



Ordinary Meeting of Council Minutes

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1. Acknowledgement of Country

“Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and true sovereigns of the land now known as Yarra.

We acknowledge their creator spirit Bunjil, their ancestors and their Elders.

We acknowledge the strength and resilience of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung, who have never ceded sovereignty and retain their strong connections to family, clan and country despite the impacts of European invasion.

We also acknowledge the significant contributions made by other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to life in Yarra.

We pay our respects to Elders from all nations here today—and to their Elders past, present and future.”

1. A. Announcements

Firstly, I am pleased to share news from the Royal Historical Society of Victoria that David Langdon, longstanding President of the Richmond and Burnley Historical Society and a member of Yarra’s Heritage Advisory Committee, has been recognised for his major contribution to heritage with a RHSV Award of Merit for 2020.

Mr Langdon has been President of the RBHS for well over 10 years and Secretary for over 10 years. He has played a major role in research, managing, cataloguing and protecting the wealth of historical records of the Society to record Richmond’s lengthy political, cultural and social history. He has promoted history walks and talks for local schools and organised meetings on a multitude of historical topics covering Aboriginal settlement, the history of Richmond and Richmond identities, the origin of local place names, and led the project for digitisation of the Richmond City Council Rate Books. He recently identified the police record for the storage of New Kelly’s armour at our Richmond Police Station on Kelly’s transfer to Melbourne Gaol.

Mr Langdon joins another Yarra resident, Dr Judith Biddington being awarded a RHSV Award of Merit in 2019. Dr Biddington played a major role researching history for the Carlton area and initiated the Carlton Community History Group (CCHG) in 2006 as was its inaugural President.

Instrumental in interviewing, researching recording and digitising oral histories of the Carlton area, Dr Biddington also undertook ground breaking research on Georgio Mangiamele, an Italian/Australian photographer and filmmaker who made a unique contribution to the production of Australian art cinema in the 1950s and 1960s.

Dr Biddington has initiated a series of historical publications: on the Women of Davis Street, North Carlton, supporting women’s suffrage in Victoria; the history of Rathdowne Village; Carlton Voices; and other local history documentation through the CCHG.

On behalf of the Yarra City Council, I’m pleased to congratulate both David Langdon and Dr Judith Biddington on being worthy recipients of RHSV Awards of Merit for their outstanding contributions to researching and recording local history in the City Yarra

Secondly, I wanted to acknowledge the significant birthday of former Yarra councillor, Dale Smedley, who turned 70 yesterday and, on behalf of the Council, wish him a happy birthday.

2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence

Attendance

Councillors

- Cr Danae Bosler (Mayor)
- Cr Misha Coleman (Deputy Mayor)
- Cr Mi-Lin Chen Yi Mei
- Cr Jackie Fristacky
- Cr Bridgid O'Brien
- Cr Amanda Stone

Council officers

- Vijaya Vaidyanath (Chief Executive Officer)
- Ivan Gilbert (Group Manager Chief Executive's Office)
- Felicity Macchion (Acting Director Community Wellbeing)
- Gracie Karabinis (Group Manager People and Culture)
- Chris Leivers (Director City Works and Assets)
- Mark Montague (Acting Director Corporate, Business and Finance)
- Bruce Phillips (Director Planning and Place Making)
- Rhys Thomas (Senior Governance Advisor)
- Mel Nikou (Governance Officer)

Apologies

- Cr Stephen Jolly
- Cr Daniel Nguyen
- Cr James Searle

Councillor Bosler arrived at 7.02pm

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

Nil

4. Confidential business reports

Nil

5. Confirmation of minutes

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 19 May 2020 be confirmed.

CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Thursday 21 May 2020 be confirmed.

CARRIED

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Nil

6. Petitions and joint letters

6.1 Petition - Traffic Calming Measures for Palmer Street and Fleet Street, Fitzroy

Reference: D20/97439

A petition from residents containing 32 signatures request that Council consider implementing traffic calming measures in Palmer Street, Fitzroy as well as Fleet Street, Fitzroy urgently.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor O'Brien

That the petition be received and referred to the appropriate officer for consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Public question time

This record is provided as a summary of the questions asked by members of the public during Public Question Time at a meeting of the Yarra City Council. A recording of the Council Meeting (including Public Question Time) is available on Council's website for twelve months following the meeting. Where a question is taken on notice and unable to be answered at the meeting, the full response is also published on Council's website when it becomes available.

7.1 Jeremy Lawrence – Pricing and Subsidy of Parking

Questions:

Introduction: At the Council meeting on 19th May 2020 I asked two questions about the pricing and subsidy of parking, and was pleased to hear that the Council response included reference to the terms "affordability", "equity" and "fairness", because I believe that applying the adopted Pricing Policy 2019 would improve outcomes in all those areas. However, I'm not sure if Council and ratepayers have a common understanding of what those terms mean. As context, note that access to safe walking and cycling routes for transport is a function of how much street space is allocated away from on-street parking, and how much revenue is available from on-street parking to be invested in safe travel infrastructure.

Question #1: Does Council regard the terms "affordability", "equity" and "fairness" to mean "low cost access to on-street car storage, irrespective of people's income", or does Council regard them to mean something else, such as "people who can't drive or can't afford to drive, such as children, young home buyers, people on low incomes, or seniors, can still access safe walking or cycling routes to school, work or the shops"?

Question #2: Does "equity" refer to the 2010 audit report from the Victorian Auditor-General's Office, titled "Fees and Charges" which concluded, quote: "that councils had not accurately determined subsidy principles and levels, oversight of cost-efficiency was inadequate, and that deficiencies in reporting meant that senior management could not adequately assess the efficiency of their services and the extent to which they were subsidised" end-quote?

Response:

The questions were taken on notice.

7.2 Pam Kershaw – Street Cleaning

Question:

Could Council please consider more frequent street cleaning in streets such as Hotham St, Collingwood, during autumn. The street has been cleaned only once, possibly twice, during this autumn. The plane tree leaves become extremely slippery when wet, so there is a public liability issue here as well as a safety issue. At present, many of the gutters are clogged with leaves, and this increases the flood risk in heavy rain. Thank you.

Response:

The Director City Works and Assets advised the following:

During the autumn period we implement an autumn leaf program. Tree lined streets are swept on a fortnightly cycle, it is a bulk clean not a detailed clean. It is also in addition to the regular four weekly detailed sweeping cycle that we operate throughout the year. Hotham Street had a bulk leaf clean last week and is scheduled for another clean on Thursday this week. It is recognised as being a heavy leaf area and does have a fortnightly clean through the autumn period. I should also add that we do also have a pit top clean which is cleaning pits for drains during autumn.

The issue about potential flooding, we clean out the drains and also respond proactively to calls when received by the team. I don't think the submitter is correct in saying the streets haven't been cleaned. We do our best but do note that it does get heavy at times.

7.3 Greg Chenhall, Fitzroy Residents' Association – West Fitzroy DDO

Question:

The City of Yarra Planning Department advised prior to the pandemic that a Design Development Overlay (DDO) for West Fitzroy would be developed by the end of 2020. It was stated that the West Fitzroy DDO was complex given heritage factors. On behalf of the FRA, and given the impact of the pandemic, is the DDO development still possible by year end track, and if so will it be submitted to the Minister by the end of the year also? Thank you.

Response:

The Director Planning and Place Making advised the following:

As the submitter has said the area is quite complex, Council have resolved a planning scheme amendment for Smith, Brunswick and Gertrude Street and that occurred in December last year. This is currently with the Minister for Planning and Council is waiting on a decision on that. In relation to West Fitzroy, the work in that area is still progressing and hopefully the officers will be in a position to bring a report to Council by this calendar year seeking interim controls. As Councillors are aware, if Council resolve to do that then there is the process of seeking those decisions by the Minister. So the work is still proceeding and we would like to provide Council with a report at the end of this calendar year. In terms of the minister making decisions on that, that would hopefully be early in the New Year.

7.4 Shane Delphine – Finding draft plans on Council’s website

Question:

It is difficult to locate current Plans and draft Plans on the City of Yarra website (even using the Search function). Would it be possible to create a webpage where all of the current Plans and draft Plans are listed in alphabetical order?

Response:

The Group Manager Chief Executive’s Office advised the following:

The current strategies, policies and plans are listed in alphabetical order on the website. However, understand the question about the ease of getting to that web page. We will undertake to review the search function so people who want to search this particular subject can search the word ‘Council Plans’ and take them directly to the web page which does have the current plans and strategies listed in alphabetical order.

Councillor Fristacky also raised the issue of not having a separate page for Council Meetings; to get to Council Meetings you have to go to the Councillor tab, rather than look for a separate tab on Council Meetings.

The Group Manager Chief Executives Office also undertook to look into the matter of having a separate page for Council Meetings.

Councillor Chen Yi Mei left the meeting at 7.13pm

Councillor Chen Yi Mei returned at 7.20pm.

8. Delegates’ reports

8.1 Councillor Stone - Active Ageing Advisory Committee

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| Committee | Active Ageing Advisory Committee |
| Appointed Councillors | Cr Amanda Stone |
| Date of Council Meeting | 2 June 2020 |
| Date of Report | 30 May 2020 |
| Report Author | Cr Amanda Stone |

DELEGATES REPORT

The Active Ageing Advisory Group had its last meeting on 5 February prior to Advisory Committees being placed into hiatus due to the pandemic.

As a new Terms of Reference was adopted late in 2019 and with the current term of the majority of members coming to an end in April, this was unexpectedly the last meeting of this committee. This report acknowledges the work of the current AAAG, in particular some long serving members, and highlights some of its achievements.

The AAAG has provided continuous input to, and feedback on, Yarra’s Active and Healthy Ageing Strategy and its implementation. Members have prioritised in their feedback:

- (a) improvements in public spaces especially for walking – footpaths, seating, timing of pedestrian signals and access to public transport;
- (b) improvements to Council's website, its navigability, and positive representations of older people;
- (c) support for an approach to Asset Based Community Development projects such as the dementia project, addressing social participation, inclusion, and respect;
- (d) regular thinktanks of over 50s to engage on subjects of interest and relevance; and
- (e) leveraging the strengths and passions of the community to make a difference.

The AAAG has also provided valuable input to key Council's Strategies including:

- (a) Climate Emergency Plan;
- (b) Open Space Strategy;
- (c) Social Justice Charter;
- (d) Social and Affordable Housing Policy; and
- (e) Engagement Strategy.

They have also provided continuing advice on the implementation of the Aged Care Reforms, a continually changing landscape which has been confusing for many older residents and where some risk falling through the gaps.

The AAAG has acted as a true deliberative panel, being provided with often dense information about Council priorities, invited to discuss and challenge and ultimately to provide informed advice to Council. The AAAG meetings have been dynamic and lively with strong views expressed and differences worked through.

The input from members, who together represent our culturally diverse citizens, LGBTIQ elders, residents of public and social housing, carers of older people, Neighbourhood Houses and Men's Shed, U3A and passionate and informed citizens, has been invaluable.

I wish to publicly register my appreciation, on behalf of Council, of their frank and fearless advice and their consistent input to Council's work towards an Age Friendly City.

I also acknowledge the tireless work of Council officers Fran Moloney, Cheryle Gray and Adrian Murphy in supporting this group to provide the best advice they can, and engaging them in the work of Council.

Committee members:

Glenda Wilson, Frank Lin, Helen Giannopoulos, Rosemarie Spiedel, Helena Rosman, Kevin O'Shea, Deb Beams, Michaela Harrington, Nancy Peck (ret. August 2019)

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor O'Brien

1. That this Delegate's Report be noted
2. That Council formally acknowledges the work of the retiring Active Ageing Advisory Committee and thanks them for their ongoing commitment to an Age Friendly Yarra

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Councillor Fristacky - Bicycle Advisory Committee Special Meeting

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| Committee | Bicycle Advisory Committee Special Meeting, on COVID-19 emergency measures, 29 May 2020 |
| Appointed Councillors | Cr Jackie Fristacky, Cr James Searle |
| Date of Council Meeting | 2 June 2020 |
| Date of Report | 30 May 2020 |
| Report Author | Cr Jackie Fristacky |

DELEGATES REPORT

A Special Meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) was convened Friday 29 May 2020, attended by Cr Fristacky (Meeting Chair), Cr Searle, Mayor Cr Coleman, Council Executive Officers to the BAC, BAC members and Council officers from City Works and Economic Development Units.

A. PURPOSE OF SPECIAL MEETING

The special BAC meeting was convened to seek input by BAC members on lifting of COVID-19 restrictions and measures to re-enforce cycling including to access to support hospitality businesses in Yarra's activity centres. The Mayor emphasised that the current situation was a great opportunity for Council to implement low-cost pop-up solutions to support return to work and school.

The general BAC consensus was that footpaths are not wide enough around shops, schools, cafes, and other areas of congestion to maintain social distancing. This also impacted outdoor space and parks.

B. KEY ISSUES RAISED BY BAC MEMBERS**1. Narrow Best Street footpath at Scotchmer Street**

The very narrow footpath space outside Piedimonte, Fitzroy North impeded the ability to comply with required social distancing.

Suggested was enabling the footpath to be temporarily extended partially over the bike parking corral area together with converting angled parking spaces alongside the corral to parallel parking and using bollards to separate the widened footpath. The attached BAC member report was later provided with photos and a diagram of this proposal at Page 1 of the attachment). That report also addresses proposals 2-4 below.

2. Congested Capital City Trail (CCT)

Critical congestion was identified on the CCT with major conflict between pedestrians and cyclists on the Trail between Brunswick Street North and North Carlton Railway Station Neighbourhood House. Proposed were 2 solutions, with (a) below identified as the best:

- (a) redirect cyclists to a pop-up contraflow/bidirectional bike lane supported by bollards on the north side parking lane along Park Street parallel to the CCT, leaving the CCT shared path for pedestrians; and

- (b) install signage on 1.5m distancing, travelling single file and limiting speed for cyclists (as per Moreland signage recently installed - referenced and pictured in the attached BAC member report at the base of page 2).

3. Congested CCT crossing on Nicholson Street

Identified was the need to deal with heavy pedestrian/cyclist traffic crossing each other's paths unable to maintain the required social distance given volumes, queuing, then hurrying to cross on the green traffic signal. CCT crossings at Lygon Street, St Georges Road, Brunswick Street North and Bennet Street were also identified as problematic.

Pop-up widening for greater protection at these crossing points was emphasised.

4. Queens Parade North Fitzroy side insufficient footpath space

Suggested was for Council to require traders to move merchandise counters closer to the kerb (moving these ½ metre adjacent to veranda posts) to widen the footpath walkway. Also proposed was to reduce footpath bicycle parking by re-allocating end car parks for pop-up bike parking corals, as done successfully at Piedimonte supermarket a few years back.

5. Temporary parklets outside cafes/shops

Raised as important were converting parking bays to waiting space for people queuing outside narrow fronted shops, and creating more pop-up space for chairs/tables temporarily using a parking space. It was emphasised that temporary pop-ups to deal with COVID restrictions also represents the opportunity for Council to achieve these permanently as people adjust and recognise the benefits. Specific areas for possible pop-ups for outdoor trading and dining are: Rathdowne Village, Queens Parade, small neighbourhood shops, and side streets of major activity centres.

6. Improved bicycle lanes on key arterials

Raised also was the need for safe cycle lanes on key arterials with specific reference to Bridge Road, Swan Street, Brunswick Street, Queens Parade.

7. Safe Routes to Schools

Suggested were pop-up bike routes, safer crossing points and protected intersections outside schools as well as temporarily lowering speed limits to 30 km/h in such areas. Larger school drop-off zones like on Wellington Street, Collingwood were also sought.

Also suggested was to pursue 40 km/h through activity centres such as on St Georges Road through North Fitzroy Village.

Further suggested was an intervention to assist school children riding along Richardson, Reid Streets to Alfred Crescent to access schools in Princes Hill and North Fitzroy.

8. Working with Neighbouring Councils

Suggested were integrated Yarra cycle links with neighbouring Councils:

- (a) proposed pop-up measures by Melbourne City Council impacting Yarra; and
- (b) improved bicycle lanes along Heidelberg Road referred to Yarra by Darebin and Banyule Councils.

9. Next Steps

The meeting was advised that several of the above matters were being investigated by Council officers and that others would be presented to Council for consideration.

The Special BAC Council meeting demonstrated the advantages to Council of working closely with the community and its Advisory Committees.

ATTACHMENT provided by Bicycle Advisory Committee member

Special BAC Meeting 29 May 2020

MTF Cycling – Post Pandemic May 2020

Some observations and suggestions, responding to the request for “input into the identification of routes and other measures that can support cycling and walking as the economy opens back up”

BEST STREET, NORTH FITZROY

PIEDMONTES SUPERMARKET ZONE

(MAINTAINING SOCIAL DISTANCING)

Here there is angle parking, nose in - reverse out, for cars, on both sides of the street. Plus a good bike parking corral (to the left and out of vision in the below picture) on the west side of Best Street.

Pictured below is the west side footpath adjacent to the frontage of Piedmonte’s supermarket.



The social distancing guideline of 1.5 m separation between people is not possible here -

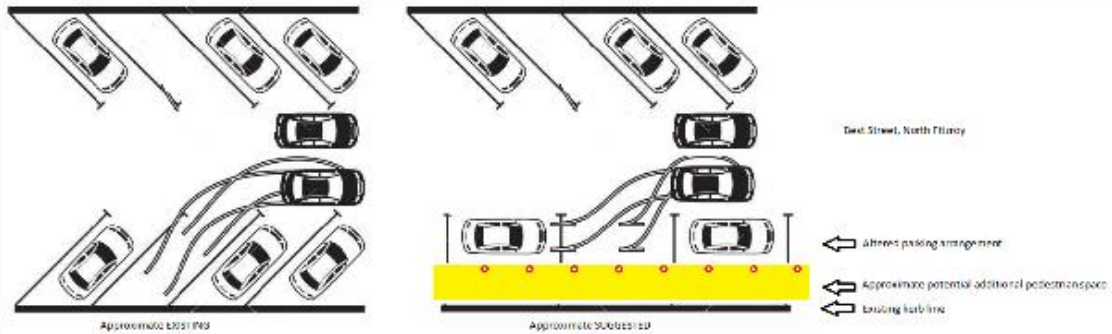
- if people are passing in opposite directions;
- if someone is seated on the seat, when dogs are tethered and when there is a busker or similar, doing their thing on the footpath. All of which are frequent.

SUGGESTION (see the pic below)

On this, the west side of Best Street, alter the current angle parking to parallel parking, have cars park parallel to the roadway, using the existing line. Therefore, with the angle change, the cars would then be well out from the gutter. On the now vacated area of the car space, introduce a pop-up pedestrian way in that space, freed up by the altered orientation of the cars. Add portable bollards to “protect” the new pedestrian zone and repaint some car park lines in yellow where needed. (See the pic below)

While reducing the number of car spaces by a few, the benefit is an increased width of the pedestrian path way, possibly doubling it, relieving some congestion and providing

greater opportunity to maintain observance of the social distancing guideline.



CAPITAL CITY TRAIL

The CCT is particularly busy between about Brunswick Street North and the North Carlton Railway House.

Unfortunately, the map shows that much of this part of the CCT is in the City of Moreland.

The CCT is a victim of success. Over the Easter break and on nice days, the path was and is extremely well used. With the COVID restrictions keeping people to local activities, but allowing people to go out for exercise, the CCT has become even more popular, it seems.

With the increased use and density of pedestrians and bike riders, social distancing has become almost non-existent and safety for the myriad of users has deteriorated some.

Additionally, with the increased patronage there are more sport focussed riders, who travel quite fast for a shared path.

As they are silent and fast, some pedestrians are startled and maybe discouraged from using the path to walk. Of course, if a fast bike rider has a collision with a pedestrian, the potential result will not be good.



SUGGESTION

This path needs early attention.

Best idea – from the meeting (JF). Remove car parking on the north side of Park Street, which is in the City of Yarra.

Install a portable bollard delineated contra flow bike lane there and re-direct cyclists (or just the fast ones) off the CCT for the time being, for that busy North Carlton stretch.

Yarra map is here.

If not possible –

Install signage along the CCT encouraging/reminding and informing users to maintain the social distancing guidelines.

Co-operation with the city of Moreland would be needed for this stretch.

Also, install signage discouraging fast bike riding, or advising a maximum speed limit and directing fast riders to the Park

Street pop-up cycle lane referred to above. I know the speed restriction is not enforceable, but sporting bike riders mostly have speedos and would have a very good idea of their speed anyway. Speed restriction signs would be a good guide for them.

Moreland have a few signs around the CCT vicinity referring to the social distancing guidelines (see below), I suggest that Yarra can do better than them as currently there appear to be none.

NICHOLSON STREET CCT CROSSING



While acknowledging that this crossing maybe not yet finished (29 May 2020), the application of green paint to one of two lanes at the crossing, leads some to assume that lane is only for cyclists. If that's the intent, there is a conflict with pedestrians and cyclists crossing each other's path as they attempt to comply. If it's not the intent, then some remediation is needed. Note this crossing had over a million bikes cross last year, and probably as many pedestrians!

Long term, it is very clear that the CCT will be vastly improved by duplicating paths. One for pedestrians and one for cycles. This would be expensive, but for the future, it is plainly needed and if designed well, with the bits of urban forest along the way, could be fantastic.

QUEENS PARADE SHOPS - NORTH FITZROY SIDE

This needs early attention.

The zone of Queens Parade, north side - Delbridge Street to Michael Street in particular, but the observations are similar on the next block to the east - Michael Street to Rushall Crescent, as well.

Some traders and cafés place merchandising display counters and tables on the footpath. In normal times, this is OK.

However, with them in their current position, in some places it is now not at all possible to maintain the government's guideline of 1.5metres when passing or exiting/entering shops.

SUGGESTION

Have the signs moved, or removed and the merchandising counters moved further away from the shop front and closer to the parked cars.

This will provide wider/additional footpath space for the social distancing guideline to be achieved when pedestrians are passing, entering and leaving and window shopping.

Re-allocate one car space at each end of each strip for additional bike parking, thus getting bikes off the footpath and reducing clutter. Even if only temporarily, as was done at Piedmonte's a few years ago, which is now a great success.

See the above pic. Something needs to be done soon.

29 May 2020

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor Coleman

1. That Council note this Delegates Report and Attachment on the Special Meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee held Friday 29 May 2020 to deal with COVID-19 impacts and the resulting item of General Business on Bicycle and related initiatives at Item 9 before Council.
2. That Council thank members of the BAC and attending officers for their contribution to the above meeting at short notice.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Coleman left the meeting at 7.24pm

Councillor Coleman returned at 7.27pm

Councillor Stone left the meeting at 7.30pm

Councillor Stone returned at 7.32pm

9. General Business

9.1 Councillor Fristacky – Bicycle and Related Initiatives

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor O'Brien

1. That Council note:
 - (a) the Delegates Report in the preceding Item 8 before Council on the Special Meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) held Friday 29 May 2020 to deal with COVID-19 impacts;
 - (b) actions identified in Item 11.1 before Council, Final Draft Climate Emergency Plan Actions 4.2 "Rapidly rolling out temporary cycling lanes as part of recovery from COVID-19", "delivering additional safe cycling infrastructure", including "high profile streets"; and
 - (c) Council's General Business motion 9.1 of 5 May on Physical Distancing and Public Space Opportunities.

2. That to progress the above with expediency at this critical time and noting later reports anticipated, Council:
 - (a) refer the matters raised by the Bicycle Advisory Committee to officers for urgent attention to expedite implementation of pop-up measures to:
 - (i) alleviate congestion along the Capital City Trail;
 - (ii) support maintenance of social distancing at schools and other hot-spots identified;
 - (iii) support safe cycling and/or facilitating venues in Yarra to be able to trade viably and comply with required social distancing;
 - (iv) and in this regard, officers consider 3 pop-up measures that could be implemented to the above ends quickly, and if achievable, implement for the coming weekend as a trial;
 - (b) request the CEO to raise with the DOT Acting Secretary the matter of:
 - (i) temporary 30 km/h speed zones around schools (reduced from 40km/h) to support safety of the larger numbers walking and cycling to school;
 - (ii) endorsing 40km/h speed zone through the St Georges Road activity centre, to achieve consistency with 40km/h through other Yarra strip activity centres;
 - (iii) and further, advocate for permissions and approvals by DoT for certain interim treatments on the strategic bike network in Yarra, for COVID-19 Emergency reasons, to protect the rapidly escalating numbers of new and young bike riders, including:
 - a. removal of parking spaces to allow the expansion of bike lanes to the width of one carriage way;
 - b. installation of physical barriers that separates cyclists from cars; and
 - c. loading zones in side streets to serve the arterial road.

- (c) Authorise the CEO to seek a meeting for the Mayor with State Ministers for Transport to seek financial support for the construction of pop-ups, pilots or interim cycling treatments as cycling alternatives during the pandemic, similar to New Zealand's 'Innovating Streets for People Pilot Project'; and NSW program of \$15M for local government funding rapid roll-out of pop-up walking/cycling infrastructure; and
- (d) further note that Wednesday 3 June is World Bicycle Day with opportunity for Council to announce the consideration of key pop-up measures.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Questions without notice

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10.1 Councillor Stone – Piedimonte's Site Decision

Question:

In relation to a decision last week to refuse a planning application for the Piedimonte site. We have been approached by some residents since then who have asked Council to now undertake a mediation between the developer and residents. I understand Council's role as the responsible authority, our role has concluded, we have made a decision. It raises the broader question for whereabouts in the planning process when there is an application with significant community interest/impact and in this case more than 800 objections.

Is there a place for any kind of more meaningful interchange between a willing developer and community members facilitated by the Council to try and iron out some of the issues earlier rather than later? I know we are not required to do it and it's not part of the process, but is there a place where something like that could occur?

Response:

The Director Planning and Place Making advised;

There is no formal opportunity for that as Council's role as the responsible authority is to make a decision and in this case a decision has been made, which was for a refusal. It is really up to the applicant to lodge an appeal or move on and not proceed with the development or indeed lodge a new application. It is not Council's role to set up a designed workshop, so that's really not an opportunity in Council's domain.

There is the matter of the tribunal where the tribunal may if they see fit, to set up a compulsory conference. I suggest with 800 objections that would not be possible because it would be extremely difficult to manage.

In an instance such as this the matter does need to go to a full hearing and the tribunal would then consider the planning merits of that proposal and obviously the various parties would provide their expert witnesses and evidence and would then be up to the tribunal to analyse the expert witnesses and submissions from various parties and make a decision.

So the formal process is that Council needs to make a decision as the responsible authority and then an appeal process occurs if the applicant and or objector no matter what decision the Council makes can occur. In this instance with 800 objections its really up to the applicant, if the applicant wanted to appeal the refusal then all formal parties to the planning application would form a party and then it is up to the tribunals processes and determinations.

The Chief Executive Officer also added that a meeting in relation to the Piedimonte's application did occur between some community members, Ward Councillors and Council Planners at the Fitzroy Library.

The Director Planning and Place Making confirmed that the meeting did occur and occurred about 18 months ago.

Before an application is formally lodged some applicants seek conversations with Council officers, that's generally called a pre-application conversation. The benefit of that in many respects is that officers can try to steer the proposal towards full compliance and compliance with Council's policies, but once it's lodged its then in a process. A consultation meeting is something Council does get involved with from time to time. However when there is a vast amount of objectors, it's not really a useful process because often the meeting becomes difficult to manage with the various parties.

A consultation meeting is appropriate when there is a small number of objectors and there is a potential for certain matters to be resolved. A typical example might be just a simple one; an objector might say if a particular window is removed and avoids overlooking they would be happy to withdraw their objection. But when the parties are polarised with their views, then a consultation really doesn't work. The amount of energy spent and anxiety felt from a number of parties is very significant, and often sets people up against each other.

10.2 Councillor Fristacky - Local Government representation on National Cabinet

Question:

With the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) being replaced by National Cabinet, which is a good thing, given how well it has worked in the current context of COVID-19. With COAG, local government has had a representation on the Council's Australian Government through the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA), but the National Cabinet Forum doesn't have local government representation. We know with national powers, federal powers are limited and many things cannot be achieved without state and local government cooperation and in many ways implementation particularly in engagement with the community

Can the CEO and Mayor raise with peak organisations (maybe LGPro and MAV) the importance of maintaining a seat at the table which we have lost with the new structure?

Response:

The Mayor has undertaken to prepare a letter and some follow-up work with ALGA, the peak body nationally.

The Chief Executive Officer also added that ALGA is the correct body to talk about having a seat at the table and will also follow-up the matter at both the IMAP and MAV meetings.

Councillor O'Brien left the meeting at 8.02pm

Councillor O'Brien returned at 8.04pm

11.1 Final Draft Climate Emergency Plan for Adoption

Reference: D20/87612
 Authoriser: Director Planning and Place Making

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the officer report regarding the Climate Emergency Plan;
 - (b) note the summary of community feedback on the consultation draft Climate Emergency Plan as shown in Attachment 1;
 - (c) note the attached final draft Climate Emergency Plan as shown in Attachment 2;
 - (d) note that the final draft Climate Emergency Plan has been modified having regard to key points from the community consultation; and
 - (e) note that the action plan of the draft Climate Emergency Plan has had regard to the current COVID-19 pandemic situation and the constraints that has imposed upon the Councils budget for 20/21.
2. That Council, in the context of the above, endorse the attached Climate Emergency Plan as shown in Attachment 2.
3. That officers commence the programs and actions that are within the resource allocation of the 20/21 adopted budget and report back to Council in December 2020 with a progress report for Council consideration.
4. That Council consider the opportunities to fund further actions in the second half of the 20/21 financial year following the mid-year review process and also as part of the preparations for the 21/22 budget.
5. That Council authorise the CEO to finalise the Climate Emergency Plan consistent with the above resolution and arrange for it to be published as soon as possible.

Councillor O'Brien left the meeting at 8.05pm

Councillor O'Brien returned at 8.08pm

Public Submissions

The following people sent a submission to Council on the matter:

| # | Name | Submission |
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| 1 | Greg Chenhall (Fitzroy Residents' Association), Fitzroy | The Fitzroy Residents' Association welcomes and supports the Draft Yarra Climate Emergency Plan and the actions proposed to achieve the recommended outcomes. That the following amendment be included in the Council Recommendation - 2 (a) That Council initiate as a matter of urgency a meeting with the Minister for Planning to begin deliberations on the need to introduce through a planning scheme amendment carbon standards for new commercial and residential developments. Thank you |
| 2 | Gabrielle de Vietri, Collingwood | I commend Yarra Council for developing a bold and extensive Climate Emergency Plan. If we are to mitigate the devastating effects of climate change, such plans must be developed and strictly adhered to. Understandably, the COVID-19 pandemic has required the Council to reassess its funding for |

2020/21. Nonetheless, I respectfully urge the Council not to lose sight of the urgency of the climate crisis, which continues to rage while our focus is elsewhere. The actions proposed under the Climate Emergency Plan form a comprehensive strategy modelling best practice for a safe future. Its effects will be ground-breaking and far-reaching. Please do not put this one on the back-burner while we head towards the next summer of devastating fires, unprecedented temperatures and crippling drought. Globally, we are already on the back-foot. All aspects of the plan remain essential: awareness and education programs, community and grassroots support, transitioning to zero-emissions and zero-waste, to name a few. Critical improvements to bike infrastructure and public transport advocacy have become even more important as we emerge from isolation. The need to create nature refuges, consolidate native vegetation and increase tree-canopy will help shield us and urban wildlife from what we know will be hotter summers by the year. Council must continue to support the rapid transition of homes and businesses to renewable energy and transition its own buildings away from gas. Thank you for your vision. I look forward to being part of an implementation that reflects the true urgency of the crisis we face.

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| 3 | Carole Wilkinson (Yarra Climate Action Now) Clifton Hill | YCAN applauds the Climate Emergency Plan which now includes clearer targets and timeframes. We remain concerned about lack of commitment to data and systems ensuring Council focuses on initiatives with greatest emissions benefits. YCAN strongly supports the adoption of the CEP, despite its lack of immediate funding. Doing nothing at this critical time is not an option. The window to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and keep temperatures at a safe level is shrinking. It is crucial that Council supports residents to continue the positive new behaviours adopted over the last few months more cycling, more walking, more enjoyment of public spaces and less car use. Active transport has important benefits: reduced ghg emissions, and better community health due to reduced pollution from car exhausts. Short-term, low-cost initiatives that involve residents and could begin immediately include: - Make some streets between major roads (e.g. Smith and Brunswick) bikes and pedestrians only (apart from residents driving to and from home at walking speed). - Pop-up pedestrian-friendly areas, with trial on-road seating, play equipment, planting that can quickly be rearranged as suggested by people using the space. - A list of recommended walking routes, based on local knowledge. Include times for how long it takes to walk or cycle to popular destinations. (People unused to walking are often surprised at how quick it is to walk to places.) - Involve schools, seeking their views on what is required in their immediate surroundings to reduce car journeys to school. |
| 4 | Shane Delphine, Fitzroy | Unfortunately, the Climate Emergency Plan (CEP), as currently structured, fails many principles of good public administration/governance. All good plans need a numeric target. And, in this case, there is a commendably ambitious one - to achieve zero net emissions across the community by 2030. The next step is data gathering. Data gathering articulates the status quo and enables strategies to be conceptualised to achieve the target. In this case, the relevant data is the sources of emissions across Yarra and their size. The CEP presents some high-level data, but nowhere near granular enough to enable sensible strategies to be developed. Strategies/programs informed by the data gathering process need to have a clear (typically numerical) linkage to the plan's target. Conventionally, funding is allocated to those programs expected to have the largest impact on achieving the target. In the context of the current CEP: - There is no ranking of strategies by their expected impact on reducing |

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| | | <p>emissions. - There is no evidence that has funding been allocated to programs proportional to their expected impact. - Few strategies have measurable (numerical) targets. - No strategies have measurable targets that are in the same terms as the plan's target. Effective monitoring and management of strategies will likely require upfront investment in systems. In the context of the current CEP, there is no funding allocated to: - systems/processes that capture granular (ideally, real-time) emissions data; - systems/processes that enable emissions data to be analysed; and – systems/processes that enable strategies to be monitored/evaluated.</p> |
| 5 | Sophie Wade, Collingwood | <p>The draft Climate Emergency Plan is an exciting document that has plenty of ideas for making Yarra a cleaner, better part of our world. While council has sensibly diverted some funding from tasks it may have undertaken under the plan this year, in response to the COVID-19 situation, I ask that certain features of the Climate Emergency Plan be acted on as a matter of priority. In particular, the development of an Integrated Transport Plan under item 4.1, to prioritise walking, cycling and public transport. I would like to see the Integrated Transport Plan be designed with 'walkability' in mind along key pedestrian routes in Yarra (e.g.. Into and out of the CBD, or between shopping precincts), including by incorporating features outlined in item 3.2 ("Land use planning, and streetscapes"). Yarra residents are more likely to embrace walking as a primary mode of transport if pedestrians are prioritised over vehicles (whether parked or moving), and steps have been taken to green key pedestrian routes, to mitigate the urban heat island effect and to deal with wind exposure. In both the short term (due to COVID) and the longer term (due to increased density in parts of Yarra), this may involve widening footpaths along key pedestrian routes (as mentioned on page 66). Any investment in walking or cycling, including temporary or trial measures, would go to both achieving goals set out under the draft Climate Emergency Plan and to stopping the spread of the virus.</p> |
| 6 | Jeremy Lawrence (Streets Alive Yarra), Cremorne | <p>Streets Alive Yarra supports the draft Climate Emergency Plan. We applaud Officers for the great work and encourage Councillors to adopt it.</p> |
| 7 | Edward Crossland, Carlton North | <p>I'm writing to support the Final Draft Climate Emergency Plan (Plan). It's fabulous that Council have prepared a plan that looks to address the climate emergency. On review, I offer the following suggestions for your consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Order of how actions are to be delivered - there are numerous actions, some of which need to be addressed prior to others, as they will inform the delivery of other works i.e. the preparation of the ITP. I highlight this as the ITP will influence the availability of road space to be potentially reallocated for other uses, for tree planting, etc. – it really is fundamental in setting up the framework for our road space, and much of the public realm. - The need to review processes – to facilitate genuine change, such as modal change, there is real need to review how programs are implemented. For example, walking is the most fundamental form of transport, however, footpath capacity is frequently reduced through the implementation of other programs. Minimum dimensions of 1.2m or 1.5m are recognized locally and internationally as being inadequate to readily achieve Councils objectives. - It is encouraged that the likes of the following be included as actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undertake a review of projects and programs to ensure that footpath capacity is maintained wherever possible, and ideally increased to complement modal objectives. - Undertake a |

review of all projects and programs, to establish a 'One Yarra' fully integrated approach to public realm planning and works.

Councillor Bosler left the meeting at 8.21pm

Councillor Bosler returned at 8.22pm

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Coleman

Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

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 - (e) note that the action plan of the draft Climate Emergency Plan has had regard to the current COVID-19 pandemic situation and the constraints that has imposed upon the Councils budget for 20/21.
2. That the Draft Yarra Climate Emergency Plan 2020-2024 as shown in Attachment 2 be amended as follows:
 - (a) In the text of the subheading of Integrated Transport Planning under the Section of Strategic Priority 4, add after the words “To deliver sustainable transport priorities that respond to the climate emergency, Council will implement actions through an Integrated Transport Plan (ITP).” add a sentence that reads “This includes having regard to the vision, objectives, decision making principles and other requirements of the Transport Integration Act 2010.”;
 - (b) In Action 4.1 add: “Introducing reduced speed zones to encourage walking and cycling as well as through improved infrastructure”;
 - (c) Action 4.2 add: “and bike parking corrals” to the second dot point so that it reads:
Delivering additional safe cycling infrastructure future projects, including bike parking corrals, and ongoing maintenance improvements
 - (d) Action 4.2 amend the phrase in the last dot point so that the start of the sentence reads as follows:
“Working toward developing high profile streets to deliver improvements”; and
 - (e) Action 4.6 be amended at dot point 4 by changing “Zero emission public bus transport buses, with trials focused on routes through Yarra” to “Electric bus trials being extended permanently through Yarra prioritising routes used by pedestrians and cyclists, including advocacy on the procurement of and local production of electric buses”.

and that with these changes, Council endorse the Climate Emergency Plan.
3. That officers commence the programs and actions that are within the resource allocation of the 2020/21 adopted budget and report back to Council in December 2020 with a progress report for Council consideration.
4. That Council consider the opportunities to fund further actions in the second half of the 20/21 financial year following the mid-year review process and also as part of the preparations for the 2021/22 budget.

5. That Council further determine to prepare a community-based campaign to advocate for diesel buses to be replaced with zero emissions buses and in this regard, request officers to report back to the August round of meeting on a proposal for the advocacy campaign on zero emission buses including:
 - (a) the terms of reference for the advocacy campaign;
 - (b) the setting up of a Council working party that invites a range of experts and local activists involved in the following: public transport, environment, air quality, bus manufacturing, bus company providers and other relevant parties;
 - (c) literature research on issues of the campaign;
 - (d) advocacy strategies that could be adopted; ways to generate the participation of residents; surveys of residents, child care and schools on bus routes; alliance building with other local governments, bus manufactures and bus providers, and media strategies, for example;
 - (e) if practical, to form a connection with contracted bus companies to further assist in their promotion of electric buses and to publicise the trial;
 - (f) advocate to the relevant Department of State Government the campaigns aims and in particular to attempt to influence future bus contracts to include funding for zero emission buses; and
 - (g) other relevant advocacy inputs as seen appropriate.
6. That Council note, that as resolved by Council, work is currently occurring on the preparation of a proposed Zero Carbon Development planning scheme amendment in conjunction with the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment (CASBE) and in this regard, seeks an update on that progress by a briefing to Council by the end of July this year.
7. That Council authorise the CEO to finalise the Climate Emergency Plan consistent with the above resolution together with editing corrections and arrange for it to be published as soon as possible.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Councillor Stone

Add a new clause 7:

That noting the feedback provided during community consultation on high priority actions, Council refer the following projects to the mid-year budget review as high priority items for consideration:

- (a) Climate Emergency Community Mobilisation and Engagement;
- (b) Community Grants for Climate Action;
- (c) Integrated Transport Plan development;
- (d) Eliminating single use plastics; and
- (e) Additional tree planting for urban cooling.

The amendment was accepted by the mover and seconder and incorporated into the motion below.

COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION

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manufacturing, bus company providers and other relevant parties;

- (c) literature research on issues of the campaign;
 - (d) advocacy strategies that could be adopted; ways to generate the participation of residents; surveys of residents, child care and schools on bus routes; alliance building with other local governments, bus manufactures and bus providers, and media strategies, for example;
 - (e) if practical, to form a connection with contracted bus companies to further assist in their promotion of electric buses and to publicise the trial;
 - (f) advocate to the relevant Department of State Government the campaigns aims and in particular to attempt to influence future bus contracts to include funding for zero emission buses; and
 - (g) other relevant advocacy inputs as seen appropriate.
6. That Council note, that as resolved by Council, work is currently occurring on the preparation of a proposed Zero Carbon Development planning scheme amendment in conjunction with the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment (CASBE) and in this regard, seeks an update on that progress by a briefing to Council by the end of July this year.
7. That noting the feedback provided during community consultation on high priority actions, Council refer the following projects to the mid-year budget review as high priority items for consideration:
- (a) Climate Emergency Community Mobilisation and Engagement;
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 - (c) Integrated Transport Plan development;
 - (d) Eliminating single use plastics; and
 - (e) Additional tree planting for urban cooling.
8. That Council authorise the CEO to finalise the Climate Emergency Plan consistent with the above resolution together with editing corrections and arrange for it to be published as soon as possible.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2 Amendment C231 Part 2 - 390A Queens Parade, North Fitzroy

Reference: D20/86120

Authoriser: Director Planning and Place Making

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council notes the officer report regarding Amendment C231 (Part 2) including the Panel Report and officer recommendations.
2. That Council adopts Amendment C231 (Part 2) to the Yarra Planning Scheme in accordance with Section 29(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* with the changes set out in Attachment 3 and Attachment 4 to this report.
3. That Council submits the adopted Amendment C231 (Part 2) as set out in Attachment 5 to this report to the Minister for Planning for approval, in accordance with Section 31(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.
4. That Council submits the information prescribed under Section 31 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* with the adopted amendment, including:
 - (a) the reasons why any recommendations of the Panel were not adopted as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report; and
 - (b) a description of and reasons for the changes made to Amendment C231 between exhibition and adoption as outlined in Attachment 3 of this report.
5. That Council delegates to the CEO the authority to finalise Amendment C231 (Part 2), in accordance with Council's resolution, and to make any administrative changes required to correct errors, grammatical changes and map changes.
6. That all submitters are advised of the Council determinations in relation to Amendment C231 (Part 2).

Councillor Chen Yi Mei left the meeting at 8.50pm

Councillor Coleman left the meeting at 8.52pm

Meeting lapsed for want of a quorum

Councillor Coleman returned at 8.52pm

Councillor Fristacky left the meeting at 8.53pm

Meeting lapsed for want of a quorum

Councillor Fristacky returned at 8.53pm

Councillor Fristacky left the meeting at 8.56pm

Meeting lapsed for want of a quorum

Councillor Fristacky returned at 8.56pm

Councillor Chen Yi Mei returned at 8.57pm

Coleman out at 9.02pm, in at 9.02pm

Public Submissions

The following people sent a submission to Council on the matter:

| # | Name | Submission |
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| 1 | Virginia Noonan, Fitzroy North | I urge you to: Adopt of Part 2 of C231 except for one change - grade the single storey section of the 390A Queens Parade bakehouse as 'contributory'. The bakehouse is the only remaining industrial heritage building still standing in Precinct 4 Queens Parade and needs protection. Two heritage reports done by - David Helms; Natica Schneider, undertaken since the Planning Panel, categorically prove that the single-storey part of the bakehouse was built in 1902 and is part of the double -storey section. Recognise the 1902 bakehouse (two storey and single storey building) as one 'whole' building. The whole of the bakehouse must be protected to maintain its integrity. Demolition of the single-storey section of the bakehouse will mean loss of the last commercial heritage building in the Queens parade shopping precinct. I urge you to vote for a motion that the single-storey component of the Bakehouse be graded 'contributory'. |
| 2 | Giselle Darling, Fitzroy North | I am supportive of all of the Officer recommendations regarding Part 2 of Amendment C231 except for (b) below (found on Page 25 of the Agenda): (a) the two storey building (i.e. the substation - part of the former Wilmott bakery) in the north-east corner of the site be changed from 'ungraded' to a 'contributory' grading (b) all buildings on 390A Queens Parade (except the two storey building in the north-east corner) be changed from 'ungraded' to 'not contributory' I would strongly urge you to modify (b) above because 1. there is extensive expert evidence now available to support a contributory grading for the single-storey component of the original bakery in addition to the two-storey component, and 2. re-grading the single-storey section of the Bakehouse to not contributory (rather than to contributory, or even leaving it ungraded) will increase the risk of it being demolished. I would therefore strongly urge that the re-grading of the buildings at 390A be along the following lines: (a) the one and two storey building (i.e. the former Wilmott bakery) that forms the eastern boundary of the site be changed from 'ungraded' to 'contributory', and (b) all buildings on 390A Queens Parade (except the one and two storey building that forms the eastern boundary of the site) be changed from 'ungraded' to 'not contributory' If the above is not accepted, Council should resolve to undertake a further amendment under the planning scheme to resolve the grading of the single-storey building. |
| 3 | Pierre Prentice, Fitzroy North | On the strength of two expert heritage assessments, I submit the single-storey component of the 390A Queens Parade bakehouse be classed "contributory" such that it's an integral part of the bakehouse along with the second storey. This means the 1900s bakery will remain intact, as it should, because it's the last heritage industrial building in the precinct. Subject to that, I support adoption of Part 2 of C231. |
| 4 | Marianne Van Leeuwen, Fitzroy North | I wish to urge you to support adoption of Part 2 of Amendment C231 - 390A Queens Parade, Fitzroy North with one change - grade the single storey section of the Bakehouse as "contributory". It is important to recognise that the 1902 Bakehouse - both two storey and single storey parts are one whole building and both need protection to ensure the integrity of the heritage building is maintained. The Bakehouse is the only remaining industrial heritage building still standing in Precinct 4 and it must be protected. Advice from both Council's |

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| | | heritage adviser, David Helms and a resident commissioned advisor, Natica Schmeder, supports the recognition of both single and double storey sections being seen as one building and graded as "contributory". I urge you to vote for the motion that the single storey component of the Bakehouse be graded as "contributory". |
| 5 | Lee Ewing, Fitzroy North | I support adoption of the C231 Part 2 except for one change: As the two storey section of the Heritage Bakehouse is already graded as Contributory, it would seem to be common sense that this cover the whole of the building. It is NOT two separate buildings. Two heritage assessments, one of which was commissioned by City of Yarra, one commissioned by concerned residents, say it should be graded as "Contributory" and retained as a whole, with recommendations surviving windows be retained or opened up if previously infilled. This is the only remaining industrial heritage building still standing in Precinct 4 of Queens Parade, and as such should be celebrated, not demolished. This needs to be recognised as one whole building. Those remaining heritage buildings tell the story of Fitzroy - retaining what has survived to date is important. |
| 6 | Gerald Moriarty | We are the owners of a town house [in] Queens Parade Fitzroy North which is in the lane way serving 390a Queens Parade directly opposite the heritage Bakehouse. The Bakehouse has a two storied section and a single story section. In adopting the C231 Part 2 Amendment we urge Council to ensure that both sections of the Bakehouse are graded contributory for heritage purposes. The expert panel that advised Council on the C231 overlay recommended that the two storey section of the Bakehouse be graded contributory and that further heritage investigations of buildings on the site at 390a Queens Parade be undertaken. That has occurred and Council now has a report from independent heritage expert David Helms that recommends that the single story section of the Bakehouse also be graded contributory. A further assessment has been undertaken on behalf of residents by independent heritage consultant Natica Schmeder. This report is publicly available and argues comprehensively for the retention of the single story section of the Bakehouse and hence it should be contributory. We therefore believe there is strong evidence and support for the two sections of the Bakehouse to be graded contributory. |
| 7 | Margaret Goding, Fitzroy North | I support the adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for one change - grade the single storey section of the 390A Queens Parade bakehouse as 'contributory'. The one and two storey 1902 bakehouse is the only remaining industrial heritage building still standing in Precinct 4 of Queens Parade and needs protection. Demolition of the single-storey section of the bakehouse will mean loss of the integrity of the last commercial heritage building in the Queens parade shopping precinct. Together the Council and the local community have successfully worked together to achieve much improved outcomes with Parts 1 and 3 of C231. With this small change to Part 2, the Council could again demonstrate its willingness to recognise the concerns of local residents to preserve our heritage buildings. I urged you to vote for a motion that the single-storey component of the Bakehouse be graded 'contributory'. |
| 8 | Heather Stock, Fitzroy North | I support the adoption of Part 2 of the State Planning Panel's report for Amendment C231, except that I wish to support a change in the grading of the single-storey section of the bakehouse at 390A Queens Parade from "non-contributory" to "contributory". The 1902 bakehouse is the only remaining industrial heritage building still standing in Precinct 4 of Queens Parade and |

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| | | <p>therefore needs protection. The two-storey and single-storey sections should be recognised as one whole building and must be protected to maintain the integrity of the whole bakehouse. Demolition of the single-storey section would mean the loss of integrity of the last industrial heritage building in the Queens Parade shopping precinct. Both David Helms, the heritage planner contracted by Yarra City Council to undertake a further heritage assessment of 390A Queens Parade, and heritage consultant Natica Schmeder, commissioned by local residents and the Queens Parade Heritage, Planning and Traders Group to make a second heritage assessment of the bakehouse, recommended that the single-storey building should be graded as "contributory". In addition to recommending that the bakehouse should be retained as a whole, Ms Schmeder also stated that the surviving window openings should be retained or opened up if previously infilled.</p> |
| 9 | Cas Stingel, Clifton Hill | <p>As with all my objections to any redevelopment of Queens Parade, I again submit my support for retaining the existing Bakehouse site and stop future demolition of the single storey section of the heritage bakehouse and that it be graded 'contributory' in line with the double storey section. The heritage bakehouse has been incorrectly seen as two separate buildings. Built in 1902, it again represents the uniqueness of the C231 precinct. Surely we can preserve and protect another example of early Melbourne architecture existing for all to enjoy. Our history is so important, reflected in the Queens Parade shops, many of those dating back to the 1800's. The residents as a collective are passionate about continually trying to save and protect Queens Pde as it exists, so we again seek councils backing and ongoing support voting for the adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for one change - grade the single storey section of 390a Queens Parade bakehouse as contributory, as recommended by David Helms.</p> |
| 10 | Helen Masters, Clifton Hill | <p>I support adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for one change: to grade the single story section of the 390A Queens Parade bakehouse as "contributory" Heritage planners and consultants have recommended this, as both the single and double story sections of the bakehouse contribute to its heritage value. I believe that it is important to retain the whole bakehouse as it is the only surviving bit of industrial heritage along that section of Queens Parade.</p> |
| 11 | Deidre Williamson, FITZROY NORTH - VIC | <p>Part 2 of Amendment C231, 390A Queens Parade "Bakehouse' site This heritage bakehouse is an integrated brick building consisting of double and single storey sections, built by James Wilmott in 1902 to expand his manufacturing capacity for his retail bakery at 392 Queens Parade and was in operation as a bakehouse until the early 1960s. I believe that the heritage bakehouse has been incorrectly seen as two separate buildings and the whole of this building should be classified as 'contributory'. This is the only remaining industrial heritage building still standing in Precinct 4 Queens Parade and needs protection. The Planning Panel for C231 Queens Parade encouraged the Council to undertake a further heritage assessment of 390A Queens Parade and Yarra Council contracted heritage planner David Helms to undertake this assessment. He recommended that the single storey section should be graded as 'contributory'. In addition, a second heritage assessment was commissioned by local residents and supported by the Queens Parade Heritage, Planning and Traders Group, Natica Schmeder. a heritage consultant, also recommended that the single storey building should be graded as 'contributory' and surviving window openings retained or opened up if previously infilled. I urge the Council to recognize that the whole of the 1902 bakehouse, both two storey and single storey be retained as one 'whole' building and to grade the single storey section</p> |

of the 390A Queens Parade bakehouse as 'contributory'.

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| 12 | Susan Mahar, Fitzroy North | <p>The Bakehouse only remaining industrial heritage building in Precinct 4 of Queens Parade. It is an impressive brick building which adds to the unique, eclectic nature of the neighbourhood as well as the Queens Parade shopping strip. The C231 review panel acknowledged the contributory significance of the two-storey section of the bakery building and recommended further investigations be done to establish the status of adjacent buildings. Since then David Helms, Yarra City's heritage consultant, has established that both the two storey and the adjacent single story building on the south east side make up the original building in its entirety. A comprehensive independent heritage study by architectural historian, Natica Schmeder, confirms this. It appears a mistaken belief by council officers that the two storey structure on this site alone constitutes the original bakery has resulted in the classification of only part of this heritage building as contributory. This has significant implications for demolition and development of this site in a heritage overlay area. In the spirit of the very comprehensive C231 amendment process whereby Queens Parade's unique and very significant social, cultural and architectural heritage has been acknowledged and agreed upon I urge councillors to support Part 2 of the amendment but reject the recommendation by Yarra council officers to grade the single storey section of the bakehouse as non-contributory. It is critical that the integrity of the bakehouse be maintained and classified contributory in its entirety.</p> |
| 13 | Linda Young, Fitzroy North | <p>I fully support the change required to recognise that the century-old bakery needs to be understood as one building composed of a two-storey part and a single-storey skillion part. It has historic significance as the sole remaining evidence of the small manufacturing industries located in the lanes behind the Queens Parade street frontage. In the same area there was also a mason's yard, a bicycle workshop, and a blacksmith. The surviving bakehouse is worth maintaining at least as 'contributory' heritage, because it rounds out the historical integrity of the late Victorian-Edwardian street economy of manufacturers, traders and consumers. I urged you to vote for a motion that the single-storey component of the Bakehouse be graded 'contributory'.</p> |
| 14 | Nola Read, Fitzroy North | <p>1.309A stands proudly as a part of the turn of the 19th century industrial life of Queens Parade. It is the last remnant of this life in Precinct 4. The building deepens the understanding of our cultural context, the context that the Council has preserved in Queens Parade. 2. The single storey and the double storey sections are an integrated whole. At this point the double storey section of 390A has been graded as 'contributory'. Yet, the single storey area is not a separate entity that can be chopped off: it is an integrated part of the Bakehouse structure. 3. David Helms, an independent heritage expert, recommends that the single storey section of the Bakehouse also be graded as 'contributory'. 4. A second heritage assessment by Natica Schmeder, commissioned by locals and supported by the Queens Parade Heritage Planning and Traders' group, also made the assessment that the whole building should be graded as 'contributory'. 5 Not only is this industrial building of historic value, it is sound structurally and a very handsome one. I strongly support the adoption of Part 2 of C231 and urge the Council to accept the grade 'contributory' for the single storey part of 390A.</p> |

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| 15 | Terence Nott, North Fitzroy | I urge Councillors to support the Amendment including the grading of the single storey part of the former brick bake house being graded as Contributory. This is the last remaining industrial building in Precinct 4 of Queens Parade. This building could be easily restored and incorporated into any new residential development. It could be used as an art space or studio or other creative work place in this very intact part of Precinct 4. |
| 16 | David Campbell, Fitzroy North | I am the owner of [a property in] McKean Street Fitzroy North which is [near] the rear of the heritage Bakehouse on the site of 390a Queens Parade. I understand Council is to consider adoption of the Part 2 Amendment to the new C231 Planning overlay related to 390a Queens Parade at tomorrow's Council meeting. The Bakehouse has a two storied section and a single story section. In adopting the Part 2 Amendment I urge Council to ensure that both sections of the Bakehouse be graded contributory for heritage purposes as they are part and parcel of the one structure. The expert panel that advised Council on the C231 overlay recommended that the two storey section of the Bakehouse be graded contributory and that further heritage investigations of buildings on the site at 390a Queens Parade be undertaken. That has occurred and Council now has a report from independent heritage expert David Helms that recommends that the single story section of the Bakehouse also be graded contributory. This is supported in a heritage report on behalf of residents by independent heritage consultant Natica Schneider. This report argues comprehensively for the retention of the single story section of the Bakehouse and therefore should be contributory. There is strong evidence and support for the two parts of the Bakehouse to be considered as an integrated whole and graded contributory. I appreciate Councillors consideration of this request. |
| 17 | Anna Wolf, Fitzroy | I believe that the single-storey building at 390A Queens Parade should be graded as 'contributory', and the 2-storey Bakehouse and this single-storey section be considered a one integrated building. James Willmott had the Bakehouse built on this site in the early 20th century. This consisted of the 2-storey and the single-storey section which was most likely a practical extension to provide more space. The Bakehouse provided goods to be sold in the shop at 392 Queens Pde and continued operation till the early 1960s. Nevertheless the Bakehouse provided service for over 60 years and remains the only industrial era heritage building in Precinct 4. Previous structures on this site have provided services for the surrounding residents and traders, in the late 19th century, there were stables and yards. The 2-storey and single-storey sections function together as a whole. Somewhere in time, the identity of this red brick Bakehouse was divided and its history has been forgotten as the businesses changed and the owners died or moved away. The Bakehouse worked hard to contribute to the prosperity of the area, feeding families and providing employment. Its red brick structure with its industrial steel windows IS history that still can be touched. Please do not allow these unique buildings be demolished. Just as I was pleasantly surprised to find this gem in the back lanes of Queens Parade, and to be fascinated to learn its noble history, I would like to see this old workhorse to be there to surprise future generations. |
| 18 | Mary Kenneally, Clifton Hill | The heritage classification of the Bakehouse at 390A Queens Parade, Clifton Hill. I submit that the heritage assessment of this building should recognise the integrity of the two storey and single storey element which make up one building which should be classified contributory. It is quite wrong to consider first the one storey part separate from the two storey part. Council |

commissioned the advice of Heritage Expert David Helm who stated that the two storey and the single storey parts of the building should both be 'contributory', being in essence one building. It would be quite reprehensible to ignore this advice. There are other heritage experts in the community who give the same advice. The single storey section of the 390A Queens Parade bakehouse must be graded as 'contributory'. The bakehouse is the only remaining industrial heritage building still standing in Precinct 4 Queens Parade and Council must protect it. It makes no sense not to recognise the 1902 bakehouse (two storey part and single storey part) as one 'whole' building. Both single and double storey sections must be protected to maintain the integrity of the whole bakehouse. Demolition of the single-storey section of the bakehouse will mean the loss of the integrity of the last commercial heritage building in the Queens parade shopping precinct. The intactness of Queens Parade is remarkable. The Council must not disrespect it by failing to protect the integrity of this important 118 year old building.

19 Bruna Evans,
North Fitzroy

I would like to support adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for one change. I would like the whole of the 1902 building at 390A Queens Parade classified as 'contributory'. I listened to Dr Giselle Darling's submission on the Bakehouse at the Planning Panel on C231 and the commercial heritage of the whole building was well communicated. Also communicated was the pleasure many neighbours gain from the charm this building generates. To not class both parts of the building 'contributory' would result in the single storey part being demolished and thus destroy its visual charm and the full storey of its place in the history of the area.

20 Glen McCallum
(Protect Fitzroy
North Inc.),
Fitzroy North

Agree with bulk of officer's recommendations - Exception is the regrading of the "sloping roof" section of the heritage bakery to "not contributory". While there's discussion around grading in paras. 82-87 there's no rationale around why this disputed section of building is being graded "not contributory" when evidence is at best equivocal, and if anything leaning more to its being "contributory". - The community doesn't dispute the remainder of 390A being "not contributory". No-one disputes the two-storey part of the heritage building being "contributory". The dispute is over the remaining single-storey section of building - which according to the history before us is part of undisputed heritage building and is actually the bit where the bakery operated (the two storey part being the stables and perhaps stores). - The local community wants to protect heritage. Therefore they'd prefer the whole of the heritage building to be graded "contributory" - as identified by David Helms et al. - If, as per para. 87, granting "contributory" grading to the balance of the heritage building is legally untenable at this stage due to its not being exhibited, then PFN Inc. suggests that a fall-back position is to leave that part "ungraded". It's presently "ungraded", so there's no change vs. present. But "ungraded" is more defensible under a heritage overlay than "non-contributory". If you elect to adopt this amendment, it's just a change to the 2nd dot-point of attachment 5 to leave this small part ungraded.

21 Susan Zeitz,
Fitzroy North

Only part of the building is currently graded as contributory. The whole building structure should be graded as contributory to maintain and protect its integrity and heritage value. The bakehouse is a unique heritage building within Precinct 4 of Queens Parade. There is no other industrial heritage building and it should be protected. The Queens Parade shopping precinct has been placed under ongoing stress by failure to support the heritage value of the streetscape and the integrity of the remaining infrastructure in recent decades. There has been

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| | | <p>an unfortunate lack of clarity that has not served any of the participants well. The more recent work to provide clarity for all within Precinct 4 has been welcome. Retaining the last commercial heritage building in the precinct will demonstrate Council's commitment to and acknowledgement of, the significant heritage value of heritage buildings in Precinct 4. Grading both buildings as contributory will underpin Precinct 4's significant heritage contribution and contribute towards providing certainty for those living and working in the area. The entire building is unique on its own terms within Precinct 4 and its heritage value should not be compromised.</p> |
| 22 | Anne Horrigan-Dixon, North Fitzroy | <p>Support adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for one change - grade the single storey section of the 390A Queens Parade bakehouse as 'contributory'. Yarra Council has substantial evidence to grade this as 'contributory'. I have extensive knowledge of 390A and inspected the site and its surrounds many time. The heritage bakehouse is the last and only remaining intact industrial heritage building in the Queens Parade shopping precinct. It is included in the nomination to Heritage Victoria for inclusion on the Victorian Heritage Register, page 54. It is still intact but if the single story section- the 'skillion' is demolished it will affect the quality of the heritage of the building. There is an application for development for the Bakehouse in which the single storey will be demolished or substantially altered which is going to VCAT in August. The bakehouse needs protection. The detailed report by Natica Schmeder details the reason for contributory status backing up Council's Helms report. Recognize the 1902 bakehouse (two storey and single storey) as one 'whole' building. Both single and double storey sections must be protected to maintain the integrity of the whole bakehouse. Demolition of the single-storey section of the bakehouse will mean loss of the integrity of the last commercial heritage building in the Queens parade shopping precinct.</p> |
| 23 | Kym Prentice, Fitzroy North | <p>The proposed plans will dominate this unique and historic part of north Fitzroy causing a huge negative impact on the surrounding residents and all who walk along these lovely streets. The proposed roof top terraces on top of each unit has the potential to cause many noise problems for the residents.. It will negatively change the quality of life for all the long term residents in this quiet lovely neighbourhood forever and must be scaled down. The height should be the same as surrounding buildings to maintain our unique Victorian streetscape</p> |
| 24 | Anastasia Morritt, Fitzroy north | <p>I would ask that the Council grade the entire building of The Heritage Bakehouse as contributory. I don't believe that the building should be registered as two separate buildings. Please recognise the 1902 bakehouse, the 2 Storey and Single storey as one whole building.. Demolition of one part of the building will compromise the integrity of the last commercial building in the Queens parade shopping precinct. I support the adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for one alteration. to grade the single storey section of 390A as contributory.</p> |
| 25 | John Keith, Pilkington | <p>I wish to support the adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for one change. I believe that the single story section of the 390A Queens Parade bakehouse should be regarded as 'contributory'. To excise it from the two story building which has been included as contributory does not make sense. Historically, it is clearly part of the one building. The bakehouse was built in 1902 and is the last remaining commercial heritage building left in the Queens Parade shopping precinct and its importance to the completeness and total integrity of the whole precinct would seem to be obvious. I strongly urge the Council to decide</p> |

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| | | that the single story section of the building be classed as 'contributory'. |
| 26 | Cara Pilkington, Clifton Hill | I urge Yarra Council to protect the whole Bakehouse at 390A Queens Parade as an entirety which it clearly is. No part should be demolished. The whole building including the single storey and the double storey section is one whole and presents as one heritage piece in the Queens Parade shopping strip. At present there seems to be an inconsistency where the two storey building is graded contributory but the single storey section is graded not contributory. The whole building needs to be graded as contributory. It seems counter-intuitive to cut a heritage piece into two pieces and then treat them separately, when they clearly form one heritage building. I ask Council to include the single storey section and grade the whole building as contributory. This is consistent with Yarra's own heritage advice (from David Helm) and the community's heritage advice (from Natica Schmeder). This will protect this important piece of history from demolition. With this section of 390A Queens Parade graded contributory I support the adoption of Part 2 of C231. |
| 27 | Kenneth Gomez, Fitzroy North | Over the last decade, the conflict between residents, Council and developers over what is acceptable development for Queens Parade has been largely settled by Amendment C.231 where Planning Panels Victoria agreed that lower building heights, setbacks from the street and rear lane and heritage are to be protected by appropriate planning controls. Council should complete the adoption of C.231 by voting for Part 2. There is argument that the "Bakehouse" building in 390A Queens Parade should be considered as "contributory" for heritage purposes as it is the only remaining building dating back to the industrial heritage of the area. Any potential demolition would lose this bit of architectural history forever. |
| 28 | Jane Miller, Fitzroy North | The single storey section of the Heritage Bakehouse is also 'contributory'. Please recognise and grade the single storey section as contributory. Please see the single and double storey sections of this 1902 building as part of the one building to preserve our heritage. |
| 29 | Robert Follis, Fitzroy North 3068 | Once again, rich and aggressive developers with expensive lawyers are trying to intimidate the planning department and councillors to allow the destruction of yet another heritage building purely for developer profit!! The heritage bakehouse has been incorrectly registered as two separate buildings with the result that: the double-storey section is graded 'contributory' and protected, the single-storey section is graded as 'not contributory', meaning it can be demolished for redevelopment! The bakehouse is the only remaining industrial heritage building still standing in Precinct 4 Queens Parade and needs protection. The 1902 bakehouse (two-storey and single-storey) is one 'WHOLE' building. Both sections must be protected to maintain the integrity of the whole bakehouse. Be aware that demolition of the single-storey section of the bakehouse will mean loss of the integrity of the very LAST commercial heritage building in the Queens Parade shopping precinct. Heritage planner David Helms recommendation is that: the single-storey section should be graded as 'contributory'. A second assessment by planner Natica Schmeder, recommended that the single-storey building should be also graded as 'contributory' AND the bakehouse should be retained as a whole (single-storey and two-storey sections) and surviving window openings retained or opened up if previously infilled. The developers behind this proposal don't give a damn about Clifton Hill, we the residents do! Please vote to Support adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for one change - grade the single-storey section of the 390A |

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| | | Queens Parade bakehouse as 'contributory'. |
| 30 | David Young, Fitzroy North | I support adoption of Part 2 of C231 except for the proposed Not-contributory grading of the single storey section of the bakehouse at 390A. The bakehouse is a single building with a double-storey part and a single-storey part. The whole of the 1902 bakehouse should be graded Contributory. Grading the single-storey part as Not-contributory will risk its demolition not an outcome that will reflect well on Council's management of Yarra's heritage. |
| 31 | Graeme Loughlin, Clifton Hill | SiWilmot's Bakey, a Cultural Place, . As the Burra Charter defines it, Place means site, area, building or other work, group of buildings, or other works, together with associated contents and their surroundings (Semple Kerr, p15) , |
| 32 | Chris Goodman (3068 Group), Clifton Hill | The 3068 Group supports listing the entire 1902 bakehouse as contributory, not just the two-storey section. It is an important marker of the commercial development of Queens Parade and its demolition should not be supported by council policy. The 3068 Group supports adoption of Part 2 of C231 and recommends uniform mandatory height controls throughout Precinct 4. Council should be congratulated for refusing demolition of the 'contributory' cottage at 193 Queens Parade, another important marker of the development of the parade. Council should ignore the legal threats and continue with its well-researched policy development towards a Queens Parade Structure Plan that has been supported by the planning panel, council adoption of Part1 and a VCAT decision. |

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor O'Brien

Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

1. That Council notes the officer report regarding Amendment C231 (Part 2) including the Panel Report and officer recommendations.
2. That Council adopts Amendment C231 (Part 2) to the Yarra Planning Scheme in accordance with Section 29(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* with the changes set out in Attachment 3 and Attachment 4 to this report with the following further modification:
 - (a) amend the *City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas 2007 Appendix 8* so that the entry relating to buildings at 390A Queens Parade, Fitzroy North which are described as 'not contributory' also excludes the portion of the site containing the one storey building with a skillion roof in the south-east corner. [Explanatory Note: The effect of this resolution is that the portion of the site containing the one storey building with a skillion roof in the south-east corner will remain 'ungraded'.]
3. That Council notes this resolution gives effect to the Panel's recommendation for a mandatory height for 390A Queens Parade except that Council has adopted 11 metres rather than 10.5 metres recommended by the Panel.
4. That Council advises the Minister for Planning that Council has not accepted the Panel's recommendation to apply a 'not contributory' heritage grading to the single storey building with a skillion roof in the south-east corner of the land known as 390A Queens Parade for the following reasons:
 - (a) The Panel recommended that Council undertake further heritage assessment of the existing built form and associated structures located at 390A Queens Parade to establish whether other buildings and associated structures on this property would support or warrant a 'contributory' grading within the context of HO330;

- (b) Council engaged Mr David Helms to undertake further assessment of the buildings on the land at 390A Queens Parade and Mr Helms found that the one storey building with a skillion roof in the south-east corner of the land should be graded 'contributory', rather than 'not contributory'; and
 - (c) Council will undertake a separate process to advance the findings of the further heritage assessment. This work cannot be implemented through Amendment C231 (as the owner has not been given a reasonable opportunity to test the propositions in the context of a panel hearing noting that the recommendation came out of the C231 Panel). Accordingly, until this separate process has been advanced, the building should remain ungraded.
5. That Council submits the adopted Amendment C231 (Part 2) as set out in Attachment 5 to this report to the Minister for Planning for approval, in accordance with Section 31(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* with the following further modification:
- (a) amend the *City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas 2007 Appendix 8* so that the entry relating to buildings at 390A Queens Parade, Fitzroy North which are described as 'not contributory' also excludes the portion of the site containing the one storey building with a skillion roof in the south-east corner.
6. That Council submits the information prescribed under Section 31 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* with the adopted amendment, including:
- (a) the reasons why any recommendations of the Panel were not adopted as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report; and
 - (b) a description of and reasons for the changes made to Amendment C231 between exhibition and adoption as outlined in Attachment 3 of this report.
7. That Council delegates to the CEO the authority to finalise Amendment C231 (Part 2), in accordance with Council's resolution, and to:
- (a) make any changes required to the Amendment documents, including the documents referred to in resolution 2, resolution 5 and resolution 6, to amend the *City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas 2007 Appendix 8* so that the entry relating to buildings at 390A Queens Parade, Fitzroy North which are described as 'not contributory' also excludes the portion of the site containing the one storey building with a skillion roof in the south-east corner;
 - (b) make any changes required to Attachment 1 to reflect the reasons in resolution 4; and
 - (c) make any administrative changes required to correct errors, grammatical changes and map changes.
8. That all submitters are advised of the Council determinations in relation to Amendment C231 (Part 2).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.3 Draft Yarra LGBTIQ+ Strategy

Reference: D20/40510

Authoriser: Group Manager People and Culture

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the draft Yarra LGBTIQ+ Strategy; and
 - (b) endorse the draft Yarra LGBTIQ+ Strategy for public exhibition from June - July 2020.

Councillor Coleman left the meeting at 9.09pm

Councillor Coleman returned at 9.10pm

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor O'Brien

Seconded: Councillor Stone

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the draft Yarra LGBTIQ+ Strategy;
 - (b) request relationship building with the LGBTIQ+ community and investigation of models for appropriate LGBTIQ+ representation be included in the year one action plan in the LGBTIQ+ Strategy, with the establishment of an LGBTIQ+ reference group at the beginning of year two; and
 - (c) endorse the draft Yarra LGBTIQ+ Strategy for public exhibition from June–July 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9.16pm

The meeting resumed at 9.22pm

11.4 Community Engagement Policy and Action Plan

Reference: D20/29126

Authoriser: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the draft community engagement policy and four-year action plan for a four week public exhibition period seeking community feedback.

Councillor Coleman left the meeting at 9.33pm

Councillor Coleman returned at 9.34pm

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the draft community engagement policy and four-year action plan for a four week public exhibition period seeking community feedback.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.5 2019/20 Annual Plan Review

Reference: D20/88094
Authoriser: Director Corporate, Business and Finance

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council endorse the following changes to the 2019/20 Annual Plan:
 - (a) 1.04 Provision of boat storage and clubhouse facility design - Panther Pavilion:
 - Defer milestones and remove action
 - September – Commence boat storage construction
 - December – Complete boat storage construction
 - March – Commence pavilion design
 - June – Complete pavilion design
 - (b) 1.05 Ryan’s Reserve Netball/Tennis Court and Pavilion:
 - Defer milestone
 - June – Commence pavilion refurbishment works
 - (c) 2.04 LGBTIQ Strategy:
 - Defer milestone
 - June – Present draft Strategy to Council for adoption
 - (d) 3.01 Yarra Environment Strategy:
 - Defer milestone
 - June – Present Yarra Environment Strategy to Council seeking adoption
 - (e) 3.04 Review and update Council's Urban Agriculture guidelines:
 - Defer milestone
 - June – Present report on new Guidelines to Council
 - (f) 3.06 Commence holistic waste system trial in selected areas with 1300 households:
 - Defer milestones
 - March – Depending on outcome of trial, develop plan for delivery of holistic waste system municipal wide
 - June – Commence engagement, communication and marketing to get community ready for roll out
 - (g) 4.07 Negotiate Joint Use Agreement with Richmond High School:
 - Defer milestones
 - December – Finalise Joint Use Agreement with the School Principal
 - March – Seek Council and Yarra City Council endorsement of Joint Use Agreement; and
 - (h) 4.08 Review and develop a framework for management of Council’s own heritage assets:
 - Defer milestones
 - March – Present a draft framework to Executive
 - June – Present a draft framework to Council

Councillor O'Brien left the meeting at 9.50pm

Councillor O'Brien returned at 9.51pm

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

1. That Council endorse the following changes to the 2019/20 Annual Plan:
 - (a) 1.04 Provision of boat storage and clubhouse facility design - Panther Pavilion:
 - Defer milestones and remove action
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 - Defer milestones
 - March – Present a draft framework to Executive
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**11.6 Update of the Membership of the Inner Melbourne Action Plan (IMAP)
Implementation Committee**

Trim Record Number: D20/83494

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

ITEM WAS WITHDRAWN

Conclusion

The meeting concluded at 9.58pm.

Confirmed Tuesday 23 June 2020

Mayor