitted within the SRZ.

In the area outside the SRZ the tree may tolerate the loss of one or a number of roots. The table below indicates the size of tree roots, outside the SRZ that would be deemed substantial for various tree heights. The assessment of combined root loss within the TPZ would need to be undertaken by an arborist on an individual basis because the location of the tree, its condition and environment would need to be assessed.

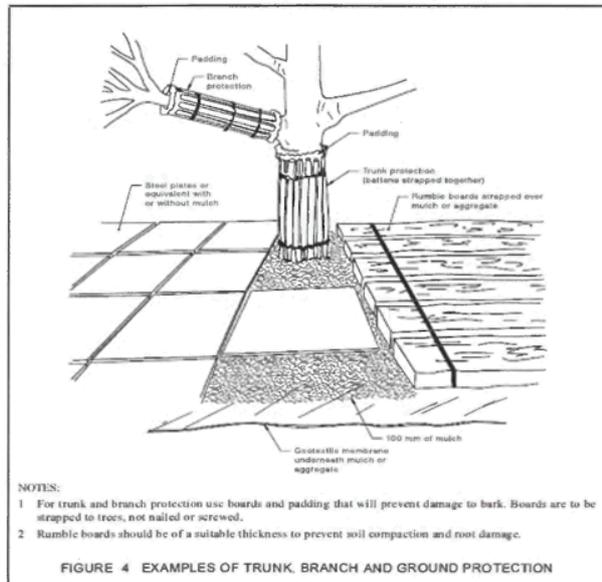
Table 1: Estimated significant root sizes outside SRZ

Height of tree	Diameter of root
Less than 5m	≥ 30mm
Between 5m - 15m	≥ 50mm
More than 15m	≥ 70mm

Ground buffering

Where works are required to be undertaken within the Tree root zone without penetration of the surface, ground buffering and trunk and limb protection must be provided to minimise the potential for soil to become compacted and avoid potential for impact wounds to occur to surface roots, trunk or limbs. Refer below.

Diagram 2: Examples of ground buffering and trunk and limb protection.



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Construction Guidelines

The following are guidelines that must be implemented to minimise the impact of the proposed construction works on the retained trees.

- The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) is fenced and clearly marked at all times. The actual fence specifications should be a minimum of 1.2 - 1.5 metres of chain mesh or like fence with 1.8 meter posts (e.g. treated pine or star pickets) or like support every 3-4 metres and a top line of high visibility plastic hazard tape. The posts should be strong enough to sustain knocks from on site excavation equipment. This fence will deter the placement of building materials, entry of heavy equipment and vehicles and also the entry of workers and/or the public into the TPZ. Note: There are many different variations on the construction type and material used for TPZ fences, suffice to say that the fence should satisfy the responsible authority.
- Contractors and site workers should receive written and verbal instruction as to the importance of tree protection and preservation within the site. Successful tree preservation occurs when there is a commitment from all relevant parties involved in designing, constructing and managing a development project. Members of the project team need to interact with each other to minimise the impacts to the trees, either through design decisions or construction practices. The importance of tree preservation must be communicated to all relevant parties involved with the site.
- The consultant arborist is on-site to supervise excavation works around the existing trees where the TPZ will be encroached.
- A layer of organic mulch (woodchips) to a depth of no more than 100mm should be placed over the root systems within the TPZ of trees, which are to be retained so as to assist with moisture retention and to reduce the impact of compaction.
- No persons, vehicles or machinery to enter the TPZ without the consent of the consulting arborist or site manager.
- Where machinery is required to operate inside the TPZ it must be a small skid drive machine (i.e Dingo or similar) operating only forwards and backwards in a radial direction facing the tree trunk and not altering direction whilst inside the TPZ to avoid damaging, compacting or scuffing the roots.
- Any underground service installations within the allocated TPZ should be bored and utility authorities should common trench where possible.
- No fuel, oil dumps or chemicals shall be allowed in or stored on the TPZ and the servicing and re-fuelling of equipment and vehicles should be carried out away from the root zones.
- No storage of material, equipment or temporary building should take place over the root zone of any tree.
- Nothing whatsoever should be attached to any tree including temporary services wires, nails, screws or any other fixing device.
- Supplementary watering should be provided to all trees through any dry periods during and after the construction process. Proper watering is the most important maintenance task in terms of successfully retaining the designated trees. The areas under the canopy drip lines should be mulched with woodchip to a depth of no more than 100mm. The mulch will help maintain soil moisture levels. Testing with a soil probe in a number of locations around the tree will help ascertain soil moisture levels and requirements to irrigate. Water needs to be applied slowly to avoid runoff. A daily watering with 5 litres of water for every 30 mm of trunk calliper may provide the most even soil moisture level for roots (Watson & Himelick, 1997), however light frequent irrigations should be avoided. Irrigation should wet the entire root zone and be allowed to dry out prior to another application. Watering should continue from October until April.

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11.2 Three Year Arts and Culture Partnership Grant Program

Trim Record Number: D16/130295
 Responsible Officer: Director Community Wellbeing

Purpose

1. To seek Council approval for three-year Arts and Culture Partnership grants 2017-2019, to be awarded to applicants as part of the Creative Yarra grant stream and the Celebrate Yarra grant stream.

Background

2. Creative Yarra is a three-year partnership program open to arts organisations and for the first time open to individual artists and producers. The funding pool for Creative Yarra is \$170,000 per annum.
3. Celebrate Yarra is a by-invitation three-year partnership program for the Johnston Street Fiesta and Victoria Street Lunar Festival. The funding pool for Celebrate Yarra is \$60,000.
4. In 2013 Council awarded 11 organisations three-year funding for projects and programs from January 2014 to 31 December 2016.
5. Council approved the processes and guidelines for the new three-year grants in April 2016, which included opening the pool up to individual applicants. These were duly advertised and the submissions have been received, reviewed for eligibility before being assessed by a community expert panel.

Creative Yarra Grants

6. Council received 33 eligible applications for the Creative Yarra stream, to the value of \$551,213. Of particular note are nine eligible individual applications; two of which have been recommended by the panel. The applications by organisations were highly competitive and ten are recommended for funding. Given the budget constraints, only five applicants have been recommended to be allocated the full amount requested.
7. Prior to putting forth the recommendations, the panel considered carefully the implications of not awarding the full requested amounts and those affected applicants will have the opportunity to resubmit their proposal with a revised budget. This is common practice for arts grants and also an established practice in the management of Yarra community grants.
8. The total project costs for the twelve recommended applications is \$954,863.50 per annum; meaning for every \$1 that Council invests in the program, \$5.60 worth of projects will be delivered.
9. A summary of the panel's recommendations is listed below:

The Gertrude Projection Association	\$20,000
Melbourne Fringe	\$15,000
Polyglot Theatre	\$20,000
The Village Festival of New Performance	\$20,000
Circus Oz	\$17,000
Liquid Architecture	\$18,000
Michele Lee	\$5,000
The Boite (VIC) Inc	\$10,000
Shelley Lasica	\$5,000
Bus Projects	\$10,000
SEVENTH Gallery	\$10,000
Artful Dodgers Studio, Jesuit Social Services	\$20,000

Celebrate Yarra

10. Johnston Street Fiesta and the Richmond Lunar Festival remain two of Council's highest capacity festivals. Both are located in our streets and both are run by community committees.
11. Council provides funding to both these festivals at \$30,000 per annum, as well as event management and logistics support.
12. The total project costs for the two festival is \$319,909 per annum, meaning Council funding makes up about 19% of the total project costs; that is, for every \$1 that Council invests in the program, \$5.33 of event activity is returned. This is without capturing the economic impact of these events, or the cultural and community building returns.
13. In relation to the Johnston St Fiesta, the Hispanic Latin American Festival and Cultural Association (HLAFC) cites: *"The project is needed, to celebrate the discoveries of the Americas, and unite Latin American and Hispanics to showcase our culture, colours, and different kinds of food to the non-Hispanic speaking people and join us in our celebrations. The festival has developed greatly in the past years from its humble beginning in 1978."*
14. In support of the Richmond Lunar Festival, the Victoria Street Businesses Association (VSBA) cites: *"We continue to operate the Victoria Street Lunar Festival as one of the most popular and recognised Lunar New Year celebrations in Victoria, drawing people from all over City of Yarra and City of Melbourne. We recognise community unity for local residents by showcasing multicultural activities in Victoria. We include schools, non-profit organisations, churches, pagodas, local groups and communities in our festival. The festival a wonderful opportunity for Victoria Street Traders together with the City of Yarra to treat the community to a vibrant, colourful and culturally rich experience. We work with traders, local communities and stake holders to ensure this festival stay relevant with the needs of the community."*
15. The proposals for funding via the Celebrate Yarra Program have been assessed by an internal panel of officers from Arts Culture and Venues, Economic Development and Community Partnerships.
16. The panel recommends the HLAFC and the VSBA be granted \$30,000 per annum respectively for 2017-2019.

External Consultation

17. A Creative Yarra funding panel was convened to assess the applications. This included members of the Yarra Arts Advisory Committee and three co-opted subject matter experts.

Internal Consultation (One Yarra)

18. The three-year partnership program is managed by the Grant Teams at Yarra in close consultation with Arts and Cultural Services.
19. Celebrate Yarra and Creative Yarra Triennial Grants program funds festivals and programs that involve many areas of Council including the Economic Development Team, the Environmental Services Team, Engineering and Road Services, Compliance and Permits areas of Council, Community Partnerships and Yarra Youth Services. The Arts and Cultural Team are in close communication with these and other areas of Council to work on these projects

Financial Implications

20. The three-year partnership program has a total funding allocation of \$230,000 per annum. This budget has been fixed at this amount since 2013.

Economic Implications

21. The immediate return to Council of the \$230,000 investment is \$1,274,772 in project related income.

22. However, there are many flow on economic benefits that major events such as Gertrude St Projection Festival, Fringe Festival, Johnston Street Fiesta and Victoria Street Lunar Festival bring to Yarra's food and entertainment businesses, as well as the employment of arts and cultural personnel.
23. In 2010-11, the Victorian arts and culture sector added direct value to the economy of \$6.1 billion and employed the equivalent of 68,000 full time workers (Creative Victoria).
24. The creative sector contributes significantly to Yarra's tourism and local economy. The creative sector represents 11% of total employment and 21% of all businesses in Yarra. (Yarra Economic Development Strategy 2015-2020).

Sustainability Implications

25. These are not considered widely in this report, however, it should be noted that Council encourages environmental sustainability in all relevant aspects of arts and cultural activity.
26. Council has been actively promoting environmental sustainability with the two major street-based events. The initiatives thus far include waste management and encouraging the use of green transport and use of recyclable materials.
27. All grant recipients are required to identify elements within their programs that are designed to minimise environmental impacts.
28. Grants processing is largely done on-line, minimising the need for paper products.

Social Implications

29. The positive social outcomes of arts and cultural activity are accepted all over the world and have been substantiated by many research projects. Participation in arts and cultural activity contributes to sense of well-being, to identity and aspirations and enables community building and expression. In particular in Yarra it connects with a strong sense of the City's identity; it reflects the vibrancy and diversity of our community. It is often cited as the palpable, yet irreducible quality that makes Yarra an attractive place to live, work and visit.

Human Rights Implications

30. The Community Grants Guidelines are in alignment with the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006 and actively supports people to participate in and contribute to their community.

Communications with CALD Communities Implications

31. In the management of the three-year partnership grants special consideration was made for CALD communities who run the Johnston St Fiesta and The Victoria Street Lunar Festival.
32. The application process is streamlined and to make the grants as assessable as possible and it is worthy to note that feedback on the "ease of completion" for the applications was sought for all applicants and there was a range of responses from "easy" to "very difficult".
33. Both Johnston Street Fiesta and Victoria Street Lunar celebrate CALD culture and engage heavily with the local and state-wide community.

Council Plan, Strategy and Policy Implications

34. The 2013-2017 Council Plan closely guides the Community Grants Program and therefore the Creative Yarra and Celebrate Yarra Triennial Grants. Community Grants are intended to support the delivery of the Council Plan and are a key way that those objectives can be achieved in partnership with the community.
35. All five strategic objectives of the 2013–2017 Council Plan relate to the Creative Yarra and Celebrate Yarra Triennial Grants Program, in particular:
 - (a) *Celebrating Yarra's uniqueness*: The Triennial Grants program provides support for arts and cultural organisations and community groups to present inclusive festivals that reflect the diversity of Yarra, and arts projects and programs that provide opportunities for participation and collaboration;

- (b) *Supporting Yarra's community*: The Creative Yarra and Celebrate Yarra Triennial Grants Program provide a consistent amount of financial support over three-years to festivals and arts and cultural projects and programs, and to arts and artists in Yarra. This is essential to the development of artistic careers, skills development in the arts, engagement in arts and culture, and the objectives of arts organisations who make, show and house the arts in Yarra; and
 - (c) *Making Yarra more liveable*: The Creative Yarra and Celebrate Yarra Triennial Grants Program contribute immeasurably to Yarra's liveability. The extra support provided to local community groups, schools, artists and others to run their projects adds to the diversity of activities available for residents to participate in.
36. The three-year partnership grants also relate to Council's recently adopted Arts and Cultural Strategy 2016-2020, Events in Public Spaces Policy as well as the Economic Development Strategy, which identifies the need for Vibrant and Thriving Precincts.

Legal Implications

- 37. There are no legal implications as a result of this report.
- 38. All grant recipients are required to enter into formal Funding and Service Agreements outlining their obligations and responsibilities, including progress reports and funding acquittals, as a part of the grants awarding process.

Other Issues

- 39. Yarra's three-year partnership funding is capped at \$30,000 for the two major events. A \$20,000 maximum for applicants for Creative Yarra Grants will require the projects to be supplemented from other sources for most of the projects proposed.
- 40. In many cases, Yarra's grant provides one of multiple sources of funding to enable organisations and artists to undertake their work. As demonstrated by the total value of the applications, which is more than five-fold of Council's investment, applicants draw on Federal, State, philanthropic and commercial support for the projects.
- 41. Therefore changes in Federal, State or market trends will impact on the sector.
- 42. The Federal Government's arts funding cuts projected last year are now being felt by arts companies across Australia and this will be one of the most significant shifts for the sector in decades. Sixty-five (65) previously funded organisations across Australia lost their funding, these include Yarra connected companies: Centre for Contemporary Photography, Next Wave Festival and Kage Physical Theatre.
- 43. These changes creates larger demand for local funding programs; this is likely to show up in the Yarra's Annual Grants program, and also makes some of the proposals non-viable as their viability relied upon Federal support.

Options

- 44. Council maintains ultimate responsibility in awarding these grants and whilst the community panel has recommended the applicants for funding, the determination is by Council.
- 45. As can be seen by the number and quality of applications, the funding that is provided by Council is highly valued and in demand. The community panel found the evaluation process challenging given the pressures that many arts companies are facing in Australia.

Conclusion

- 46. The three-year funding program provided by Council funds a variety of arts and cultural activities that contribute to Yarra's reputation as a dynamic, creative and exciting city. Three-year funding provides artists, creative and community organisations with the capacity to plan their work over three years and gives them an opportunity to leverage this to elicit support from others.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That:
 - (a) Council endorses the proposed funding recipients for three-year Creative Yarra and Celebrate Yarra 2017-2019, as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report.

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Attachments

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Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Attachment One – Recommended Grants - Creative Yarra 2017-19 and Celebrate Yarra 2017-19

The Gertrude Projection Association

Projection Yarra : The Gertrude Street Projection Festival and Gertrude Projection Association Operational funding

Project Description

Projection Yarra is the evolution of the projection artform in Yarra by the Gertrude Projection Association. We seek funding that underwrites sustainable economic models to

- support the continuation of the Gertrude Street Projection Festival (GSPF)
- to establish a sustainable Centre for Projection Art in Yarra which will run income generating projects and create sustainable professional pathways for artists, arts workers and community development and arts management.

While we have sponsorships which we build on, some funding is needed to provide ongoing certainty for the next 3 years

Other part of the funding will contribute to our first 2 part time staff members to run year round activities that generate income, grants and philanthropic funds which will sustain the festival and provide funding for a Centre for Projection Art by developing and managing

- Masterclasses and short courses
- Artists' services for external opportunities
- Projection art consultancies services.
- Develop and manage grant applications, new and existing sponsorships and philanthropic income
- Create an archive database of projection artists.
- Curate and produce other exterior projection art based festivals and sites

Panel comments

This is an iconic event for Yarra, and is seen as quintessentially Yarra. This is a clear application for the festival, with an additional focus on growing the projector art sector and supporting emerging and established artists in this field. The panel expressed some concern about the articulation of finances and the low amount budgeted for the payment of artist fees, and suggested the applicant include a clearer articulation of these in future applications. However they also noted that this application demonstrated conceptual thinking about growth over the three years. A valued part of Yarra's arts offering.

Requested amount: \$20,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$20,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Melbourne Fringe

Fringe Furniture

Project Description

Fringe Furniture is a bold and tested forum for the burgeoning creative industry behind object design – where art meets function in the physical creation of furniture, homewares and interior design. The event spanning 17-days, taking in 3 weekends, is set in and around the Abbotsford Convent, drawing in both new and existing audiences in a buzzing exchange with emerging designer/makers. Mentorships, events, conversations and tours ensure the event is open and accessible and that it stimulates new industry pathways for emerging designers.

Fringe Furniture, a key event in the Melbourne Fringe Festival (MFF) program, is in its 30th year and with this application we seek support to ensure this unique event continues to play its important role in the ecology of the design industry in Melbourne. Fringe Furniture strongly connects with the culture of artistic and entrepreneurial endeavour, which the City of Yarra is known for. At a time when innovation and new thinking is even more crucial for the survival of a creative culture, MFF's event ensures new artists have a forum to profile their work and build career opportunities. With three years of support, the Melbourne Fringe will grow participation with new curatorial ideas, marketing to existing and new audiences, financial partnerships and significantly increased mentorship opportunities.

The grant will be an annual investment in six industry / emerging artist mentorships, the exhibition, Tactile Tours for vision impaired audience and other access-improvement initiatives, and the delivery of a satellite program beyond the Convent site.

Panel comments

A well thought through and well written application that shows clear intention and capacity for growth within the program, initiative and artistic vibrancy. Fringe Furniture has a strong link to the City of Yarra in the public mind and has a proven track record. In this competitive round the panel felt they could not fully fund the application, so have matched the Fringe contribution.

Requested amount: \$20,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$15,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Polyglot

5678: a three-year filmmaking project with City of Yarra young people and Polyglot Theatre, building a new generation of CALD filmmakers as they transition from children to teenagers.

Project Description

In 2015 Polyglot received a City of Yarra Annual Grant to pilot a film project at St Joseph's Primary School, Collingwood for Years 5, 6, 7 and 8, aligning with the City of Yarra's Middle-Years Strategy. The project, 5678 is successfully building a culture of collaborative exploration and creativity among its young participants.

This next iteration builds on the achievements of the pilot and takes a long-term, artistic approach to building agency in young people and supporting positive transition processes as they move from primary to secondary education over the three year period. With City of Yarra funding, Polyglot and professional filmmakers will undertake an annual program of filmmaking workshops and mentoring based at St Joseph's Primary. The project will support a peer network with up to 40 young people, who will determine and produce a series of high-quality short films and one full-length film about their transition experiences. The project also includes professional development workshops for teachers, annual screenings at community events and film festivals, a 20 minute documentary targeted as an educational resource and a distribution strategy to support the final film.

Polyglot has developed a strong partnership alliance with Inner Northern Local Learning and Employment Network (INLLEN) and Communities that Care to ensure the project contributes and adds value to local prevention and early intervention strategies. Open Channel is also keen to support the project as a positive, replicable model to encourage culturally diverse artists and students currently lacking in the film industry.

Panel comments

The panel felt that this was an excellent application, with a strong, considered approach to the material, and clearly defined objectives that would benefit the participants. This project covers a lot of bases: the experience of Polyglot and the artists involved, the deep level of engagement that has been established within the school community, the culture and commitment of the school itself, additional arts and community partnerships, a clearly defined plan for the development and delivery of a range of outcomes, clearly identified evaluation processes, social and political relevance at a personal, local and artistic outcomes including the future diversification of film making talent and content in Australia. Confirmed funding from other sources gives Yarra's commitment added weight and greater certainty of success for the overall program.

Requested amount: \$20,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$20,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

The Village Festival

The Village Festival - Edinburgh Gardens

Project Description

The Village Festival will run an annual contemporary multi-arts festival in Edinburgh Gardens in October/November of 2017, 2018 and 2019.

The Village Festival in Edinburgh Gardens will be underpinned by:

- dynamic programming, community engagement, and distinctive visual design;

Over three years, The Village Festival in Edinburgh Gardens will use the grant to:

* give 790 individual opportunities for artists, across music, theatre, live art, dance, visual art, installation and more.

* attract an audience of more than 30 000

* commission fourteen new works to be premiered in Edinburgh Gardens

* engage with ten community / education / arts organisations based in the City of Yarra to co-create aspects of the festival.

The new focus for The Village Festival will be "The Grand Experiment", a large-scale community participation extravaganza to take place on the Saturday evening of the festival.

The Village Festival will feature the latest work emerging from the new wave of young artists, mid-career artists in full flight, and quality local community presentations. The Village works across the broadest range of creative expressions: it actively develops and encourages new artistic forms. There is a focus on works that are playful and participatory and a range in scale from one-on-one experiences to mass events.

The Village itself is an artwork: when entering through its colourful façade, one enters an alternate world: the look and feel is colourful, low-tech, handmade and human-scale. The Village creates a highly accessible environment for artists and audience to meet each other.

Panel comments

A solid application, which outlines The Village's ongoing commitment to programming emerging and new artists, as well as established artists from Melbourne core creative communities. The application included detailed and well-articulated processes, budget and risk assessment. The panel felt that The Village is a real community festival for all. The panel encourages ongoing work regarding heritage conservation and management around their use of the Edinburgh Gardens, to reduce their impact on the heritage space.

Requested amount: \$20,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$20,000

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Circus Australia Limited

Sidesault-at-the-Melba

Project Description

Sidesault-at-the-Melba will build a sustainable and vibrant circus performance hub for independent artists at The Melba Spiegeltent, in the heart of the Circus Oz space in the Collingwood Arts Precinct.

Each year, Sidesault-at-the-Melba will support up to five innovative, local circus companies to produce and premiere work of national and international significance. The grant will be used to support each small company for a paid performance period at The Melba Spiegeltent, including venue staff, therefore reducing the financial risk of an entirely self-supported season for independent artists. In addition, each company will be provided with expertise from Circus Oz production and producing staff, as well as external technical support through local Yarra-based organisations.

This support will encourage artists to develop and premiere work within the City of Yarra, providing the opportunity for the broad communities of Yarra to experience a diverse range of engaging and inspiring performances.

The three years of funding for Sidesault-at-the-Melba will allow the program to establish a strong presence within the community, building upon itself in order to sustainably grow its audience base. It will give performance opportunities to up to 15 independent artists and small companies, providing a financially sustainable way for them to develop new forms of artistic expression and story telling.

Panel comments

A strong application that aims to support and grow emerging and establishing circus groups and individuals, through low financial risk development and performance seasons. The panel felt that the project has a positive outward focus and a broad reach. They also felt that it was a strong project supporting artists, however they also felt that the artist's fees need to be addressed. The panel recommend applying for further funding to increase the artist fees. The application also needed clarification on how the additional box office income is to be distributed to the artists. The application did not state who the expected artists were, and the panel felt it would be good to see a broader range of artists included beyond the circus arts, and that five seasons a year is ambitious.

Requested amount: \$20,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$17,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Liquid Architecture

Liquid Architecture: Polyphonic Social 2017-2019

Project Description

POLYPHONIC SOCIAL is an ongoing investigation by Liquid Architecture exploring collective authorship of sound, and the sociality possible when many voices are heard simultaneously. Polyphony describes a 'texture' in which two or more independent voices are discernible, so a 'polyphonic methodology' has much artistic and social potential: to make difference audible, to 'sound' disobedience, choreograph dissonance, and explore harmonies.

POLYPHONIC SOCIAL 2016, held on Mayday at Abbotsford Convent, involved collective experiments, radical orchestras and lecture-performances. Its inspiring success convinced us that this project resounds meaningfully with audiences, and should be expanded and developed into a recurring community sound event.

This proposal is for City of Yarra to support Liquid Architecture's creative research, development and delivery of 3 more POLYPHONIC SOCIAL programs 2017-2019, with a new focus on long-term collaborative creative development, incubation, mentorship and critical dialogue.

From 2017 POLYPHONIC SOCIAL will connect together three interrelated activities across important City of Yarra sites:

POLYPHONIC SOCIAL EXPERIMENTS, our flagship event at Abbotsford Convent, in which leading contemporary artists will be commissioned to create works rethinking the orchestra as a forum for collective social and political action.

POLYPHONIC SOCIAL CONCERT, a series of performances across two levels of The Tote, in which adventurous musicians and bands will play together to the principle of 'everybody solos, nobody solos'.

POLYPHONIC SOCIAL WORKSHOP, new reading and working group activities exploring theories and practises of music, philosophy and performance hosted at Liquid Architecture's Cromwell Island headquarters in Collingwood's creative cluster.

Panel comments

This is a strong, well-written application. It provides a very clear, articulate proposal that clearly builds on one off projects to tell a cohesive story over three years, with clear connections to Yarra. Strong support material was provided, as was an impressive list of testimonials. The application included clear process for the development of the project, though the panel would have liked to have seen more build-up in the budget. The project runs across venues in Yarra and elsewhere and it engages with a diverse number of participants in a broad range of disciplines.

Requested amount: \$18,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$18,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Michele Lee

Single ladies

Project Description

What is it like to be a single woman living or working in inner city boroughs like Fitzroy and Collingwood, once working class dives and now destinations for hipster consumption and million-dollar townhouses? For cosmopolitan and 'successful' women aged 20-70, who possess the social and cultural capital these gentrified neighbourhoods demand, what is the cost of living your life on one income where there is increased importance on female identity that is attached to living a consumer-driven lifestyle even as women continue to earn less than men?

'Single ladies' is a project where I will respond to these themes by researching, writing and presenting a collection of three one-act fictional plays about single women in Fitzroy and Collingwood. These fictionalised up-close 'portraits' will be based on interviews and time spent with up to 12 women.

In the first year I will interview and spend time with women and conduct research into the themes. In the second year I will write the plays and hold three development workshops of the plays. In the final year, I will present a two-week season of the plays in a gallery or theatre in the City of Yarra.

The grant will be used for my fee as a writer, incidental costs associated with holding interviews, and fees for collaborating artists. I will seek additional funding for the other project costs.

Panel comments

The panel felt that this was an engagingly written application, which would result in support for an emerging artist, telling stories about the City of Yarra based on the here and now. The application was clearly written, though it was noted that it could have benefited from greater details about the creative development and presentation arc over the three years. While acknowledging that the project could have been run in a number of different locations, the panel noted that the project would make connections to a specific community in Yarra. In this competitive grant round, the application was not able to be fully funded.

Requested amount: \$10,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$5,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

The Boite Vic Inc

Sounds and Spaces 2017 -19

Project Description

Sounds and Spaces 2017 -19 is designed to build on The Boite's work presenting multicultural music performances, to broad audiences, developed over 36 years in Yarra. Maintaining existing projects and relationships and developing new collaborations are key principles in The Boite's work. The project will maintain connections with artists and organisations in Yarra and develop new work with new partners. Included in the annual Yarra season will be performances at Gertrude Street Projection Festival, North Fitzroy concerts, collaborations with The Timor Leste community, Forest Collective, The Festival of Slow Music, Casa Cultura, 3CR and with Abbotsford Convent, The Boite's new home. Much of The Boite's recent presentation has involved specific projects with individual artists, The Boite is able to support these projects in ways that conventional venues are not. In 2015 and 2016 we supported artists presenting their teachers from overseas, we launched recording projects (including CDs) we hosted explorations of migration and music, we supported recent refugee musicians, we celebrated ensemble birthdays, and premiered new Australian music. We believe that the new relationship with Abbotsford Convent will help to facilitate more of this work. In a major change we plan to move our January Singers Festival from Daylesford to Abbotsford Convent in 2017.

Panel comments

This organisation has a strong track record that links well with the Yarra community, and this application fits in with the Festivals and Events criteria, and has a clearly defined program. There is strong connection to other groups in Yarra, encourages diversity, and is community orientated. There was some concern that the applicant is reliant on Yarra funding, and that there was not any expectation of growth over the three year period. In this competitive round, this application could not be fully funded, and there were large expenditure items (such as \$5,000 for 'Phone/stationary/postage/rent') which the panel felt they could not fund.

Requested amount: \$20,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$10,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Shelley Lasica

Research project with multiple outcomes (yet to be named)

Project Description

The proposed project will be an ongoing research and collaborative performance project that will build on Shelley Lasica's choreographic legacy, as well as her highly recognised skills as mentoring emerging artists. Support from the City of Yarra, will enable Shelley to develop a new work that will result in multiple outcomes, including; publicly open research sessions, discussions, an online research platform, performances and a publication.

The first year will be dedicating to further developing Shelley's recent research developed through her ongoing project The Design Plot. Shelley will conduct two workshops, which will invite participants to develop their knowledge of choreography, as well as allow her to collect and build on ideas for the project and its outcomes. The research and visual documentation will be collated on an online platform that will eventually go towards a publication of the project – including images, essays and discussions.

The second year will be dedicated to the formal development of the project and will involve two intense mentorship periods, where Shelley will collaborate with six emerging choreographers on their practise, whilst simultaneously developing a new choreographic performance. Towards the end of these periods, the workshop will be open to the public, where they can experience how choreography is developed.

The final year of the funding period will result in a performance developed during the intensive workshops of the previous year. The final performance will also be accompanied by a public seminar to discuss the overall project as well as a small publication.

Panel comments

The panel noted that the applicant has an existing strong impact, and that this project would help to further that. They praised the collaborative aspect of the project, including that the applicant will be working with other choreographers, and included realistic funding for the other artists involved in the project. In this competitive grant round, the application was not able to be fully funded.

Requested amount: \$10,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$5,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Bus Projects

Bus Projects 2017-19 Program

Project Description

Bus Projects's 2017-19 program of exhibitions, events, publications and offsite projects will celebrate the new work of a diverse range of Australian artists, writers, curators and graphic designers. A total of 210 exhibitions will be presented, including 30 solo shows of commissioned new work, to showcase the vibrancy and innovation of local artistic practice today. Accompanying exhibition catalogues and public programs will increase audience engagement and enhance visitors' experiences of the featured new work by young, emerging and established practitioners. Bus Projects's dynamic program aims to increase and enrich creative development within the City of Yarra's vibrant arts community.

Panel comments

This is a strong application with clear articulation of connection to City of Yarra and use of three year funding. Bus Projects is playing an increasingly important and influential role in the Melbourne visual arts ecology, and has a strong association with Yarra, supporting many artists over time. The panel did flag some concerns with regards to the budget, which did not balance, and felt the application would have been strengthened by having support materials specific to this application. However they also noted that the application meets the objectives of this grant program. In this competitive grant round, the application could not be fully funded.

Requested amount: \$13,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$10,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Seventh Gallery

SEVENTH Organisational Development

Project Description

SEVENTH is seeking funding to undertake a dedicated development plan that will ensure the growth and sustainability of our organisation. With Creative Yarra support over three years, SEVENTH will commit increased resources to the administration of the gallery and to the development of meaningful public programming and curatorial outcomes.

We aim to instil a mechanism to allow the organisation to continue to cope with the costs of our Gertrude Street home and the pressures associated with operating a small not-profit contemporary art gallery. SEVENTH is seeking funding to support the manager's wage in order to increase dedicated time to capacity building. Additional administrative resources will enable SEVENTH to greatly increase its capacity to generate funds and develop the organisation's relationships.

Alongside an increase in administrative capacity, SEVENTH will also be able to dedicate crucial resources to the development of sustainable programming initiatives. Operational funding will relieve rental and administrative strain, allowing SEVENTH to subsidise two exhibitions per year and present meaningful project outcomes not otherwise possible without funding.

The exhibitions would address two crucial needs in the community – professional development opportunities and cross-organisational interface. SEVENTH will offer one three-week exhibition for a professional development program and one exhibition for a community development program. With the support of SEVENTH, both exhibitions will produce a collaborative outcome. SEVENTH feels it is of the highest importance to contribute in a meaningful way to the rich cultural fabric of Yarra and these initiatives, with funding support, would allow us to continue to do so.

Panel comments

This application has significant merit and measurable impact. It includes a well-articulated commitment to artists, and it was noted that Seventh Gallery sits in the heart of Gertrude Street in the City of Yarra and supports and profiles many artists. The panel did express concern that the budget did not balance. In this competitive grant round, the application could not be fully funded.

Requested amount: \$15,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$10,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Artful Dodgers Studios, Jesuit Social Services

Spectrum of Practice

Project Description

The funding will be used to resource 3 modules of 'Spectrum of Practice' – a youth arts project framework developed by the Artful Dodgers Studios that embeds professional practice development within high quality artistic and social outcomes. It is an ongoing, modular framework for high quality community art-making. Each module comprises a series of workshops for young people run by an established Australian artist, culminating in a public exhibition and workshop for the broader community.

We will work with textile artist Linda Jackson, Indigenous musician Lou Bennett and artist Jacob Tolo. Each module will link to festivals and spaces in City of Yarra to forge stronger links between the city's creative networks and to maximise opportunities for public engagement. The funding will also contribute in part to the operational costs of the Artful Dodgers Studios, which provides a supportive creative space for young people free of charge.

We believe the Spectrum of Practice model challenges the view of who is able to engage with art, and who is able to access high quality platforms to share their voice and vision. The model brings together three partners: 'at risk' young people, community artists, and established Australian artists. In this way, the model allows exchange between the 3 tiers of practice. Young people gain skills from established and community artists. Community artists gain professional development from the established artists, who in turn, gain practice wisdom around youth arts engagement.

Panel comments

This is a strong project with key partnerships that should enable greater success. The organisation is established, and the application clearly identifies the artists who will be involved. This project demonstrates a strong understanding of the role that arts and artists play in the community. The panel notes that this program impacts on and opens up opportunities for youth in the City of Yarra.

Requested amount: \$20,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$20,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Victoria Street Business Association

VICTORIA STREET LUNAR FESTIVAL

Project Description

Victoria Street, Richmond - little Vietnam is unique commercial, cultural, and recreational hub. Victoria Street is a vital part of the city of Yarra with links of cultural and economy.

With its incredible selection of restaurants, shops and a great access, Victoria Street serves as domestic tourism destination and Yarra city residents' day-to-day shopping and eating out. Victoria Street plays an important link for multicultural hub in the city of Yarra.

The Victoria Street Business Association - VSBA formerly known as RABA committee works with various organisations and communities with the aim of attracting the wider communities to the Victoria Street festival. VSBA recognised that giving the community celebration and sense of unity is important business and marketing strategy.

We continue to operate the Victoria Street Lunar Festival as one of the most popular and recognised Lunar New Year celebrations in Victoria, drawing people from all over City of Yarra and City of Melbourne. We recognise community unity for local residents by showcasing multicultural activities in Victoria. We include schools, non-profit organisations, churches, pagodas, local groups and communities in our festival.

The festival a wonderful opportunity for Victoria Street Traders together with the City of Yarra to treat the community to a vibrant, colourful and culturally rich experience. We work with traders, local communities and stake holders to ensure this festival stay relevant with the needs of the community.

We create opportunities for local artist and performers with public entertainment with everything from Chinese opera to Vietnamese pop and carnival rides.

We promote the foods of Vietnam and Southeast Asia by enticing traders and chefs with cooking demonstration at the Tastes of Asia cooking stage, or sample tasty treats from the many Vietnamese and Chinese hawker food stalls.

Panel comments

Lunar Festival is an important local celebration organised by the local community. It provides a high profile event on one of Yarra's iconic high streets and is a important tourism drawcard. This is a good application and makes a solid case for the importance and popularity of the Lunar Festival, not only to the Vietnamese community, but to the rest of Yarra's community as well. The Richmond Asian Business Association have a strong capacity to continue to run this festival successfully. Highly recommended that Council continues to support this event.

Requested amount: \$30,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$30,000

Attachment 1 - Recommended Applications- Creative Yarra 2017-19

Hispanic Latin American Festival And Cultural Association

Johnston Street Fiesta

Project Description

The project is needed, to celebrate the discoveries of the Americas, and unite Latin American and Hispanics to showcase our culture, colours, and different kinds of food to the Non-Hispanic speaking people and join us in our celebrations. The festival has developed greatly in the past years from its humble beginning in 1978. The festival is in alliance with the councils environment management program and continues to introduce new ways of supporting the needs of the program each year

The Hispanic festival aims to make a significant contribution to the vibrant and rich nature of Victoria's multicultural society. The festival both recognizes and inspires cultural and artistic expression through dance, music, theatre, literature, film, and visual arts. The festival main objective is to encourage the core participation of Hispanic and Latin American communities represented by all 22 countries. The Hispanic Fiesta promotes the development of the arts and cultural activity amongst Spanish speaking communities encouraging greater cultural awareness and participation in cultural events. The Festival also aims to expose the traditions of culture of all Spanish speaking countries to wider mainstream audiences.

For 38 years, the Johnston Street Fiesta has proudly presented a dynamic, community cultural festival for the benefit of both the local community and visitors from all over Melbourne. With the help of a committed voluntary committee and other festival partners, Fiesta has delivered outstanding results as a second stage, wash stations, more street space for the public to flow the street easier and safer.

Panel comments

The Fiesta has a long history in Johnston Street and remains a major drawcard to the area - boosting tourism and increasing local trade. It also celebrates a distinctive Latin Culture that once dominate the strip. This is one of Yarra's longest running festivals. The application is fairly basic but it proves that the organisers are well equipped to continue to run the festival successfully and it encapsulates the spirit of the festival. This unique celebration of Latin American culture should continue to be supported by Council.

Requested amount: \$30,000

Recommended Grant Per Annum: \$30,000

11.3 Richmond and Collingwood Youth Grants Program 2017 - 2019 Initiation Report

Executive Summary

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to:

- (a) advise Council of the up-coming completion of the current Richmond and Collingwood Youth Grants Program 2014 – 2017;
- (b) provide information to Council on proposed enhancements to the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Grants Program for 2017 – 2020 and;
- (c) Provide Council with options for services to be delivered on the Richmond and Collingwood housing estates, including by Council's Youth and Middle Years Unit.

Key Issues

The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants are one of the targeted ways in which Council supports the strategies presented in the Council Plan.

The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants align with the key goals outlined in the *Yarra Youth Policy 2013 – 2016* and highlights Council's commitment to ensuring that young people, particularly those disadvantaged, have enhanced health and wellbeing outcomes.

Following a Council resolution on 6 September, this report has been developed to provide Council with options for the future of the program, including providing services directly by Council's Youth and Middle Years Unit.

Three options are contained within this report for Council's consideration, including:

Option 1: Continue with the program as a competitive grant, with clear key performance indicators, increased monitoring and enhanced contract management.

Option 2: Use the existing levels of funding for the program to be delivered wholly in-house by the Yarra Youth and Middle Years Unit.

Option 3: Yarra Youth and Middle Years Unit to lead/auspice the program in partnership with an identified community service provider.

Whilst all options presented have merit and would improve outcomes for children and young people, officers recommend to continue the program in Richmond and Collingwood for a further three years as a competitive grants program, with improved targeting of services and increased levels of accountability.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the continuation of the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program as a three-year grant program (described as option 1 in this report);
 - (b) endorse the proposed changes/improvements to the target group age (8 -21) and improved accountability processes; and
 - (c) endorse the updated guidelines for the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants 2017–2020.

11.3 Richmond and Collingwood Youth Grants Program 2017 - 2019 Initiation Report

Trim Record Number: D16/132150

Responsible Officer: Director Community Wellbeing

Purpose

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Background

2. Following an initial report provided to Council on 6 September, Council resolved that officers provide a further report on the continuation of the Collingwood and Youth grants that included an option for services to be delivered by Council's Youth and Middle Years Unit.
3. Yarra City Council has a long history of supporting disadvantaged children, young people and their families in public housing across the City of Yarra. Council has also supported youth-focused programs and services in Richmond and Collingwood.
4. In 2014, Council agreed to create the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants, as an open competitive three-year grants program for the delivery of youth programs on both the Richmond and Collingwood public housing estates. The program was incorporated into Council's Community Grants Program, and funding of \$85,000 per annum (per estate) over three years was made available.
5. The grants aimed to provide additional support to young people who live in the Richmond and Collingwood estates, in recognition that Council's Youth Services team is physically located adjacent to the Fitzroy Estate, which consequently enjoys a greater level of engagement with Council's existing programs.
6. The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants align with the key goals outlined in the *Yarra Youth Policy 2013 – 2016* and highlights Council's commitment to ensuring that young people aged 12 to 25 years, particularly those disadvantaged, have enhanced health and wellbeing outcomes.
7. Since 2014, the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants Program has been one of the targeted ways in which Council supports the strategies presented in the Council Plan.
8. The objectives of the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants 2014 – 2017 were as follows:
 - (a) direct resources to the emerging and specific needs of young people aged 12 to 25 years who live on the Richmond and Collingwood Housing Estates;
 - (b) ensure enhanced health and wellbeing outcomes for young people living on the Richmond and Collingwood Housing Estates;
 - (c) ensure that programs are delivered locally; build the capacity of the community, and provide opportunities for young people to plan and lead programs that meet their needs and interests; and
 - (d) to continue to develop strong partnerships between Council, young people and their families, community groups, schools, and community and/or youth organisations to achieve Council's strategic directions.

9. Following a competitive process, and subsequently based on unanimous recommendation from the assessment panel, YMCA were awarded \$170,000 per annum to deliver programs and services on both estates, commencing 1 March 2014 to 28 February 2017.
10. Feedback from the current provider (YMCA) and other key stakeholders has indicated that the program to date has met with mixed success, due to a range of factors including staffing issues and the age of the target group. Levels of engagement and attendance at the programs have also been low across both estates.
11. However, stakeholders have expressed a view that the program has strong potential to create positive outcomes for children and young people, provided that program enhancements are implemented, including a re-alignment of the target group to include younger children. It has also been acknowledged that the program would benefit from more active contract management, and agreed KPIs for program outcomes.
12. The current grant concludes in February 2017. This provides an opportunity for Council to reflect on the outcomes over the last three years, with the view to improving processes and funding priorities that will deliver the best outcomes for young people living in the Richmond and Collingwood Housing Estates in future programs.
13. Yarra Youth Services has worked in conjunction with YMCA to develop an evaluation of the program prior to its completion in February. Whilst results of the evaluation are not yet available, it is expected to demonstrate that the current program has not been as effective as intended.
14. In considering the future of the program, officers have also been asked to consider an option of delivering this program directly through Council's Youth and Middle Years Unit. Under this model, the three-year grant would be replaced with operational funding for Councils Youth and Middle Years Unit to deliver programs and activities on both estates in line with the program objectives.

Future Program

15. On the basis of feedback from existing stakeholders, and to enhance children and young people's engagement with future activities, officers propose that some changes be made to the current program, regardless of which option Council endorses. The previous program's objectives were outlined in the grants guidelines (2014-2017), and have been included as Attachment 2 of this report for comparison purposes.
16. The proposed changes include:
 - (a) changing the target age range from 12 – 25 to 8 – 21 years. This is based on advice about emerging needs identified by DHHS staff in both Richmond and Collingwood, and feedback from YMCA on the need for programs to address a younger cohort (noting the need to focus on this younger age group is also supported by evidence coming out of the Communities that Care project which focusses on young people aged 8-12 years old);
 - (b) update the objectives of the program to ensure that:
 - (i) children and young people residing in the Collingwood and Richmond housing estates have access to regular and inclusive programs during term time and school holidays within a safe environment;
 - (ii) children and young people have opportunities to learn new skills and build positive relationships, confidence and resilience;
 - (iii) children and young people are encouraged to provide ideas and drive the design, planning and management of spaces and activities that enhance their health and wellbeing;
 - (iv) children and young people have access to information both online and offline about services, programs and events when they need it; and
 - (v) the successful organisation/s work in partnership with children and young people and their families, schools, community agencies, and youth service providers to

ensure a robust and integrated service system that fosters and promotes enhanced health and wellbeing outcomes for young people; and

- (c) encouraging stronger consideration of formal partnerships with local community partners, such as Neighbourhood Houses or established organisations.
17. In addition, should Council choose option 1 (discussed below) the following considerations should also be included:
- (a) continue to involve key DHHS and Department of Housing staff on each estate in grant information sessions with prospective applicants, and on the community panel in the assessment process;
 - (b) introduce active contract management and enhanced governance and reporting. Along with the development of agreed KPI's for the successful proposal, it is recommended that the successful organisation initially meet monthly (for the first 6 months) with officers to guide the development and implementation of the program. Quarterly reports against agreed KPI will be required, along with formal six-monthly meetings to ensure the program achieves its stated objectives; and
 - (c) provide prospective providers with updated grant guidelines (As per Attachment 1), to guide the development of proposed models.
18. Officers recognise the current budget constraints on Council, and therefore propose no increase to the overall budget of the current grant of \$170,000 per annum – or \$85,000 per annum per estate, irrespective of the delivery model.
19. Officers also propose a slight change to the timing of future implementation of the program, to bring it into line with Council's other grants programs. Previously, the grants implementation was from March - February each year. The new timeframes for implementation from July - June will allow for greater consistency and better planning from services prior to commencement.

Service Options

20. There are three options for Council to consider for the future of the program, including:
- Option 1: Continue with the program as a competitive grant, with clear key performance indicators, increased monitoring and enhanced contract management;
- Option 2: Use the existing levels of funding for the program to be delivered wholly in-house by the Yarra Youth and Middle Years Unit; and
- Option 3: Yarra Youth and Middle Years Unit to lead/auspice the program in partnership with an identified community service provider.
21. Each of the potential delivery options comes with a range of advantages and disadvantages that have been set out in the table below.

Option	Advantages	Disadvantages
1. Competitive grant	Likely to be strong interest from a range of providers May bring additional services to the estates not currently offered in Yarra Will provide Council with a range of service models to choose from External providers have existing expertise in service delivery to middle years	Requires on-going contract management Lower levels of control over outcomes Does not guarantee quality of service

	<p>Strengthen Councils partnerships with Community agencies</p> <p>Cost effective leading to increased service/programming</p>	
<p>2. Internally by Yarra Youth & Middle Years Unit (YY&MY)</p>	<p>High degree of control over outcomes</p> <p>Would assist Councils Youth Services to have an increased presence in the estates</p> <p>Enhances Councils working relationships with a range of other services and programs around the estates</p> <p>Provides seamless referral pathways to other youth services programs</p>	<p>Likely to be more expensive (due to higher salary costs than community service providers), would therefore mean reduced service hours</p> <p>YY&MY Team currently has limited expertise in the delivery of middle years programs</p> <p>Requires accommodating additional staff that attracts overheads and on-costs. Yarra Youth Centre is currently at capacity for staff accommodation</p> <p>Future strategic direction for Youth Services is emphasising increased partnership/ collaboration and community development, rather than increasing service delivery</p>
<p>3. Partnership agreement</p>	<p>Has similar benefits to option 2 but in addition:</p> <p>Has the benefit of building partnerships with the existing service providers in Yarra</p> <p>Has potential to be more cost effective than pure in-house model</p> <p>Expertise in working with middle years could be contracted in</p> <p>Less pressure to accommodate additional staff and fewer on-cost than option 2</p>	<p>More expensive than wholly external grant, would therefore mean reduced services</p> <p>Would still require a level of contract management</p> <p>A process for identifying an appropriate provider would need to be developed</p>

External Grants Model (option 1)

22. Should Council adopt a grants process, officers will implement a similar process to that used for other Council grants. Officers will provide prospective organisations with an information session and guidelines (see attachment 1) to support the development of applications.
23. Applications would be assessed by a panel of stakeholders including, community members, young people, and appropriate Council and DHHS staff.
24. The following table shows the proposed time-frame for Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants 2017 – 2020.

Milestone	Date
Grants Information Session (Collingwood and Richmond locations)	Monday 3 October 2016
Grant round opens	Monday 10 October 2016
Applications Close	18 November 2016
Applications assessed	November - December 2016
Approval by Council and announcement of grant outcomes	February 2017
Funding agreements to be returned by successful applicants.	March 2017
Program establishment/recruitment phase	April 2017
Program Commences (delivery phase)	From 1 July 2017

Yarra Youth Services Proposed Model (option 2)

25. Yarra Youth and Middle Years Unit has significant experience working with young people in the City of Yarra, providing programs and services that respond to community needs and improve the health and wellbeing outcomes for young people.
26. Council's Youth and Middle Years Unit would employ two staff to deliver programs and activities on each estate in line with the revised Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program objectives.
27. Council's Youth and Middle Years Unit is largely staffed by qualified Youth Workers with limited experience working with children and young people in the middle years. In light of changes to the target age group, Council would therefore need to recruit staff with specific skills and experience in working with this cohort.
28. The program may be able to utilise existing staff from across the Family Youth and Children's Services branch (such as Outside School Hours Care) who do have expertise in middle years' service deliver, however most of these staff are currently engaged in the delivery of Yarra After School Care programs.
29. The higher salary costs for Local Government Youth Workers (as compared with those in the not-for-profit sector) would have implications on the frequency of programs and activities delivered on each estate. Currently YMCA are required to deliver programs three times per week on each estate, plus once a week during school holidays. With the same level of funding, Yarra Youth Services would propose to deliver 4 – 5 programs per week across both estates.
30. School holiday activities on each estate could be incorporated into Council's existing school holiday program for young people.

Yarra Youth Services Partnership agreement (option 3)

31. Alternatively, Council could explore a collaborative model. Whilst the program would operate similarly to that described in option 2, Yarra Youth Services would employ one project lead youth worker and contract in additional support and expertise from an identified community service provider.
32. The process for identifying a relevant provider has not yet been developed.

External Consultation

33. Feedback has been sought from the DHHS Housing and Place Managers at Richmond and Collingwood, plus other relevant external stakeholders through the *Onwards Collingwood* and *Richmond Local Area Partnership* networks. This feedback was collated, and where practical, incorporated into the proposed guidelines and application process.

Internal Consultation (One Yarra)

34. The implementation of the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program involves many areas of Council including Children's Services, Family Services, Sport and Recreation, Arts and Culture, and Community Partnerships. The Youth and Middle Years Unit are in close communication with these and other areas of Council to work on activities within this broader program.

Financial Implications

35. The 2016/17 budget contains \$124,000 (which equates to \$170,000 pro-rata until Feb 2017). The intent is to budget for \$170,000 (plus CPI) for future years for the delivery of this program.

Economic Implications

36. If the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants is continued in its current format, it has the potential to strengthen the community sector by providing a flexible and responsive source of funds to community based Not-for-Profit organisations.

Sustainability Implications

37. All potential providers, including Council's Youth and Middle Years Unit are encouraged to consider the environmental impact of their projects and ways in which to minimise their footprint. All applicants are asked to consider ways of reducing and/or re-using resources.

Social Implications

38. The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program aims to address social needs for young people aged 8 – 21 across both estates. The social objectives within this program align with the six key goals in the current *Youth Policy 2013 – 2016*:
- (a) young people have opportunities to creatively engage, connect and build their capacity;
 - (b) young people have opportunities to grow and develop into healthy, happy and resilient community citizens;
 - (c) young people are heard, respected and included in their communities;
 - (d) young people have opportunities to learn and earn;
 - (e) young people know how to, and can, access affordable and appropriate information, services and safe spaces; and
 - (f) services are integrated and effective partnerships are developed and maintained.
39. Under the proposed change to the target age (i.e. to include young people aged 8-12 years old), the social objectives within this program will also align with the four key goals in the current *Middle Years Strategy 2014 – 2017*:
- (a) middle years children and young people are safe and healthy;
 - (b) middle years children and young people are connected and valued contributors;
 - (c) middle years children and young people are engaged in learning; and
 - (d) services are coordinated, responsive and evidence-based.

Human Rights Implications

40. The Community Grants Guidelines are in alignment with the *Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006* and actively support people to participate in and contribute to their community.

Communications with CALD Communities Implications

41. Yarra Youth and Middle Year Unit maintains a strong relationship with the local CALD community in the City of Yarra.

42. It is anticipated that a high proportion of the young people engaged in the programs that are delivered as a result of these grants will be from CALD backgrounds. The objectives of the Program will ensure these young people are involved in the design, planning and management of activities delivered.
43. Officers will continue to encourage CALD organisations to apply for funding as part of this program, or participate as collaborative partners if run in-house.

Council Plan, Strategy and Policy Implications

44. All five strategic objectives of the draft Council Plan relate to the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program, in particular:
 - (a) *Celebrating Yarra's uniqueness*: The program provides support for organisation/s to offer inclusive and diverse activities, services, and information for young people living in Richmond and Collingwood;
 - (b) *Supporting Yarra's community*: The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants provide a flexible and responsive source of funds to support projects and initiatives, supporting Council's commitment to social justice and social inclusion principles. The program also supports young people, their families and the communities in Yarra's public housing estates; and
 - (c) *Making Yarra more liveable*: The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants contribute to Yarra's liveability. The program adds to the diversity of activities available for young residents to participate in, and addresses social issues which improve the liveability of Yarra by seeking to resolve some of the urban problems facing young people, including drug and alcohol addiction, early school leaving, unemployment and family violence.
45. The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program is fundamental to the objectives in the *Yarra Youth Policy 2013 – 2016* and *Middle Years Strategy 2014 – 2017*, as highlighted in the 'Social Implications' section of this report.

Legal Implications

46. No legal implications are considered in this report.

Other Issues

47. If Council were to choose option 1, the funding for the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants could be made available for a formal contract. However officers have taken the view that they are likely to get a better response from potential service providers by making the funds available as a Grant rather than via a formal Tender process.

Conclusion

48. The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program aligns with the key goals outlined in the *Yarra Youth Policy 2013 – 2016*, the *Middle Years Strategy 2014 – 2017* and the Council Plan. The Program aims to support Council's commitment to ensuring that children and young people, particularly those who may be disadvantaged, have access to programs that enhance their health and wellbeing outcomes.
49. Despite the fact that the program to date has met with mixed success, officers recognise that additional on-going supports for vulnerable children and young people who live in the Richmond and Collingwood estates is required.
50. There are strengths and weaknesses for each option presented above. Any of the presented options would significantly improve outcomes for children and young people, with no one option significantly more advantageous than another.
51. Officers are confident that a new grant program would attract the interest of a significant number of community service providers with expertise in programs for middle year's children and young people. The proposed changes to the grant guidelines, contract governance and management are also designed to bring significant improvements.

52. In addition, the possibility of a new provider bringing additional approaches and services to the estates is an attractive proposition.
53. There are a number of limitations to Council bringing the program in-house, notably capacity and financial constraints, which could be avoided by continuing the program as a grant.
54. Whilst Option 3, which offers a middle ground between Options 1 and 2, could provide a reasonable approach, officers believe that offering a grant to an external agency to deliver the program still presents the best option.
55. Despite the recommendation to proceed with a grants process to identify an appropriate service provider for this program, officers recognise the suggested in-house model also offers potential opportunities and have no opposition to this approach.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the continuation of the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program as a three-year grant program (described as option 1 in this report);
 - (b) endorse the proposed changes/improvements to the target group age (8 -21) and improved accountability processes; and
 - (c) endorse the updated guidelines for the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants 2017 – 2020.

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Attachments

- 1 Richmond and Collingwood Youth Grants Guidelines 2017-2020
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Introduction

The City of Yarra is a diverse inner-city municipality that is home to over 10,000 children and young people aged 8 to 21 years. This cohort makes up approximately 11.6% of the resident population, and in addition many thousands of young people come to Yarra each year to work, study or visit its many shops, cafes, arts and cultural venues, parks and services.

Yarra's public housing comprises three large estates at Collingwood, Fitzroy and North Richmond, and many smaller blocks across the municipality. Approximately 1,374 young people were living in public housing in 2011 - 11% of Yarra's resident youth population. The census data also shows that in two of the three age ranges (12-15 years and 16-19 years) approximately 20% of Yarra's young people were living in public housing.

Many of the children and young people living in Yarra's public housing are from newly-arrived and refugee backgrounds and have experienced trauma, persecution and/or displacement from their country of origin. In addition, they also face multiple challenges in Australia relating to settlement, including: adjusting to a new culture, learning a new language, and navigating new education and social systems and environments.

(See Yarra Youth Profile 2013 - <http://www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/services/Youth-services/yarras-youth-profile/>)

While most young people in Yarra were born in Australia (72%), other common countries of origin include New Zealand, Vietnam, England, China, India, United States, Ethiopia and Somalia. Reflecting this trend, a variety of languages are spoken at home. 28% of young people in Yarra speak languages other than English at home, including Vietnamese, Mandarin, Cantonese, Greek, Arabic, Italian, Hakka, Spanish, Somali and Dinka. A variety of overseas languages are spoken in each of the suburbs, reflecting the cultural diversity of the municipality.

Although the City of Yarra has a relatively small resident Aboriginal population, it is a significant focal point for the Aboriginal community in Victoria, and is home to a number of Aboriginal services and organisations. According to the 2011 ABS Census, the Aboriginal resident population of Yarra is much younger on average, with just over a third of the Aboriginal resident population were below 25 years of age, and around 70 young people aged 12 to 25 years.

Many young people who live in the municipality have opportunities to participate, engage in and contribute to their community/s, but because of disadvantage and discrimination some young people do not. For many, the transition from childhood to adulthood presents challenges and barriers that often result in poorer health, lower educational outcomes, less connectedness, and/or diminished employment pathways and opportunities.

Extensive consultations have been undertaken with young people, families, community agencies, schools and the sector to identify the current needs and emerging themes for young people who live, work, study in and visit the municipality including those who live at the Richmond and Collingwood Housing Estates. These consultations were conducted to inform the development of the Draft Youth Policy 2013 -2016 and can be used to inform the development of new programs for Richmond and Collingwood Estates.

(See Yarra Youth Policy Consultation Report 2013 - www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/services/Youth-services/yarra-youth-policy/about-the-yarra-youth-policy/)

Consultation findings and research highlight that young people and their families require a range of supports and interventions from the community, schools and youth service providers, to ensure they have the best possible opportunities to develop into resilient young adults. In addition, Yarra City Council recognises and values the significant role that family, school and community play in the context of young people's lives. Partnerships and collaborations with families and the local

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community are crucial to ensuring that young people have appropriate supports at each stage of their development and for as long as required.

What are the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants?

Council believes that by supporting a holistic system of services and programs across the continuum, from prevention and early intervention through to specialist and crisis support, will help ensure that young people are fully supported to adulthood. This requires that services, community agencies and government work together with young people and their families to ensure truly integrated responses delivered at the local level.

Through the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants, Council invites medium-large organisations to design programs which identify and address the needs of 8 to 21 year olds living on the Richmond and/or Collingwood Housing Estates. Successful applicants will offer programs that run for the full three year term of the grant and applicants are encouraged to incorporate formal partnerships with local community groups, organisations and/or neighbourhood houses to draw on existing relationships and to ensure the successful project/s have lasting impact.

Available Funding

\$85,000 per annum is available per estate, for a three year term from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2020.

Applicants may propose projects which take place on either Richmond or Collingwood Estate, or may propose a program that runs across both estates.

The funding pool for each estate may be divided among multiple recipients or awarded to a single applicant depending on the merit of the applications received in this round.

Why does Council provide these grants?

The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants are one of the major ways in which Council supports the strategies presented in the Council Plan. The Council Plan provides guidance on how Council will respond to the opportunities and challenges the municipality faces. The Council Plan can be found at: www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/Your-Council/Council-Plan

In addition, the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants align with the key goals outlined in the *Yarra Youth Policy 2013 – 2016* and *Middle Years Strategy 2014 – 2017* and highlights Council's commitment to ensuring that young people aged 8 to 25 years, particularly those disadvantaged, have enhanced health and wellbeing outcomes. The *Youth Policy 2013 – 2016* and *Middle Years Strategy 2014 – 2017* can be found at:

www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/services/Youth-services/yarra-youth-policy/

www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/services/Family-and-Children-services/middle-years-strategy/ These strategies will both be updated in 2017.

The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants aims to ensure:

1. Children and young people have access to regular and inclusive programs during term time and school holidays within a safe environment on the Collingwood and Richmond housing estates;
2. Children and young people have opportunities to learn new skills and build positive relationships, confidence and resilience;
3. Children and young people are encouraged to provide ideas and drive the design, planning and management of spaces and activities that enhance their health and wellbeing;

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4. Children and young people have access to information both online and offline about services, programs and events when they need it; and that
5. The successful organisation/s works in partnership with children and young people and their families, schools, community agencies, and youth service providers to ensure a robust and integrated service system that fosters and promotes enhanced health and wellbeing outcomes for young people.

Key dates for Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants 2017

Milestone	Date
Grants Information Session (Collingwood and Richmond locations)	Monday 3 October 2016
Grant round opens	Monday 10 October 2016
Applications Close	18 November 2016
Applications assessed	November - December 2016
Approval by Council and announcement of grant outcomes	February 2017
Funding agreements to be returned by successful applicants.	March 2017
Program establishment/recruitment phase	April 2017
Program Commences (delivery phase)	From 1 July 2017

Yarra City Council reserves the right to change or amend dates should the need arise.

Grants Assessment Criteria

Organisations are invited to submit proposals to deliver programs on one or both of the estates.

All applications will be assessed against the following criteria:

- clearly identified aims addressing the needs of children and young people in the Richmond and/or Collingwood housing estates;
- evidence of needs addressed, including research and/or evaluation already undertaken that identifies the needs of children and young people aged 8-21 years that live on the Richmond and/or Collingwood Housing Estates;
- level of engagement and consultation with children and young people, the wider community, schools and local stakeholders in the development of the program;
- how well the program will respond to the identified needs of children and young people;
- level of involvement of children and young people in the planning and delivery of the program;
- demonstrated involvement of local partners in the planning and delivery of the program;
- clearly identified target group;
- clearly defined project plan;
- alignment with Council policies and strategies;
- clearly defined outcomes and deliverables;
- clearly defined evaluation processes and methods;
- capacity of the applicant to deliver on program outcomes; and
- a complete and realistic budget.

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Eligibility Criteria

Applicants for the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants must meet the following eligibility requirements. Ineligible applications will not be assessed.

- Applicants must be not-for-profit, incorporated organisations with an active ABN;
- Applicants must have acquitted previous Council grants and have no outstanding debts to Yarra City Council;
- Adequate public liability insurance, working with children checks, WorkCover and superannuation coverage are required to be held by all funding recipients;
- Program proposals must be for a three year period; and
- Programs must target children and young people between the ages of 8 and 21 who live on the Richmond Housing Estate and/or the Collingwood Housing Estate.

Applicants that are not eligible

- Businesses or for-profit organisations;
- Individuals;
- Organisations that are not incorporated with their own ABN (auspiced applications will not be accepted in this grant program).

Programs that are not eligible

- A program that is considered the responsibility of State or Federal Government;
 - e.g. core school curriculum activities;
- Activities that take place outside the City of Yarra (including touring costs), unless a component of an ongoing project has a proven and direct benefit to the residents of the target housing estates;
- A new building, capital works* or facility maintenance works;
- The purchase of equipment only. Equipment may be purchased as part of a broader program;
- Activities that are sponsored by gambling businesses or take place at inappropriate venues;
- Projects with the singular purpose of promoting religion or that may be perceived as for the purpose of proselytizing;
- Individual training, study or academic research in Australia or overseas;
- Applications that are solely for attending forums, workshops and conferences;
- Competitions, prizes or prize events, award exhibitions or exclusively fundraising events; and
- Programs seeking retrospective funding.

** Capital works are defined as projects undertaken to create a new permanent asset or space, or to permanently change the use, function or layout of an existing asset or space.*

Assessment Process

All applications will undergo the following assessment process:

Stage 1: An eligibility check is conducted by Council Officers.

Stage 2: Internal assessment by a Council Officer.

Stage 3: External Youth and Community Panel comprising a combination of external experts, young people and community members assess and meet to decide on recommendations to Council.

Stage 4: Recommendations are submitted to Council for final approval.

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Attachments and Supporting Documents

Applicants are required to submit the following materials with their online application:

- Public Liability Insurance Certificate of Currency
- latest audited financial statement (please do not send the complete Annual Report);

Applicants are encouraged to submit the following materials with their online application:

- Letters of support (maximum 5). If your program requires the support of another organisation to develop or deliver the program, or is to be delivered in partnership with another organisation then a letter acknowledging this support is required; and
- Examples of previous programs relevant to this application. This could include evaluation reports, DVD presentation or other media (under 5 minutes duration in total) and web links. All files must be compatible with Windows System.

Before Submitting your Application

Information Sessions

Council is holding an information session for applicants on **Wednesday 28 September at 5pm – 6.30pm at Richmond Town Hall – Meeting Room 2** for those seeking further information on the grants and how to apply online.

Please RSVP to this session via email to: rupert.north@yarracity.vic.gov.au. Please let Council know if you require an interpreter for this session.

Need assistance to complete an application?

Applicants who need help completing their application are encouraged to contact the Grants Team on 9205 5170. Assistance can also be provided **by appointment** until 20 October 2016 to develop your program plan and submit the application online. Interpreters can be booked if requested.

Speak to a Council Officer

Please contact Rupert North, Youth and Middle Years Coordinator on 9426 1544 if you would like to discuss your application.

Accessibility

All applicants are encouraged to consider how their organisation and program will be accessible and inclusive of people with a disability. For more information contact Nadia Mattiazzo, Metro Access Officer on 9205 5414.

Environmental Impact

All applicants are encouraged to incorporate activities that improve the sustainable outcomes of their program. For more information contact Lisa Coffa, Waste Minimisation Coordinator on 9205 5730.

Prepare a Project Budget

When preparing a budget for your program please consider the following important components:

- It is important that all costs are realistic and justified for the proposed program;
- If you have applied for, or have other funding for your program, please note this in your budget and mark whether the funding is confirmed or unconfirmed;
- Please do include in-kind resources in the budget;
- Please ensure that the budget presented is balanced.

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Submitting Your Application Online

Applicants are required to submit their application and supporting materials using the online grants form at: <http://cityofyarra.smartygrants.com.au>

Please note that applications are not submitted online until you hit the **submit** button. After submitting your application you will receive an email acknowledging receipt of your application along with a copy of your application attached. This will be sent to the email address you used to register. If you do not receive this email your application has not been submitted. City of Yarra staff cannot view applications that have not been submitted.

Applications and all supporting material are due by **3am on 12 November 2016** and any additional information or materials will not be accepted after this date.

Late applications will not be accepted under any circumstances.

For further information please call Community Grants on 9205 5170 or email yarragrants@yarracity.vic.gov.au

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Introduction

In 2011, the Census population of the City of Yarra was over 74,800 people. Projected figures show the population of Yarra is estimated to increase from 83,615 in 2013 to 110,511 by 2031, and the number of households will increase from 37,335 to 50,265.

The City of Yarra is a diverse inner-city municipality that is home to over 12,000 young people aged 12 to 25 years. Young people make up 16% of the resident population, and in addition many thousands of young people come to Yarra each year to work, study or visit its many shops, cafes, arts and cultural venues, parks and services. Data shows that 11% of Yarra's young people live in public housing: 370 young people in public housing are aged 12-15 years; 440 young people aged 16-19 years and 560 young people aged 20-25 years. Approximately 20% of young people in two of the three age ranges (12-15 years and 16-19 years) live in public housing.

According to the 2011 ABS Census, there were 318 Aboriginal residents in the City of Yarra. The Aboriginal resident population is much younger than the non-Aboriginal resident population, with just over a third of the community below 25 years of age, and around 70 young people aged 12 to 25 years. Although the City of Yarra has a relatively small resident Aboriginal resident population, it is a significant focal point for the Aboriginal community in Victoria, and is home to a number of Aboriginal services and organisations.

In addition, almost a fifth of Yarra residents come from countries where English is not the first language. Overall, 29% of residents were born overseas, and 19% were from a non-English speaking background. Most young people in Yarra were born in Australia (72%), followed by other countries of origin such as New Zealand, Vietnam, England China, India, United States, Ethiopia and Somalia. In addition to place of birth, a variety of languages are spoken at home. A majority of young people speak English (72%), followed by languages including Vietnamese, Mandarin, Cantonese, Greek, Arabic, Italian, Hakka, Spanish, Somali and Dinka. A variety of overseas languages are spoken in each of the suburbs, reflecting the cultural diversity of the municipality.

Over 8,000 people - 10% of the Yarra population - live in public housing. Yarra's public housing comprises three large estates at Collingwood, Fitzroy and North Richmond, and many smaller blocks across the municipality. Approximately 1,374 young people were living in public housing in 2011 - 11% of the resident youth population. Of these, many are from newly-arrived and refugee backgrounds who have experienced trauma, persecution and/or displacement from their country of origin. In addition, they also face multiple challenges in Australia relating to settlement, adjusting to a new culture, learning a new language, and having to navigate new education and social systems and environments.

(See Yarra Youth Profile 2013 - <http://www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/services/Youth-services/yarras-youth-profile/>)

Many young people who live in the municipality have opportunities to participate, engage and contribute to their community/s, but some young people by virtue of disadvantage and discrimination do not. For many, the transition from childhood to adulthood presents challenges and barriers that mean they might have poorer health, lower educational outcomes, be less connected, and/or have diminished employment pathways and opportunities.

Extensive consultations have been undertaken with young people, families, community agencies, schools and the sector to identify the current needs and emerging themes for young people who live, work, study and visit the municipality including those who live at the Richmond and Collingwood Housing Estates. These consultations were conducted to inform the development of the Draft Youth Policy 2013 -2016 and can be used to inform the development of new programs for Richmond and Collingwood Estates.

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(See Yarra Youth Policy Consultation Report 2013 -

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Consultation findings and research highlight that young people and their families require a range of supports and interventions from the community, schools and youth service providers, to ensure they have the greatest opportunities to develop into resilient young adults. In addition, Yarra City Council recognises and values the significant role that family, school and community play in the context of young people's lives. Partnerships and collaborations with families and the local community are crucial to ensuring that young people have appropriate supports at each stage of their development and for as long as required.

Additionally, a holistic system of services and programs across the continuum, from prevention, early intervention through to more specialist and crisis support, is also required to ensure that young people are fully supported to adulthood. This requires that services, community agencies and government work together with young people and their families to ensure truly integrated responses delivered at the local level.

Why does Council provide these grants?

The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants are one of the major ways in which Council supports the strategies presented in the Council Plan. The Council Plan provides guidance on how Council will respond to the opportunities and challenges the municipality faces. The Council Plan can be found at: www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/Your-Council/Council-Plan

In addition, the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants align with the key goals outlined in the *draft Yarra Youth Policy 2013 – 2016* and highlights Council's commitment to ensuring that young people aged 12 to 25 years, particularly those disadvantaged, have enhanced health and wellbeing outcomes. The draft Youth Policy 2013 – 2016 can be found at: <http://www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/services/Youth-services/yarra-youth-policy/>

The Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants aims to:

- a) direct resources to the emerging and specific needs of young people aged 12 to 25 years who live on the Richmond and Collingwood Housing Estates;
- b) ensure enhanced health and wellbeing outcomes for young people living on the Richmond and Collingwood Housing Estates;
- c) ensure that programs are delivered locally; build the capacity of the community, and provide opportunities for young people to plan and lead programs that meet their needs and interests; and
- d) continue to develop strong partnerships between Council, young people and their families, community groups, schools, and community and/or youth organisations to achieve Council's strategic directions.

Grant Funding Maximum Amounts

\$85,000 plus CPI increase per annum is available per estate over three years from 1 March 2014 to 28 February 2017.

Attachment 2 - Richmond and Collingwood Youth Grants Guidelines 2014-2017**Key dates for Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants 2014**

Grant round opens	Tuesday 1 October 2013
Grants Information Session Richmond Town Hall – Meeting Room 2	Wednesday 16 October 5pm – 6.30pm
Applications Close	5pm Friday 25 October 2013
Announcement of grant outcomes	18 December 2013
Funding agreements to be returned by successful applicants	February 2014
Grants paid by Electronic Funds Transfer	End of February 2014
Projects Commence	From 1 March 2014

Yarra City Council reserves the right to change or amend dates should the need arise.

Grants Assessment Criteria

Organisations are invited to submit proposals to deliver programs on one or both of the estates.

All applications will be assessed against the following criteria:

- outline of research and/or evaluation undertaken to date that identifies the needs of young people aged 12 to 25 years that live on the Richmond and/or Collingwood Housing Estates;
- consultations undertaken with young people, community, schools and local stakeholders to develop the program;
- outline of how the program will respond to identified needs of young people and will involve young people in the planning and delivery;
- clearly identified target group;
- clearly defined project aims and deliverables;
- alignment with Council policies and strategies;
- clear outline of program inputs and timelines;
- demonstrate intended outcomes and clear evaluation process and methods;
- capacity of the applicant to deliver on program outcomes;
- demonstrated evidence of partnership; and
- a complete and realistic budget.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants for the Richmond and Collingwood Youth Program Grants must meet the following eligibility requirements. Ineligible applications will not be assessed.

- Groups must be incorporated and have an ABN;
- Not-for-profit community groups that are not incorporated can have their application 'auspiced' by an incorporated organisation;
- Applications can be submitted directly by groups being auspiced. Be advised that you will need to provide information from the auspice organisation including their ABN, Financial Report and Public Liability Insurance certificate;
- Applicants must have acquitted previous Council grants and have no outstanding debts to Yarra City Council;

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- Adequate public liability insurance, working with children checks, Workcover and superannuation coverage are required to be held by funding recipients;
- Program proposals must be for a three year period.

Programs that are not eligible

- A program that is considered the responsibility of State or Federal Government;
- Activities that take place outside the City of Yarra (including touring costs), unless a component of an ongoing project has a proven and direct benefit to the Yarra community;
- A new building, capital works or facility maintenance works;
- The purchase of equipment only. Equipment may be purchased as part of a broader program;
- Activities that are sponsored by gambling businesses;
- Core school curriculum activities;
- Programs with the singular purpose of promoting religion;
- Individual training, study or academic research in Australia or overseas;
- Applications that are solely for attending forums, workshops and conferences;
- Competitions, prizes, award exhibitions or exclusively fundraising events; and
- Retrospective funding of programs.

Assessment Process

All applications will undergo the following assessment process:

Stage 1: An eligibility check is conducted by Council Officers.

Stage 2: Internal assessment by a Council Officer.

Stage 3: External Youth and Community Panel comprising a combination of external experts, young people and community members assess and meet to decide on recommendations to Council.

Stage 4: Recommendations are submitted to Council for final approval.

Attachments and Supporting Documents

Applicants are encouraged to submit the following materials with their online application:

- Public Liability Insurance Certificate of Currency and latest audited financial statement (please do not send the complete Annual Report);
- Letters of support (maximum 5). If your program requires the support of another organisation to develop or deliver the program, or is to be delivered in partnership with another organisation then a letter acknowledging this support is required; and
- Examples of previous programs relevant to this application. This could include evaluation reports, DVD presentation or other media (under 5 minutes duration in total) and web links. All files must be compatible with Windows System.

Before Submitting your Application

Information Sessions

Council is holding an information session for applicants on **Wednesday 16 October at 5pm – 6.30pm at Richmond Town Hall – Meeting Room 2** for those seeking further information on the grants and how to apply online.

Please RSVP to this session via email to: cherry.grimwade@yarracity.vic.gov.au. Please let Council know if you require an interpreter for this session.

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Need assistance to complete an application?

Applicants who need help completing their application are encouraged to contact the Grants Team on 9205 5170. Assistance can be provided **by appointment** until 20 October 2013 to develop your program plan and submit the application online. Interpreters can be booked if requested.

Speak to a Council Officer

Please contact Cherry Grimwade, Youth and Middle Years Coordinator on 9205 5206 if you would like to discuss your application.

Accessibility

All applicants are encouraged to consider how their organisation and program will be accessible and inclusive of people with a disability. For more information contact Nadia Mattiazzo, Metro Access Officer on 9205 5414.

Environmental Impact

All applicants are encouraged to incorporate activities that improve the sustainable outcomes of their program. For more information contact Lisa Coffa, Waste Minimisation Coordinator on 9205 5730.

Prepare a Project Budget

When preparing a budget for your program please consider the following important components:

- It is important that all costs are realistic and justified for the proposed program;
- If you have applied for, or have other funding for your program, please note this in your budget and mark whether the funding is confirmed or unconfirmed.

Submitting Your Application Online

Applicants are encouraged to submit their application and supporting materials using the online grants form. <http://cityofyarra.smartygrants.com.au>

Please note that applications are not submitted online until you hit the **submit** button. After submitting your application you will receive an email acknowledging receipt of your application along with a copy of your application attached. This will be sent to the email address you used to register. If you do not receive this email your application has not been submitted. City of Yarra staff cannot view applications that have not been submitted.

Applications and all supporting material are due on **5pm on 26 October 2013** and any additional information or materials will not be accepted after this date. If you cannot access the online application form, Council will accept handwritten applications.

Please contact Community Grants on 9205 5170 to request a printed version of the application form. Typed, emailed or faxed applications will not be accepted. Hand written applications must be posted on or before 26 October 2013 to the following address:

Community Grants Program
City of Yarra
PO Box 168
Richmond VIC 3121

For further information please call Community Grants on 9205 5170 or email yarragrants@yarracity.vic.gov.au

Interpreter Assistance

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11.4 Brunswick Street/St Georges Road - Working Group outcomes

Trim Record Number: D16/127805

Responsible Officer: Director Planning and Place Making

Purpose

1. To provide Councillors with a consolidated report for the three working groups which met in 2014 and 2015 concerning the Brunswick Street/St Georges Road route, and advise of the major milestone points in the delivery of actions developed from the working groups' feedback.

Background

2. In 2013 Council officers were directed to undertake three working groups to explore the strategic issues along this route.
3. It is noted that PTV has identified Route 11 (which travels along these two roads) for potential DDA works. It is also noted that Council officers have recently commenced the streetscape masterplan project for Brunswick Street (Between Victoria St and Alexandra Parade).
4. Many actions were identified by the three working groups.
5. Subsequently officers have reviewed the actions, and assessed the potential resources to deliver the actions.
6. It is noted that the three areas have distinct characteristics.
 - (a) Working Group 1 (with 12 community members) covered the area along Brunswick Street from Victoria Parade to Alexandra Parade; the principal shopping and entertainment precinct;
 - (b) Working Group 2 (with 14 community members) covered the area along St Georges Road from Reid Street to the Merri Creek; which contains two shopping villages, and residential properties; and
 - (c) Working Group 3 (with 12 community members) covered the area along Brunswick St north from Alexandra Parade to St Georges Road and Reid Street; this precinct includes the Edinburgh Gardens, and is a mixed business and residential precinct.
7. There were 29 actions proposed by Working Group 1. Some actions have multiple components. The following themes were identified by Working Group 1
 - (a) retaining and building on the iconic vibrant high quality character of Brunswick Street;
 - (b) supporting a safe transport network for all, with increased accessibility;
 - (c) addressing the future of on-street car parking as an issue of use of space;
 - (d) recognise the needs of business and residents in accessing the area; and
 - (e) significantly reducing through traffic by 2025, allowing for local access and service vehicles.
8. There were 21 actions proposed by Working Group 2. Some actions have multiple components. The following are the strategic issues from Working Group 2.
 - (a) pedestrian safety and priority;
 - (b) cyclist safety and priority;
 - (c) improved public open space amenity in the village hubs;
 - (d) intersection safety for all users;
 - (e) tram capacity and speed; and

- (f) balancing through traffic demand with local access and parking provisions.
9. There were 25 actions proposed by Working Group 3. Some actions have multiple components. The following were the strategic issues for Working Group 3 as listed in the report of the working group to Council.
- (a) roads are not safe for cyclists and pedestrians;
 - (b) trams lack priority and are too slow;
 - (c) the streetscape lacks aesthetics and amenity;
 - (d) the demand for car parking is increasing; and
 - (e) traffic congestion is increasing.
10. Common themes and issues were identified across the three working groups:
- (a) tram speed, frequency and reliability;
 - (b) safety for cyclists and pedestrians, as well as drivers;
 - (c) traffic congestion/the need to maintain access for local businesses and residents;
 - (d) iconic/locality specific streetscapes;
 - (e) a desire for more greenery; and
 - (f) how to manage car parking.
11. Each working group proposed a number of actions, and Working Group 3 also prioritised them. Officers have now considered the potential resources required to deliver the actions. Attachments 1, 2 and 3 include the summary action tables for each working group respectively.
12. In addition to the community members, delegates from Victoria Walks, Bicycle Network Victoria, VicRoads, Public Transport Victoria, the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives and Yarra Trams were invited to attend meetings and provide support.
13. To implement all actions immediately is not feasible, and some proposed actions are not supported by officers. However the action lists have been discussed and shared with the Economic Development, Engineering Services, Open Space and Recreation, Parking and Compliance, Sustainability and Strategic Transport, Traffic and Special Projects, and Urban Design teams. This will allow them to incorporate actions as opportunities arise.
14. The strong interconnectivity of many actions is noted. It may not be possible to achieve a perfect outcome for each proposed action; however officers will be aiming to deliver the optimum consolidated outcome across a number of actions.
15. Officers will continue to look for opportunities to boost any allocated Council budget through seeking grants and additional urban design contributions as part of PTV projects which are planned to be undertaken over the next 5 years. Officers will also seek to facilitate investment and actions by VicRoads on those sections of the route which are under the authority of VicRoads (north of Alexandra Parade).
16. The high level program for implementing actions along the route is as follows:
- (a) the Council Urban Design team undertakes the preparation of a Streetscape Masterplan (work has already commenced in the office);
 - (b) PTV undertakes major DDA compliance project:
 - (i) this will deliver on tram related actions, and need to include urban design outcomes in the vicinity of the tram stops; and
 - (c) Sustainability & Strategic Transport branch of Council implement bicycle related actions in conjunction with the tram upgrade project.

17. It is noted that some actions can be considered to be independent of these works; for example:
 - (a) creation of temporary/permanent Pop up parks where appropriate;
 - (b) installation of trees on side streets where possible;
 - (c) improvement of cycling infrastructure on Napier Street; and
 - (d) footpath trading review.
18. Officers will now seek to implement these actions as part of Council processes and within budget allocation.
19. Officers will report further to Council when major milestones require Council approval, for example:
 - (a) presentation of the streetscape masterplan seeking adoption;
 - (b) assessment approval of DDA compliant tram stops; and
 - (c) opportunities for pop up parks along Brunswick Street/St Georges Road.

External Consultation

20. No additional external consultation has occurred since the Working Groups concluded. However, community consultation will occur as part of the streetscape masterplan project.

Internal Consultation (One Yarra)

21. Many teams were part of the working group discussions as they were held. Teams involved included Parking, Traffic, Economic Development, Urban Design, and Open Space.

Financial Implications

22. It is noted that in 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 the Council capital works budget allocated \$480k to deliver a number of bicycle related improvements along the corridor. This money was not spent, as the development of the PTV Route 11 DDA compliance project along the route needed to be clearly understood and concepts well developed prior to any Council works being developed. It was also prudent to look to leverage off this external funding when the PTV project is actually being delivered. NB – it has not been progressed too far by PTV at this stage.
23. The current year's Council budget has no allocation. The project could be resubmitted for budget consideration in 2017/2018.
24. It is noted, however, that the resheeting project along Brunswick Street was completed in 2015/2016, resheeting the road pavement between Johnston Street and Gertrude Street. This project was budgeted at \$400,000.
25. Some actions are able to be completed from existing resources.
26. It is also acknowledged that recurring operations budgets are subject to Council adoption each year, and that it is possible that in some years these budgets may be reduced, or eliminated.

Economic Implications

27. Vibrant streetscapes serve the retail and commercial economy in this part of Yarra. Further improvements to the streetscape ambience would be beneficial to the local economy.

Sustainability Implications

28. The vast majority of actions identified by the three working groups would readily address sustainability principles of increasing sustainable transport use, increasing green landscape components, calming traffic, with the overall objective of improving amenity for community members.

Social Implications

29. The vast majority of actions identified by the three working groups have positive social impacts through increasing sustainable transport use, improving accessibility, increasing green landscape components, calming traffic, with the overall objective of improving amenity for community members.

Human Rights Implications

30. There are no known human rights implications in respect to this matter.

Communications with CALD Communities Implications

31. There are no CALD community implications at this stage: when works are proposed, appropriate communications would occur to keep the community informed.

Council Plan, Strategy and Policy Implications

32. All options identified by the Brunswick Street/St Georges Road working groups are broadly consistent with the aims of the Strategic Transport Statement (Refresh 2012), Bicycle Strategy (Refresh 2016) and the Parking Management Strategy. However, not all actions are resourced.

Legal Implications

33. There are no known legal implications.

Other Issues

34. There are no other issues.

Conclusion

35. Over 18 months nearly 40 community members and many members of other stakeholders groups participated in 3 working groups to identify issues, and possible interventions to protect and improve aspects of Brunswick Street/St Georges Road.
36. The workshops have been the beginning of the streetscape masterplan process which has now commenced.
37. It is noted that the process was well received by all participants, especially the community members. However, at this stage, the proposed actions have not been validated by the wider community. It is anticipated that this would occur through subsequent consultation on major projects along the route. Some smaller consultations may also be undertaken regarding particular proposals.
38. Officers have reviewed the proposed actions, and identified opportunities for leveraging off external sources of income to optimise the outcomes for the community to protect and improve safety, amenity and streetscape. A number of discrete capital works projects may be able to be delivered through recurring funding; others would require adoption through the Council capital works budget process; and others may be able to be achieved through external funding from VicRoads, the TAC, or PTV or Yarra Trams.
39. It is recommended that Council note the attached suggested action plan by the working groups for each section of Brunswick Street/St Georges Road; notes that potential capital works projects will be developed for consideration through the 2017/2018 (and subsequent) Council budget consideration processes.
40. Council will be able to further consider the implementation of the actions from Working Group 1 through the Brunswick Street streetscape master plan process which has now commenced.
41. Officers will also seek opportunities to advance the priority proposals from Working Groups 2 and 3 through externally funded programs.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
 - (a) notes the officer report in relation to the three working groups with community members regarding Brunswick Street/St Georges Road;
 - (b) notes the three action plans developed by officers following the Brunswick Street/St Georges Road working groups; and
 - (c) notes that work on a Brunswick Street streetscape masterplan has commenced.
2. That officers:
 - (a) seek external funding for opportunities to implement the priority actions identified by the Working Groups, and continue to advocate to VicRoads and PTV for a number of actions where those agencies can assist or advance outcomes;
 - (b) submit budget bids for Council consideration as future capital works programs to deliver some actions;
 - (c) considers the use of recurring budget funds to deliver some actions;
 - (d) continue to advocate to deliver some actions;
 - (e) report back to Council at the following major milestone points in the program:
 - (i) consideration of the Brunswick Street Streetscape master plan;
 - (ii) consideration of Route 11 DDA compliant tram stops; and
 - (iii) consideration of any potential pop up parks along Brunswick Street/St Georges Road.

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Attachments

- 1 Brunswick Street Working Group 1 Action Table
- 2 Brunswick Street Working Group 2 Action Table
- 3 Brunswick Street Working Group 3 Action Table

Attachment 1 - Brunswick Street Working Group 1 Action Table

Working Group Suggested Action for Investigation	Possible Actions, Officer Comments and Recommendation	Council Officer Priority Rating and Possible Delivery Year	Estimated Cost and Officer Time Requirements	Estimated Externally Sourced Cost and Time Requirements
General Actions				
101. User Data collection				
Collect more information on times and areas of high activity i.e. a survey of parking and activity demand, pedestrian and cycle volumes.	Collecting transport data could provide a baseline on how the street operates, and help to quantify and model changes caused by the proposed tram stop upgrades. It is recommended that Council undertake some data collection in conjunction with PTV <i>as part of the tram upgrade works (refer Action 2)</i> .	Medium Priority Pre Tram Stop Upgrades	\$10,000 Council funding 1-2 weeks of officer's time	Potentially some PTV funding
Tram Actions				
102. Tram Stop Improvements				
Remodel public open spaces associated with tram stop upgrades. Reduce on-street car parking coupled with improved sustainable transport.	Brunswick Street has been highlighted as the next tram route (Route 11) to be upgraded by PTV to include DDA compliant tram stops. The Brunswick Street tram stop upgrades will provide an opportunity at some locations for additional pedestrian space and street furniture. Council could advocate for public space improvements as part of the tram stop upgrades along Brunswick Street. Yarra Trams and PTV have commenced planning for these tram stop upgrades, but have not advised further timelines.	High Priority 2015-2017	Urban design improvement at tram stop \$30,000-\$50,000 each 8-12 weeks of officer's time	Tram stops funded by PTV
103. Tram Lane Enforcement				
Provide better traffic management options to improve the travel performance of trams.	Large sections of Brunswick Street have peak period "No Standing" parking restrictions, which work in tandem with peak period tram only lanes. However, the tram only lanes are ignored by most motorists resulting in long delays to trams with average tram speeds being only 14km/hr. While Council does not have any jurisdiction to enforce the tram only lanes it could advocate with the State Government and police to increase enforcement of intended road operation. It is recommended that Council advocate for increased enforcement of	Very High Priority Ongoing	No capital cost Less than 1 week of officer's time	

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	existing tram only lanes.			
Bicycle Facilities Actions				
104. Improve Cycling Facilities Along Brunswick Street				
Provide consistent cycling conditions (and clearways) along the length of Brunswick Street. Address immediate on-road hazard for bicycle riders.	<p>Council has previously considered a report (in 2013) on various actions to improve cycling on this section of Brunswick Street to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Spot cycling improvements; b) Linemarking, green surface treatment and bicycle facilities renewal as part of the resheeting works on Brunswick Street (Alexandra Parade to Gertrude St complete); c) New bicycle lanes at the Victoria Street intersection; d) Introduction of a 30km/hr trial speed limit; and e) Council resolved to deliver improved cycling facilities on Brunswick Street over a number of years <p>These actions are consistent with the Working Groups suggestions. It is recommended that delivery of these improvements continue as budget allows. Works are planned in the 2014/15 budget.</p>	Variable Priority 2015-2018	\$480,000 allocated in 2017/2018 bicycle budget plus \$400,000 in 2015/2016 for asphalt renewals between Johnston and Gertrude Streets Already budgeted	
105. Footpath Bicycle Parking				
No action suggested by the Working Group.	Bicycle parking on the footpath was upgraded in 2013 with parking hoops and pole vaults installed on existing poles where space was sufficient, approval was provided by adjacent property owners and access was maintained.	Low Priority Investigated as requested by the community	Funded through the existing bicycle budget	

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	It is not recommended that Council investigate further bicycle parking on the footpath unless a location is specifically requested by the public or businesses.			
106. Install bicycle corrals at key locations				
Install bicycle corrals at key locations.	<p>Bicycle corrals are clusters of bike hoops placed within the road carriageway either in unused space or by replacing car parking. They provide bicycle parking facilities when there is insufficient parking available within the footpath.</p> <p>A road safety audit recommended against installing bicycle corrals on Brunswick Street.</p> <p>Council could install bicycle corrals in side streets in the unused space prior to the existing parking without impacting on parking, pedestrian access or safety.</p> <p>It is recommended that bicycle corrals be installed into side streets where appropriate but it is not recommended that corrals are installed onto Brunswick Street.</p> <p>Bicycle corrals could be considered with tram stop upgrade works.</p> <p>A bicycle corral has been included as a part of the 'black length' funding to be confirmed by VicRoads at Rose St.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Ongoing Delivery</p>	<p>\$8,000-10,000 per site</p> <p>1-2 weeks of officers time per site</p>	<p>Subject to funding announcement</p>
107. Improve Napier Street for Cycling				
Consider making Napier Street the premier bicycle commuting route and Brunswick Street a destination route for cyclists.	<p>Napier Street provides a safe and traffic calmed north-south connection running parallel to Brunswick Street, although some cyclists choose not to use it due to delays at signalised crossings.</p> <p>Works were undertaken in 2014/2015 at the Napier Street/Victoria Parade intersection by VicRoads to improve the connectivity at the signalised intersection for southbound cyclists. Linemarking works to</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p>		<p>VicRoads Funding at Victoria Pde</p>

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	<p>compliment these signals were completed by Council in 15/16.</p> <p>Cycling upgrade works have been completed for the intersection of Kerr and Napier Sts, as part of the LATM works delivered in 2015/16.</p>			
Pedestrians Improvements				
108. Threshold treatments				
<p>Build pedestrian threshold treatments at side streets.</p> <p>Distinguish user zones though the use of different materials.</p>	<p>Threshold treatments at side streets involve either raising the road surface with a flat top hump, providing a different surface treatment at the intersection or a pedestrian island.</p> <p>A raised threshold treatment allows improved pedestrian accessibility, reinforces pedestrian priority at side street and slows vehicle speeds but could require costly drainage works.</p> <p>Due to space required for pedestrian islands, the narrow width of the side streets and the proposed kerb outstands, pedestrian islands are not considered appropriate.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>Post Tram Stop Upgrades in conjunction with kerb extensions</p>	<p>\$20,000 per site</p> <p>2 weeks per site</p>	
109. Build Spaces Allowing People to ‘Congregate’				
<p>Increase opportunities for people to ‘congregate’ on Brunswick Street – build space where people actually want to ‘congregate’.</p>	<p>Congregation areas allow people to gather and talk, without blocking the footpath for pedestrian traffic.</p> <p>Due to the relatively narrow width of the Brunswick Street footpath, footpath trading and street furniture, there are few places where congregation can currently occur.</p> <p>Note: It is recommended that congregation areas be provided within proposed kerb extensions along Brunswick Street or via the trial of Parklets (refer to Action 19)</p>	<p>Low Priority</p>	<p>NA</p>	

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109. Conduct an Accessibility Audit of Brunswick Street				
Conduct an accessibility audit for those travelling along the Brunswick Street footpaths.	<p>Accessibility audits provide information of the current provisions for people with low mobility or a disability.</p> <p>An audit could be undertaken for the existing and proposed tram facilities and used to prioritise future upgrades based on funding availability.</p> <p>It is recommended that an audit of the whole street is included as part of the tram stop upgrades.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>Pre Tram Stop Upgrades</p>	<p>2 weeks of officer time.</p>	<p>\$20,000 to engage specialist consultants</p>
110. Footpath Trading				
No action suggested by the Working Group.	<p>Footpath trading is currently allowed on Brunswick Street so long as a minimum of 1.5m of clear space is provided for pedestrian traffic. Due to the large volumes of foot traffic along Brunswick Street the minimum 1.5m clearance could be increased.</p> <p>Some businesses have footpath trading permits that encompass the whole kerb extensions, thus preventing these areas being used for public facilities. A reduction in the amount of kerb extensions area that traders can use could allow public facilities to be installed.</p> <p>It is recommended that a desktop review of the current Brunswick Street footpath trading be undertaken and when permits are renewed.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Post Tram Stop Upgrades</p>	<p>Existing Resources</p> <p>Officer's time</p>	
Urban Design Facilities				
111. Construct Kerb Extensions				
Build kerb extensions which add high-value space.	<p>Kerb extensions into side streets provide additional footpath space allowing the installation of bicycle parking, urban design features, seating open space, landscaping or congregation spaces.</p> <p>Until the design of the tram stop upgrades are finalised it is not recommended that the kerb extensions be installed as they could interfere with the proposed works. Opportunities to install kerb</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>Post Tram Stop Upgrades</p>	<p>\$100,000 per site</p> <p>4-6 weeks of officers time per site</p>	

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	extensions will be reassessed once designs for the tram stops have been confirmed.			
112. Provide Landscaping in Kerb Extensions				
Improve the greenery along Brunswick Street.	<p>There are landscaping and trees in some of the existing side street kerb extensions.</p> <p>Space within the existing and proposed kerb extensions is tight with many competing demands.</p> <p>It is recommended that provision of trees within new kerb extensions be given a high prioritisation when new kerb extension are construction and assessed on a case by case basis.</p>	<p>High Priority</p> <p>Concurrently with new tram stop upgrades.</p>	<p>\$4,000 per site</p> <p>3-4 weeks of officer's time</p>	
113. Plant Trees in Mid-Block Locations on Brunswick Street				
No action suggested by the Working Group.	<p>There are currently no trees located mid-block on Brunswick Street. However, Council planted trees within the footpath between Moor and Gertrude Streets in 2014/15.</p> <p>Peak period no stopping restrictions prevent Council from planting trees in the carriageway however trees could be planted where 24 hour parking is permitted. Provision of trees in the carriageway would typically require a reduction in the number of parking spaces, potentially obstruct visibility at intersections and block business signage.</p> <p>Space within the footpath is limited and there is a high level of demand for the space that is available due to high pedestrian flows and footpath trading. Planting new trees within this space would exacerbate this issue.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p><i>Not Supported at this point</i></p>	<p>\$2,000 per tree</p>	

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	Provision of additional trees within the road carriageway or footpath (except between Moor and Gertrude Streets) is not recommended at this time.			
114. Provide Street Trees in Side Streets				
Install larger trees in side streets.	<p>Approximately half of the side streets don't have street trees. Council has a policy to increase the number of street trees.</p> <p>It is recommended that Council continues to deliver street tree improvements on these streets as part of its street tree program.</p>	Ongoing Rollout	Within current budgets	
115. Installation of Planter Boxes				
Install planter boxes on Brunswick Street. Incorporate planter boxes where possible into café hoardings.	<p>Planter boxes could be installed on Brunswick Street to increase the amount of landscaping and greenery on the street. The most feasible locations for Council to install planter boxes are within the areas which allow parking or on kerb extensions.</p> <p>Currently cafes are able to incorporate landscaping within their footpath trading if they meet their permit requirements. Council could provide planter boxes that could be maintained by an adjacent business.</p> <p>It is not recommended that Council installs planter boxes due to space limitations on Brunswick Street. However they may be able to be installed on side streets.</p>	<p>Very Low Priority</p> <p><i>Not Supported at this point</i></p>	\$1,000 per planter box	
116. Install urban design features including seating, rubbish bins, etc				
Install seating and urban design features that welcome.	Some urban design features along Brunswick Street have been installed in existing kerb extensions. The narrow width of the footpath, existing footpath trading and high pedestrian flows severely limit other	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>Concurrently</p>	\$10-15,000 per kerb extension (addition to	

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	<p>opportunities.</p> <p>The installation of urban design features would need thorough consideration due to limited space. Installation of new kerb extensions will provide new spaces to accommodate these features.</p> <p>The tram stop upgrades may allow the integration of urban design features at some locations. This will need to be confirmed during the design phase.</p> <p>It is recommended that new urban design features be installed within proposed new kerb extensions or where possible at the upgraded tram stops.</p>	with tram stop upgrades	construction cost)	
117. Conduct a Road Furniture Audit				
Conduct an audit of all on-street furniture with an eye for reducing on-street clutter.	<p>An audit would examine existing road furniture provision and could lead to a rationalisation of the existing assets through removal, relocation or the combination of existing assets to free up space along the footpath.</p> <p>It is recommended that an audit be undertaken during the tram stop upgrade works.</p>	Low Priority Concurrently with Tram Stop Upgrades	\$5,000 for removal of any redundant furniture	
118. Pocket Park at King William Street				
Install temporary at King Williams Street	<p>Pocket parks can be provided by removing parking and/or closing a street.</p> <p>Council could seek to remove most or all parking from King William Street adjacent to the Connie Benn Centre and convert it into a pocket park with vehicle access to the existing properties and new seating and park infrastructure</p>	Low Priority 2018/19	\$100,000 10-12 weeks of Officer's	

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	<p>Council has previously been unsuccessful in its proposal to lease land from the Department of Housing to install a temporary pop-up park on King William Street.</p> <p>The Open Space team intend on making a new bid 16/17 should the matter of leasing the land be able to be resolved.</p>			
119. Implement a trial of Parklets on Brunswick Street				
<p>Conduct a trial on Brunswick Street</p>	<p>Parklets would involve the removal of some car parking spaces to provide a seating area that can be used by patrons and the public in the road carriageway that is typically maintained by a business. Parklets are can only be installed where there are no peak period no stopping zones.</p> <p>Parklets could be installed as a trial pilot program to examine the effectiveness of the space reallocation. A similar trial has occurred in Adelaide.</p> <p>Parklets would have the benefit of potentially relocating kerbside trading freeing up the footpath for pedestrians and increasing the activation of the area.</p> <p>It is recommended that Council undertake a pilot parklets program on Brunswick Street.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>Post Tram Stop Upgrades</p>	<p>\$20,000 per converted parking space funded either by Council or businesses</p> <p>Trial \$5,000</p> <p>3-4 weeks of officer's time per space.</p>	<p>Possible business funding</p>
Parking Actions				
120. Develop and Consult on a Parking Plan for Brunswick Street				
<p>Develop and consult on a parking plan for Brunswick</p>	<p>Parking surveys and consultation can help inform Council on the current parking issues along Brunswick Street.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p>	<p>\$5,000</p>	

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Street.	<p>However it is already understood Brunswick Street parking typically operates past capacity for much of the day, so a parking survey is unlikely to offer any new information. The potential for a parking plan to address this issue through increased supply would be limited given that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Any new Council funded off-street parking facilities would need to be justified with a sound financial business case; and b) Council discourages shoppers and employees parking in the residential streets through the use of permit and parking restrictions. <p>On this basis a parking plan is not recommended. Instead it is recommended that a review of the existing parking restrictions take place after the installation of the upgraded tram stops to help optimise parking turnover to suit businesses.</p>	<p>Parking restrictions reviewed as needed</p> <p>Parking Plan Not Supported</p>	<p>3 weeks of Officer's time</p>	
121. Install Additional Accessible Parking Bay for People with Disabilities				
<p>Increase the number of appropriate accessible car parking bays for people with disabilities.</p>	<p>Council's policy is to install accessible parking spaces on shopping strips when requested by the community and when there is sufficient demand.</p> <p>It is recommended that locations for new accessible parking spaces that are suggested by the community are evaluated on a case by case basis. This is in line with Yarra Parking Services procedures.</p>	<p>Medium</p> <p>Review applications when received</p>	<p>Within current accessible parking bay upgrade budget</p> <p>1 week of officer's time per space</p>	
122. Provide consistent cycling conditions (and clearways) along Brunswick Street				
<p>Review the Peak Period No Stopping Provisions</p>	<p>Brunswick St has a mix of peak period no stopping zones and areas where 24 hour parking is permitted.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p>	<p>\$10,000</p>	

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	<p>The peak period no stopping zones allow a prioritised tram only lane and a vehicle lane. The lack of regular enforcement of the tram only lanes negates its effectiveness at reducing delays to trams. The review could consider whether the no stopping areas could be reduced and how effective they are at reducing traffic delays to trams.</p> <p>It is recommended that a review of the peak period no stopping zones be conducted in conjunction with the design of tram stops.</p>	During tram stop planning	<p>Medium</p> <p>2 week of officer's time</p>	
123. Clearer parking restrictions on Brunswick Street				
Make existing parking conditions clearer from the street.	<p>The variability of the current parking restrictions adds to complexity. Simplification of parking restrictions could provide a more user friendly experience.</p> <p>It is recommended that parking restrictions are reviewed after tram stops upgrade works. Yarra Parking Services are supportive of this.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>Post Tram Stop Upgrades</p>	<p>\$5,000</p> <p>Less than 1 week of officer's time</p>	
Traffic Actions				
124. Assess the Impacts of Closing Brunswick Street to Through Traffic				
Conduct an assessment of the impacts on the surrounding network under the scenario of permanently closing Brunswick Street to through traffic. Provide better traffic management options to better the travel performance of trams.	<p>Brunswick Street currently carries approximately 14,000 vehicles each day with a significant amount of traffic using the street for through movements.</p> <p>Any proposal to close Brunswick Street to through traffic would lead to a significant number of vehicles being re-routed onto the surrounding arterial and local road networks. This would require a significant amount of Local Area Traffic Management and the associated assessment, community consultation, evaluation and funding work which would be very significant.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p><i>Not supported in the short to medium term.</i></p>	<p>\$50,000</p> <p>2-3 weeks of officer's time</p>	

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	<p>Major community consultation of any proposal to restrict vehicle access would be required.</p> <p>In theory, closing Brunswick Street to through vehicles could improve level of service and safety for pedestrians, cyclists and tram passengers. It would allow additional road space to be devoted to the pedestrianisation of the strip making crossing the street safer, improving safety for cyclists and allowing higher quality tram stops with more room for waiting passengers and better facilities.</p> <p>Options for closing Brunswick Street to through traffic could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Retaining parking and vehicle access to but force all vehicles on Brunswick St to turn either left or right at all major intersections; b) Only allowing loading delivery access on Brunswick Street similar to Swanston Street; and c) Removing all vehicles similar to the Bourke Street Mall. <p>Closing Brunswick Street to through vehicles would push existing Brunswick Street parking and vehicle movements into the surrounding residential side streets.</p> <p>It is not recommended that Council consider street closure options in the medium term though it could be investigated further in the longer term.</p>			

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125. Origin-Destination Survey of Brunswick Street Vehicles				
Collect information on levels of through traffic vs local access.	<p>An Origin-Destination (O-D) survey counts vehicles using Brunswick Street to ascertain whether they are using the street as a thoroughfare or local street.</p> <p>Council officers know that there is a significant amount of through traffic using Brunswick Street especially during the peak periods. An O-D survey could provide information to allow an educated decision about traffic calming along the street, a reduced traffic speed limit and any future potential street closure for through vehicles.</p> <p>However, an O-D survey is not recommended unless there is a specific desire by Council to close Brunswick Street to through traffic. (See Action 24)</p>	<p>Very Low Priority</p> <p>Not supported at this point</p>	<p>\$10,000</p> <p>1 week of officer's time</p>	
126. Trial a 30km/hr Speed Limit				
No action suggested by the Working Group	<p>A 30km/hr speed limit trial could reduce the 24 injuries that occur each year on Brunswick Street by slowing vehicles to improve reaction times and reduce severity of injuries. A reduced speed limit would help promote cycling, walking on the street and would have negligible impact on trams and vehicle travel times for most of the day. A trial speed reduction could be undertaken in conjunction with the anticipated PTV upgraded tram stops.</p> <p>There are 30km/hr speed limits on Swanston and Acland Street. Council could consider a trial 30km/hr speed limit on Brunswick Street for implementation after the tram stop upgrades.</p>	<p>High Priority</p> <p>In conjunction with tram stop upgrades</p>	<p>\$50,000 depending on the level of traffic calming undertaken</p> <p>Medium</p>	
127. Informal Road Pavement Marking				
Distinguish user zones though	Installation of informal road pavement markings could help identify the	Low Priority	\$100,000	

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the use of different materials.	<p>area as a pedestrianised shopping strip rather than a traffic route. Similar treatments have been used overseas to help redefine shopping strips.</p> <p>Any proposal within the carriageway would need to be reviewed to ensure that it would be safe and legible for all users. Informal road pavements markings would work best in conjunction with formal traffic calming measures.</p> <p>Alternative pavement markings and texturing are recommended for examination as part of the tram stop upgrades.</p>	Concurrently with Tram Stop Upgrades	2-3 weeks of officer's time	
Cultural Works				
128. Car free day or festival on Brunswick St				
Trial a car-free day in a section of Brunswick St – coupled with activities: music, food, markets, buskers, night-time lighting etc.	<p>The 'Brunswick Street Festival' previously operated on Brunswick Street as part of Melbourne Fringe Festival but ended when financial assistance was withdrawn.</p> <p>Yarra Trams has indicated that it will not approve festivals that impact on tram travel, which would severely impact on the viability of any proposed festival as large areas of Brunswick Street would need to remain clear for trams.</p> <p>A car free day or festival on Brunswick Street would require significant budget and resources.</p> <p>The Johnston Street Fiesta currently operates for two days each year and is car free.</p>	<p>Very Low Priority</p> <p><i>Not Supported at this point</i></p>	<p>\$150,000</p> <p>10+ weeks of officer's time</p>	

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	It is not recommended that Council proceeds with a car free day or a new festival at this time.			
129. Install street art and art projects				
Incorporate art in conjunction with other improvement on Brunswick Street.	Public/street art could be investigated on Brunswick Street for integration within proposed kerb extensions or on vacant walls in addition to the existing artworks. Council has a policy to commission murals on existing walls (private and public) that have a history of being vandalised subject to the owner’s approval. It is recommended that Council continues to support painting to reduce graffiti on non-heritage walls.	Low Priority Ongoing evaluation on a site by site basis	\$15,000-30,000 per site 1-2 weeks of Officer’s time	

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General Actions				
201. Public Transport				
Promote public transport to reduce car dependence	<p>Yarra's <i>Strategic Transport Statement (2012-2016)</i> advocates for improved performance of public transport across Melbourne to reduce car trips.</p> <p>VicRoads <i>SmartRoads</i> Road User Hierarchy identifies Brunswick St/St Georges as a Tram Priority Route, however vehicular traffic is given preference. Yarra will continue to advocate for better public transport services and priority with VicRoads, PTV, and the State Government.</p> <p>Yarra Trams propose to install tram zone linemarking near Fitzroy Bowl Club</p> <p>The planned tram stop upgrades to introduce DDA compliant stops on this route, will improve accessibility, boarding times and level of service.</p>	<p>Very High Priority</p> <p>Ongoing delivery</p> <p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p>		<p>N/A</p>
Increase hours of operation, capacity, and frequency of public transport services including late-night and early-morning operations	<p>The introduction of new, larger trams on this route (Route 11) is increasing passenger capacity. The potential rationalisation of stops could contribute to improving tram frequency and punctuality. PTV's <i>Night Network</i> trial provides all night public transport on weekends. There are no frequency improvements planned by Yarra Trams at this stage.</p>	<p>Currently operating</p>		<p>PTV to monitor</p>

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202. Place Making				
Adopt “Merri Village” as name for the area around Holden Street, and create Merri Village branding that connects to the creek	Yarra’s current focus in this vicinity has been the economic development of other shopping villages including North Fitzroy Village at Scotchmer Street. Holden Street is a smaller shopping precinct, and it is not considered that “Merri Village” branding is a council priority.	Not supported		\$40,000 2 weeks of officer time
203. Open Space				
Recognise potential of green space of Linear Park and path on both sides of St George’s Road Provide an alternative for cyclists on the Capital City trail in Linear Park (no recommendation by Working Group)	Linear Park provides a significant open space for residents and visitors engaging in active and passive recreational activities. A Landscape Masterplan for the Inner Circle Railway Linear Park Reserve was developed in 2006 and has been largely implemented. Plans for a dedicated cycle lane on Park Street for use by faster and more confident cyclists has been developed by council officers, to improve the useability and comfort of this section of the Capital City trail for slower cyclists, as well as other users of the path on the western side of St George’s Road.	Landscape Masterplan has been largely implemented. Medium Priority		N/A \$35,000 4 weeks of Officer’s time

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204. Tram Punctuality and Reliability				
<p>Improve tram reliability through increased separation and clear delineation (retain consistent clearway along entire section from Merri Creek to Reid Street and review hours)</p> <p>Optimise signalling priority for trams</p>	<p>Yarra’s sustainable transport goals support improving tram reliability. Peak clearways currently apply on St George’s Road, and VicRoads has advised that it has no current plans to extend the current clearways or to review these hours of operation.</p> <p>Options for improving tram reliability on this route, which would need approval by VicRoads and PTV include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) introducing a peak period tram priority lane (per Smith Street trial) (Currently proposed by Yarra Trams at Fitzroy Bowl Club) b) banning right hand turns c) addressing the main delay point for trams at Alexandra Parade <p>As part of tram stop upgrades, tram reliability may be improved by the introduction of upgraded stops, which have the potential make passenger boarding and alighting faster and rationalisation of existing stops.</p> <p>VicRoads conducts annual Traffic Signalling Route Reviews to improve signalling priority for road users including trams, but no changes have been implemented on this route recently.</p> <p>Yarra to be briefed by VicRoads on signalling review for the Brunswick Street/St George’s Road route.</p>	<p>Very High Priority</p> <p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p>		<p>Funding for line marking/ signage for tram priority lane trial to be provided by Yarra Trams and/or VicRoads. Funding from PTV Trams for tram stop upgrades.</p> <p>N/A</p>

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	<p>Note: Signalling priority for trams currently exists at the following intersections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Alexandra Parade and Brunswick Street b) Scotchmer Street and St Georges Road <p>Holden Street and St Georges Road</p>			
205. Proposed DDA compliant trams stop upgrades				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider reducing tram stops from five to four • Improve amenity and access to new stops • Possible relocation of stops • Integrate tram stops with pedestrian crossings, and attractive public spaces 	<p>PTV is currently investigating implementing level access stops, and rolling low-floor trams to meet accessibility requirements under the Commonwealth <i>Disability Discrimination Act 1992</i> (DDA).</p> <p>The number and location of stops on Route 11 will be reviewed as part of the tram stop upgrades, in addition to the location of signalised pedestrian crossing points.</p> <p>It is anticipated that upgraded stops in this location will be <i>Easy Access</i> rather than <i>Kerb Extension</i> stops to enable VicRoads to maintain clearways.</p> <p>While the implementation of <i>Easy Access</i> stops will create less opportunity to incorporate urban design improvements, due to clearways, it is recommended that potential improvements be identified, and implemented in partnership with Yarra Trams as part of the design.</p>	High Priority		<p>Funding from Yarra Trams as part of stop upgrades</p> <p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p>

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Bicycle Actions				
206. Bicycle parking				
<p>Increase bicycle parking outside Piedimonte’s Supermarket at North Fitzroy Village (whilst retaining current levels of car parking)</p> <p>Increase bicycle parking at shopping villages</p>	<p>Piedimonte’s Supermarket is a very busy shopping hub. The bicycle parking has recently been upgraded and now includes bicycle parking for 30 bikes.</p> <p>An audit of bicycle parking along the St George’s Road shopping strips is recommended, and will be prioritised against other shopping strips within Yarra.</p>	<p>High Priority</p> <p>Low Priority 2017/18</p>	<p>Completed</p> <p>Estimate of \$20,000 for new hoops</p> <p>8 weeks of officer’s time.</p>	
207. Increase Bicycle Mode Share				
<p>Promote cycling to reduce car dependence</p>	<p><i>Yarra’s Bicycle Strategy 2010-15</i> establishes cycling as a legitimate first choice of transport by people of all ages and cycling abilities.</p> <p>While not endorsed by the City of Yarra, VicRoads <i>SmartRoads</i> Road User Hierarchy identifies St Georges Road as a Bicycle Priority Route. Officers will continue to advocate to VicRoads to implement cycling infrastructure, and enhance cycle safety on VicRoads managed roads, while providing facilities on local streets.</p>	<p>Very High Priority</p> <p>High Priority</p>		<p>N/A</p>

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Upgrade the signalised crossing point at St George’s Road in Linear Park	There is potential for improving bicycle facilities and safety as part of tram stop upgrades. This crossing, which connects to the Capital City cycle trail, has been identified as a priority for upgrade, requiring widening to increase bicycle and pedestrian capacity, and line marking to delineate between users.	Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV	\$100,000 if funded by Yarra, and 12-16 weeks of officer’s time.	Possible funding from Yarra Trams for tram stop upgrades.
Pedestrians Improvements				
209. Increase walking mode share				
Promote walking to reduce car dependence	Yarra’s <i>Strategic Transport Statement (2012-2016)</i> encourages walking. Actions in this report will contribute to this aim.	High Priority	Ongoing	
210. Improve Wayfinding signage in Holden Street precinct				
Improve wayfinding signage to Merri Creek, and connection to Holden Street Neighbourhood House	The current line marking and signage to the Merri Creek near the Miller Street intersection, is faded and in need of renewal. Access to Holden Street Neighbourhood House is currently via a short walk from Holden Street, or through Linear Park Reserve. Wayfinding signage in this location would not fit with Yarra’s Streetscape Signage Policy, which aims to minimize visual clutter.	Medium Priority Not supported	\$1,000 for signage and 1 day of officer’s time	\$3,000
211. Improve pedestrian safety and amenity				
Improve pedestrian amenity outside of Piedmonte’s Supermarket (no recommendation by Working Group)	An upgrade of the pedestrian space in the area immediately outside the supermarket entrance has recently occurred. The installation of a pedestrian crossing was not possible in this phase of construction due to lack of funding for improved public lighting. The design of the bicycle parking has taken into account future pedestrian crossing plans.	Medium Priority	\$60k 4 weeks of officer time	

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Urban Design Facilities				
214. Enhance urban design features e.g. seating and landscaping				
Reevaluate the use of open space outside Piedmonte’s Supermarket and in North Fitzroy Village, including seating, landscaping and pedestrian amenity	<p>The footpath outside Piedmonte’s Supermarket and in the surrounding precinct is narrow and not conducive to the installation of additional seating or landscaping.</p> <p>Piedmonte’s corner park could be better activated and has scope for a number of urban design improvements. A design for the full re-development of the park was developed in 2011, however, due to the cost of construction it has not progressed.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Not supported at this point</p>	<p>\$300,000 park re-development</p>	
Review location and style of street furniture in Holden Street precinct	<p>It is recommended that an audit of existing street furniture be undertaken post the tram stop upgrades to rationalise existing assets, and assess where new furniture may be needed.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p>	<p>1-2 weeks of staff time</p>	
Add seating in Linear Park and path	<p>Yarra’s <i>Strategic Transport Statement (2012-2016)</i> recognises that providing more seating along pedestrian routes encourages walkers. Seating in Linear Park is considered adequate.</p>	<p>Not supported at this point</p>	<p>\$2,500 per seat</p>	
Incorporate planting at small meeting spaces adjacent to St George’s Rd e.g. the south-west intersection of St George’s Road and Barkly St	<p>It is considered that there is generally insufficient space for additional planting on the footpaths.</p> <p>The possibility of Federal Government ‘black length’ funding to implement threshold treatments and kerb extensions at side streets on this route, would allow landscaping to be investigated, where it is appropriate.</p>	<p>Not supported</p> <p>Low Priority</p>		

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Parking Actions				
215. Impact of future developments on street parking				
Ensure that new developments do not impact on availability of on-street parking	<p>Minimum off-street car parking requirements are mandatory for new developments under the <i>Victorian Planning Provisions</i>. Council can exercise its discretionary power to waive minimum car parking requirements depending on public transport, bicycle, walking, and car-share facilities.</p> <p>From 2003, council banned parking permits for new sub-divided properties in an attempt to relieve pressure on on-street parking.</p>	Ongoing		
216. Parking restrictions and demand management				
<p>Undertake a review of parking restrictions in shopping villages to accommodate varied demand at different times of the day and across the week. Rather than introducing paid parking consider introducing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional short term parking such as 5/10/15 min zones (drop off and pick up) • Additional disabled parking but with shorter time restrictions 	<p>Yarra’s Internal Parking Committee continually considers requests for parking changes from residents and traders. Parking Services also conducts area studies to review parking as guided by traffic management.</p> <p>It is also anticipated that additional short term parking will be implemented on completion of the North Fitzroy hub (and library) in St George’s Road.</p> <p>A change or an upgrade to disability parking in Yarra requires consultation with council’s Disability Advisory Committee. If a trial of a shorter time restriction were to occur, it would also be necessary to consult with affected businesses.</p> <p>The experience of Yarra’s Parking Services, indicates that the 2 hour time limit that currently applies to disabled parking within Yarra is appropriate. This also applies where patrons with disability permits, are</p>	Ongoing	Existing operations	

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	permitted to park in an ordinary space for 2 hours.			
Traffic Actions				
217. Signal phasing and Lane Allocation				
<p>Review signal phasing and lane allocation on approaches in order to reduce conflict at key intersections, particularly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holden Street Reid Street/Alfred Crescent Scotchmer Street (less urgent) 	<p>The following conflicts have been observed at these intersections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At Holden and Scotchmer Streets, there are delays for through traffic in both directions sharing a lane with traffic turning right onto St George’s Road The Reid/Street Alfred Crescent intersection poses particular safety issues for vulnerable road users with crash statistics indicating that there have been six collisions (four involving cyclists) over the last five years. This would warrant investigation for VicRoads ‘black spot’ funding for 16/17. Council has previously considered a proposal for a signalised crossing at this intersection; however, it was not supported as there was concern that it would increase traffic on local streets. <p>It is the responsibility of VicRoads to alter signalling and lane allocation Officers will work with VicRoads for ongoing improvements, particularly at the Reid Street/Alfred Crescent intersection.</p>	<p>Variable priority</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Medium priority</p>	<p>2-3 weeks of officer time</p>	
218. Introduce a 40km/hr speed limit on St George Road				
<p>Reduce the speed limit between Merri Creek and Reid Street on St George’s Road from 60km/hr to 40km/hr</p>	<p>All local streets in Yarra currently have a 40km/hr speed limit. A trial 30km/hr speed limit has been proposed for some local streets in Yarra pending community consultation.</p> <p>Lower speed limits create a safer environment and encourage more people to walk and ride with general research indicating that a 40km/hr speed limit significantly reduces cycle crashes.</p>	<p>High Priority</p>		<p>Subject to VicRoads ‘black length’ funding submission</p>

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	VicRoads is considering a submission to the Federal Government for 'black length' funding to introduce a 40km/hr speed limit (24 hours) for Brunswick Street North and St George's Road.			
219. Shared traffic zones and Taplin St access				
<p>Formalise shared zones in Best Street and Taplin Street, and reduce speed limits to 20km/hr</p> <p>Block access to Taplin Street from St George's Road</p>	<p>Shared traffic zones are appropriate for streets with a high number of pedestrians, and a low number of vehicle movements or specific conflicts, and have lower speed limits such as 10km/hr.</p> <p>Best and Taplin Streets have not been considered under Yarra's <i>Local Area Traffic Management Studies (LATMS)</i>, and it is not recommended that changes are made outside of this process.</p> <p>Blocking vehicle access to Taplin Street from St George's Road would re-distribute traffic into surrounding streets, and would need to be considered as part of a wider LATM's process.</p>	Not supported	<p>Design: \$50k</p> <p>Delivery:</p> <p>Best St - \$200k Taplin St - \$500k (full length)</p> <p>12- 16 weeks of officer time.</p>	
Public Works				
220. Amenity and safety improvements				
Install toilets near Linear Park and path playground (east of the Linear Park crossing)	<p>The Linear Park Landscape Masterplan recommended considering a new toilet within, or within close proximity to Linear Park. During the consultation concerns were raised that a toilet would be visually intrusive and attract anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Yarra's Urban Design Unit is currently developing a Toilets Policy, which will consider the design and location of toilets across Yarra. It is therefore recommended that any action await the completion of this policy.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Not supported</p>	The cost of installing one single unit self- cleaning toilet is \$380,000	

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<p>Improve lighting along the Linear Park path</p> <p>Upgrade cycle priority intersections in Linear Park</p>	<p>There is no future funding allocated to the installation of new toilets.</p> <p>Lighting levels within the park, particularly along the shared pathway vary depending on the surrounding street light spill.</p> <p>The priority crossing at Amess Street and planned priority crossing at Bowen Crescent (to be completed September 2016) increase the need for consistency. The current road and rail track conditions are in need of renewal, and it is recommended that they are upgraded to priority crossings.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>High Priority</p>	<p>\$530,000 for the full length of Linear park shared path</p> <p>Approx. \$60,000 at each intersection</p>	
Cultural Works				
221. Install street art and art projects				
<p>Incorporate murals and other artwork for small meeting spaces adjacent to St George’s Road e.g. south-west corner of Barkly St intersection</p> <p>Improve public artwork in Holden Street precinct</p>	<p>The Yarra <i>Percent for Art</i> scheme applies to any new community or renewal of infrastructure projects over \$1 million, where 1% will be set aside for arts infrastructure.</p> <p>Mural or street art commissions are an effective means of improving amenity.</p> <p>Identification of sites and permissions would be required, for murals on walls on private properties. It is recommended that sites with significant graffiti are prioritised to counter illegal tagging.</p> <p>Yarra does not have a dedicated public art budget, however, If urban design or open space upgrades are proposed for the precinct, public art could be considered as part of the project, with a co-funding arrangement.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Low Priority</p>	<p>\$6,000-30,000</p>	

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<p>Add artwork to Linear Park and path</p>	<p>As a highly visible, prominent site utilized by diverse commuters and residents, it would be an ideal site for a public artwork, whether pavement treatment, sculptural, lighting or functional artworks (seating or canopies etc.)</p> <p>Community consultation would be an important consideration, in addition to safety, including signage and access requirements on this narrow pathway.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p>	<p>\$25,000 plus</p>	

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General Actions				
301. Active transportation				
<p>Work with schools to promote and facilitate active travel to school</p>	<p>Yarra's <i>Strategic Transport Statement (2012-2016)</i> encourages walking and cycling.</p> <p>Yarra also actively promotes Bicycle Network's annual <i>Ride2School, Walk to School Day</i> and <i>Walk or Wheels (WOW)</i> (not exclusively in the Brunswick Street corridor) to encourage school based active transport. In 16/17 Yarra will engage 4 pilot schools for the 'Activate' program which encourages schools to undertake travel planning.</p> <p>Yarra will continue as a partner for <i>Walk to School and Ride2School Day</i> in 2016/17.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	<p>In 2016/17 \$20,000 provided by Yarra,</p>	<p>Dependant on continued VicHealth funding</p> <p>\$10,000 by VicHealth</p>
302. Public Transport				
<p>Advocate for State Government to improve public transport via increased frequency, reduced travel times, and reliability</p>	<p>Yarra's <i>Strategic Transport Statement</i> advocates for improved performance of public transport to reduce car trips.</p> <p>VicRoads <i>SmartRoads</i> Road User Hierarchy identifies Brunswick St/ St Georges as a Tram Priority Route, however vehicular traffic impacts on tram speed. Yarra will continue to advocate for better public transport services with VicRoads, PTV, and the State Government.</p> <p>The planned tram stop upgrades to introduce DDA compliant stops on this route, will improve accessibility, boarding times and level of service.</p> <p>The introduction of new, larger trams on this route (Route 11) is increasing passenger capacity. The potential rationalisation of stops could contribute to improving tram frequency and punctuality.</p>	<p>Very High Priority</p> <p>Ongoing</p>		<p>N/A</p>

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303. Sustainable Transport				
<p>Work with sporting groups to promote and facilitate car-pooling and car-free travel to Edinburgh Gardens</p> <p>Promote car share businesses</p>	<p>There are parking pressures around the Edinburgh Gardens precinct and Council encourages sustainable transport to the area.</p> <p>A Yarra Community Grants program provides funding to the Edinburgh Cricket Club Estate Program, for free Myki cards for children from the Fitzroy Housing Estates to travel to Edinburgh Gardens by tram.</p> <p>Yarra supports car-sharing to reduce parking demand, congestion, and lower rates of car ownership. In 2015 Yarra had 128 car share spaces, which were used by 2,500 active members.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Low Priority</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	<p>N/A</p>
304. Open Space				
<p>Encourage developers to incorporate public open space at new development sites</p>	<p>Yarra's <i>Municipal Strategic Statement</i> identifies the need for new residential developments to contribute to the provision of public open. The current mandated open space contribution for developments in Yarra is 4.5% in land, volume or cash contributions.</p> <p>Cash contributions are used for new parks including pocket parks, upgrades to existing parks or purchasing land for new parks.</p>	<p>High Priority 2016/17</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>N/A</p>
305. Advertising Guidelines				
<p>Review existing guidelines regarding current visual, and any future audio advertising in Yarra particularly:</p> <p>a) Tram stops</p> <p>b) Sporting clubs</p>	<p>Visual advertising at tram stops is the responsibility of Yarra Trams; however, its implementation has generally been guided by council input. There is currently no audio advertising at tram stops, but Yarra Trams have flagged this as a future option.</p> <p>Yarra's Local Planning Scheme includes an <i>Advertising Signs Policy</i>, which applies to all permit applications for advertising signs or for development, which incorporates an advertising sign. Advertising in areas</p>	<p>Very Low Priority</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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	<p>within a heritage overlay must also comply with specific conditions.</p> <p>The current policy is considered to be adequate to balance the competing demands of information provision vs visual clutter. Any future policy updates to include audio advertising, would most likely be led by a change to the State wide planning provisions in the first instance.</p>			
Tram Actions				
306. Tram Movement				
<p>Work with VicRoads to prioritise trams over cars on the Brunswick Street/ St George’s Road corridor</p>	<p>VicRoads <i>SmartRoads</i> Road User Hierarchy identifies Brunswick St/ St Georges as a Tram Priority Route, yet, trams are given very little priority. Options for improving tram reliability on this route include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) introducing a peak period tram priority lane (per Smith Street trial) b) banning right hand turns c) addressing the main delay point for trams at Alexandra Parade <p>Extending clearway hours would be contentious as it would involve the removal of parking.</p> <p>All of these improvements would need approval by VicRoads, PTV and/or Yarra Trams. Yarra will continue to advocate with these agencies for the provision of better public transport services.</p> <p>Yarra Trams are considering a peak period lane at the Fitzroy Bowl Club</p>	<p>Very High Priority</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Potential funding for line marking/ signage for tram priority lane trial to be provided by Yarra Trams and/or VicRoads</p> <p>Yarra Trams</p>

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	<p>where the cycle lane is discontinuous.</p> <p>There is also potential for improving cycle lane delineation and cyclist safety as part of future tram stop upgrades.</p>	<p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p>		<p>Funding from Yarra Trams for tram stop upgrades.</p>
308. Enabling priority for cyclists				
<p>Work with VicRoads to prioritise bicycles over cars on the Brunswick Street/ St George’s Road corridor</p>	<p>VicRoads <i>SmartRoads</i> Road User Hierarchy identifies Brunswick Street/ St Georges Road as a Bicycle Priority Route, yet get little priority.</p> <p>Some existing measure such as VicRoads’ head-start signalling for cyclists at the intersection of Brunswick Street and Alexandra contributes to safer cycling.</p> <p>Council will continue to work with VicRoads to implement cycling infrastructure, and enhance cycle priority on this corridor.</p>	<p>High Priority</p> <p>Ongoing</p>		<p>N/A</p>
Pedestrians Improvements				
309. Review location of pedestrian crossing points with the introduction of DDA compliant tram stops				
<p>Work with PTV and Yarra Trams to review location of pedestrian crossings as part of tram stop upgrades</p>	<p>Yarra Trams is currently investigating the implementation of level access stops, in partnership with the roll-out of low-floor trams, to meet accessibility requirements under the Commonwealth <i>Disability Discrimination Act 1992</i> (DDA).</p> <p>The design and location of the existing signalised pedestrian crossings will be reviewed as part of the planned tram stop upgrades.</p>	<p>High Priority</p> <p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p>		<p>N/A</p>

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310. Install raised pedestrian crossings				
<p>Investigate the installation of raised pedestrian crossings at the following intersections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Newry Street/Brunswick Street b) York Street/ Brunswick Street c) St Georges Rd/ Brunswick Street d) Brunswick Street North/ St Georges Rd 	<p>Raised pedestrian crossings slow traffic approaching intersections at side streets and improve safety for pedestrians.</p> <p>VicRoads is considering a submission to the Federal Government for 'black length' funding to install raised pedestrian crossings at side street intersections and has Yarra support.</p>	<p>High Priority</p>	<p>If funded by council, \$15,000 to \$25,000 per treatment depending on the site</p>	<p>Potential Federal Government 'black length' funding</p>
Urban Design Facilities				
311. Enhance current landscaping and increase mature tree planting in Edinburgh Gardens precinct				
<p>Enhance landscape quality of Edinburgh Gardens precinct and extend this landscape quality further south on Brunswick Street and surrounds</p>	<p>Edinburgh Gardens is an important and highly-utilised open green space within Yarra. A Masterplan guiding development is in effect for the northern part of the Gardens.</p> <p>Yarra's Open Space team has been undertaking new tree planting in the Gardens including replacing the older elms with new trees such as lemon scented gums.</p> <p>Areas further south of Edinburgh Gardens have undergone new</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Guided by Masterplan</p>	<p>Existing Budget</p>	

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Plant more mature trees and improve the quality of existing trees	<p>landscaping such as in the median islands at the intersection of Brunswick and Newry Streets.</p> <p>The possibility of new kerb extensions on side streets along this route, if funded by VicRoads, will allow opportunities for new landscaping. Without kerb extensions It is difficult to extend landscaping, due to the narrowness of the footpaths in this precinct.</p> <p>Street trees will be planted in the section of Brunswick St between St Georges Rd South and Reid St, North Fitzroy in FY 2017/18.</p>		Existing street tree budget	
312. Installation of kerb outstands and median islands at key intersections				
<p>Investigate opportunities to improve urban design via the installation of kerb outstands and median islands at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Newry Street/Brunswick Street b) York Street/ Brunswick Street c) St Georges Rd/ Brunswick Street d) Brunswick Street North/ St Georges Rd 	<p>Kerb outstands provide additional footpath space allowing the installation of urban design features, landscaping, seating and bicycle parking. Median islands make road crossing safer by providing a mid-way point for pedestrians.</p> <p>Planning is underway to modify existing splitter islands at the southern and northern approaches, and construct kerb extensions at the intersection of Reid and Brunswick Street North.</p> <p>The possibility of new kerb extensions on side streets along this route, if funded by VicRoads, will allow opportunities for landscaping and urban design improvements at the other intersections.</p>	<p>High Priority</p> <p>In Planning by VicRoads</p>		<p>\$80,000 Federal Government Black Spot funding</p> <p>Potential Federal Government 'black length' funding</p>

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313. Enhance vegetation at key sites				
Advocate for PTV to improve vegetation as part of tram stop upgrades	<p>Kerb Extension tram stops may allow space for vegetation, but it is not anticipated that this type of stop will be constructed.</p> <p>It is recommended that potential improvements be identified in partnership with PTV as part of the tram stop upgrades.</p>	Medium Priority		N/A
Introduce more vegetation at the North Fitzroy Bowling Club interface	<p>The North Fitzroy Bowling Club is located in a precinct which already has significant vegetation including Edinburgh Gardens, the Brunswick Street Oval and plantings in the median island.</p> <p>In addition, increasing the amount of vegetation in this location is not recommended as it creates line of sight issues for southbound traffic and compromises road safety.</p>	<p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p> <p>Not supported</p>		Funding from PTV for urban design as part of stop upgrades
<p>Investigate opportunities to provide additional vegetation at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Newry Street/ Brunswick Street b) York Street/ Brunswick Street c) St Georges Rd/ Brunswick Street 	<p>The possibility of new kerb extensions on side streets along this route, if funded by VicRoads, could allow opportunities for landscaping and new vegetation.</p>	Medium Priority		Potential Federal Government 'black length' Funding

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d) Brunswick Street North/ St Georges Rd				
314. Improve and provide additional seating				
<p>Advocate for PTV to improve seating as part of tram stop upgrades</p> <p>Provide more seating in general to encourage walking by residents of all ages and abilities</p>	<p>The proposed tram stop upgrades provide an opportunity to upgrade existing seating at tram stops. It is recommended that potential improvements be identified in partnership with Yarra Trams.</p> <p>New seating will continue to be installed on a needs basis and as budgets allow.</p>	<p>High priority</p> <p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p>		<p>Funding from Yarra Trams for urban design as part of stop upgrades</p>
315. Water Sensitive Urban Design				
<p>Develop a consistent tree square design incorporating water sensitive urban design and regularly maintain</p>	<p>Design to encourage passive irrigation to allow stormwater to get in rather than blocking off around trees.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p>	<p>No cost</p>	
316. New developments and streetscape improvements				
<p>Work with developers to improve the general streetscape, particularly kerb outstands, sculptures, murals and pocket parks</p>	<p>The State Government is currently considering changes to Victoria’s planning scheme to introduce a local government contribution scheme, which could require developers to contribute to streetscape and community facilities in a similar way to open space.</p> <p>Currently, Yarra negotiates for streetscape improvements with developers, on an aspirational basis.</p>	<p>Medium Priority</p> <p>Ongoing</p>		<p>N/A</p>

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Parking Actions				
317. New developments and off-street parking				
Ensure that all new developments provide off-street parking with no exemptions	<p>From 2003, council banned parking permits for new sub-divided properties in an attempt to relieve pressure on on-street parking.</p> <p>Minimum off-street car parking requirements are outlined for new developments under the <i>Victorian Planning Provisions</i>. Council can exercise its discretionary power to waive minimum car parking requirements depending on public transport, bicycle, walking, and car-share facilities. It is recommended that this practice continues.</p>	Ongoing		N/A
318. Parking restrictions and demand management				
<p>Make all on-street parking time-restricted or permit only</p> <p>Avoid introducing metered parking for residents</p> <p>Restrict the number of new residential parking permits issued</p>	<p>One of Yarra’s parking principles states that there should no unrestricted on-street parking spaces in Yarra.</p> <p>Some unrestricted parking still exists in this corridor, typically where Council has made a decision that it is necessary, or where there is insufficient support from residents for new restrictions. Yarra continues to convert unrestricted parking to restricted parking when requested and supported by the community.</p> <p>There are no plans to introduce metered parking on residential streets or in nearby shopping villages.</p> <p>From the 1st of January 2015, Yarra reduced the number of on-street parking permits for new residents who lease or buy a property in Yarra from three to two.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Ongoing</p>		

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319. Increase parking supply				
Identify opportunities to increase parking supply via angle and/or line marking	The provision of additional parking is not recommended due to general space constraints, reduced visibility at intersections, and as part of council’s strategy to reduce car dependence.	Low priority Not supported		N/A
320. Relocate food vans inside Edinburgh Gardens				
Investigate opportunities to move food vans from St George’s Rd adjacent to the Edinburgh Gardens to the carpark area inside the Edinburgh Gardens	It is understood that concerns were raised regarding patrons of food vans blocking footpath access. The car park with Edinburgh Gardens has been designated for removal as part of the development of the nearby North Fitzroy Hub. <i>Yarra’s Mobile Food Vehicle</i> Guidelines stipulate that “residential amenity should not be unreasonably compromised by the operation of a mobile food vehicle”. Council officers regularly monitor the operation of food vans to ensure compliance.	Not supported		N/A
Traffic Actions				
321. Traffic improvement measures				
Deliver traffic management measures that improve safety for vulnerable road users (bicycles, pedestrians and motorcycles) particularly a) Brunswick Street/ Reid St intersection	Planning is underway to modify existing splitter islands at the southern and northern approaches, and construct kerb extensions at the intersection of Reid and Brunswick Street North. The signalised pedestrian crossing at the North Fitzroy Bowls Club has been highlighted as a significant pedestrian safety concern, with reports of vehicles running red lights. Council officers are liaising with VicRoads on this matter.	Very High Priority In planning by VicRoads		TAC Funding Federal Government Black Spot funding Funding from PTV as part of stop

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<p>b) Pedestrian crossing at North Fitzroy Bowls Club on Brunswick Street</p> <p>c) Brunswick Street North/ St George’s Rd intersection</p> <p>d) Brunswick Street/ Newry Street intersection</p>	<p>The design and location of this crossing may be re-assessed as part of the tram stop upgrades, with potential to enhance cyclist and pedestrian safety.</p> <p>VicRoads is considering a submission to the Federal Government for “Black Lengths” funding including the construction of pedestrian crossings and kerb outstands at the Brunswick Street North/St George’s Road intersection and at Brunswick Street and Newry Street.</p>	<p>Delivery timetable yet to be advised by PTV</p>		<p>upgrades</p> <p>Potential Federal Government ‘black length’ Funding</p>
322. Introduce a 40km/hr speed limit				
<p>Advocate for VicRoads to reduce speed limit to 40km/hr along the whole of the Brunswick Street/ St George’s Rd corridor</p>	<p>Lower speed limits create a safer environment and encourage more people to walk and ride, with general research indicating that a 40km/hr speed limit can significantly reduce crashes, and the severity of injuries.</p> <p>VicRoads is considering a submission to the Federal Government for “Black Lengths” funding to introduce a 40km/hr speed limit (24 hours) for Brunswick Street North and St George’s Road.</p>	<p>High Priority</p>		<p>Potential Federal Government ‘black length’ Funding</p>
Public Works				
323. Relocate overhead power lines				
<p>Bundle power lines or relocate underground to remove conflict with large trees, reduce visual clutter, and allow maintenance access to historic facades</p>	<p>The relocation of power lines is the responsibility of CitiPower who have advised that in order to even give an indicative figure there would be a cost associated with opening a file.</p>	<p>Low Priority</p> <p>Not supported</p>	<p>Financially prohibitive</p>	

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Traders' Actions				
324. Activate new and disused retail spaces				
<p>Work with property owner's to install pop-up shops and/or activate disused retail windows</p> <p>Develop design guidelines for street furniture used in street trading</p>	<p>This precinct does not have a high number of businesses or significant vacancy rates. Yarra's Economic Development Unit is focusing on strategies to assist Yarra's Major Activity Centres.</p> <p>Yarra currently has Guidelines for Footpath Trading, but not design guidelines per se. Council is not in favour of restricting the design of street furniture as it limits aesthetics, and would require additional enforcement.</p> <p>No further action is recommended.</p>	<p>Not supported</p> <p>Not supported</p>		
Cultural Works				
325. Install street art and encourage art projects				
<p>Introduce more artwork at North Fitzroy Bowling Club interface</p> <p>Install more street art and/or artistic lighting</p>	<p>A mural by well-known local artist Makatron was created on the façade along Brunswick Street and south wall facing WT Peterson Oval in December 2015. This was a successful outcome at what was considered a hot spot for ongoing graffiti.</p> <p>No further action is recommended at this site.</p> <p>Street art or mural commissions are dependent on suitable sites, gaining permissions from owners if on private property, and suitable funding.</p> <p>Council's <i>Public Art Policy 2015-20</i> identifies temporary art sites as a priority, and the Queen Victoria Plinth in Edinburgh Gardens would be one potential location for such a rotating and site responsive program. As there is no dedicated public art budget, these potential projects would need to be integrated into a relevant capital work project.</p>	<p>Completed</p>		<p>Already budgeted</p> <p>Street art: \$5k-\$15k</p> <p>Lighting: \$15k - \$40k</p>

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Continue to encourage residents to commission and maintain artwork on their own properties as part of a strategy to discourage tagging	A Mural FAQ was recently produced and is available to give information to property owners about the processes for commissioning murals.			Ongoing staff resources across the organisation