Agenda

Council Meeting

6.30pm, Tuesday 14 November 2023

Richmond Town Hall

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Council Meetings

Council Meetings are public forums where Councillors come together to meet as a Council and make decisions about important, strategic and other matters. The Mayor presides over all Council Meetings, and they are conducted in accordance with the City of Yarra Governance Rules.

Council meetings are decision-making forums and only Councillors have a formal role. However, Council is committed to transparent governance and to ensuring that any person whose rights will be directly affected by a decision of Council is entitled to communicate their views and have their interests considered before the decision is made.

Question Time

Yarra City Council welcomes questions from members of the community.

Registration

To ask a question, you will need to register and provide your question by 6.30pm on the day before the meeting. Late registrations cannot be accepted, and you will be unable to address the meeting without registration.

Asking your question

During Question Time, the Mayor will invite everyone who has registered to ask their question. When your turn comes, come forward to the microphone and:

- state your name;
- direct your question to the Mayor;
- don't raise operational matters that have not been previously raised with the organisation;
- don’t ask questions about matter listed on tonight’s agenda
- don't engage in debate;
- if speaking on behalf of a group, explain the nature of the group and how you are able to speak on their behalf.

You will be provided a maximum of three minutes to ask your question, but do not need to use all of this time.

Comments not allowed

When you are addressing the meeting, don't ask a question or make comments which:

- relate to a matter that is being considered by Council at this meeting;
- relate to something outside the powers of the Council;
- are defamatory, indecent, abusive, offensive, irrelevant, trivial or objectionable;
- deal with a subject matter already answered;
- are aimed at embarrassing a Councillor or a member of Council staff;
- include or relate to confidential information; or
- relate to something that is subject to legal proceedings.

Addressing the Council

An opportunity exists to make your views known about a matter that is listed on the agenda for this meeting by addressing the Council directly before a decision is made.

Registration

To ask address Council, you will need to register by 6.30pm on the day before the meeting. Late registrations cannot be accepted, and you will be unable to address the meeting without registration.

Addressing the Council

Before each item is considered by the Council, the Mayor will invite everyone who has registered in relation to that item to address the Council. When your turn comes, come forward to the microphone and:

- state your name;
- direct your statement to the Mayor;
- confine your submission to the subject being considered;
- avoid repeating previous submitters;
- don't ask questions or seek comments from Councillors or others; and
- if speaking on behalf of a group, explain the nature of the group and how you are able to speak on their behalf.

You will be provided a maximum of three minutes to speak, but do not need to use all of this time.

Comments not allowed

When you are addressing the meeting, don't make any comments which:

- relate to something other than the matter being considered by the Council;
- are defamatory, indecent, abusive, offensive, irrelevant, trivial or objectionable;
- are aimed at embarrassing a Councillor or a member of Council staff;
- include or relate to confidential information; or
- relate to something that is subject to legal proceedings.

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If you are unable to participate in this environment, we can make arrangements to accommodate you if sufficient notice is given. Some examples of adjustments are:

- a translator in your language
- the presence of an Auslan interpreter
- loan of a portable hearing loop
- reconfiguring the room to facilitate access
- modification of meeting rules to allow you to participate more easily.

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Order of business

1. **Acknowledgement of Country**
2. **Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence**
3. **Announcements**
4. **Declarations of conflict of interest**
5. **Confirmation of minutes**
6. **Question time**
7. **Council business reports**
8. **Notices of motion**
9. **Petitions and joint letters**
10. **Questions without notice**
11. **Delegates' reports**
12. **General business**
13. **Urgent business**
14. **Confidential business reports**

1. Acknowledgment 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."

2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence

Attendance

Councillors

- Cr Claudia Nguyen — Mayor
- Cr Edward Crossland — Deputy Mayor
- Cr Michael Glynatsis — Councillor
- Cr Stephen Jolly — Councillor
- Cr Herschel Landes — Councillor
- Cr Anab Mohamud — Councillor
- Cr Bridgid O'Brien — Councillor
- Cr Amanda Stone — Councillor
- Cr Sophie Wade — Councillor

Council staff

Chief Executive Officer

- Sue Wilkinson — Chief Executive Officer

General Managers

- Brooke Colbert — Governance, Communications and Customer Experience
- Sam Hewett — Infrastructure and Environment
- Kerry McGrath — Community Strengthening
- Mary Osman — City Sustainability and Strategy
- Jenny Scicluna — Corporate Services and Transformation

Governance

- Phil De Losa — Manager Governance and Integrity
- Rhys Thomas — Senior Governance Advisor
- Mel Nikou — Governance Officer

3. Announcements

An opportunity is provided for the Mayor to make any necessary announcements.

4. Declarations of conflict of interest

Any Councillor who has a conflict of interest in a matter being considered at this meeting is required to disclose that interest either by explaining the nature of the conflict of interest to those present or advising that they have disclosed the nature of the interest in writing to the Chief Executive Officer before the meeting commenced.

5. Confirmation of minutes

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10 October 2023 be confirmed.

6. Question time

An opportunity is provided for questions from members of the public.

7. Council business reports

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7.1	Annual Grants 2024 Recommendations	9	15	Michael Van Vliet – Community Grants Team Leader
7.2	Pre-trial study for 30 km/hr speed limit trial	96	106	Danny Millican – senior Coordinator Traffic Engineering
7.3	Gertrude/Brunswick Public Space Project	107	112	Hayley McNicol – Senior Urban Designer
7.4	Draft Street Garden Guidelines	117	120	John Williams – Landscape Architect
7.5	2023 Advocacy Action Plan	126	128	Elle Sweet – Government Relations Senior Advisor
7.6	Governance Report - November 2023	149	156	Rhys Thomas – Senior Governance Advisor
7.7	Quarterly Report - Quarter 1 2023-24	171	174	Dennis Bastas – Manager Financial Services
7.8	Cost Shifting - work on other agencies' land	227	230	Brett Grambau – Manager City Works
7.9	Bryant and May Proposed Redevelopment - 560 Church Street, Cremorne	232	295	Julian Larkin – Coordinator Statutory Planning
7.10	T01081 - Parking management, compliance and law enforcement contract extension	464	467	Mary Osman – GM City Sustainability and Strategy

8. Notices of motion

Nil

9. Petitions and joint letters

An opportunity exists for any Councillor to table a petition or joint letter for Council's consideration.

10. Questions without notice

An opportunity is provided for Councillors to ask questions of the Mayor or Chief Executive Officer.

11. Delegate's reports

An opportunity is provided for Councillors to table or present a Delegate's Report.

12. General business

An opportunity is provided for Councillors to raise items of General Business for Council's consideration.

13. Urgent business

An opportunity is provided for the Chief Executive Officer to introduce items of Urgent Business.

14. Confidential business reports

Nil

7.1 Annual Grants 2024 Recommendations

Executive Summary

Purpose

This report seeks Council endorsement of the recommendations put forward by the community grants panels for the 2024 Annual Grants program.

Key Issues

Yarra's Annual Grants program continues to strengthen the community sector through providing a flexible and responsive source of funds to community-based not-for-profit organisations and artists. Funding is used to support projects that deliver outcomes aligned with the Council Plan and target the areas of highest need within the community.

Through the Community Grants Initiation Report on 18 April 2023, Council approved the objectives, guidelines and assessment processes for the Annual Grants 2024 program (as well as the Small Project Grants 2023/24 and Room to Create Grants 2023/24).

The Annual Grants were open for applications for seven weeks between 13 June and 31 July 2023. A total of 230 applications were received across 11 grant streams, 58 more applications than last year.

Financial Implications

On 19 June 2023, the budget for the 2024 Annual Grants Program was approved by Council as part of its endorsement of the 2023-24 Annual Budget.

One hundred and twenty-three applications have been recommended to receive funding totalling $1,155,044. The total annual grants budget, including the previously approved third (and final) year of the three-year Community Strengthening grant payments ($153,500 to 41 groups), is $1,308,044.

PROPOSAL

That Council endorses the community grants panels' recommendations for the Annual Grants 2024 program as presented in this report and its attachments.

7.1 Annual Grants 2024 Recommendations

Reference	D23/404974
Author	Michael Van Vliet - Team Leader Community Grants
Authoriser	Acting General Manager Community Strengthening
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

Purpose

1. This report seeks Council endorsement of the recommendations by the community grants panels for the 2024 Annual Grants program.

Critical analysis

History and background

2. Yarra City Council's Community Grants Program is a significant investment in the community. It is one of Victoria's leading local government grant programs, through which Yarra has established a reputation for its strong support for the community.

3. The Community Grants Program aims to:

   (a) develop partnerships between Council and community groups to achieve Council's strategic directions;

   (b) direct resources to both the emerging and specific needs of disadvantaged groups;

   (c) develop a positive approach to the resolution of local social issues;

   (d) support local groups, activities and community connectedness; and

   (e) support community organisations to develop skills and increase community participation.

4. The Annual Grants program forms part of the overall Community Grants Program and is one of the primary avenues of support by Council for community-led projects and activities. The grants provide funding to a wide range of activities by some of Yarra's leading not-for-profit organisations and grassroots community organisations as well as to individual artists.

5. On 18 April 2023 Council approved the Annual Grants 2024 objectives, guidelines, assessment process and budget in the Community Grants Initiation Report. The Annual Grants were open for applications for seven weeks between 13 June and 31 July 2023.

6. A total of 230 applications were received across ten grant streams. This was an increase of 58 from last year when we received 172 applications. 123 applications have been recommended requiring $1,155,044 in funding.

7. The Annual Grants are divided into 11 funding streams: Arts, Climate Action, Community Celebrations, Community Housing, Community Strengthening, Community Support, Family and Early Years, Major Projects (formerly known as Investing in Communities Grants), Social Enterprise, Sport & Recreation and Youth & Middle Years.

8. The Annual Grants are subject to regular review to improve the administration of the program and accessibility for applicants. Feedback provided by previous grant applicants, Council officers and other local government grant makers was incorporated into the current program.

9. Consultation and engagement activities were undertaken to support access to the grants program. Applicants were advised to contact Council officers before submitting their application to discuss project ideas and gain assistance with the application process, including understanding program objectives, criteria, and eligibility requirements.

10. Multiple grants information sessions were held for community throughout the application period. Community training sessions were conducted specifically with residents of Yarra from multicultural backgrounds, who were assisted by Council's Bicultural Liaison Officers, to provide one-on-one support in understanding how to apply for grants.

11. In March 2023, Council endorsed a review of the grants program to take place in 2023/2024. The multi-year grants were put on hold and the Investing in Community grant pool was rolled into the Annual Grants (as a one-year grant) with the creation of a new grant stream, Major Projects (up to $50k).

12. The arts stream of grants was highly oversubscribed with 78 applications requesting more than $1m in total. 22 applications were supported. There will be a further round of arts grant funding opening in November.

13. Dr Kate Beynon has been recommended to receive the inaugural Yarra Arts Fellowship for 2024 which is a $10,000 grant. There were 39 applications for the Fellowship.

14. Council will hold an event in March 2024 celebrating and acknowledging those who received Yarra City Council funding and delivered initiatives to the Yarra community during Cultural Diversity Week. Applicants will be informed of the outcomes of their applications by email after the Council has endorsed the recommendations.

Discussion

15. There are no issues for discussion.

Options

16. There are no options.

Community and stakeholder engagement

17. The Annual Grants are a competitive grant round. As per the Yarra Grants Administration Guide, the assessment process comprises the following stages;

    (a) Stage 1: Eligibility Check conducted by Council officers to confirm applicant and project eligibility. Ineligible applications are not advanced;

    (b) Stage 2: Application Review by Council officers, who assess applications against the advertised criteria. This also includes evaluating the capacity of the applicant to deliver project outcomes, the clarity of project aims, the completeness and realism of the budget, and alignment with Council funding priorities;

    (c) Stage 3: Assessment and Recommendation by community panels, consisting of external assessors and some Council officers with relevant expertise. The panels review all eligible applications and determine the final recommendations for funding. Deliberations are documented, including panel members' names and relevant experience; and

    (d) Stage 4: Decision-Making and Council Endorsement where Council officers record the outcomes of panel assessments within the grants administration system and prepare a report listing the recommended applications.

18. Council officers from the Sustainability, Family, Youth and Children, Sport and Recreation, Arts and Culture and Community Partnerships teams are closely involved in the grant assessment process. Officers from each unit assist with reviewing the grant criteria and support the recruitment of the panels responsible for making grant recommendations.

19. Feedback and consultation from the community and council officers on the grants is a continuous process of evaluation and improvement.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

20. The Yarra 2036 Community Vision and the 2021 - 2025 Council Plan shape the objectives of the community grants program. The grants are designed to support the delivery of the Council Plan and Community Vision and how those objectives can be achieved in partnership with the community.

21. All six strategic objectives of the Council Plan are supported through the Grants Program:

    (a) Climate and Environment - The Climate Action and Environment stream of the Annual Grants provides support to local community groups through community education and engagement in environmental sustainability. These grants help to celebrate, enable and promote a circular economy;

    (b) Social Equity and Health - The community grants provide a flexible and responsive source of funds to support projects and initiatives within the not-for-profit community sector. The program also supports community organisations within the recreational and sporting sector, to encourage greater participation and strengthen their capacity to deliver additional activities for the wellbeing of the whole Yarra community. The program promotes access to equitable services including education, housing, employment and health. The program also supports our commitment to social justice and social inclusion principles and provides vital funding to community organisations based in Yarra's public housing estates. The program empowers community groups to offer inclusive and diverse activities, services and cultural celebrations. Yarra supports the homeless to secure housing and employment through our Community Housing grant program. We respect and acknowledge the traditional owners of Yarra and their voices are involved in the grant recommendations process;

    (c) Local Economy – The grants support a stream which provides funding and support to social enterprise small businesses within the City of Yarra. $40,000 is being awarded to three businesses through this stream. Additionally, there are many locally based individual artists being supported through the grants;

    (d) Place and Nature - The community grants contribute immeasurably to Yarra's cultural heritage. The extra support provided to local community groups, schools and artists to run their projects, adds to the diversity of activities available for residents to participate in. Many of the grants celebrate and build on the cultural heritage of Yarra;

    (e) Transport and Movement – The grants encourage projects that support community members to cycle and adopt cycling as a long-term transport alternative and help to improve perceptions of cyclists among non-cycling road users and develop alternatives to private transport; and

    (f) Democracy and Governance - Yarra Council's grants program is a recognised leader among Local Government in Victoria. As well as having one of the largest grant programs, Yarra's grants have been an innovative means of connecting with and supporting local communities and our administrative processes are highly regarded by other councils. The community participate in the deciding of the grants through the community panel making the recommendations.

22. Other key strategic plans and policies which inform Annual Grants include the 0-25 Years Plan 2018-2023 – Early Years, Middle Years and Youth, Access and Inclusion Strategy 2018-2024, Active and Healthy Ageing Strategy 2018-2024, Multicultural Partnerships Plan 2019-2023, the Yana Ngargna Plan, Climate Emergency Plan 2020-2024 and the Yarra Volunteering Strategy 2019-2023.

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

23. The Climate Action and Environment stream aims to encourage and support projects that align with the Climate Emergency Plan 2020-2024.

24. The stream had 14 applications requesting $119,000 for projects totalling $902,000 in value. This is the same number of applications as received in 2023.

25. The funding pool for Climate Action grants increased from $42,000 in 2020 to $128,000 in 2022/23 and 2023/24 following a successful budget bid. Recommended projects address issues such as climate action, waste reduction, recycling, food security and environmental sustainability.

26. Fourteen applications have been recommended requesting $91,525.00 leaving $36,475 remaining in the budget. The remaining funding will be distributed in Climate Action Small Grants (up to $2,000) throughout the rest of the 2023/24 year until expended.

27. All grant applicants were advised that Council will give preference to those who consider incorporating activities that improve the sustainable outcomes of their projects. The application form requires applicants to consider ways of reducing and reusing resources.

Community and social implications

28. Yarra's Annual Grants aims to address numerous social needs across such areas as: arts and culture, sustainability, community development, sport and recreation, family, children, and youth. The following social objectives are addressed within the grants program as they build a sense of community through:

    (a) cultural activities (community celebrations, observance of traditional celebration days, cultural festivals and events);

    (b) recognition of diversity (projects that strengthen Yarra's diverse community or celebrate and recognise diversity);

    (c) social cohesion (projects which seek to bring people together and support the development of communities with shared aims and aspirations); and

    (d) promoting and improving community health and wellbeing through:

        (i) recreation opportunities (sports, social recreation, walking and improving access to recreational activities);

        (ii) improving health and wellbeing (food insecurity, nutrition, skills development, health information, social engagement and support); and

        (iii) promoting community safety through diversionary or preventive projects.

29. Fifty-six applications (33% of applications) were for projects that take place in one of Yarra's public housing estates or primarily engage public housing residents.

Economic development implications

30. The Annual Grants program strengthens the community sector through providing a flexible and responsive source of funds to community-based not-for-profit organisations. Funding is used to support projects that deliver outcomes outlined within the Council Plan and target the areas of highest need within the community. The aim is to improve the long-term outlook for local families and businesses and strengthen the capacity of the local not-for-profit sector and generate economic activity.

31. Annual Grants also redistribute funds to the disadvantaged in the community. The festivals and events bring economic benefits and assist with branding Yarra as a destination city. There is a direct economic benefit from projects that support new arrivals, young people and families through skills development.

Human rights and gender equality implications

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

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

33. A total of $1,155,044 has been recommended for 123 grants This is an increase from 2023 when $965,376 was approved for 110 grants. This is due to the additional funds from the Major Projects grants which subsumed the Investing in Community Grants while the Grants Review is underway.

34. Applicants were asked to specify the total cost of their project, as well as the amount requested from Council. In total, more than $3.3m was requested for projects worth more than $17m.

35. The grants program allows for greater value than the funds provided by Council. For example, if the total cost of a project is $10,000 and $2,000 is requested, with the remaining $8,000 to be raised by the community or provided by in-kind donations or other grant funding, then Council's $2,000 enables a $10,000 community benefit.

36. **Table 1** shows that $1.15m of Council funding enables projects to occur that have a dollar value of more than $7m. This does not include the sizable social value also generated by these projects.

Table 1

Overall spending on Grants by Council	Overall project value that Council has enabled	Leverage potential of Granting
$1.15m	$7.4m	$1 spent: $7.00 value

Legal Implications

37. The grants program enables Council to achieve some of the basic tenets of the Local Government Act 1989:

    (a) Section 3C - to promote the social, economic and environmental viability and sustainability of the municipal district;

    (b) Section 3D - fostering community cohesion and encouraging active participation in civic life; and,

    (c) Section 3E - planning for and providing services and facilities for the local community.

38. Council has not sought legal advice in relation to the grants program.

Conclusion

39. Council's Annual Grants Program demonstrates Yarra Council's commitment to supporting the community and highlights the diversity of community-initiated projects, events and activities that take place across the municipality, and which make Yarra such a vibrant place to live.

40. The recommendations for Yarra City Council's Annual Grant 2024 program are provided in the attachments to this report. The competitive grants round show a significant commitment from the citizens of Yarra and local groups and organisations to achieve great outcomes for the City of Yarra. Applicants are to be commended for their efforts to improve local amenity through their work.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:

   (a) endorse the Annual Grants 2024 community grant panel's recommendations as listed in Attachment 1 to award 123 grants totalling $1,155,044;

   (b) thank the members of the community grants panels for their time, deliberation and commitment to Yarra's community grants program; and

   (c) note that Council will hold an event in March 2024 during Cultural Diversity Week celebrating and acknowledging those who received grant funding and delivered initiatives.

Attachments

1⇩ Attachment 1 - Alphabetical list of grant recommendations

2 Attachment 2 - 2024 Annual Grant Assessment Panels - *Confidential*

3⇩ Attachment 3 - 2024 Annual Grants Recommended Report

4 Attachment 4 - 2024 Annual Grants Not Recommended Report - *Confidential*

5 Attachment 5 - Yarra Arts Fellowship Report 2024 - *Confidential*

Alphabetical list of grant recommendations

Applicant	Project Title	Stream	Grant Amount
3CR Community Radio	3CR Community Engagement Project	Major Projects	$25,000.00
Abbotsford Convent Foundation	Art Place	Arts and Culture Projects	$15,000.00
Abbotsford Convent Foundation	Convent Kids	Major Projects	$35,000.00
Agency	UNTOLD Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Talk Series	Arts and Culture Projects	$9,000.00
All The Queens Men (Auspice: AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC)	LGBTIQ+ Elders Dance Club & Magnifica Splendido	Arts and Culture Projects	$18,000.00
Arts Project Australia	Celebrating 50 years of bold and brilliant art	Arts and Culture Projects	$15,000.00
Association of Oromo Women in Collingwood, City of Yarra	Recreational activities, information and social support for Oromo women and their families living in Collingwood	Community Support	$5,000.00
Australian African Community Development (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	African youth curriculum support program	Youth & Middle Years	$10,000.00
Australian Catholic University	Yarra Community Middle Years Sport, Health and Wellbeing Programs	Major Projects	$25,000.00

Australian Croatian Senior Citizens Club Clifton Hill Inc.	Support for CALD seniors living in the City of Yarra	Community Strengthening	$4,000.00
Australian Vietnamese Women's Association	Strive	Major Projects	$25,000.00
Birth for Humankind	Cultivating connections: Place-based community doula support and training	Family & Early Years	$9,000.00
Breath Circle (Auspice: Sacred Heart School, Fitzroy)	Breath Circle Programs	Youth & Middle Years	$6,600.00
Carringbush Adult Education	African Women's Group	Major Projects	$25,000.00
CCH Melbourne FGC Incorporated	Venue Expansion To Accommodate Attendee Growth	Community Strengthening	$4,000.00
CHEAC (Collingwood Housing Estate Arts Committee) (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	Yarra Gala Ball	Community Celebrations	$3,000.00
Clemente Fitzroy (Auspice: Australian Catholic University)	Clemente Fitzroy	Community Support	$4,000.00
Clifton Hill Cricket Club	First Aid Training	Sports & Recreation	$1,000.00
Clifton Hill Cricket Club	CHCC Schools Program 2024	Sports & Recreation	$5,000.00
Clifton Hill Cricket Club	PRIDE MATCHE/s - Celebrating Inclusion	Sports & Recreation	$5,000.00
CLIMARTE Inc	ART+CLIMATE=ACTION>	Climate Action & Environment	$10,000.00

Cohealth	Cohealth Footwear and Aids Program for Vulnerable Communities	Community Support	$6,000.00
Cohealth	Eid and community celebration	Community Celebrations	$1,500.00
Cohealth	Circles of Community Collaboration	Community Support	$9,500.00
Cohealth	Hand on Heart Carer Project	Community Support	$10,000.00
Cohealth	Social participation via cafe meals for people transitioning to NDIS.	Community Support	$8,000.00
Collingwood Basketball Association	Youth Development Program	Community Strengthening	$10,000.00
Collingwood Children's Farm Inc.	Sowing Seeds in Yarra Schools	Youth & Middle Years	$9,885.00
COLLINGWOOD CITY FOOTBALL CLUB (CCFC)	COLLINGWOOD EAGLES INCLUSIVE FOOTBALL	Sports & Recreation	$5,000.00
Collingwood Housing Estate Arts Committee (CHEAC) (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	Collingwood Harvest Festival	Arts and Culture Projects	$15,000.00
Collingwood Toy Library Inc	Community Fun Days for Abbotsford and Fitzroy Toy Libraries	Family & Early Years	$6,500.00
Community Free Haircuts (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	Community Free Haircuts	Community Support	$8,000.00

Community Pop Up Markets Ltd	Creating a local food supply network for equitable access at The Community Grocer Fitzroy	Climate Action & Environment	$8,200.00
Community Pop Up Markets Ltd	The Community Grocer - a marketplace for multicultural food enterprises	Major Projects	$30,000.00
Community Pop Up Markets Ltd	Grocer Gift Card Program - dignified food relief for Yarras' multicultural community	Community Support	$10,000.00
Composite: Moving Image Agency	Composite 2024 Creative Program	Arts and Culture Projects	$9,500.00
Contemporary Sculpture Association (CSA): Yarra Sculpture Gallery (YSG)	Yarra Sculpture Gallery and Arts Access Victoria: A Partnership in Supported Practice	Arts and Culture Projects	$12,536.00
Cross Encounters(CE) (Auspice: AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC)	Musical Dumplings Feast	Community Celebrations	$1,500.00
Cultivating Community	Green Gatherings	Community Strengthening	$8,700.00
Cultivating Community	Highrise Community Bakery Richmond: Bread, Fire, Community	Community Support	$8,250.00
Dadfit (Auspice: Fitzroy Learning Network)	Dadfit - supporting healthy families and gender equity in Yarra	Family & Early Years	$6,585.00
Dancehouse	Dancehousing	Arts and Culture Projects	$15,000.00

Drummond Street Services	WATER PROOFING OUR LIVEWIRES	Youth & Middle Years	$9,550.00
Dr Kate Benyon	Yarra Arts Fellowship	Arts and Culture Projects	$10,000.00
EDINBURGH CRICKET CLUB INC	Special Olympics All Abilities Program	Sports & Recreation	$3,000.00
Elizabeth Trewhella	Conscious Stock	Major Projects	$15,000.00
Eritrean Australian Jeberty Council	Ramadan Fast Breaking Event	Community Support	$3,000.00
FareShare Australia Inc.	Improving the sustainability and productivity of the FareShare Abbotsford Kitchen Garden	Climate Action & Environment	$4,900.00
Fitted for Work	Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Indigenous Cultural Awareness Training	Community Strengthening	$4,000.00
Fitzroy Junior Football Club	FJFC pre & post season sports & conditioning program for kids and coaches	Sports & Recreation	$2,000.00
Fitzroy Lions Soccer Club	FLSC Young leaders	Sports & Recreation	$3,000.00
Fitzroy Lions Soccer Club	FLSC Promoting inclusivity and excellence through soccer	Youth & Middle Years	$9,000.00
Fitzroy North Primary School	Fitzroy North Primary School Fete	Community Celebrations	$3,000.00

Fitzroy Scout Group (Auspice: THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA VICTORIAN BRANCH)	Fitzroy Scouts Reducing Barriers and Increasing Access Project	Youth & Middle Years	$6,000.00
Flow Festival Australia (Auspice: AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC)	Creative Development: Flow Festival 2024/2025	Arts and Culture Projects	$14,000.00
Food for All (Auspice: Holden Street Neighbourhood House)	Nourishing Together	Community Support	$5,000.00
Free Massage Project Group (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	Free Massage Projects	Community Support	$8,000.00
Friends of Baucau Inc	Celebrating Neighbourhood Connections	Community Celebrations	$2,550.00
Friends of Merri Creek Labyrinth (Auspice: Friends of Merri Creek Incorporated)	Labyrinth biodiversity restoration - rehabilitation of Fourth Garden Bed with indigenous planting	Climate Action & Environment	$10,000.00
Friends of the Earth Melbourne	Friends of the Earth Mural - growing community and creative resistance since 1973	Arts and Culture Projects	$10,000.00
Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces Inc	Gertrude Glasshouse Exhibition and Audience Engagement Program 2024	Arts and Culture Projects	$15,000.00
GR8 M8S Foundation	Toolangi Adventure Sports Camps (TASC) 2024	Sports & Recreation	$5,000.00
GR8 M8S Foundation	Yarra Wild Beast Program to build confidence and leadership potential of children from migrant communities	Youth & Middle Years	$8,000.00

GR8 M8S Foundation	2024 Yarra Challenge Cups	Sports & Recreation	$4,600.00
ILBIJERRI Theatre CO	SCAR TREES - social impact performance	Arts and Culture Projects	$18,000.00
ILBIJERRI Theatre CO	ILBIJERRI ENSEMBLE - Creating career pathways for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait people	Major Projects	$25,000.00
Jigsaw Australia	A large plan scanner to diversify Jigsaw's business services, creating employment for people with disability	Social Enterprise	$12,877.00
Kids Space in Yarra (homework Club) (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	Kids Space in Yarra (Homework club)	Family & Early Years	$9,000.00
Kids Space in Yarra (homework Club) (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	swimming program for kids	Community Strengthening	$7,000.00
Language, culture and basic Islamic Studies program (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	Somali Culture Learning Program	Community Support	$8,000.00
Launch Housing	Yarra Zero Establishing and Sustaining Tenancies Pilot Project	Community Housing	$50,000.00
Make It Up Club Inc.	Make It Up Club 2024 Concert Series	Arts and Culture Projects	$17,500.00
MARINE MAMMAL FOUNDATION	Bin Not Bay - Connecting Catchment Communities	Climate Action & Environment	$9,940.00

Melbourne Comhaltas	Comhaltas St Patrick's Day celebrations	Community Celebrations	$1,800.00
Melbourne Community Television Consortium	Climate Action Chronicles (Yarra)	Climate Action & Environment	$8,900.00
Melbourne Electronic Sound Studio	Mobile MESS at Convent Kids	Arts and Culture Projects	$5,976.00
Melbourne Irish Festival Committee	St Patrick's Family Fun Day	Community Celebrations	$1,500.00
Melbourne Swimming Club	Development program for Melbourne Swimming Club Coaches	Sports & Recreation	$1,000.00
Melbourne Swimming Club	Learn to Swim Program to help children with specific learning needs, autism, and other disabilities	Sports & Recreation	$5,000.00
Melbourne Swimming Club	Purchase of portable ramp to cater for our swimmers with a disability/disabilities	Sports & Recreation	$1,000.00
Melbourne Victory FC Academy Ltd	Victory at Richmond’s Home Ground	Youth & Middle Years	$10,000.00
Merri Creek Primary School	Traffic Management Plan - Controllers	Community Celebrations	$2,500.00
MiCare	Yarra Women Behind the Wheel	Major Projects	$15,000.00
Midsumma Festival Inc	Bloodlines	Community Support	$8,000.00

Mr Richard Monger (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	ILMBG Contemporary Craft 2023	Arts and Culture Projects	$1,000.00
Ms Frances Loriente	Myths Movement and Mark-Making	Arts and Culture Projects	$7,200.00
Ms Jo Lloyd (Auspice: AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC)	FM Air	Arts and Culture Projects	$10,000.00
MZURI DANCE ARTISTREE FUND INC.	Culture Club Community Cook-up	Major Projects	$30,000.00
North Richmond Community Health	Chair Based Exercise	Sports & Recreation	$5,000.00
North Richmond Community Health	NRCH Homework Group	Family & Early Years	$8,880.00
North Richmond Community Health	Early Childhood Developmental Screening and Education	Family & Early Years	$5,000.00
North Richmond Community Health	Cultural Catering Business Support	Social Enterprise	$15,000.00
North Richmond Community Health	NRCH Social Inclusion Program	Community Support	$9,000.00
North Richmond Community Health	Tai Chi and QiGong for Gentle exercise.	Sports & Recreation	$5,000.00
Northcote United Cricket Club	2024 Family Day	Sports & Recreation	$2,700.00
Northcote United Cricket Club	Cricket Coaching - Level 2/Representative coaching accreditation	Sports & Recreation	$1,000.00

Open Table	Community Connections at an Open Table	Community Support	$9,000.00
Operation Newstart Incorporated	Operation Newstart Yarra	Youth & Middle Years	$9,500.00
Oromo Community Women's Group in the CIty of Yarra Inc	Celebration of Eid Al Adha, Festival of Sacrifice	Community Celebrations	$1,500.00
Positive Attitude Inc	Protect Positive Attitude Luncheons	Community Support	$5,000.00
Project Respect	Community Connectedness: From Garden to Table	Community Strengthening	$8,500.00
Railway Gardeners (Auspice: North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House)	Let's Grow	Climate Action & Environment	$7,736.00
Richmond Community Garden Group (RCGG) (Auspice: RICHMOND COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE INC)	Inner City Gardening-Supporting Food Production, Friendships and Community Resilience	Climate Action & Environment	$2,000.00
Richmond Vietnamese Church of Christ (Auspice: Churches of Christ Community Care)	Richmond Multicultural Community Hub	Community Support	$8,000.00
Russian House Melbourne Inc	Defibrillator Acquisition Project	Community Support	$2,650.00
SEVENTH Gallery	Community Library and Reading Room	Arts and Culture Projects	$6,675.00
SisterWorks Inc.	Crafted Culture WISE Capacity Building	Social Enterprise	$12,315.00

St Martins Youth Arts Centre	The Word - Production	Arts and Culture Projects	$14,754.00
Strata Community Association (Vic)	Strata Sustainability and Engagement Pilot	Community Support	$10,000.00
The Boite	Portfolio Project 3.0	Arts and Culture Projects	$15,000.00
The Country Women's Association of Victoria Inc - Collingwood Branch	Collingwool - Farm to Fibre Workshops	Community Support	$8,000.00
The Kitchen Project (Auspice: Fitzroy Learning Network)	Meet and Eat Kitchen Project	Community Support	$3,000.00
The Pan-Macedonian Association of Melbourne and Victoria Inc.	Fostering social connection and inclusion and promoting health and wellbeing through social and cultural activities.	Community Strengthening	$4,000.00
The Rotary Club of Richmond Inc	RC Richmond Next Step Program	Youth & Middle Years	$8,500.00
un Projects	un Projects: arts publishing, writing and public talks	Arts and Culture Projects	$15,000.00
Vacro	Second Chance Cycles	Major Projects	$40,000.00
Vicbears Inc	Active Bear	Community Strengthening	$2,256.00
X'mas ConneXtions (Auspice: Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)	X'mas ConneXtions	Community Strengthening	$3,680.00

Yarra Climate Action Now (YCAN)	Mural Promoting Climate Action at 134 Perry St, Collingwood - Facing Hoddle Street	Climate Action & Environment	$10,000.00
Yarra Pub Cricket Association	Women in Pub Cricket	Sports & Recreation	$3,500.00
Yarra Pub Cricket Association	Provision of Women's Cricket Equipment	Sports & Recreation	$1,000.00
Yarra Riverkeeper Association (Auspice: Yarra Riverkeeper Association)	Eco-inking by the Birrarung, senses of connecting	Climate Action & Environment	$9,849.00
Zonta Club of Melbourne on Yarra Inc	Zonta Club of Melbourne on Yarra - Breast Care Cushions	Community Support	$3,000.00
		TOTAL	**$1,155,044.00**

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ACG-041: **Abbotsford Convent Foundation**

Art Place

Project Description: Art Place will feature within the Abbotsford Convent Foundation's (ACF) Convent Live program - a vibrant and high-quality curated program of arts and cultural events that engage with independent artists to inspire our diverse community. Art Place is a new curatorial pillar within Convent Live focusing on site specific and responsive practices to foster enriching community engagement.

Art Place will be developed and delivered through a collaboration with three leading and multi-award-winning independent artists, collectives and curators - Dr. Lisa Anderson, ButohOUT!, and Catlin Langford. Working across a diversity of forms, practices, cultural contexts and backgrounds, the dynamism of these artists will add a new and deeply engaging layer to the Convent's (and Yarra's) audience experience and community development.

Through Art Place, with our artist collaborators, we will utilise the Convent's unique built and natural environment to interrogate and invite audiences to consider how place is connected to culture, community, and environment. Underpinned by a strong site-based development process, each artist will consider place through the lens of their interests, interrogating concepts such as community activism and collectivism, ritual, water sovereignty, and climate futures, expressed through a diversity of practices including photography, performance, textiles, sculpture, video, and gatherings.

Each artist will be connected to the Convent over a sustained period of between 6 to 12 months. They will each undertake research and development, creative development and testing, rehearsals, presentation, and evaluation. The community will engage with the artists' public outcomes across 10 events that will include presentations of new work (through performance, exhibition, and installation) as well as various public engagements including talks, walks, and gatherings. All Art Place activities will be developed and presented within a growing and impactful Convent curated program that enables richer engagement with the diverse and large Convent community.

Total Project Cost: $65010.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $20000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project strongly aligns with the stream and supports a broad range of activities. The application is well-detailed and has a proven record of successful outcomes.

ACG-007: **Agency**

UNTOLD Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Talk Series

Project Description: UNTOLD is an established series of talks by Agency featuring inspiring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from diverse creative fields. Tailored for audiences who are interested in the process of ideas that shape our surroundings and experiences, UNTOLD brings people together to talk and listen, and to share their intangible capital: knowledge, experience, histories, culture and ideas.

In 2024, Agency will present four UNTOLD talks featuring leading local First Nations creative practitioners at Collingwood Yards. With a focus on showcasing artistic and cultural practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders who live, work or exhibit in the City of Yarra, UNTOLD will serve the dual purpose of both celebrating and elevating Indigenous voices, and attracting and engaging new audiences.

The series will create new presentation opportunities for locally based Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists, providing a dedicated and culturally safe platform from which they can discuss, share and promote their work with diverse audiences from across the Collingwood Yards precinct and beyond.

Agency frequently participates in city-wide initiatives such as Melbourne Design Week, Melbourne Fashion Week and Craft Contemporary, in addition to partnering with Composite, Centre for Projection Art, This Mob and Westspace (all fellow Yards tennants) to align UNTOLD Talks with existing programs such as our NAIDOC Week First Nations Film screening at Composite and First Nations exhibitions at Westspace.

Total Project Cost: $18168.00
Amount Requested: $12000.00 **Minimum Required:** $9000.00
Recommendation: $9,000.00

Panel Comments: The project strongly aligns with funding priorities. Also, this project has a proven track record of success in facilitating these events.

ACG-057: **All The Queens Men (Auspiced by AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC)**

LGBTIQ+ Elders Dance Club & Magnifica Splendido

Project Description: Since 2017, ATQM has presented a dynamic body of work that has supported the health and well-being of LGBTIQ+ communities, specifically older people. In 2024, ATQM remain committed to presenting queer cultural events that strengthen intergenerational LGBTIQ+ communities and promotes their visibility throughout the City of Yarra.

This investment supports:

1. LGBTIQ+ Elders Dance Club - EDC (presentation); a free ongoing social dance event for LGBTIQ+ elders (55+) antidoting ageism and discrimination. Central to EDC is providing a regular space for creative expression for participants; especially potent for this demographic across a COVID landscape. EDC is understood in the context of creative ageing programs including an emergence of aligned health-based practice and research looking at the impact of dance on ageing, grief, and disease or engagement in community events to end loneliness and social isolation. The needs of the LGBTIQ+ community change as they age, and many are looking for social connection offered by dance. EDC considers the significant issue of social isolation and loneliness plaguing elderly populations; more acute for LGBTIQ+ people. Even after seven years of presenting this event, the demand continues to grow, demonstrating an urgent need within our ageing community.

2. Magnifica Splendido MS (development); a new joyful camp cabaret (infused with participation), combining a local talent quest with a whole lotta Italo Disco. This extravaganza connects leading queer performers in a participatory performance, made with the local community. Celebrating the bygone days of live variety television and powerful disco doyennes, MS is shameless, queer camp joy. This development allows artists to adapt their practice, creating a new event for queer and allied communities. MS is unapologetic created for

joy and inclusion (after years of societal contraction and confusion), it's intentionally a whirlwind of sparkle motion to foster unabashed participation for all ages and ability.

Total Project Cost: $36016.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $18,000.00

Panel Comments: The application displayed strong detail and had an effective connection to the stream. The applicant has a strong history in delivering this project.

ACG-052: **Arts Project Australia**

Celebrating 50 years of bold and brilliant art

Project Description: In 2024 Arts Project Australia will reach a historic milestone – 50 years in operation as the leading studio and contemporary gallery promoting the work of Australian artists living with intellectual disability.

To celebrate we will present a dynamic program of exhibitions and inclusive events at our Collingwood Yards gallery and expand our international reach, showcasing exceptional work, contextualising it within contemporary arts practice and building the audience for art that is interesting, provocative and original.

Funding is sought from the City of Yarra to support the three most ambitious projects in our calendar including:

- Eden Menta (Leave us) Alone exhibition and talk for PHOTO 2024 International Festival of Photography. Menta is a multi-disciplinary artist who identifies as queer and as living with diffability (1). Menta's exhibition will investigate an imagined future for queer neurodiverse communities and speak to the experience of gender dysphoria (Collingwood Yards, 1-30 March 2024). Free public programs will include a 'meet the artist' talk and a creative workshop.

- Colour is enough exhibition and panel discussion. Curated by David Sequeira (artist, curator and Director of the University of Melbourne's Fiona and Sidney Myer Gallery). This exhibition will highlight the ways colour radiates energy, without form or figuration, featuring Julian Martin, Kate Knight, Mikayla Dwyer, Winkie Napaljarri and Eugene Carchesio, among others. (Collingwood Yards, April 2024). The panel discussion will invite conversation with exhibiting artists in paid guest speaker roles.

- Arts Project GALA exhibition and community party (December 2024). We are renowned for our annual GALA exhibition and in our 50th year it will be bigger than ever – 160+ exhibiting artists, a community party for 200+ people, DJ Jordan Dymke in the Collingwood Yards courtyard.

(1) Eden prefers the term diffability, as it communicates that they merely do things in different ways.

Total Project Cost: $99472.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $15000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: The application strongly meets stream priorities, displaying strong community benefits. The application also displays effective project and budget detail.

ACG-002: **Collingwood Housing Estate Arts Committee (CHEAC) (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

Collingwood Harvest Festival

Project Description: Collingwood Harvest Festival is a time to bring people together and strengthen community bonds and Building Community.

The 2024 Collingwood Housing Estate Arts Committee (CHEAC) Harvest Festival will be a collaborative effort between housing estate residents, local agencies, and partner organizations. The festival will provide paid

roles for locals to create and deliver events that celebrate the rich and diverse cultures represented across both Richmond and Collingwood public housing estates.

The festival will begin with opening speeches by a local estate resident, a dignitary from the local council, and an MP. The event will also feature an Aboriginal sacred fire and a Welcome to Country by a Wurundjeri Elder. Performances by local estate residents, including the 'Yuling Chinese Choir' and 'Race-Rage Rhymes,' will encourage crowd participation. PBS DJs will provide entertainment between performances, while a professional sound engineer and stage manager will ensure high production quality.

Partner agencies, including Drummond Street, Carringbush, RYMS, The Wellington, and Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House, will facilitate arts and crafts workshops, and stalls by local agencies and groups will provide information about their services. BANH Inc.'s Cultural Catering team will provide food stalls featuring Somali, Vietnamese, Chinese, and East-Timorese cuisine (food by donation). The festival will also feature a "Conversation Pit" community engagement space for anyone to connect and mingle with the community.

Local artists will contribute art installations, and stalls from local businesses in and around Collingwood, Abbotsford, and Fitzroy will sell second-hand clothing, jewelry, food, and tea. The festival will be a celebration of the public housing estate communities and a testament to the power of community partnerships.

Total Project Cost: $30282.00
Amount Requested: $17000.00 **Minimum Required:** $15000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: The application displayed strength in having clear goals and clear outcomes that engaged the community with arts and culture.

ACG-100: **Composite: Moving Image Agency**

Composite 2024 Creative Program

Project Description: Composite contributes to the local creative ecology by creating a space for creativity, convening, community and connection. The 2024 creative program will support over 40 artists and present 5 curatorial projects and program partnerships. This interrelated activity contributes to the visibility of Victorian artists working at the intersection of contemporary visual arts, media arts, and film sectors, the preeminent expressive form in contemporary visual culture.

In 2024 our program will feature exhibitions by early and mid career artists, including: Natasha Tontey, Roslyn Orlando, Diana Baker Smith, Ella Sowinska, EO Gill, Jimmy Nuttall, Andrea Illes, Ming Liew, Jahkarli Romanis, Jenn Tran, Aaron Christopher Rees, Melody Paloma, Camille Perry, and Rosa Spring Voss. We will also premiere a new film by artist Catherine Ryan with funding support from a University of Melbourne VCA Creative 50 Development Grant. Andy Butler has been selected as our artist-curator in residence for 2024. Andy will work with internationally renowned independent curator Zoe Butt, in the role of research mentor.

We will also present program partnerships to bring local audiences into contact with a wealth of national and international artwork, including:
> 'Homing Instinct' with Circuit Artist Moving Image Aotearoa New Zealand, The Physics Room, and Storage Gallery featuring three new commissions from Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia, and Thailand;
> ‘Art & Activism Screening Group’ is a series of bimonthly film screenings curated by Dr Amy Spiers, companioned with talks by local and international guests including Sakdiyah Ma’ruf and Astra Taylor.
> 'Staging Site' a program partnership with Griffith University’s Moving Image and Sound Archive curated by Simone Hine;
> ‘APA Moving Image Program’ featuring video works by Arts Project Australia’s studio artists;
> 'Legacies' with Circuit featuring films by Edith Amituanai, Martin Sagadin, Ukrit Sa-nguanhai, Pati Solomona-Tyrell, and Sriwhana Spong.

Total Project Cost: $165500.00
Amount Requested: $9500.00 **Minimum Required:** $5000.00

Recommendation: $9,500.00

Panel Comments: The application is strong and details an accurate alignment with the stream. The application also effectively displays its community and arts connections and community outcomes.

ACG-049: **Contemporary Sculpture Association (CSA): Yarra Sculpture Gallery (YSG)**

Yarra Sculpture Gallery and Arts Access Victoria: A Partnership in Supported Practice

Project Description: Following a very successful 2022/23 program, Yarra Sculpture Gallery (YSG) in partnership with Arts Access Victoria (AAV), is excited to offer 6 Artists two month residencies for artists participating in AAV's mentorship program. AAV artists with a demonstrated commitment to developing their sculptural skills will be invited to apply. Along with traditional 3D media and practice, artists seeking to extend their practice to explore audio visual, digital projection and new technologies will also be encouraged to participate. Each residency will culminate in an exhibition of work produced throughout the residency with the exhibition providing artists with acknowledgement and credit for their creative practice while facilitating opportunities for the broader community to engage with the vision and stories of artists practicing with a lived experience of disability.

Central to the success of the program is the supported environment offered by YSG. In addition to space, facilities and equipment, YSG will utilise funding to support local artists to assist in the delivery of this project, with CSA members specialising in metal, timber, ceramics and digital practices providing technical advice for residents. Integral to the experience offered by YSG is the Residency Coordinator who in addition to administrative support, provides ongoing practical support for participants. As demonstrated in the attached Letters of Support, the Residency Coordinator is central to facilitating a rewarding and successful outcome for participants. Experienced in working with artists with disabilities, the Residency Coordinator meets a diverse range of needs from a diverse range of artists; ensuring that YSG offers an experience that is committed to the twin principles of access and inclusivity.
Aligning with the City of Yarra's Arts and Culture Strategy 2022-2026 and the priorities of the Annual Grants 2024 for Arts and Culture, this initiative provides valuable outcomes for the City of Yarra community.

Total Project Cost: $29124.00
Amount Requested: $18000.00 **Minimum Required:** $12536.00
Recommendation: $12,536.00

Panel Comments: This application showed great strength in its outcome to stream. It was well-detailed and properly met each criterion of a competitive project.

ACG-028: **Dancehouse**

Dancehousing

Project Description: Due to significant community demand, Dancehouse seeks support to continue our Dancehousing program for another year.

Since 2021, Dancehousing is a direct invitation for self-organising dance communities to find a safe and regular place to meet and practice at Dancehouse. Dancehousing has two primary activities:

1. LONGFORM RESIDENCY / PRACTICE // Every Monday evening the community groups below have free reign of Dancehouse spaces. The groups self-organise, convening and cultivating their culture and empowering their members.
2. COMMUNITY-CURATED EVENTS // as part of Dancehousing, each community is offered a budget to hold bi-annual events that showcase their work with the dance community and general public. Budgets and events are planned in negotiation with the Dancehousing Producer and showcase the goals of that community at that time - these events are outcomes of the longform residencies of each group. Events by community, for community.

Dancehousing currently includes six (6) groups of practice :
> BALLROOM COMMUNITY: a family of Queer, Trans and Non-binary youth who practice ballroom culture

through Vogue.
> CONTACT IMPROVISATION MELBOURNE: a staple in the City of Yarra community for over thirty years, contact improvisers hold 'contact jams weekly
> BURN CITY WAACK: young Waackers a street dance form with most young members from Asia and diaspora
> KWABO EVENTS: Afro-dance, Afro-house, Afro-Cuban and Togolese forms practice and choreographic development
> IN THE MOMENT: members mainly aged 55+, many from the former Cecil St Studios, a City of Yarra community staple for twenty years, which closed in 2017.
> ON THE TABLE: open space for choroegraphic ideas and research hosted by local artists

In 2024, Dancehouse welcomes TWO (2) new Street dance guest curator groups to run events who specialise in popping and locking, and breaking. Two previous curatorial groups are on hiatus.

Total Project Cost: $62048.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $10000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: Application has a strong connection to the community, well-detailed information and a proven record and connection to successful outcomes with/in Yarra. Panel noted the applicant's lack of communication of events for promotion and attendance from previous successful grants. Highly recommend that this is redressed.

ACG-072: **Flow Festival Australia (Auspiced by AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC)**

Creative Development: Flow Festival 2024/2025

Project Description: Flow will build on prior experiences to deliver 2x Creative Development periods at Abbotsford Convent, and initiate a partnership seeding/skills exchange with Polyglot Theatre.

INCLUSIVE PROCESSES: OUR EXPERIENCES
In the lead-up to the 2023 Flow Festival, we introduced a bilingual EOI process for artists, including a plain English form and an Auslan video, catering to Deaf artists facicing barriers in mainstream arts systems relying on English comprehension. The EOI received 50+ applications from Australia and abroad, We will repeat this approach for the Creative Development Program recruitment.

The 2023 festival also revealed the need for Deaf/Deaf First Nations artists to have in-situ exploration opportunities, scarce due to lengthy and inaccessible application processes relying on pre-existing arts industry knowledge. There is a need for culturally safe spaces, enabling artistic experimentation without the need to advocate for basic access needs.

CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT 2024
- Deaf Artists/Theatremakers (April) and Deaf First Nations Artists (September)
Selected artists via a nationwide EOI process will participate in one of 2 week long residencies to explore and develop ideas for presentation at the 2025 Flow Festival. Artists will be able to nominate mentors or be matched with mainstream industry professionals. A work-in-development showing will take place at the project's conclusion, well-documented to showcase the artists' progress.

PARTNERSHIP SEEDING/SKILLS EXCHANGE
We will engage in a skills exchange with Polyglot Theatre, a fellow resident at Abbotsford Convent. Both organisations share strong alignments in missions. Flow Festival's drive for arts engagement with the Deaf community including children and families, resonates with Polyglot's commitment to addressing barriers that children/families experience in engaging with the arts. The partnership will explore areas of mutual expertise, enhancing skills and capacity within both teams and increasing Polyglot's ability to work with and for the Deaf community.

Total Project Cost: $58904.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $14000.00

Recommendation: $14,000.00

Panel Comments: The application strongly meets the stream criteria and accurately displays how it will achieve its engagement with the community.

ACG-033: **Ms Frances Loriente**

Myths Movement and Mark-Making

Project Description: Myths Movement and Mark-Making is a series of workshops planned to be staged in collaboration with Yarra Libraries, which follows on from a previous project The Colour And Sound of our Totem. Though there was still interest in the previous project we found it hard to sync times with all the artists schedules so developed another similar project geared toward a collaboration with a host venue in order to access existing audiences to simplify marketing strategies and eliminate venue hire fees which took a good part of our previous project budget the project combines traditional indigenous myths exploring tales of how many of our native animals came to be in all the glory and individual peculiarities. The children are engaged in the storytelling in an intimate and engaging way similar to being told a story by the fireside. After taking in the story its concept premise in reflecting aspects of indigenous culture and care love and respect for the environment and its creatures the underlying moral messages children are invited to explore the narrative and its characters in other forms of artistic expression. They are invited to dance or take a small percussive instrument and move and create sounds that mirror the environment the atmosphere and the animals in the story line. Along with being talked though the story children will be encouraged to explore the various animals represented in each tale through movement gesture and visual representation. Differing stories and diverse art project will be designated for each workshop. Dependent on availability we are open to having a musician or singer guest at some of the workshops. The intention is to hold these workshops in the different libraries in the City of Yarra over Reconciliation and Harmony week.

Total Project Cost: $12281.80
Amount Requested: $7200.00 **Minimum Required:** $6400.00
Recommendation: $7,200.00

Panel Comments: The project application strongly meets the stream, has a proven track record for successful outcomes and very well-detailed budget.

ACG-061: **Friends of the Earth Melbourne**

Friends of the Earth Mural - growing community and creative resistance since 1973

Project Description: To celebrate 50 years of Friends of the Earth (FoE) Melbourne as a vibrant community organisation in the City of Yarra, we will commission Collingwood-based Visual Artist, Illustrator, Curator & Workshop Facilitator TextaQueen to install a mural on the Perry Street facade of our home at 312 Smith Street.

The design and development stage will build on the design provided, with site visits, consultations with FoE staff, volunteers and members, and with the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and local First Nations community members to develop the mural concept including imagery and text, which will draw on; FoE's history, values and community campaigns; it's position and history in Yálla-Birrung, Wurundjeri Country; and our vision of a ecologically stable and self-managed society where climate justice is centred, that is free from racism, sexism, ageism, economic exploitation and discrimination based on sexuality, gender or disability, and that supports the rights of women, First Nations people, people of colour, minority ethnic groups, the young and the aged, LGBTQIA+ community, people with disabilities, the working class and the unemployed.

The mural installation will be supported by FoE volunteers and artists assistants and will take place over the course of 4 weeks, allowing a 5 day contingency for weather, rest etc. The mural will be installed using brushes and rollers using premium artist and eco mural paints, and be finished with Anti-Graffiti coating.

The mural installation will be documented, shared and promoted on the FoE Melbourne website, social

media and in email newsletters, incorporating the history of our campaigns, and our 50 years of history as a thriving community organisation in the City of Yarra, highlighting community collaborations and partnerships with the City of Yarra and other local organisations. A launch event will be held onsite at the completion of the mural installation.

Total Project Cost: $29170.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $13000.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: This mural is a wonderful celebration of 50 years of important work done in the community to campaign for climate justice and equity. Friends of the Earth and the intersectional nature of the campaigns they initiate around climate and social justice shines through in this project which is an important message to be shared with the Yarra community.

ACG-032: **Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces Inc**

Gertrude Glasshouse Exhibition and Audience Engagement Program 2024

Project Description: This project will significantly increase artist fees and production budgets paid to each artist who exhibits a solo project at Glasshouse in 2024. Fees will be increased to reflect the growing challenges facing artists in the development of experimental work in the current financial climate. This is in line with Gertrude's central directive, which is to support artists to build sustainable careers.

Each studio artist is given support and financial resources to develop a new project for Glasshouse. This exhibition program provides an important opportunity for artists to present risk-taking projects in a non-commercial context, and is a core responsibility of our organisation, as well as a central outcome of the program that makes Gertrude unique in the sector. The 2024 program consists of seven artist-driven solo projects, along with the outcome of the Glasshouse Stonehouse Residency and Emerging Curator Program.

The project aims to provide significant, career-building support to artists; enhance opportunities for our community to connect with their work; and to deepen our programs' impact on audiences. This funding will enable Gertrude Glasshouse to build on its strong reputation of presenting culturally significant exhibitions and public programs and increase the level of support given to artists at a particularly financially challenging time.

In 2022, 2,984 visitors experienced the Glasshouse programs, and our broader impact expanded to over 55,000 digital followers. This program not only enriches Yarra's community, cultural offerings and creative reputation, but also supports a new generation of exceptional artists to present work to a wide public audience.

Each exhibition welcomes a diverse range of high school and tertiary student groups to study the works presented and meet the artists or curators, further contributing to the development of the next generation of artists and art workers.

Engagement is deepened through public programs accompanying each exhibition.

Total Project Cost: $179388.00
Amount Requested: $17500.00 **Minimum Required:** $15000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project has displayed effective detail, a proven record of well-managed funds and strongly applies to elements of the stream.

ACG-014: **ILBIJERRI Theatre CO**

SCAR TREES - social impact performance

Project Description: SCAR TREES is a powerful First Peoples story that challenges and inspires old and new narratives around family violence awareness and prevention. This compelling theatre work provides

opportunities for healing and prevents transgenerational experiences of family violence.

SCAR TREES speaks to the complex layers but too often common experiences of family violence and the impact it has on our community and our children. It shows the relentless resilience, undying hope and ultimately the need to give and receive unconditional love. The production follows the heartfelt story of 16-year-old Garren who is in care, recovered alcoholic Uncle Lawrie, who now participates in the Aboriginal men programs. And Kira-Lee and Bryce, siblings, who are trying to get home for their father's funeral but are waylaid at an isolated petrol station. But when they get there, what stories will be told, and what will be left unspoken?

SCAR TREES was been commissioned by Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA), Creative Victoria, Vic Health and Fairer Victoria to address family violence and its impacts, and the experiences of young First Peoples living in care. The production toured across Victoria to huge acclaim aiming to break down shame, promote healing and get our community free from violence.

ILBIJERRI is remounting the production in 2024 and seeks support to present a free community performance of SCAR TREES to the residents of the City of Yarra. This production is supported by health service providers who provide wrap-around support, information on ongoing connection for audience members who may need support following the performance.

Total Project Cost: $122420.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $18000.00
Recommendation: $18,000.00

Panel Comments: The application was supported as it displayed an important and impressive project that addresses many of the Yarra arts and culture priorities.

ACG-056: **Ms Jo Lloyd (Auspiced by AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC)**

FM Air

Project Description: This year Jo Lloyd premiered FM Air in Sydney, commissioned for The National 4: Australian Art Now 2023; a biennial survey showcasing contemporary artists of different generations and cultures. FM Air was performed in the Public Space of Carriageworks on three Saturday mornings throughout The National.

Jo and her collaborators will reimagine FM Air for a series of three performances at The Abbotsford Convent, in the City of Yarra. Jo will premiere this new iteration of the work in the Convent's glorious Mural Hall, with live piano, on three Saturdays, coinciding with the Convent's popular monthly Regional Farmers Markets.

FM Air continues Jo's fascination with the ephemeral and her quest to utilise dance to simultaneously disappear and remain permanent through the vehicle of live performance. Her choreography attempts to define the internal, grasp a sensation, like a perfume - ephemeral.

FM Air appears and disappears, the three performers move in a continuous bind, oscillating in a large transparent tulle bag. They navigate and traverse the space encased in the mesh bag, which highlights their physical proximity and personal histories. As the 40 minute work progresses the dancers shed the bag, becoming progressively clearer to the viewer.

FM Air is a palimpsest of earlier works, examining behaviour of gendered roles and movements that may have belonged to ancestors or ghosts past. Jo and the other two dancers seek to infiltrate the collusion of mind and motion, to conjure up configurations and a limitlessness, continuous loop, simultaneously appearing and disappearing at speed. The work questions the ephemeral and what remains when the dance is finished and what experience is captured by the gaze of the viewer.

'Like molecules dispersed from an aerosol pump'. FM Air, Sydney, Ocular Magazine

Total Project Cost: $41017.00

Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $10000.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: The application displayed a strong connection to the stream and was well-detailed and supported.

ACG-096: **Make It Up Club Inc.**

Make It Up Club 2024 Concert Series

Project Description: Make It Up Club (MIUC) is an avant-garde and experimental improvised music and sound art concert series. It is the only weekly event in Melbourne exclusively dedicated to presenting freely improvised music.

Now in its 25th year, it is the longest-running series of its kind in the southern hemisphere. The 2024 MIUC series will comprise 50 Tuesday-night concerts, including our 26th Birthday Festival in January 2024.

Each week comprises three to four sets of improvised, avant-garde, and experimental sound-making by soloists, small and large groups, existing and new collaborators, and local, interstate and international performers. The Birthday Festival will take place over four consecutive Tuesday nights in January, featuring 20 acts comprising 50+ local, regional and interstate performers collaborating to highlight the talent and innovation of contemporary avant-garde improvised sound practice in Melbourne.

MIUC's long-standing reputation, along with our curatorial philosophies for proactively embracing aesthetic and cultural diversity, will continue to form the core of our growth strategies, ensuring we remain at the cutting edge of the scene and cultivate the inclusion of newly emergent scenes and communities with avant-garde improvised sound.

Through the curatorial team's diverse networks, the MIUC can capitalise on unique programming opportunities from its association with other Melbourne-based organisations and festivals.

MIUC will actively work with our ongoing associations with organisations such as Liquid Architecture, Omniversal Hum, Dancehouse, radio station 3CR and MESS to present further events in 2024.

MIUC is also developing a seasonal program with James Hullick at Jolt Arts for 2024, presenting works with a focus on avant-garde creators across a range of contexts and abilities: artists of neuro-diversities, artists of youth, emerging artists and established artists. These events will take place in various all-access venues across the City of Yarra.

Total Project Cost: $109600.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $20000.00
Recommendation: $17,500.00

Panel Comments: The application responds strongly to criteria and is a well-detailed application. The applicant also has a strong presence and proof of capability in delivering outcomes.

ACG-040: **Melbourne Electronic Sound Studio**

Mobile MESS at Convent Kids

Project Description: Funding sought will support the delivery of 4 inclusive and accessible Mobile MESS workshops in electronic music creation at Abbotsford Convent’s The Oratory venue. MESS has designed outreach workshops specifically for children and families which were piloted at Abbotsford Convent in November 2021 and 2023 as part of the popular Convent Kids program which attracts over 7200+ children and families each year. These initial pilot workshops (partly supported by Yarra City Community Arts 2021 and 2023 grants) engaged children and young people of upper primary school age (8-12) and their parents and guardians in a hands-on exploration of electronic sound creation.
We saw sell-out and near-sell-out workshops in both 2021 and 2023, and both children and their parents relished the creativity and fun they had learning about the basic physical properties of sound and creating

electronic soundscapes. Abbotsford Convent is keen for MESS to return and hold 4 more workshops in 2024. In 2023, participant feedback led to the development of two workshop streams - 'Getting Started' for beginners with no experience, and 'Up and Running' for returning participants and/or those with some experience using electronic instruments. In 2024, we will continue to run both streams, delivering the opportunity for both new and returning/experienced participants to participate and develop their skills in electronic sound creation.
The workshops bring synthesisers, drum machines, DIY synth-building kits and audio equipment to young people (8-12) to become artist-music creators, supported by their parents and guardians.
Experienced MESS facilitators (practising artists) guide participants in a hands-on exploration of electronic sound creation, using electronic instruments and experiencing a direct link between electronic music, STEM and creativity. Abbotsford Convent is again offering the venue at a subsidised rate, with specialist support from producers and marketing teams, and subsidised venue, FOH rates, totalling over $3000 in-kind.

Total Project Cost: $18715.00
Amount Requested: $5976.00 **Minimum Required:** $5976.00
Recommendation: $5,976.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project has a competitive scope and well-detailed application with a fair budget. It was approved alongside its strong connection to stream.

ACG-077: **SEVENTH Gallery**

Community Library and Reading Room

Project Description: As an exciting extension of our Community Program throughout 2024, we are seeking support to develop a Community Library and Reading Room. Libraries are crucial places for knowledge and information access. Increasingly, they also offer other critical social and civic services. Throughout 2024 we are hoping to establish a new library in our flexible studio space, which will also act as a Reading Room open to all visitors.

The establishment of the Library and Reading Room fulfils an important part of our Community Engagement and Audience Development strategies. To ensure that the library reflects the needs and interests of our diverse community, we plan to involve our community members in its creation, ensuring a sense of ownership and representation. As part of this approach, we will invite various stakeholders, including exhibiting artists, residency artists, cinema artists, community program participants, board members, and volunteers, to nominate resources that they believe should be included in the Library's collection. By adopting this iterative and decentralised curation process, we will foster a diverse representation of materials that reflects our community's interests.

The Library and Reading Room will not be confined to conventional indoor spaces. We envision creating a unique experience for visitors by providing picnic mats and yard chairs, encouraging them to linger and engage with the Library both indoors and on the adjacent lawn. By doing so, we aim to promote the use of Citizens Park as a vernacular space for everyday participation and cultural value, complementing our upcoming Artist* Cinema season.

We are seeking funds to establish the library, which includes building shelving, reading chairs and of course purchasing books and other materials . After its establishment, the library will grow, and be a low-cost, self-sustaining initiative that SEVENTH can continue to resource through its own funds.

Total Project Cost: $16103.00
Amount Requested: $8175.00 **Minimum Required:** $6675.00
Recommendation: $6,675.00

Panel Comments: The application has shown strong detail and is well-tailored to stream and community needs.

ACG-055: **The Boite**

Portfolio Project 3.0

Project Description: Portfolio 3.0 is a third iteration of a professional development program for emerging artists from First Nations and culturally diverse backgrounds. This is a project designed to engage and empower by offering creative and networking opportunities, resources, skills and assets to build capacity for artists of colour in the City of Yarra.
The first two iterations combined supported 24 acts totalling 90 musicians. This iteration aims to support 15 participants and ensembles.

The program consists of 4 areas of training:
PASSPORT (knowledge-building and asset creation): A series of intensive marketing material sessions and capacity building workshops, including the production of high-quality studio photo sets and video recordings. These sessions will include workshops to review current promotional materials and channels, and create an Electronic Press Kit (with professionally written bios).
SUITCASE (promotion and audience-building): A small concert series showcasing the artists and live interviews. This seeks to give the artists visibility on social media, pooling together the followers of the partner organisations.
LOUNGE: Networking events connecting artists and industry, including complimentary memberships.
FLIGHT: multi-artist ticketed showcase celebrating the achievements of the project, with targeted invitations to key industry players.

The first 2 iterations represented artists from multiple backgrounds (from Iranian to Japanese, from Burmese Chin to Zimbabwean, from Colombian to Macedonian and more). One of the acts Pal Mar is performing at Melbourne Recital Centre this September. Another artist Misagh Zamani, led a new collaboration,The Music Between, exploring how various musical traditions in Australia evolve and transform. Other artists were showcased at Cresfest, Leaps and Bounds festival etc.

Delivered in partnership with Melbourne Polytechnic and Music Victoria in the past, next year we're also planning to partner with Multicultural Arts Victoria and The Channel at the Arts Centre to be able to offer more support to another groups of musicians.

Total Project Cost: $105200.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $15000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project strongly applies to stream priorities; it is well-detailed, and it has clear demonstrated community outcomes.

ACG-067: **un Projects**

un Projects: arts publishing, writing and public talks

Project Description: In 2024, un Projects will be celebrating a major milestone with its twentieth anniversary, doing so with a range of publishing and public programs reflecting on un Project's legacy within the Australian arts sector, in addition to forward facing initiatives.

With a City of Yarra grant, un Projects plans to continue its successful un Extended Editor-in-Residence program which pays a Melbourne-based emerging editor to mentor and commission early to mid-career writers to produce critical conversations and online reviews with a particular focus on local arts production and galleries across Yarra. In addition to our Emerging Writers Program in partnership with KINGS which mentors young writers to review exhibitions across Melbourne.

'un Talks' is a public program series to be hosted in venues across the City of Yarra, such as at SEVENTH, West Space Gallery, Yarra Libraries, and is designed to complement our published works, engage community, and initiate meaningful conversations about local art making. un Talks includes panel discussions from local and interstate practitioners, writing or practice-based workshops, reading groups, and launch events. In addition, in 2024 to celebrate un's anniversary, un Projects is producing a celebratory exhibition of local artists and fundraising event to bring our community together to celebrate un project's

legacy and future.

In 2024 un Projects will continue as a sub-tenant at West Space in Collingwood Yards, allowing un to have a physical presence amongst local, diverse arts organisations and artists, and as a wheelchair accessible space for un Talks. un Magazine works with Collingwood-based Public Office to produce the printed magazine design. Being situated in Collingwood Yards allows the organisation to be part of this local ecology more fluidly, and have a physical presence in the sector.

Total Project Cost: $184456.00
Amount Requested: $17000.00 **Minimum Required:** $15000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project has strong outcomes for the community with accurate detail in the application.

AG24-017: **Midsumma Festival Inc**

Bloodlines

Project Description: Bloodlines is a multi-art form exhibition which honours and worships legendary artists lost to HIV/AIDS. The exhibition is a creative and community celebration in four parts: 'The Exhibition', 'The Party', 'Stitch and Bitch', 'Artist Tour'.

The Exhibition
Bloodlines is an ongoing series of photographic portraits which honour and worship legendary artists lost to HIV/AIDS. Utilising their skills of costume design, performance and photography The Huxleys' work is a joyous sparkling séance, celebrating queer excellence, which interprets each artists' influence and oeuvre in a uniquely Huxley fashion.

The Party
A live-art disco honouring icons and queer trailblazers. Igniting flames of the past and present in a joyful evocation of dance floors, storytelling and queer love. Celebrating the legacy of legendary artists lost over time to HIV/AIDS The Party will be a pulsing heartfelt love letter to queer community and history, featuring a line-up of some of Naarm's finest performance artists.

Artist Tour
The community are invited to join The Huxleys for an intimate journey through the exhibition. Community will hear stories about the legends portrayed , and the private stories behind the making of the work and The Huxleys' process of creating camp commentary and spectacle across the visual art, performance and entertainment sectors.

Stitch and Bitch
Designed as an evolving project, 'Stitch n Bitch' is an opportunity for community members to contribute panels to a new quilt creating a dialogue of queer storytelling and history never to be forgotten. Participants will also hear from an influential voice from the LGBTQIA+ community. Inspired by the historical quilts from the 1980's and 1990's, the Bloodlines Quilt honours those lost to HIV/AIDS.

Total Project Cost: $70419.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $8,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project displays a strong connection to stream. The application is well detailed with proven outcomes and a well-known reputation.

AG24-040: **St Martins Youth Arts Centre**

The Word - Production

Project Description: The Word will be a site-specific, immersive performance, fusing vocal, physical and video scores with text, inside the imposing architecture and symbology of the Abbotsford Convent. Once the site of heavy child labour, it sheds new light on the child within a system wrestling with control of the narrative. The collaboration between diverse young people and established artists climbs inside words - written, spoken and dreamt - as vessels for the human urge to know, name, possess, proclaim and control. Reaching across epochs, examining the emergence of spoken word, ink on paper, typeface and digital download through the eyes of young people, The Word is anchored by technologies through time, of sounds, languages, pen, printing press and digitisation. The young people will explore words: as vessels of power, magic, truth and lies, and the way they have been used and misused to invoke people to feel, think, believe and act.

The Word erupts from the seam between inner (personal) and outer (political) words and worlds, where young people have been quietly waiting behind masks, walls, and doonas.

Upending religions and political systems, prohibitions and inquisitions, love potions and mass hypnosis, the young people in The Word shake up hierarchies and old systems to recover multiplicity, their own power and future trajectories.

Total Project Cost: $152185.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $14754.00
Recommendation: $14,754.00

Panel Comments: The application showed strength in many fields; it was well-detailed, well-supported and displayed strong confidence that funding will lead to a successful outcome.

AG24-095: **Mr Richard Monger (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

ILMBG Contemporary Craft 2023

Project Description: Host a free Ceramic hand building workshop that invites residential participation from the Yarra public housing estates as well as the broader municipality of ages 18 and above to interact and express a moment of personal self-healing, reflection, growth, and self-esteem. Using a Sun dry clay this workshop will be presented in conjunction with The Wellington, NJC, and BANH as part of Craft Victoria Contemporary Craft 2023.
Each participant will sculpt their own cup, decorate and take it home as a keepsake. Cups represent The 5 senses of sight, hearing, smell, taste, and touch. Pertaining to situations and events of an emotional nature – by capturing positive mindfulness, and creative natures, the physical is able to reflect and express.
All materials will be provided for each event. Consisting of 10 participants over a 4 hrs. per workshop, between 10 am and 2 pm. minimum of 30 participants. Consisting of
sculptural hand-building with acrylic decoration. Along with an Artist talk, refreshments, and a collaborative sharing of those enlightened moments, their tools on how they found strength through their own personal hardships.
'Process is to re-explore the individual diversity of self-expression through collective repossession'
Richard Monger

Total Project Cost: $4250.00
Amount Requested: $1000.00 **Minimum Required:** $950.00
Recommendation: $1,000.00

Panel Comments: The application was well detailed and realistic with its outcomes and budget.

Stream: Climate Action and Environment

AG24-063: **Yarra Climate Action Now (YCAN)**

Mural Promoting Climate Action at Collingwood - Facing Hoddle Street

Project Description: We want to create a high-quality mural to raise awareness of the need for strong community action to address the climate emergency. The location is in Collingwood. The mural will be on a brick wall and two adjacent paling fences facing Hoddle Street. Dimensions: brick wall 7 metres high and 16 Metres long; paling fences: 2 metres high and 3.5 and 5.4 metres in length.

Images of the site and proposed mural are uploaded. The wall owner is an active partner in the mural project and has approved the concepual design.
The project will also increase the amenity of the locality, as the wall is currently covered in graffiti.

The mural design was created by John Lawry, an experienced mural artist of international standing. https://www.johnlawryart.com/murals The design captures the need for action on climate without being confrontational. Two kangaroos peer anxiously from a forest where a bushfire burns. Their anxious expressions call for help, complementing the words "PROTECT OUR WORLD Climate Action Now". The emotional appeal of the kangaroos encourages repeated viewing that strengthens the call to action on climate. This fits well with the community building approach in the Yarra Climate Emergency Plan 2020 - 2024 and Nature Strategy 2020 - 2024.
"Yarra Climate Action Alliance" members and other community members e.g from local housing estates will be invited to join in creating parts of the mural, under supervision from John Lawry and YCAN.

John Lawry's experience ensures the quality and durability of the mural. The materials will be exterior-quality acrylic paint, both spray-on and brush-on. When completed, the wall and fences will be coated with Dulux precision anti-graffiti coating to minimise spoilage. No infrastructural change to the property will be required, and the project complies with planning and traffic control permits.

Total Project Cost: $19900.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: A good project which promotes community awareness around climate change issues.

AG24-091: **Community Pop Up Markets Ltd**

Creating a local food supply network for equitable access at The Community Grocer Fitzroy

Project Description: The Community Grocer Fitzroy currently runs a weekly fresh food market at the Atherton Public Housing Estate. This market seeks to reduce food insecurity by providing local affordable access to culturally appropriate fruit and vegetables. Currently, all produce sold at the market is procured via a wholesaler. While all produce is Australian, if not Victorian, we would like to further diversify our supply chain and increase local procurement to build the resilience of the local food system in Fitzroy, and our role in it.

We would use this funding to undertake a mapping activity to identify opportunities for procuring locally grown and affordable produce across the City of Yarra and within a 10km radius of the market.

We would then explore and establish procurement partnerships with these growers. We expect there would be a mix of producers including backyard growers, small urban plots and larger enterprises who might be able to grow and sell produce to The Community Grocer Fitzroy.

We expect we would purchase up to 5 different lines of produce from through these alternate channels, creating a small but potentially important local supply network for our market and within the City of Yarra.

We suspect this would have benefits and impacts for a broad number of stakeholders involved - including customers, growers and The Community Grocer. It would enable customers to access fresh and locally grown food produced in more agroecological ways which ultimately better supports their health and nutrition. It would potentially build the economic viability of small scale agriculture for local growers and

remove some well known challenges and expenses around logistics by being hyperlocal. It would benefit The Community Grocer through diversified and resilient supply chains and better quality produce.

Total Project Cost: $198446.00
Amount Requested: $8200.00 **Minimum Required:** $6500.00
Recommendation: $8,200.00

Panel Comments: The application is strongly aligned to Yarra's climate action plan and addresses a very real need in Yarra around food insecurity. It was well-detailed, properly budgeted and had relevant community outcomes.

AG24-103: **Melbourne Community Television Consortium**

Climate Action Chronicles (Yarra)

Project Description: "Climate Action Chronicles: Empowering Diverse Communities for a Sustainable Future" aims to produce a series of three short videos focusing on climate action. With a specific focus on educating culturally diverse audiences. This project will incorporate community consultation within the City of Yarra to ensure the diverse communities within the municipality are engaged.

The primary objectives of this initiative are to raise awareness about climate change and its impact on diverse communities, engage culturally diverse audiences through relatable and inclusive content, educate viewers about sustainable practices, and promote community involvement in climate action initiatives. To achieve these goals, the project will entail the production of a series of visually appealing short videos, each addressing a specific climate action topic.

A key aspect of this video series is its emphasis on cultural relevance. The content will showcase diverse cultures and traditions, highlighting their connections to nature and demonstrating how climate change affects specific communities. By incorporating cultural practices that promote sustainability, the initiative will aim to resonate with culturally diverse audiences on a deeper level.

In addition to personal narratives, the video series will provide practical tips and solutions for reducing carbon footprints. These actionable steps will cover various areas such as transportation, energy use, and waste management, with a focus on low-cost and accessible solutions suitable for diverse audiences.

The distribution and outreach of the video series will be facilitated through Channel 31's broadcast platforms and online channels.

"Climate Action Chronicles" seeks to empower diverse communities for a sustainable future through a series of short videos. By focusing on cultural relevance, personal stories, practical tips, and community engagement, the initiative aims to inspire and mobilise culturally diverse audiences to take meaningful climate action.

Total Project Cost: $28080.00
Amount Requested: $8900.00 **Minimum Required:** $5000.00
Recommendation: $8,900.00

Panel Comments: The panel noted the viability of this project and its focus on specific issues which will deliver good community outcomes.

AG24-106: **Friends of Merri Creek Labyrinth (Auspiced by Friends of Merri Creek Incorporated)**

Labyrinth biodiversity restoration - rehabilitation of Fourth Garden Bed with indigenous planting

Project Description: Our 2024 project represents the fourth stage of a comprehensive, multi-year endeavour to rehabilitate the Labyrinth surroundings as a showcase climate action project.

This project marks a significant milestone in our ongoing partnership to enhance the Merri Creek Labyrinth and its surrounding landscape. Building upon the successful restoration of "Bed 3" in June 2023, our project aims to continue the transformation of this urban natural oasis.

Located at Hewson's Hollow along the Merri Creek trail, the Labyrinth is nestled between the Quarries Park playground and the wetlands and rotunda. It rests on the creek corridor of Crown Land which is managed by the City of Yarra.
To date, we have made progress in weed removal, shaping, mulching, and planting indigenous flowering heath plants and grasses in Bed 1 (established in 2021), Bed 2 (established in 2022) and Bed 3 (established 2023). These efforts have marked the initial steps in re-establishing a biodiverse habitat in the area around the Labyrinth.

This grant application represents the fourth stage of our collaborative initiative, with a focus on expanding planting areas across the footpath opposite the Labyrinth. Our goal is to continue to enhance ecological diversity and create a thriving natural environment around the Labyrinth, creating a highly visible demonstration corridor that invites community interest and engagement.

With the support of this grant, we will engage in additional planting of indigenous species, rigorous weed management, and ongoing maintenance. Through these activities, we aim to transform the Merri Creek Labyrinth and environs into a biodiverse sanctuary, offering an increasingly rewarding experience for visitors, and exemplifying both our and Yarra Council's commitment to environmental stewardship.

Total Project Cost: $17359.02
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: The panel noted this application strongly engages the community and is clearly well-defined. The fact that the Council has funded aspects of this project over the years is testament to the success of this project in building community engagement with nature.

AG24-111: **Richmond Community Garden Group (RCGG) (Auspiced by RICHMOND COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE INC)**

Inner City Gardening-Supporting Food Production, Friendships and Community Resilience

Project Description: A series of workshops and events will be run across the year, that support interest in urban food production. These will be open to any potential gardeners in Yarra, from apartment residents to people with backyards or nature strips. The workshops will be run by professionals in their area of expertise. They will be programmed to suit the relevant season and community interest as well as to coincide with any other gardening initiatives that are running at the same time, for example, City of Yarra’s nature strip planter boxes initiative.

The intention is to inform, excite and educate people who are interested in growing food but may have limited knowledge, hesitancy around starting and/or limited access to space. Connecting these people via the workshops and events will strengthen social connections and build a sense of community. The workshops will be a mix of both hands on, practical activities as well as simple, informative sessions that support participants to get started and keep going.

A range of events promoting produce swaps, sharing of local knowledge and resources, to connect likeminded people will also be run.
Guest speakers, that have expertise and experience in setting up urban food production opportunities in public spaces will also be utilised.

The workshops and events will be run from Burnley Backyard and Studio 1. Burnley Backyard has both a community garden group (plot holders) as well as a volunteer led community garden group managed by RCLC. Studio 1 will also host workshops; its access to a large kitchen, and sited adjacent to the new Ardency over 55's complex and within the Studio Nine apartment complex, will draw in new apartment dwellers and residents from small units in the area.

Total Project Cost: $10208.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $4000.00

Recommendation: $2,000.00

Panel Comments: This project was supported by the panel as it looks to create effective and positive community outcomes.

AG24-152: **Railway Gardeners (Auspiced by North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House)**

Let's Grow

Project Description: We want to improve sustainable practices in the garden by establishing a propagation and a composting program and we want to involve individual members of the local community as well as local schools in these programs and, ultimately, the garden as a whole. .

Propagation Program:
We want to purchase two mini greenhouses and a larger greenhouse which will enable us to propagate seeds and help our garden to be financially viable as well as environmentally sustainable. We will run propagation workshops and develop an education program that will involve students from the local primary and secondary school. With this program we also hope to support a network of food gardens in Princes Hill, including at the local schools, the public housing estate, the retirement village and street planter boxes.
Composting Program:
We want to expand our composting activities. Currently only active gardeners are able to drop off their food waste. We want to expand this to the broader community so that less food waste ends up in landfill and more people engage with the garden. We will engage the schools, the public housing estate and the retirement village in the composting program.

Total Project Cost: $28116.00
Amount Requested: $7736.00 **Minimum Required:** $5960.00
Recommendation: $7,736.00

Panel Comments: The panel noted the application had fantastic outcomes for the local community. There will be an opportunity to connect with the local and adjacent schools and neighbourhood houses.

AG24-154: **FareShare Australia Inc.**

Improving the sustainability and productivity of the FareShare Abbotsford Kitchen Garden

Project Description: For over 20 years FareShare has been rescuing surplus food and cooking it into free, nutritious meals for people doing it tough. In 2016, FareShare created a large kitchen garden in the heart of Melbourne on VicTrack land close to our kitchen in Abbotsford. With initial support from RACV and Gandel Philanthropy FareShare transformed a former disused site, between Victoria Park railway station and Victoria Park oval, into a productive urban vegetable patch. Since that time, the kitchen garden has produced around 5,000kg of vegetables and herbs each year on 60 beds, tended by volunteers, many of whom live in the City of Yarra.
After 7 years of operation on this site, we would like to use the experience we have gained to improve some issues with the garden resulting from the initial layout and design. These improvements will benefit the community through improving the volunteer experience and an increased contribution to food relief.

This project consists of 2 parts that, taken together, aim to improve the sustainability and productivity of the kitchen garden.
1. Reduce water use in the garden by:
a. Replacing the existing drip irrigation connections at the end of all of the garden beds to; eliminate wasteful leakage, enable the driplines to be removed for easier bed preparation and allow us to switch out the driplines for misters during seed germination.
b. Installing rain sensors on the existing automated controllers to ensure that the garden is not being watered unnecessarily after rain events.
2. Increase production by bringing in soil/compost to reinstate the bed width in 3 areas (12 beds) and maximise the growing space where the bed width has reduced over time from 120cm to around 90cm, and where the paths have correspondingly become particularly wide.

Total Project Cost: $31108.00
Amount Requested: $4900.00 **Minimum Required:** $3900.00
Recommendation: $4,900.00

Panel Comments: The application was well-detailed and properly budgeted. The panel strongly supported funding this project.

AG24-191: **Yarra Riverkeeper Association (Auspiced by Yarra Riverkeeper Association)**

Eco-inking by the Birrarung, senses of connecting

Project Description: The activities proposed in this grant build on experience and learning from the 2022-23 project PillowTalk, that is:
- that eco-inking with natural pigments on to fabric and paper is a nurturing and refreshing inter-generational activity that is a natural partner with advocacy.
- that in the climate emergency a great many people value expression and regrouping in nature. and wish to have a say on problems associated with industry and government short-term-ism.

In this project I'd like to:
1. run place-based and indoor 'Eco-inking by the Birrarung' workshops (x4) at various sites in the City of Yarra that raise awareness of climate change, waste and the way the Yarra River is being enhanced and restored to create ecological connections.
2. invite possibilities for action using using eco-inking and paper folding techniques for advocacy messages, letters and cards
3. use waste materials, that is pillow fabric and paper from discarded books, exercise books and ephemera 4. hold an inter-generational forum/gathering on nature, waste and the city that highlights 'actions inspired by and supported by nature', specifically the Yarra River Corridor' (quoted in Mark Scott et al Nature based solutions of the contemporary city ... Planning Theory & Practice vol 17-2, 2016)

The stress of 'our times' on people continues to grow. In a recent Age article Sean Kelly highlights the reality that urgent action is needed on the climate emergency. Yet people are not taking up action. I notice that in embodied activity in nature people become receptors of its colours, textures and the day's conditions and are motivated towards action.

Total Project Cost: $12229.00
Amount Requested: $9849.00 **Minimum Required:** $5328.00
Recommendation: $9,849.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel was pleased with the scope, details and outcomes of this project.

AG24-202: **MARINE MAMMAL FOUNDATION**

Bin Not Bay - Connecting Catchment Communities

Project Description: In 2021 an Australian fur seal affectionately known as ‘Salvatore’ made a splash on social media, sighted frolicking in the Yarra River. The excitement he generated showed how passionate City of Yarra locals and visitors alike are for the environment and the animals who share our watery backyard.

Despite this, litter in Yarra has become a serious problem.

Rubbish dropped on the streets of Yarra ends up in river and bay, placing our iconic native animals like Salvatore under threat. It is vital that action is taken to prevent litter from escaping into waterways.

Bin Not Bay - Connecting Catchment Communities gives City of Yarra locals the chance to engage in unique community-based education. It is part of our award-winning Marine Litter Project, a program designed to deepen the community’s understanding of litter in the Port Phillip Catchment and its devastating impact on the local environment, and to equip individuals with the tools to make meaningful change.

Bin Not Bay is a series of tailored presentations and hands-on activities delivered by Marine Mammal

Foundation scientists to schools and community groups, in community spaces and at festivals and public events. We use what we learn from research on marine mammals, including Victoria's own critically-endangered Burrunan dolphin, to foster a strong sense of community connection with the local environment.

Participants will get hands-on with dolphin and seal skulls and view underwater footage of seals and dolphins. They explore how litter enters the Yarra River and Port Phillip Bay and impacts the health of both river and marine environments, while learning simple and effective strategies to reduce litter and reliance on single-use plastic. They are also directly connected to opportunities to get involved in river cleanups and litter prevention actions.

Through this project, we will deliver 14 sessions within the Yarra community.

Total Project Cost: $29993.00
Amount Requested: $9940.00 **Minimum Required:** $7470.00
Recommendation: $9,940.00

Panel Comments: The applicant has a track record of successfully delivering this type of program. The panel was pleased with the application's detail, support and community outcomes.

AG24-205: **CLIMARTE Inc**

ART+CLIMATE=ACTION>

Project Description: To produce and present powerful climate justice artwork on an ongoing basis, CLIMARTE is presenting ART+CLIMATE=ACTION> (A+C=A>) projects (free exhibitions, performance and associated forums) in the City of Yarra and beyond.

A+C=A> is directly modelled on CLIMARTE's highly collaborative and internationally recognised ART+CLIMATE=CHANGE (A+C=C) Biennial Festivals presented in 2015, 2017 and 2019. The ART+CLIMATE=CHANGE 2019 Festival involved 33 participating galleries and museums, and 174 artists. While the exhibitions collectively attracted an audience of 469,000 people, 153 public programs featured contributions from 205 presenters, including at the AILA award-winning Living Pavilion at the University of Melbourne.

A+C=A> aims to partner with trusted organisations and individuals focussed on art, science, culture and civil society to produce more creative work more often, starting with projects in the City of Yarra.

In examining what a better future looks like through a creative lens, A+C=A> will explore the nexus between money, politics, information and power in socially engaging ways. It will consider the ongoing devastating consequences of colonial violence, late-stage capitalism/wealth-hoarding through complex tax avoidance schemes and other forms of financial abuse as well as business models that limit access to life's basics (i.e., shelter, food, energy, knowledge, verifiable public interest information) to maximise private wealth and power.

A+C=A> will invite audiences to reflect on the power of art to inform, engage and mobilise communities to effectively respond to the Climate Emergency. It will question what genuine Climate Justice looks like, including 'climate reparations'. For instance, given zero emission alternatives were being developed in the 1970s, should massive legacy and ongoing fossil fuel profits be classified as 'ill-begotten gains' under the law?'

Having operated the world's first known Climate Emergency focussed gallery for more than 18 months, CLIMARTE is exceptionally well placed to drive collaborative, community-focussed projects addressing the wicked climate issue.

Total Project Cost: $158700.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: The application was detailed and supported by the panel who noted it would bring great benefit to the community.

Stream: Community Development

AG24-002: **Richmond Vietnamese Church of Christ (Auspiced by Churches of Christ Community Care)**

Richmond Multicultural Community Hub

Project Description: We host a gathering for Vietnamese overseas students and new migrant families on a monthly basis. Council demographic studies indicate 3.4% of locals are Vietnamese (https://profile.id.com.au/yarra/ancestry). In January-April 2023, 9,366 students have returned to Victorian higher learning facilities. 35% growth (ref: education.gov.au). We have 150 registered, of which 50 are participants with 100 on the waiting list. In this season of pandemic recovery, economic crisis, increase in living costs and housing shortages, we are experiencing a higher demand for connection and inclusivity. Our target audience experience financial hardship, isolation, loneliness and lack supportive relationships. We aim to provide activities that will encourage authentic community connection in a safe environment. Offering a great opportunity everyone looking to improve their English skills and to learn about the Australian culture, giving them confidence to obtain gainful employment. Group topics are varied with plenty of opportunity to share stories, experiences, and perspectives. It is a relaxed atmosphere providing everyone the ability to get to know one another. We offer playgroups, arts and crafts activities for the children, led by 3 trained childcare workers. Safe play equipment is available on site and is supervised, within easy reach and viewing of parents. Volunteers teach basic cooking skills to students and migrant families. There is group craft and indoor games. Meetings conclude with a shared meal. The networking occurring in the group alleviates the feelings of isolation. We provide barista training on a commercial coffee machine. Leadership skills amongst the students is encouraged. It is a place to bridge local cultural differences and language barriers. On a needs basis we are a referral point to support services (Vietnamese Women's Association and Overseas Student bodies) for vulnerable members of the community. We recently engaged a volunteer student Youth Coordinator who assists and supports local university students.

Total Project Cost: $147735.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $8,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel was pleased with the scope of the project. (The panel noted it could have been stronger with detail in describing the need in the local community, the activities and development.)

AG24-006: **Clemente Fitzroy (Auspiced by Australian Catholic University)**

Clemente Fitzroy

Project Description: Clemente Fitzroy is a community-based program designed to empower marginalised or socially excluded members of society by re-engaging them with the community through an education in the humanities. Clemente Fitzroy sets itself apart from more traditional vocational or 'life-skills' courses that are offered to those suffering poverty or social exclusion in order to solely find work. Rather, Clemente Fitzroy offers a pathway to think reflectively rather than reactively and, by doing so, empowers and enlightens students to engage critically with the systemic causes behind their situation in an authentic, respectful, and transformative way. This is a unique and empowering program that moves beyond simple training and into the realm of self-empowerment and improvement with lasting and life-changing effects.

Clemente Fitzroy operates under the principle that, in the words of founder Earl Shorris, 'the poor are human and that the proper celebration of their humanity is in the public world, as citizens'. The program is more than simply a gateway into further education; it aims, through the study of humanities subjects such as

literature, history, philosophy, and art, to assist students in breaking out of their cycles of disadvantage and become fully participatory in the public world.

Clemente Fitzroy runs four units that run for 12 weeks each - a total of two years of study. The program is open to anyone over 18 who demonstrates a desire to learn, willingness to commit to the program, a literacy level sufficient to read a newspaper, and a degree of ongoing stability in their lives.

The program comes at no cost to the student. Each student will be allocated a volunteer Learning Partner to aid them in their journey. Graduates receive a Certificate in Liberal Studies which can be used, should the student choose, as a bridge into an Arts Bachelor at ACU.

Total Project Cost: $75700.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $4000.00
Recommendation: $4,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was noted to have a positive community outcome with realistic scope. The panel noted that the applicant could have been more specific on its community benefits.

AG24-010: **Fitted for Work**

Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Indigenous Cultural Awareness Training

Project Description: Fitted for Work are planning a professional development session of Indigenous Cultural Awareness Training for our staff and volunteers. During a 4-hour session, the Educator (a Wurundjeri Elder) will discuss the following themes with our team of staff and volunteers;
 Welcome to Country
 Welcome to Country meaning
 Wurundjeri Identity
 Aboriginal Cultural Diversity
 Terminology
 Wurundjeri Culture
 Modern Issues
 Wurundjeri Today
 Supporting Wurundjeri clients at Fitted for Work
 Question Time
Pre and post-training surveys will be sent to invited participants. Catering to be purchased through a First Nations owned and operated catering company.

Total Project Cost: $17845.80
Amount Requested: $4000.00 **Minimum Required:** $2500.00
Recommendation: $4,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel thought this application was strong, well written with strong community outcomes. The panel decided it deserved full funding support.

AG24-028: **Cohealth**

Cohealth Footwear and Aids Program for Vulnerable Communities

Project Description: The program aims to provide suitable footwear, orthotics and aids to vulnerable cohealth clients living in the City of Yarra with the ultimate goal of reducing the need for lower limb amputation and improving quality of life.

The following people living within the City of Yarra will be eligible for participation in the program provided they have a foot concern and/or deformity, experience financial hardship and meet one of the following vulnerable classifications:

- Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander people
- Refugees and people who are seeking asylum

- People at risk of harm associated with drug and alcohol abuse
- People who identify as LGBTQIA+
- People with disabilities and carers
- People with serious mental illness
- Older people with complex needs
- People who have recently been released from prison
-People who are homeless or at risk of homelessness
- People who experience family violence

The program will enable eligible people access to any of the following support aids as determined by the treating podiatrist:

-Appropriately fitted footwear, including customised footwear when regular footwear is not suitable
-Orthotics and other podiatry prefabricated foot aids and materials, which would include heel raises, wedges, orthotic modifications, topcovers etc.
-Compression stockings to assist with lower limb vascular complications
-CAM boot/walker for acute foot and ankle injuries
-Other lower limb specialist mobility aids to improve the quality of life of people who struggle with mobility
These aids would normally not be accessible due to the cost required to provide this equipment.

Total Project Cost: $10000.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $6000.00
Recommendation: $6,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel thought this application was well thought out and documented.

AG24-042: **Project Respect**

Community Connectedness: From Garden to Table

Project Description: The project will encourage a relaxed, healing and positive environment for women and gender diverse people with experience in the sex industry, and women and gender diverse people who have experienced sexual exploitation.

The space and activities will provide the opportunity for participants to connect with one another through safe, trauma-informed, and peer led activities. This provides the opportunity for participants to experience increased social inclusion, foster connections and build confidence. Participants will be able to meet one another, share their similar, or different, lived experiences, and form bonds that will last well beyond the allocated times of the activities. Where relevant, participants will be able to access an activity to support their healing from violence and trauma, regardless of their stage of healing.

Our current 'Garden to Table' activity funded through the City of Yarra is held with monthly lunches and fortnightly gardening, and has received positive feedback from our participants. We wish to continue delivering these activities by holding:

- A fortnightly therapeutic gardening session delivered by a skilled worker from Cultivating Community, our partner organisation;
- A monthly peer-led community lunch session which aims to provide a space in which participants can interact and connect with other community members, without fear of judgement.

These activities actively engage the participants by involving them in the process of growing and gathering the food for our community lunch and garden events; sharing in the process of cooking nutritious meals and creating a wholesome and healthy environment by which participants can learn and grow new skills in gardening, cooking and sustainability.

These relaxing, positive and therapeutic spaces will foster social inclusion, connection, and healing from trauma, while having a positive impact on the sustainability of our organisation, and the garden we have developed within the City of Yarra owned property.

Total Project Cost: $20432.98
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8500.00
Recommendation: $8,500.00

Panel Comments: This project has clearly defined aims and objectives with very good understanding of the desired outcomes of the grant program.

AG24-049: **Free Massage Project Group (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

Free Massage Projects

Project Description: We want to provide free massages to those experiencing disadvantage in the Yarra community, particularly those living in public housing.

Since April 2022 we have developed partnerships with a number of programs to provide free haircuts and massage to those in need. We want to extend our services and increase the number of free massages we can provide. We see a strong need for this service for those disadvantaged in our community. We have excellent relationships with charities who work on the frontline in Yarra helping those in public housing and those experiencing disadvantage. We also work with organisations that run Yarra's free community events. We provide services to those experiencing homelessness, ill-health and mental illness, social isolation, drug addiction and the elderly amongst others - especially in public housing estates.

So far we have provided 234 free massages in Yarra alone. With this funding we would provide 648 free massages in Yarra in 2024 through the following organisations and events :

1. Orange Sky Program organised by St Marks. We offer our services for those experiencing homelessness, drug addiction and seniors 2 times per month.
2. Atherton Gardens Community Market by Yarra Libraries. We offer our services for residents including seniors, low-income groups, multicultural communities, and those experiencing homelessness. Once every quarter.
3. Twilight Markets organised by local communities in North Richmond estate. We offer our services for residents once per month.
4. Massage services for disadvantaged in Salvation Army. We offer our service weekly.
5. Participate community events to provide our services for multicultural community in Yarra.
6. Learning Bank organized by Yarra Libraries

Total Project Cost: $20988.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $8,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel noted this project had very clear activities and goals; and has done good work to prove it will be a success. The panel has granted the full amount to this application.

AG24-055: **CCH Melbourne FGC Incorporated**

Venue Expansion To Accommodate Attendee Growth

Project Description: We've been running fortnightly at the Collingwood Library since 2010.

Over the years our community has continued to grow and the size of the Collingwood Library meeting room has become a limiting factor to our growth and attendance. Our community consists of sub-communities who can't all attend every time due to the venue size. (For example the Tekken community which has grown immensely in the last few years.)

We use the Djerring Centre for our year end celebration event which has very positive feedback, due to the

increased size and next-door proximity to our traditional location in Collingwood. Djerring costs 3x the cost of the Library so we are financially limited to run it more than once a year. To use it more frequently, we'd have to increase our entry fee 2-3x which would go against our goal of being an inexpensive and self-sustaining meetup for our community.

We'd love to use the grant to book the Djerring Centre regularly in place of the Collingwood Library. We propose using the $4000 grant to book Djerring for half of our 2024 yearly bookings. Subsequently, if our attendance grows enough to cover the venue financially we would love to shift our event permanently to Djerring for 2025 and onwards!

With the bigger venue we could run more social events like team tournaments, pot lucks, game lessons and beginner tournaments. Our community is very diverse racially and culturally, and tending towards the young side, so these Djerring Centre events with enough space to set up both gaming areas and social/eating areas are really enjoyed by our community.

We can train organizers, commentators, and stream specialists with this larger space. This is our first real chance to expand our venue capacity without abandoning our "charity-accessible space for community" model.

Total Project Cost: $9340.00
Amount Requested: $4000.00 **Minimum Required:** $4000.00
Recommendation: $4,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel noted the program is strong, well-detailed and properly supported with evidence. The panel decided its outcomes were worth approving for the full amount.

AG24-067: **Zonta Club of Melbourne on Yarra Inc**

Zonta Club of Melbourne on Yarra - Breast Care Cushions

Project Description: Since 2005, Zonta Melbourne on Yarra has produced breast care cushions and drainage bags to support patients recovering from breast cancer surgery. The cushion is shaped like a croissant, and fits under the arm to provide comfort in the area where the surgery has taken place. The bag is worn over the shoulder to cover the drainage bag post surgery.

Quote from recipient July 2022. "... one of the women in the group was telling me that she had breast cancer a while ago and was delighted when she was given a Zonta breast cushion because she could see the care and attention that had gone into it..... she actually cried because she thought it was so lovely that women she didn’t know cared so much about what she was going though, the breast cushion was a physical and an emotional aid - very comfortable, useful and cheered her up. She has kept her cushion because she is very attached to it now!" See attached photos.

Cushions are sewn and assembled by Zonta members and friends in their homes. We have been relying on donated fabric, donations from members and friends, and club fundraising activities for many years. The need for cushions has increased over the years from 50 in 2005 to over 600 in 2022 with 376 delivered so far in 2023. This grant would provide a viable financial platform for cushion and bag production to meet this growing need. Each breast care cushion and bag costs $8 - $10 to produce with volunteer labour of club members. The need is 700+ cushions per year for 2023. Cushions are mainly distributed in the City of Yarra to the following hospitals: Epworth Richmond, and Epworth Freemason's hospitals, and a smaller number to Elaine Bevington (surgeon).

Total Project Cost: $43100.00
Amount Requested: $4000.00 **Minimum Required:** $3000.00
Recommendation: $3,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was to be important and well enough detailed to secure funding.

AG24-070: **The Country Women's Association of Victoria Inc - Collingwood Branch**

Collingwool - Farm to Fibre Workshops

Project Description: Our project is multifaceted, but the main activities are to:
1. process the fleece of the sheep at the Collingwood Children's Farm (CCF) into yarn; and
2. run a series of workshops at the CCF in collaboration with the Hand Weavers and Spinners Guild of Victoria (HWSG).

The CCF has donated another year of fleeces to our branch. We are excited to build on relationships forged this year with Sisterworks and Social Studio as well. Building on our learnings from previous years, we are keen to reach even more citizens of Yarra with our workshop series.

We have established our supply chain to support Victorian businesses. We will again partner with EP Robinsons, Cashmere Connections and Fibre Naturally in the processing of the wool. EP Robinsons is a family owned business that has been operating in Geelong since the 1800s and is the last wool scouring facility in Victoria. Cashmere Connections and Fibre Naturally are both small, female owned businesses who comb and spin our yarn in Bacchus Marsh and Macclesfield (respectively).

The yarn is being utilised in multiple ways. Our members knit items for sale at our markets. The yarn has also been sold to hand knitters. The funds made this year were directed to Safe Steps. We made donations of yarn to Social Studio to a weaver named Muhubo Sulieman who has work displayed at the NGV as well as to Sisterworks to support their in house work program which was producing beanies for care packages for homeless people. We have also distributed the yarn to participants and volunteers at our workshops which have been running through 2023. We have run indigo dying, hand spindling, crochet and have a knitting workshop in August this year.

We hope to obtain a further Community Support Grant to continue this work.

Total Project Cost: $15848.00
Amount Requested: $11000.00 **Minimum Required:** $7000.00
Recommendation: $8,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel agreed this application was strong with well-developed community outcomes.

AG24-073: **Cultivating Community**

Green Gatherings

Project Description: Green Gatherings will be a collaborative project between Cultivating Community and the North Richmond Salvation Army.

It will be a fortnightly social connection gathering of multicultural groups over a 12-month duration. It will be for people aged 50+ but not exclude younger people if they wish to join. They will gather as a group to connect, learn, grow and enjoy the celebration of diversity via food.

The community kitchen at Salvos and the new 106 Kitchen will be the hub for cooking and food tasting activities whilst the group will also enjoy utilizing the wicking beds across the kitchen gardens and have the opportunity as a collective community group to become members and users of the Highett Street Community Garden - broadening its use for more people more often on the estate beyond individual space holders.

The sessions will be in partnership with Salvos and the expert team at Cultivating Community building on collective skills and concept that community group members have asked for and wanted.

Sessions will strengthen knowledge and practical ideas around circular economy, reducing food waste, composting and recycling that are culturally related but also broaden out towards other recognized foods and food-based herbs, fruits and vegetables. The key goal though will be the development of social connections and a sense of belonging.

An additional element will include the proposal that each participant invites a new friend, colleague or resident to a variety of sessions so that skills and purpose can be scaled and passed on wider.

Total Project Cost: $44158.00
Amount Requested: $8700.00 **Minimum Required:** $6500.00
Recommendation: $8,700.00

Panel Comments: The application was judged to be strong and detailed enough to secure funding at the full requested amount.

AG24-082: **Melbourne Comhaltas**

Comhaltas St Patrick's Day celebrations

Project Description: The aim of the project is to celebrate St Patrick's Day, a day of special cultural significance for the Irish community. This is an Irish festival but is now known and celebrated all over the world, enjoyed by many cultures.
St Patrick's Day is always on 17th March. In 2024 this will be on a Sunday.
There is usually a big Irish Festival in Edinburgh Gardens on the Sunday so we will have ours on the Saturday night, start early to kick off the celebrations.
We will hire St Philip's Hall on Hoddle Street. We hope to start at 6 pm to make it easier for young families who need to go home early with children. We will finish at 10.30 so as not to interfere with the local communities' sleep time.
Our night will consist of Irish cultural activities, such as music, dancing, storytelling and poetry.
We will have activities and games for the children, prizes for the children dressed in green and prizes for children who wish to show their talents in music or dance.
We will have a nice supper and tea and coffee will be available all night. It will be a real family night, where grandparents will be partying with their grand-kids.It is a night when young and old come together to celebrate their culture and preserve the traditions.
It will be advertised widely, among many different communities who wish to share the day with the Irish. This promotes cultural diversity and helps us to develop an enjoyment and appreciation of what different cultures have to offer. Many of the Collingwood communities join us and celebrate with us.
Sharing our culture, music and dance is always a big part of what we do.

Total Project Cost: $6000.00
Amount Requested: $1800.00 **Minimum Required:** $500.00
Recommendation: $1,800.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was strong and well detailed enough for panel to grant the full amount requested.

AG24-084: **CHEAC (Collingwood Housing Estate Arts Committee) (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

Yarra Gala Ball

Project Description: The 2024 Gala Ball is an end-of-year celebration that provides an opportunity to celebrate and nurture the relationships that have been formed throughout the year between residents, community groups, and agencies within the City of Yarra.

The event is a time to reflect on the achievements and partnerships that have been formed and to strengthen these bonds through fun activities. Guests will enjoy live music performances by local arts groups, dance activities led by community members, and a delicious dinner prepared and served by a local enterprise catering group.

This affordable event provides a welcoming and inclusive space for residents from all backgrounds to come together and celebrate the rich tapestry of cultures and community spirit within the City of Yarra. Join us in

2024 to celebrate the relationships we've been forging and to look forward to continued growth and connection in the year ahead.

Total Project Cost: $8830.00
Amount Requested: $3000.00 **Minimum Required:** $2800.00
Recommendation: $3,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel thought this application was strong and well written; and deserved granting the full requested amount.

AG24-086: **Cultivating Community**

Highrise Community Bakery Richmond: Bread, Fire, Community

Project Description: The funding will be used to deliver community baking sessions for our Highrise Community Bakery in Richmond. Each week community members come together in the Richmond Estate community garden to prepare focaccia and other baked goods which is then baked in our wood fired oven and sold for a gold coin donation at the neighbouring Caravan Cafe. The Caravan Cafe is run in partnership with Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House serving low cost meals and coffee with a variety of cuisines reflecting the cultural diversity of the community. Fresh vegetables and herbs are also available for a donation providing affordable access to fresh food as well as a social gathering space for the local community.
The funding will go towards the employment of a facilitator for the weekly baking sessions as well as help to cover the costs of ingredients and fire wood. The baking sessions are a chance for people from across the community to come together to learn new skills, contribute to a meaningful community enterprise, address issues of social isolation (especially post Covid restrictions), experience rich and diverse food cultures through the stories of bread as shared by neighbours and produce affordable, nutritious bread addressing issues of local food insecurity. All skill levels are welcome as the main focus is on participation designed for everyone to feel a sense of belonging and value and to have a chance to create nutritious bread for the community. During the baking sessions participants often bring along their own cultural recipes to share and create with the group or other offerings to contribute to a shared lunch.

Total Project Cost: $22747.50
Amount Requested: $9487.50 **Minimum Required:** $8250.00
Recommendation: $8,250.00

Panel Comments: The panel noted the application was well written and detailed enough to support with funding.

AG24-092: **Oromo Community Women's Group in the CIty of Yarra Inc**

Celebration of Eid Al Adha, Festival of Sacrifice

Project Description: We plan to hold our annual Eid Al Adha celebration in the grounds of the Elizabeth Street public housing estate. It will be held on a Saturday near the actual Eid Al Adha festival dates (16 to 20 June 2024) and when the weather is fine. It will run from lunchtime until late afternoon. It will be open to all the residents of the estate plus other Yarra residents, members of the City of Yarra council, representatives from other local organisations as well as members of the Oromo community from other parts of Melbourne. It will include a BBQ lunch and a range of play activities for children, including face-painting and jumping castles.

Total Project Cost: $12400.00
Amount Requested: $3000.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $1,500.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel decided the application was well-supported and well-detailed enough to be approved.

AG24-097: **Cohealth**

Hand on Heart Carer Project

Project Description: The Hand on Heart Carer Project will work strategically with carers from CALD backgrounds - specifically those within the Chinese, Vietnamese and East Timorese communities, 20 years and older, who live in the City of Yarra area.
The project will provide training and support for carers who face existing and emerging challenges while caring for their loved ones who experience dementia or autism spectrum disorder.
The focus will be on acknowledging the carer role, building resilience and self-care skills, and developing knowledge and confidence to navigate formal supports.
Through this funding, cohealth aims at engaging the isolated "hidden carers" in these CALD communities and connect them to a supportive community. The project will utilize the expertise of cohealth's bilingual workers who can speak Mandarin, Cantonese, Hakka and Vietnamese to provide culturally sensitive support to this carer group.
The first stage of the project will deliver six information sessions to the community, focusing on self-care education and awareness to CALD carers. The second stage will focus on assessing individual carers needs, assisting participants to develop goal directed care plans and set up formal services.
The project aims to provide the following:
1) Community group education sessions to increase carer awareness run through City of Yarra and Melbourne areas through senior groups, play groups or the cohealth Collingwood and Kensington clinics.
2) Monthly group meetings with carers to provide sessions such as peer support groups, self-care activities and outings.
3) Guest speakers to attend the monthly group meetings with information on relevant services such as carer gateway, carer Victoria, Dementia Australia, or Autism Spectrum Australia to provide education for carers.
4) Individual support including assistance with setting up formal services assistance with employment and training, as well as social work counselling.
5) Monthly peer group support: outings, morning tea and lunch.

Total Project Cost: $81078.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $15000.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel noted the application was strong and well-detailed, deserving of funding in the full amount.
$10k is the maximum grant amount possible under this stream.

AG24-110: **Eritrean Australian Jeberty Council**

Ramadan Fast Breaking Event

Project Description: We started migrating to Australia in 1985 most of our kids are born in Australia. Most of our community members are almost fully integrated. They know now the benefit of a multicultural society. We respect all other cultures and religions available in Australia.
In this project of ours, we usually do it every year except if there is any pandemic like what we have seen with Covid-19. We break our fast together with our guests for a couple of hours and then we proceed with our prayers. During this meeting, Our sponsor, invited guests from the government like the police and community representative will be giving a speech about things they see as beneficial to our progress as compared with any other communities.

Total Project Cost: $12444.00
Amount Requested: $3600.00 **Minimum Required:** $3000.00
Recommendation: $3,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the team enjoyed the application and thought it was well-written and detailed; enough to secure funding.

AG24-114: **Community Pop Up Markets Ltd**

Grocer Gift Card Program - dignified food relief for Yarras' multicultural community

Project Description: The Community Grocer runs a weekly affordable, culturally appropriate fruit and vegetable market every Tuesday at the Atherton Gardens public housing estate. Each week, we serve more than 50 customers, with approximately 70% of customers coming from multicultural backgrounds and living on the estate. With the increasing cost of living putting pressures on households living on a low income, anecdotally we are hearing about the challenges in purchasing enough food to ensure food security for both individuals and families. Sometimes this means people go without, or they come to rely on local emergency food relief programs. Often these programs are not able to provide high quality, fresh and culturally appropriate produce for the multicultural community on the estate.

Our Grocer Gift card program offers an alternative to relieve this financial pressure, but still enable people to 'purchase' the food they need, want and can use. Our Grocer Gift Card Program is an innovative, Australia first food voucher program. Grocer Gift Cards are QR coded vouchers funded by partner organisations, such as the City of Yarra, that enable people to come and shop at The Community Grocer. It is a dignified and choice-based alternative to traditional food relief programs.

The Community Grocer has built a web platform that can generate vouchers of any denomination, that can be redeemed multiple times. Vouchers can be digital or printed, and redeemed through our point of sale at any market. The web platform also enables utilisation data to be collected for organisations who fund Grocer Gift Cards.

We are seeking funding to support the expansion of the Grocer Gift Card program at The Community Grocer Fitzroy to provide 160 people from CALD communities within the estate with a $50 voucher to enable their increased access to the market and their improved food security.

Total Project Cost: $189000.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $7000.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel thought the application was very strong and well-written; enough to be successful in receiving the full requested amount.

AG24-117: **Melbourne Irish Festival Committee**

St Patrick's Family Fun Day

Project Description: We will organize a Sunday afternoon of Irish related activities in a city park. The Edinburgh Gardens has been used since 2006. This is an annual Festival on a Sunday afternoon near St Patrick's Day (17th March)
In 2023 this will be Sunday 26th March
Our Festival always attracts large numbers of people from all cultures. Everyone is happy to be Irish for St Patrick's Day.
The Festival will run from 12 noon to 5 pm. The activities will include a main stage where local talent in music
and dance will be displayed. The schools of Irish Dance will put on displays during the afternoon. Irish music groups such as Comhaltas will have a gig. Entry is free and families come from all over to picnic on the grass and enjoy catching up with friends and enjoying Irish culture. Activities will be organised for the children such as face painting, craft activities, music, theatre, sporting events such as team games and also fun type races. Vendors will be selling Irish type food (baked potatoes) also coffee, ice cream and cold drinks.
No alcohol will be sold. All the Irish groups will be invited to be present. Many will have their own tent or stall and will be promoting their activities, for example the Irish Families Group, Irish Language group, Irish History Circle, Irish Mothers' Group, the Home from Home Parents' Group and all the sporting clubs. The Celtic Club have a marquee and also the Irish Australian Support and Resource Bureau.
This day is especially valuable to new and smaller Irish community groups as a chance to promote themselves and build partnerships.

Total Project Cost: $38200.00
Amount Requested: $3000.00 **Minimum Required:** $1500.00

Recommendation: $1,500.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel noted the application was well written and had strong enough community outcomes to support funding.

AG24-119: **Cohealth**

Eid and community celebration

Project Description: • Celebrate and preserve cultural traditions in meaningful ways;
• Foster cross cultural exchanges that help to build intercultural relationships;
• Promote mutual respect, awareness and understanding of cultural diversity;
• Highlight the contribution to our State by multicultural communities.
The planned activities include inviting different speakers including religious and community leaders to talk about diversity, history and culture, organising the food,BBQ, children entertainment activities like jumping castle and face painting, and multiple activities such as African coffee celebration .

Total Project Cost: $6816.00
Amount Requested: $3000.00 **Minimum Required:** $2900.00
Recommendation: $1,500.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was strong and maintained well-developed community outcomes to secure funding.

AG24-121: **North Richmond Community Health**

NRCH Social Inclusion Program

Project Description: The NRCH Social Inclusion Program was piloted from 2020-2022 following a grant from the City of Yarra to support residents who are experiencing isolation. Little did we know that Covid would coincide with this pilot, which introduced challenges to engaging with community members, and further increasing the need for the program.

The initial development of the program was in response to a gap in service delivery for residents experiencing social isolation who have limited contact with services and receive minimal or no support. This includes residents across the whole of Yarra, including those in public housing.

Reasons for social isolation are varied but include:
- language barriers
- poor self esteem/confidence
- survivor of family violence
- mental illness
- disability/health barriers and mobility limitations
- Impacts of Covid 19 restrictions and lockdowns

The program aims to improve health and wellbeing through social connectedness between a matched client and volunteer (similar to a buddy system), including weekly visits for a walk or activity, supporting them with appointments, visiting a café, etc, which builds the clients confidence to independently join social groups and activities in the community over time and reduce the health impacts of isolation in the long term.

The program also identified the need for animal companion support for residents who have limited mobility and may be at risk of giving up their best friends due to not being able to exercise them.

During the pilot period, the NRCH Volunteer Coordinator worked with outreach teams and community development programs to develop resources for referrals, home assessments, volunteer support, reporting and evaluation. The entire program was documented and several volunteers engaged.
We now need funding for our Volunteers Coordinator to keep this amazing work going.

Total Project Cost: $67207.22
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $9000.00
Recommendation: $9,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel noted this application was strong with great community outcomes.

AG24-136: **Vicbears Inc**

Active Bear

Project Description: Active bear is a health and wellbeing program run by Vicbears inc. Its mission is to help provide physical activities for our members to increase their fitness and well being.

We currently provide a program called Aquabear where our members go to Richmond recreation center once a month and take part in a water aerobics class. Aquabear has been running for over 2 years now and our attendance numbers have been growing each and every month. We have recently reached capacity for this venue and need to find ways to ensure our members can enjoy this initiative without being turned away.

We wish to grow our Active bear program to include a dance program and other activities including hikes, sports carnivals and anything fun and physical to motivate typically larger men in a social setting. Our members have voiced that they would like more opportunities to increase their fitness and their mental health in the company of fellow members in a safe space and connections with their own and others cultures.

Total Project Cost: $24096.00
Amount Requested: $4000.00 **Minimum Required:** $2256.00
Recommendation: $2,256.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel thought this was a strong and well-written project, with good community outcomes and deserving of funding.

AG24-145: **Friends of Baucau Inc**

Celebrating Neighbourhood Connections

Project Description: Friends of Baucau will sponsor and present an event at the Melbourne East Timorese Activity Centre (METAC) monthly community dinner in Richmond in the 2nd half of 2024, with follow up events in at least one City of Yarra NH to share news, culture and outcomes from the Friends of Baucau study tour to Baucau in May 2024.

The purpose of the event is to:
1) support the local Timorese community and neighbourhood houses that come together to attend the METAC monthly dinners
2) provide an opportunity for local Timorese residents and Yarra residents and other interested parties to share in a cultural and knowledge exchange. This exchange will be based on:
a) A participatory music and dance performance by Timor Oans, an inspirational initiative to connect young Australian Timorese with their cultural identity and preserve their rich tapestry of cultural arts practices for the present and for future generations. Timor Oans performances include audience participation in drumming and/or dancing, deepening appreciation and understanding of their unique culture.
b) Sharing stories, a short video and high-quality photos and banners from a recent study tour to Timor Leste, facilitated and led by Friends of Baucau, to consolidate links between members of the Yarra Neighbourhood House network to women's and other community initiatives in villages in the Baucau administrative sub-district that are supported by Friends of Baucau. Friends of Baucau are currently in the process of planning this visit scheduled for May 2024.

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Total Project Cost: $4422.00

Amount Requested: $2550.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $2,550.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was very strong and proposed positive and well-written outcomes for the community.

AG24-158: **Association of Oromo Women in Collingwood, City of Yarra**

Recreational activities, information and social support for Oromo women and their families living in Collingwood

Project Description: Planned activities are:
- Four information sessions. Previously these have been organised in co- operation with MiCare/New Hope Foundation and we will run similar sessions in 2024.
- Three community celebrations: Eid Al Fitri, Eid Al Adha and a New Year's Cultural Diversity Day. All our celebrations include other communities.
- A number of excursions or outdoor activities including BBQs and trips to children's adventure playgrounds.
- A day trip to Philip Island or similar location that members would usually not be able to visit.

Total Project Cost: $22096.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project was seen to have strong positive outcomes to the community by the panel.

AG24-170: **Positive Attitude Inc**

Protect Positive Attitude Luncheons

Project Description: It appears the COVID pandemic has been followed by a cost of living and inflation crisis which has seen food costs rise higher than expected, making the regular Positive Attitude Friday Luncheon cost as much as one third more than budget. There is a lag between rising costs and corresponding rises in donations, a grant will ensure this weekly service gets delivered until costs stabilise.

Being able to offer lunch with security every Friday is at the core of Positive Attitude. The stable, safe and inclusive space the group has worked so hard to establish is cherished, especially by our trans and non-binary participants, especially given the rise in presentations of the 'anti-trans' sentiment at local governments across Melbourne.
Our group is built around this promise, of food and a friendly and inclusive social environment. So far we have used our savings over the two years of the pandemic, with volunteers giving additional funds to cover costs as they increase. This puts us on the backfoot for the next 12 months at least while wages and inflation settle down, and without support at risk of intermittent, interrupted, or infrequent lunches.

Positive Attitude Inc receives gifts, donations and volunteer hours from the LGBTIQA+ communities to cover its costs and operations. In-person fundraising events have been impossible during Covid lockdowns along with the economic crisis and inflation people have had less disposable income to donate, leaving Positive Attitude in need of some assistance in the form of a Community Grant.

Total Project Cost: $44996.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $5000.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: The application was strong and detailed with great community outcomes.

AG24-173: **Open Table**

Community Connections at an Open Table

Project Description: Open Table has run pop-up community food programs in Yarra since 2013. Currently we operate weekly pop-up free community lunches, weekly pop-up fresh food bank, 24-hour accessible

community pantry at the North Fitzroy Library and a free food market at the Fitzroy public housing estate. We do this to provide reliable access to free fresh and nutritious food for local residents experiencing food insecurity and to improve wellbeing by reducing social isolation, providing welcoming space for connecting with others through a shared meal.

Our Community Connections project will centre on measuring the impact of our Yarra food activities. At present, Open Table already collects data on the appropriateness and efficiency of our operations, but we have limited visibility over the outcomes and impacts we create for the community. This proposed year-long project will allow us to conduct in-depth impact measurements of our Yarra-based food sharing activities. By expanding our data collection and analysis, we will be able to assess the appropriateness and efficiency of our operations better. As a result, we will gain valuable insights into the outcomes and impacts we create for the Yarra community. This improved ability to demonstrate our impact will both inform continuous improvement and provide the compelling evidence required to sustain our programs in Yarra for years to come.

Total Project Cost: $24528.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $7900.00
Recommendation: $9,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall this project was noted to have strong community outcomes, great detail and proper supporting materials to grant funding.

AG24-177: **Cohealth**

Circles of Community Collaboration

Project Description: The 'Circles of Community Collaboration' project will strengthen the connection and collaboration among African-descent communities living in the city of Yarra to plan and organise social activities that build resilience, skills and confidence which enhances their sense of belonging and pride in their place of living in Yarra.
The project will provide opportunities for community members to articulate their needs and identify their local priority issues as well as share experiences, discuss issues and propose possible solutions. In addition, it will facilitate collaborations with local services and the council while building community knowledge and confidence to contribute to decisions that impact their lives.
The project aims to provide the following:
- Fortnightly group meetings in a culturally safe and supportive environments using local neighbourhood houses, public housing community facilities and other local services so (women, men and youth) can come together and share their experiences, concerns and discuss common issues that are important to them so they can formulate constructive solutions to deal with it.
-provide opportunity for capacity building to enhance the collaboration and collective action that underpin effective community participation.
- Provide opportunities for dialogue between youth and adults in a relaxed non formal interactions such as storytelling and traditional craft making to strengthen their relationship and facilitate understandings that promote community wellbeing. - Connect and collaborate with other City of Yarra local communities by organising cultural sharing events to create awareness and celebrate the diversity in City of Yarra communities and foster cross cultural understanding and collaboration.
- Facilitate connections between the community and their local service providers that impact their daily lives such as Council, Housing Office, Police, Neighbourhood Houses, Neighbourhood Justice Service and local health services to share their experiences, give feedback and build mutual trust and collaboration to achieve good community health and wellbeing.

Total Project Cost: $25000.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $9500.00
Recommendation: $9,500.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel noted this as a strong and well-supported application. The community outcomes are great and it was granted deserving of funding.

AG24-180: **Cohealth**

Social participation via cafe meals for people transitioning to NDIS.

Project Description: This project will provide meal vouchers for people to use at local cafes in the City of Yarra area, providing them with a nutritious meal, and enabling them to engage with the community in a safe local setting. Meal vouchers will be provided for people who are experiencing homelessness/insecure or temporary housing, who have been assessed as eligible for the NDIS, and who are unable to obtain meals through other alternatives. This includes people:

- waiting for NDIS plan approval/plan review, to include meal services/meal support
- have had meals declined by the NDIS and have nowhere else to access meals
- unable to use delivered meals due to the lack of facilities to store and heat them
- who have trouble cooking/unable to cook due to disability or housing
- who feel unsafe in group meal settings
- who are socially isolated and would benefit from social inclusion/participation in a café.

Providing a meal in participating cafes will facilitate access to nutritious meals AND engagement with the local community. Participants who experience significant social isolation and mental health challenges will benefit from the familiar and safe environment of the café and from the social interaction.

Vouchers will be created by cohealth dietitians, and distributed to eligible participants who then redeem them at participating cafes in the City of Yarra. The vouchers are for $15 meals; each voucher pays for $12 and the participant pays $3. Participants will be provided with sufficient vouchers for them to purchase 3 – 5 meals per week for a period between 3 and 6 months. The specific number of vouchers will be dependent on the level of grant, the number of participants, and the time period taken to support participants to transition to NDIS funded meals/meal support.

Total Project Cost: $90000.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $8,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project was seen to have strong community outcomes and was written with sufficient detail to grant funding.

AG24-184: **Collingwood Basketball Association**

Youth Development Program

Project Description: BASKETBALL: We provide a structured program of Training and games to develop advanced basketball skills.

Weekly Training

Strength and Conditioning

Games

School Holidays (4 times per year) will include:

Basketball Camp Participant
Basketball Camp Coaching

The program provides a regular schedule, building commitment, teamwork, and work ethic skills.

LIFE SKILLS: To play Basketball, participants must attend life skills sessions. These are designed to give participants critical personal and academic skills to improve their prospects as they enter society as young adults. Participant obligations include:

Weekly Study Hall

Soft Skills and Career guidance

Work Experience and Employment pathways

Our Program includes a Study Hall who supervisor will oversee the study hall, work with our University Partner ACU to identify and support tutoring and specialist subject support and consults with schools to identify on focus areas for participants.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS: We provide meals to participants 5 nights per week to support their overall nutrition and to give many members access to high-quality and healthy meals that they may not be able to access at home. This is supported by a Dietitian who develops the meals along with working with and running specific sessions with teams and individuals to help them understand the importance of meals and healthy food. This program is also combined with Mental Health awareness both at a team level and through one-on-one support and access to a qualified professional.

COMMUNITY: Combing the Basketball and Life Skills learnt throughout the program, participants will then give back to the community by participating in activities within the club, including:

assisting and running basketball clinics

refereeing

coaching

volunteering in the canteen

participating in nominated club community projects.

Total Project Cost: $79063.00
Amount Requested: $15000.00 **Minimum Required:** $10000.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: The project is well thought out and described in the application. It has clearly identified community needs, aims and evaluation methods.

AG24-185: **Fitzroy North Primary School**

Fitzroy North Primary School Fete

Project Description: The school holds an annual fete. We utilise the school grounds and also all of Fergie Street, Fitzroy North and have food and drinks, rides, stalls and entertainment.

We are excited again to partner with our local community to support this major fund raising initiative for our school. The funds raised through this event ensures we maintain our status as a leader in public education and a place of inspiration and enrichment for our students.

Total Project Cost: $67900.00
Amount Requested: $3000.00 **Minimum Required:** $2000.00
Recommendation: $3,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the project was seen as strong, well written with effective community outcomes.

AG24-193: **The Kitchen Project (Auspiced by Fitzroy Learning Network)**

Meet and Eat Kitchen Project

Project Description: We want to host 15 Community Lunches and six Community Dinners during 2024.

The Community Lunches will be prepared and held at the Cultivating Communities kitchen at 125 Napier Street Fitzroy.
The lunches will be co-hosted with English Language classes from Fitzroy Learning Network with the Kitchen Project providing support and guidance and keeping things on track.
The lunches will be attended by the group preparing, other identified groups invited along and individuals and groups from the Atherton Gardens Estate.

The Community Dinners are a collaboration with Fitzroy Learning Network and hosted in their space at 198 Napier Street Fitzroy.
The dinners have become a feature at Fitzroy Learning and some people bring contributions. The dinners bring people from the Atherton Gardens Estate, other nearby estates such as Collingwood, and broader Fitzroy community.
These events invest in social capital and community wellbeing.

They provide a platform for cultural exchange, practising English and sharing culture through food.
Cultivating Community has been leading this project since 2016, it has become an important part of the local cultural calendar.
Participants practise English, develop the confidence to lead an activity, and make connections in new ways.
The timing of the community dinners and lunches are programmed to play a role in community celebrations such as Eid, to celebrate our culturally and linguistically diverse community and are vital community strengthening activities.

The involvement of partner Co-Health offers encouragement to other agencies to attend these events as a way to spark a conversation, test the water on an idea, or impart information in an informal way.

These events, through this project funding, will support the employment of a group of women passionate about sharing their food and culture. Through this they will experience an Australian workplace, build CV experience and create future employment and training goals.

Total Project Cost: $24216.00
Amount Requested: $8020.00 **Minimum Required:** $3000.00
Recommendation: $3,000.00

Panel Comments: The was a strong application, very detailed and with sufficient support from the panel.

AG24-195: **Russian House Melbourne Inc**

Defibrillator Acquisition Project

Project Description: Management has recognised the need to provide the various users of its facilities with emergency medical equipment, in this case, a defibrillator machine. There has been a significant increase in the number of people using the facilities, especially post-Covid. We estimate a minimum 150-175 regular weekly users, with an additional 150-200 people for monthly concerts/lectures/special events. A significant proportion of the patronage is elderly and fall into the "potential heart problem" category, although heart issues are not exclusive to the elderly.

We believe it is critical for us to provide access to a life-saving defibrillator on the premises, and have a number of people trained up in the use of it to ensure maximum success, if or when needed.

Total Project Cost: $3930.00
Amount Requested: $2650.00 **Minimum Required:** $2000.00
Recommendation: $2,650.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was strong, with direct community outcome and with sufficient supporting information.

AG24-203: **The Pan-Macedonian Association of Melbourne and Victoria Inc.**

Fostering social connection and inclusion and promoting health and wellbeing through social and cultural activities.

Project Description: The project will address social connection, health and wellbeing in the community. It will reduce loneliness, by supporting social connectedness and positive mental health. It provides opportunities for healthy eating and a more active lifestyle.

The activities we plan to do are:
1. Dimitria Festival 2024 - one day event held outdoors and open to the public (usually thousands of people attend).
2. Formal functions to celebrate special occasions, such as Easter, Christmas, Mother's Day, Father's Day.
3. Formal functions for networking with other organizations, including government and council.
4. Informal lunches and afternoon teas for members and their families.
5. Weekly, traditional dance classes.
6. Lectures with invited speakers.
6. Movie nights.
7. Excursions (one or two per year during summer).

Total Project Cost: $94400.00
Amount Requested: $4000.00 **Minimum Required:** $3000.00
Recommendation: $4,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was strong with strong community outcomes and support.

AG24-204: **Merri Creek Primary School**

Traffic Management Plan - Controllers

Project Description: The Merri Creek Primary fete is planned for 2024

The event planners will complete Yarra Council application for temporary road occupation and the necessary pre-requisites including "Residents and businesses approval of event; Residents and businesses notification of event".

We will booked traffic controllers to implement the Traffic Management Plan on the day.
The planned company is: First Nations Traffic Management https://fntm.com.au/

This grant application is to assist in covering costs the traffic controllers to ensure a successful and positive community celebration while minimising the impact on the local neighbourhood

Total Project Cost: $8040.00
Amount Requested: $2500.00 **Minimum Required:** $2500.00
Recommendation: $2,500.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was strong and well written, with proper supporting materials to grant funding.

AG24-216: **Cross Encounters(CE) (Auspiced by AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC)**

Musical Dumplings Feast

Project Description: As the most important traditional festival in China and wider Asia, the Spring Festival naturally influences Asian countries, making it an important celebration. Dumplings are considered a signature cultural symbol in these countries, and having dumplings during the Spring Festival is an essential part of the celebrations. CE propose this event to Yarra, providing an opportunity for the residents to exchange their Lunar New Year traditions with local residents. By using the connection of dumplings and making art, we can get to know and experience the rich culture and stories behind this humble food staple from Asia. With this event, we support, showcase, and celebrate Yarra's diverse Asian communities and their traditions.

The theme is “If music is the food of Love,play on!” We plan to host an event on February 24th, 2024. It is the last day of Chinese New Year. So the event could increase the sense of belonging of people with other cultural backgrounds. The event will feature an opening performance at 10 am, followed by music performances at 12 pm, 2 pm, 4 pm, and the final performance at 6 pm. Each show will run for 30 minutes, and we are excited to showcase the talents of a total of 11 artists and crew members. The opening and closing performances will be delivered by two skilled performers, while we have 6 musicians playing traditional Chinese instruments, including pipa, erhu, flute, and guzheng. Our event will be expertly directed, with a director facilitating the opening and closing presentations. To add a touch of celebration and cultural significance, the performers will dress in traditional Chinese costumes qipao, adorned in vibrant colors that evoke a festive atmosphere. We are enthusiastic about the potential of this event to bring joy and appreciation for Chinese culture to the audience.

Total Project Cost: $6451.95
Amount Requested: $3300.00 **Minimum Required:** $1500.00
Recommendation: $1,500.00

Panel Comments: The application overall presented a strong, effective and positive community outcome in Yarra.

AG24-221: **X'mas ConneXtions (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

X'mas ConneXtions

Project Description: The aim is to offer a program that addresses issues of mental health, low socio-economic challenges and disadvantages that can be all encompassing, including social barriers of isolation. This community is extremely vulnerable during the Christmas and New Year period. We would be looking at opening Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House (BANH) for regular sessions for the extended 5 week January 2024 break, allowing the local community access to resources and to connect with others in an encouraging and supportive environment. In Christmas 2024 we will also run a program, during the time BANH is closed. The sessions would include art workshops, access to computers, board games, music and the sharing of food.

There will also be the potential to do some outings, depending on group feedback, for example, picnic at Fitzroy Gardens, lunch in Victoria St, gardening or a BBQ by 139 Highett Street.

In addition to opening the neighbourhood house during the holidays twice a week, we will also open the Richmond Caravan Cafe weekly on a Friday. This is located by 139 Highett Street and attracts a mixture of the local community, including people who are experiencing homelessness or people who have health issues due to the impact of drug and alcohol use. Therefore, the caravan will provide lunch, refreshments, a supportive and non-judgemental welcoming atmosphere, with the ability to signpost to local services and resources.

Total Project Cost: $9829.00
Amount Requested: $3680.00 **Minimum Required:** $3300.00
Recommendation: $3,680.00

Panel Comments: Overall, the application was strong and well written, with proper supporting materials to grant funding.

AG24-227: **Community Free Haircuts (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

Community Free Haircuts

Project Description: We want to provide free haircuts for those experiencing disadvantage in the Yarra community, particularly those living in public housing.

Since April 2022 we have developed partnerships with a number of programs to provide free haircuts to those in need. We want to continue our services and increase the number of free haircuts we can provide. We see a strong need for this service for those disadvantaged in our community. We have excellent

relationships with charities who work on the frontline in Yarra helping those in public housing and those experiencing disadvantage. We also work with organisations that run Yarra's free community events. We provide haircuts to those experiencing homelessness, ill-health and mental illness, social isolation, drug addiction and the elderly amongst others - especially in public housing estates.

There has been a very positive response to our haircuts program and a growing demand for free haircuts. We are now in need of an injection of funds to grow our program and reach more people.

So far we have provided 1171 free haircuts in Yarra alone. With this funding we would provide 526 free haircuts in Yarra in 2024 through the following organisations and events:

1. Orange Sky Program organised by St Marks. We offer our services for those experiencing homelessness, drug addiction and seniors 2 times per month.
2. Atherton Gardens Community Market by Yarra Libraries. We offer our services for residents including seniors, low-income groups, multicultural communities, and those experiencing homelessness. Once every quarter.
3. Twilight Markets organised by local communities in North Richmond estate. We offer our services for residents once per month.
4. Haircut services for disadvantaged in Salvation Army. We offer our service weekly. 5. Participate community events to provide our services for multicultural community in Yarra.
6. Learning Bank organized by Yarra Libraries

Total Project Cost: $23902.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $8,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall, the application was strong and well written, with proper supporting materials to grant funding.

The funding was reduced from the highest declared amount due to the grant round being highly competitive and funding needing to be spread across to ensure more projects are supported.

AG24-229: **Kids Space in Yarra (homework Club) (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

swimming program for kids

Project Description: Due to the success of the last year 2023, funding of swimming programs from City of Yarra for (2-11 years), we are planning to run the swimming programs for these kids again as they requested. There will be about 30- 40 kids participating. The aim will be to have swimming lessons during school terms to these kids with a view of avoiding issues of limited places during school holidays. Since the kids themselves requested the continuity of the swimming lessons due to their great learning and their love of water and life-long skill of swimming, we are willing and glad to support them. what is more, these kids are getting more water familiarization and building more confidence around water. We are aiming to have 10 lessons/kid during the school terms.

Total Project Cost: $8400.00
Amount Requested: $7000.00 **Minimum Required:** $6500.00
Recommendation: $7,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall, the application was strong and well written, with proper supporting materials to grant funding.

AG24-233: **Language, culture and basic Islamic Studies program (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

Somali Culture Learning Program

Project Description: The Somali Language and Culture Enrichment Program is an engaging and inclusive initiative aimed at celebrating and preserving the rich heritage of Somali language, traditions, and customs.

This project, implemented in partnership with Sunrise Education and Australian African Community Development Inc., endeavours to provide students attending Islamic schools with a unique and immersive educational experience that not only helps them catch up with their studies but also fosters a profound connection to their Somali identity.

-Through interactive lessons and activities, the project aims to deepen students' understanding of Somali culture, history, and values, fostering a sense of pride in their cultural heritage.

-The program seeks to enhance students' proficiency in the Somali language, ensuring they can read, write, and communicate effectively in their native tongue.

-The program will supply essential teaching materials and resources, including textbooks, workbooks, and digital tools, to support comprehensive learning experiences.

-The project actively encourages parental involvement and community engagement. Regular meetings and events will be held to keep parents informed of their child's progress and to encourage their active participation in promoting Somali language and culture within the community.

Total Project Cost: $15408.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $9000.00
Recommendation: $8,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall, the application was strong and well written, with proper supporting materials to grant funding.

AG24-235: **Australian Croatian Senior Citizens Club Clifton Hill Inc.**

Support for CALD seniors living in the City of Yarra

Project Description: The funding will help our club to organize different social and recreational activities to keep the members engaged and healthy, including info sessions that are important to elderly members, meals, playing games (such as cards, bocce etc.), organizing excursions, celebration of different holidays including International Women's day, Father's day, Mother's day, Elderly day, Christmas, Easter and Reconciliation Day. We help members to meet with their peers coming from the same and similar ethnic background, help to reduce their social isolation and make them feel at home. We promote and explain government initiatives and information of interest to the CALD communities including information on COVID-19, vaccination and other relevant information of interest to our seniors. We plan to purchase some social games to keep the members active.

Total Project Cost: $13440.00
Amount Requested: $4000.00 **Minimum Required:** $3000.00
Recommendation: $4,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall, the application was strong and well written, with proper supporting materials to grant funding.

AG24-248: **Food for All (Auspiced by Holden Street Neighbourhood House)**

Nourishing Together

Project Description: In response to the growing need for food assistance, Food for All is wanting to launch the project "Nourish Together". Our goal is to address the issue of food insecurity by empowering community members to make the most of limited resources through budget-friendly cooking classes. This project aims to instill culinary skills and creativity, ensuring that no one in our community goes hungry.
Food insecurity is an unfortunate reality faced by many individuals and families in our local area. Despite existing food relief programs, the demand for assistance continues to rise. We believe that access to adequate and nutritious food is a fundamental human right, and we are committed to taking proactive steps to combat hunger in our community.
"Nourish Together " offers a two-fold approach to tackle food insecurity. Firstly, we will conduct engaging

and interactive cooking classes designed to showcase how much can be achieved with minimal resources. These classes will be led by experienced chefs and nutritionists, who will guide participants in creating delicious, balanced meals on a tight budget. Participants will gain practical skills, recipe ideas, and a renewed sense of confidence in providing nourishing meals for themselves and their families.
The heart of this project lies in community support. Food prepared in classes will be shared amongst the group and distributed to at-risk community members through local food relief programs, extending help to those in need.
"Nourish Together" aims to create lasting change and foster a community where no one faces hunger. Through regular cooking classes and ongoing food distribution, we envision a community that is better equipped to combat food insecurity collectively. Additionally, participants will be encouraged to share their newly acquired knowledge with friends and family, creating a ripple effect that extends beyond the project's scope.

Total Project Cost: $18811.58
Amount Requested: $9302.00 **Minimum Required:** $4651.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall, the application was strong and well written, with proper supporting materials to grant funding.

AG24-249: **Strata Community Association (Vic)**

Strata Sustainability and Engagement Pilot

Project Description: SCA (Vic) proposes a 6-month pilot (with monthly community engagement sessions) in conjunction with the City of Yarra to provide a mentor program for lot owners and Owners Corporation Managers to share knowledge and identify challenges with sustainability projects which are relevant to strata properties.

Total Project Cost: $28500.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: This application aligns well with Council's work to support apartment owners and owners corporations to switch to renewable energy and undertake sustainability retrofits.

Stream: Community Housing

AG24-181: **Launch Housing**

Yarra Zero Establishing and Sustaining Tenancies Pilot Project

Project Description: This pilot project will employ a worker to oversee the transition of people on the Yarra By-Name List into social housing. It will act as a bridge into downstream supports, necessary because of waiting lists into programs like MS2H and Tenancy Plus and mindful of their limitations. For example, Tenancy Plus usually only meets the person once housing is allocated.

The role will do pre-housing preparation work with people still homeless, systematizing the process of housing preparation and planning. The worker will then oversee the transition into housing when an offer is made. In some cases, the worker will directly do this work, but they will also act as a support to any existing workers who have the relationship with the person on the BNL; for example Assertive Outreach, St Mary's House of Welcome, North Richmond Community Health, Ngwala Willumbong and so on. Importantly, the worker will also remain involved until the right medium and long-term support can be put in place for the person, which may be several months. This is a critical time in any new tenancy when people who are sleeping rough may continue to sleep out for some of the time and when the pull of their street community can be greatest.

It will be a pilot to see if it leads to better transition management, more sustained tenancies, and greater confidence among Housing Allocations and Assessment Team members in DFFH to allocate to people on the BNL.

Total Project Cost: $180381.00
Amount Requested: $50000.00 **Minimum Required:** $40000.00
Recommendation: $50,000.00

Panel Comments: High quality project and application that meets service gap and address clear needs. The evidence base for structed warp around supports for moving homeless to housing is compelling. A key priority project.

Stream: Family, Youth, Middle and Early Years

AG24-015: **North Richmond Community Health**

NRCH Homework Group

Project Description: The Homework Group provides after-school homework support and learning opportunities to the residents of the Yarra Public Housing Estates (from prep to year 9) to improve student's capability and confidence at school.

Activities include:
- Group learning activities divided into grades, developed by a volunteer with a teaching background
- Support students with homework provided
- Group learning games to end the session to increase social engagement and cohesion
- Empowering parents to be involved in their child's education through information and support
- One on one support for school projects, especially for high school students

We see students from:
- Richmond West Primary
- Collingwood College
- East Preston Islamic College
- Abbotsford Primary School
- Trinity Primary School Richmond

And potentially others in smaller numbers.

The project will be delivered by an NRCH coordinator and volunteer tutors, most of whom are university students or graduates to assist/advise students with their homework tasks in a welcoming and safe environment.
The Group is held at NRCH and coordinated by an NRCH Health & Wellbeing Officer who is also a local mum and has a Health Promotion and Community Development background.

On average we have 18 students attending the NRCH Homework Group each week, ranging from 10-25. With an average of 8 volunteers supporting each session.
We anticipate these numbers to increase to an average of 25 students per week if we secure funding and promote the group.

Funding support will ensure we can continue to engage the coordinator, who is currently on a fixed term contract until the end of the year, and purchase essential supplies to sustain the program beyond the funding period.

Total Project Cost: $32540.00

Amount Requested: $8880.00 **Minimum Required:** $4580.00
Recommendation: $8,880.00

Panel Comments: A clear application that highlighted how it is currently meeting a community need with a realistic budget that is supported by community through volunteers.

AG24-025: **Breath Circle (Auspiced by Sacred Heart School, Fitzroy)**

Breath Circle Programs

Project Description: Breath Circle 6-week School Programs:
Children: Breath Circle's 6 week programs involve working with young people for one session per week. During the 1hour sessions conducted by a trained and experienced facilitator, children engage in play-based group learning through movement, mindful breathing and singing, to create clear minds, regulate emotions, and build resilience. Children will be supported to develop greater self-awareness which can have positive impacts on their personal relationships, education and learning, and sense of wellbeing.
Educators/Teachers: Breath Circle's school programs include an educators training component which empowers educators to use breath awareness as a tool for self-regulation, allowing them to better handle stress and control impulses, resulting in calm, harmonious classrooms for educators and youth. We build capacity of educators to teach mindful breathing to youth, as a daily wellbeing practice.
Parents/Carers: Our programs include a 1 hour parent meeting/training session to create community connection, enhance community participation and empower individuals to be resourceful in relation to their own mental health and wellbeing, as well as the health and wellbeing of their young people and community. We offer parent participation throughout our program.

Total Project Cost: $12780.00
Amount Requested: $9900.00 **Minimum Required:** $9900.00
Recommendation: $6,600.00

Panel Comments: It was a clear application, demonstrating a tangible program that meets a community need in a holistic manner. Funded for two sessions.

AG24-044: **Australian African Community Development Inc.(AACD) (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

African youth curriculum support program

Project Description: This project is a collaboration between the African Australian Community Development Association (AACDA), Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House (BANH) and local families. The project aims to support African young people from the ages of 6 - 15 with English and Math's curriculum assistance. The aims and objectives include:

- Assist primary and secondary students with their studies in a friendly and supportive environment
- To provide safe, inclusive and culturally appropriate learning environment outside of school hours
- To improve literacy, numeracy and communication skills
- To improve social connectedness and the emotional and mental development of participants
- Develop students positive attitude towards learning
- Improve students skills to become independent learners and critical thinkers

Total Project Cost: $36760.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $9000.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: A great community program that is already meeting community needs, is accessible with multiple delivery points and has a clear budget.

AG24-048: **Operation Newstart Incorporated**

Operation Newstart Yarra

Project Description: - Outdoor adventure activities of mountain bike riding, caving, canoeing, skiing, hiking,high ropes course to promote characters strengths and leadership

- Camps including an overnight hike camp and a three day expedition ski camp.

- Community engagement workshops with Headspace and REACH on mental health and wellbeing, YSAS workshop on drugs and alcohol , Yarra Youth Centre sessions to do a project in Street Art and Hip Hop writing , a volunteer session at Collingwood Children's Farm making kookaburra boxes to place in surrounding trees, Community Bike project teaching newly arrived primary school students from the Collingwood English Language School Bike safety and building a new bike to donate to them. Weekly Gym sessions with a trainer from Yarra Leisure Centres at Richmond, Fitzroy and Collingwood.

- Pathway exploration through TAFE visits/workshops of Floristry and Landscaping at Melbourne Polytechnic.

- Personal development skills through goal setting, character strength workshops and growth mindset work.

- First aid certificate through South Melbourne Life Saving Club

Total Project Cost: $53265.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $9500.00
Recommendation: $9,500.00

Panel Comments: It is a good application that sounds like an intensive course that would provide really tangible support for participants.

AG24-053: **Fitzroy Scout Group (Auspiced by THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA VICTORIAN BRANCH)**

Fitzroy Scouts Reducing Barriers and Increasing Access Project

Project Description: Fitzroy Scouts Reducing Barriers and Increasing Access Project enables the development of disadvantaged (and predominantly migrant) youth through participation in the Scouting program (including outdoor adventure and camping), by reducing financial barriers. This project will support Fitzroy Scout Group's approach of heavily subsidising weekly activities, outdoor excursions and weekend camps for the participating youth to ensure as many children as possible can benefit regardless of their circumstances. These activities build resilience and interpersonal skills and provide participants with opportunities to engage with nature. The Scouting program provides non-formal education, which helps young people to develop and grow holistically, and is run by volunteer leaders.

Building on previous support from City of Yarra to establish a Scout-age section, this grant funding will be used to embed and further enhance this program delivery, which was restricted by the impacts of COVID-19 restrictions over the previous years.

This project requires financial support in three areas. Firstly, to subsidise the cost of outdoor and educational experiences, allowing participants to experience the proven benefits of the Scouting Development Program. This funding would allow us to run 40 weeknight programs, and at least six subsidised camps or weekend activities for our Scout section (11-14 year olds). These camps and activities build life skills, citizenship and connections with the broader Australian community.

Secondly, the funding will be used to cover the membership/insurance costs for Scout section members and volunteer leaders. These are costs that are 'normally' covered by parents and present a barrier to our families.

Finally, the funding will cover organisational costs, such as hall hire and equipment purchases. Regular equipment purchases, such as tents, rain jackets, shelters and sleeping bags, means the group has safe

equipment to take children camping in the outdoors and can support families who do not have equipment themselves.

Total Project Cost: $166292.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $6000.00
Recommendation: $6,000.00

Panel Comments: A really clear application that demonstrates a program meeting a community need and strong diverse community participation.

AG24-083: **Melbourne Victory FC Academy Ltd**

Victory at Richmond's Home Ground

Project Description: Melbourne Victory FC in partnership with Home Ground Hub and GR8M8S Foundation would like to deliver the 'Victory at Richmond's Home Ground' weekly football program. This program will provide free, weekly football sessions for young residents of the Richmond Housing Estate contributing to Yarra's middle years and youth objectives supporting health, wellbeing, community/social connection, positive role models, safety, inclusion and employment - through the highly popular and engaging vehicle that is football.

Melbourne Victory has proudly supported the weekly PACSEL program at Richmond estate for a number of years, delivered by GR8M8S. The introduction of a dedicated football pitch at the estate in combination with the wellbeing and isolation concerns faced by youth coming out of COVID-19 lockdowns, all project partners are determined to strengthen a weekly football program that is engaging, meaningful and accessible to young residents on the Richmond estate.

Victory at Richmond's Home Ground aims to support children and youth in undertaking semi-structured and regular physical activity, facilitate meaningful connections and relationships amongst participants and their local community, and creating an employment pathway for a couple of local youth leaders.

By delivering a place-based, weekly football program (32 weeks of the year, delivered in 4 x 8 week blocks aligned with the Victorian school calendar), local residents will connect over a common interest regardless of race, gender, socio-economic-status and develop skills that build resilience, self efficacy, respect - leading to greater physical and mental health and wellbeing.

Identified youth leaders will also be provided an opportunity to obtain a recognised coaching qualification, undertaking a quasi paid internship with support from an experienced Melbourne Victory community coach. This will not only introduce a potential employment opportunity post-project, but will establish a number of positive role models within the community that support the development of young program participants.

Total Project Cost: $28504.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $6688.00
Recommendation: $10,000.00

Panel Comments: A good application for an inclusive and proactive program, with strong planning for participant capacity building.

AG24-085: **Birth for Humankind**

Cultivating connections: Place-based community doula support and training

Project Description: This project will enhance the provision of culturally sensitive, trauma-informed doula support to people experiencing disadvantage, through the delivery of specialised postnatal doula training to people living and working in Yarra City Council (YCC).

In 2020, BFH established a comprehensive pregnancy and birth Doula Training Program for women from culturally diverse backgrounds, with participants supported to complete the course through fully-funded scholarships.

This project will enhance BFH's trauma-informed doula training offering by centring community voices – those with lived experiences relevant to BFH's client group – in the development of specialised postnatal doula training. The project will also pilot an intensive, place-based postnatal doula training course, with graduates able to join the BFH volunteer doula team to provide respectful, trauma-informed postnatal doula support to people living in the YCC catchment. The training will also support participants to set up their own postnatal doula businesses, if they choose.

The project activities include:

• 1 community consultation session held in YCC to support the development of postnatal doula training – to better understand and reflect cultural/social postnatal needs and practices of those with lived experience of BFH client group. All residents will be compensated for their time with a $25 visa gift voucher for participating.

• 1 community information sessions held in YCC to promote the role of community-based doula support and BFH's doula training and volunteer team.

• Development of postnatal doula support training content.

• Facilitation of a postnatal doula training course in YCC, which meets and reflects community need; and increases BFHs volunteer doula pool and capacity to provide postnatal services in YCC.

• Information sharing with key service referrers within YCC (e.g. MCH nurses and relevant council officers).

Total Project Cost: $11999.06
Amount Requested: $9620.10 **Minimum Required:** $9000.00
Recommendation: $9,000.00

Panel Comments: A strong application demonstrating a really valuable program that supports vulnerable community members.

AG24-120: **Dadfit (Auspiced by Fitzroy Learning Network)**

Dadfit - supporting healthy families and gender equity in Yarra

Project Description: Our goal is to support the health and wellbeing of 90 families with children aged 0-5 by delivering six, 5-week Dadfit programs between January and September 2024. We will deliver the programs in Fitzroy and Fitzroy North. Each program is expected to have 15 dad participants.

A Dadfit program includes five weekly two-hour sessions. Each session includes a 60-minute group workout followed by a 60-minute 'dad chat' - i.e. facilitated group discussions about issues that matter to dads. The sessions will be delivered by former professional athletes and Fitzroy dads, Ryan Carters (cricket) and Simon Hogan (AFL), who are experienced fitness instructors and group facilitators.

The workouts involve fun, functional bodyweight exercises that are suitable for all fitness levels and can be modified for dads with disabilities. The discussions use evidence-based approaches to create open and supportive conversations about parenting, respectful relationships, balancing career and family, and mental health and wellbeing. Between sessions, dads support one another to put new ideas into practice via weekly 'dad challenges' and digital connection.

The Dadfit program was co-designed and piloted from March to June 2023 at Edinburgh Gardens with 30 dads (two groups of 15). Feedback from the pilot has been exceptionally strong, with 100% of dads rating the program 4 or 5 out of 5, and 90% opting to continue meeting weekly after the initial 5-week program.

In 2024 we plan to run four programs in Fitzroy North and two in Fitzroy, based in Edinburgh Gardens and Atherton Reserve. To ensure we're reaching diverse families, we'll partner with Fitzroy Learning Network to

promote and tailor the Fitzroy-based program to the needs of CALD and low income families in Fitzroy. We'll also promote the initiative via local childcare centres, City of Yarra MCH Service, and online.

Total Project Cost: $12104.00
Amount Requested: $9878.00 **Minimum Required:** $6585.00
Recommendation: $6,585.00

Panel Comments: A good application that demonstrates a strong community program that creates a strong sense of connection and promotes valuable ethics.

AG24-128: **GR8 M8S Foundation**

Yarra Wild Beast Program to build confidence and leadership potential of children from migrant communities

Project Description: Yarra Wild Beast' basketball program will have more or less 50 young participants to train on Sunday evenings and participate in 2 friendly tournaments. This community basketball program also allows the young locals to increase their skills and live out their basketball passion with others in their community. In 2024 we intend for the squads to participate in two tournaments, in July and December subject to available funding. There will also be a regular training program conducted in late 2023 and 2024 on the Collingwood College Basketball Courts.
The Yarra Wild Beasts Basketball Program (YWBBP) was developed in 2010 in relation to community consultation held in line with the Yarra Blue Light weekly sports and recreation programs evaluation process. An aspiration for a dedicated local African youth basketball team was evident. Being part of the Wild Beasts Basketball Team (WBBT) allows local young people (13-25 years) to connect with other friends whilst participating in the various tournaments each year (often providing opportunities to interstate events such as the Adelaide Easter Classic).

Total Project Cost: $38660.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $8000.00
Recommendation: $8,000.00

Panel Comments: A strong application demonstrating a really valuable program that is meeting a range of community needs.

AG24-144: **Kids Space in Yarra (homework Club) (Auspiced by Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House)**

Kids Space in Yarra (Homework club)

Project Description: The homework club program will provide a twice weekly onsite opportunity throughout the school terms for primary and early high school children to access educational support in the form of homework and reading assistance. Furthermore, children will have good time of interacting with their parents to connect with each other a long with culturally diverse volunteers. There will be holiday programs to engage these kids in fun & indirect education activities.

Total Project Cost: $70100.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $9000.00
Recommendation: $9,000.00

Panel Comments: A good project that addresses an identified community need that also brings community together to support young people's education. The concept demonstrated a positive focus.

AG24-150: **The Rotary Club of Richmond Inc**

RC Richmond Next Step Program

Project Description: To support disadvantaged young people in Year 10 who attend the Collingwood Secondary College within the City of Yarra, as selected by the School’s Year Level Co-Ordinators.

The Career Advisor case manages and mentors the young people; helps them to identify short and long term career goals and develop plans to achieve their nominated goals; assists in obtaining relevant work experience positions; identifies and organises attendance at targeted workshops eg financial literacy, trade expos, etc.

Total Project Cost: $23680.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $8,500.00

Panel Comments: A strong application for a valuable project that has preventative measures to support young people and their futures.

AG24-174: **Collingwood Toy Library Inc**

Community Fun Days for Abbotsford and Fitzroy Toy Libraries

Project Description: Our organisation has experience hosting highly successful free community activities for Yarra families, including messy play days and our 30th Birthday Party in 2022, attended by Mayor Sophie Wade and approximately 300 community members. In 2024, we wish to leverage our profile and connection with the community to host two free family-friendly events, one at each of our branches.

Community Fun Day - Abbotsford: Adopting a similar format to our highly successful 30th birthday party, we will utilise the Bob Rose carpark at Victoria Park for a free community celebration of play. To engage families, we will have interactive performers, engaging facilitated activities and dedicated quiet and baby/toddler play spaces. The primary aims of this event are to strengthen our connection with and between our local community members, promote the benefits of play, and showcase our role in the community as being broader than just toy borrowing.

Community Fun Day - Fitzroy Play Discovery: We will host an event that reflects the relatively recent establishment of the library and is tailored to the needs of families in Atherton Gardens. We will use the foyer of Connie Benn to host a fun play discovery session including a facilitated activity (e.g. a baby sensory session hosted by an early education expert) and an immersive, exploratory play area with brand new soft foam shapes and toys to encourage families to explore open ended play. This activity has the endorsement of Connie Benn staff. The primary aims are to showcase the toy library and provide an opportunity for local families to connect in a fun, free, facilitated session designed for young children.

Food is a universal language so we will provide free snacks at both events to make everyone feel included and welcome.

Total Project Cost: $15034.00
Amount Requested: $7650.00 **Minimum Required:** $6500.00
Recommendation: $6,500.00

Panel Comments: A strong application for two community events that support families and connect them to supports and resources. A good clearly identified plan with a clear budget.

AG24-192: **North Richmond Community Health**

Early Childhood Developmental Screening and Education

Project Description: The Child Health and Development (CHAD) Team currently offers a limited amount of developmental screenings in local early childhood education and care (ECEC) settings. To date, these have been done together by a speech pathologist and occupational therapist, and involved assessing the overall development of children in their ECEC setting, where the parent/carer and/or educator has raised any concerns about the child's development.

The CHAD Team is limited in how many centres it can currently provide this screening service to, and would like to open this up to a greater number of ECEC settings in 2024. The purpose of these developmental screenings is to identify children who would benefit from additional support in their development, particularly before they start school. We would target centres within the City of Yarra housing estates to maximise participation of children from a range of socioeconomic, cultural and linguistic backgrounds, particularly those who might require additional support to access early intervention services.

Total Project Cost: $10750.00

Amount Requested: $9750.00 **Minimum Required:** $5000.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: The application details an important identified need with a sustainable project plan.

AG24-199: **Drummond Street Services**

WATER PROOFING OUR LIVEWIRES

Project Description: A ten-week community strengthening swimming program specifically designed for children from the Collingwood public housing estate facing financial/social hardship within the COY. This transformative program aims to provide a safe/supportive environment for these 5-12 year olds, empowering them to overcome fears/challenges while building essential life skills. By providing free access to swimming lessons, cofacilitated by familiar peer leaders from their youth programs on their estate, the program seeks to create positive and lasting changes in the lives of these children, prevent drowning and increase child/parent participation and social confidence. The location will be the Collingwood Leisure Centre and families will be supported to catch the bus (Myki provided) and walk with our staff to increase fitness/social confidence. The swimming program will play a vital role in addressing the limitations faced by vulnerable families and empowering young people within the community. By providing accessible swimming education and fostering confidence in the water, the program unlocks social possibilities, transforming the way families engage in recreational activities and facilitating the confident social integration of young people and families. We recognize that the impact of this program extends far beyond swimming pools, nurturing a generation of more resilient, and empowered individuals within the COY.

Total Project Cost: $12970.00
Amount Requested: $9550.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $9,550.00

Panel Comments: A really clear and strong application that demonstrates a clear community need with a sustainable project plan.

AG24-230: **Collingwood Children's Farm Inc.**

Sowing Seeds in Yarra Schools

Project Description: We are seeking funding in order to welcome local schools down to the Farm to participate in our School Excursion Program. Of the 152 school excursions booked in the last two years, only 17 have been by schools within the City of Yarra, and only one Yarra school booked in 2023. If we are successful in getting this funding we will be able to offer local schools a number of free school excursions which they are able to book to attend in 2024. Schools would be able to choose which classes they would like to send down, and choose from our three educational themes; Meet and Greet, Paddock to Plate and Farm a Better Future.

We have specifically targeted schools that have a high percentage of students living in Atherton Gardens Estate, Richmond Public Housing and Collingwood Housing Estate as these students are likely to not have had access to the Farm previously, and their schools face financial barriers to participating in our excursions. These students would benefit from visiting our farmland and green space which allows people to connect with the natural environment and learn about where their food comes from. We will offer Sacred Heart Primary in Fitzroy and Fitzroy Primary School three excursions each, and have another two available for other local schools (Richmond West Primary, St Joseph's Primary and Collingwood Alternative School are priorities). Built into this grant application is the cost of transport for classes, as the schools have identified this as their key financial barrier.

Key activities are:
Build on relationships with local schools with a high percentage of children living in social housing.
Provide eight excursions including transport costs for at least eight classes of students.
Increase the number of local children who have access to the Farm and our education program.

Total Project Cost: $25602.00

Amount Requested: $9888.00 **Minimum Required:** $9888.00
Recommendation: $9,885.00

Panel Comments: A really clear and thoughtful application that demonstrates an area of need in the community of children and young people to connect with the environment in Yarra with a supportive program to make it accessible.

AG24-232: **Fitzroy Lions Soccer Club**

FLSC Promoting inclusivity and excellence through soccer

Project Description: Fitzroy Lions Soccer Club's (FLSC) ongoing commitment is to engage with young people from diverse backgrounds, with a particular focus on those residing in public housing. Our goal is to level the playing field and ensure that all youth, regardless of their socio-economic background, have access to mainstream soccer opportunities. We strive to create an inclusive and supportive community where culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) youth can thrive.

At the heart of our mission is the belief that soccer can be a powerful vehicle for positive change. With this grant we aim to provide opportunities for young people to be active, build confidence, forge meaningful connections, learn valuable skills, and cultivate a positive sense of identity.

Our club acknowledges the unique challenges faced by young people in the community, and we are dedicated to promoting their well-being on multiple levels. By fostering social cohesion and supporting mental and physical well-being, we aim to equip our participants with the tools to navigate life's challenges and opportunities successfully.

FLSC is determined to make a difference by breaking down barriers and providing equal opportunities to participate in sport and the community. We believe we can positively impact the lives of young people, offering them a chance to reach their full potential. We recognise that the challenges faced by CALD youth are significant, and we stand committed to supporting them on their journey to success.

As we continue to empower our youth through soccer, we envision a future where the club's impact ripples through generations, creating a stronger and more harmonious community. FLSC is more than just a soccer club; it is a force for positive change, promoting social integration and well-being. With this grant, we can shape a brighter future and inspire young people to dream big.

Total Project Cost: $87600.00
Amount Requested: $10000.00 **Minimum Required:** $9000.00
Recommendation: $9,000.00

Panel Comments: A good application that is clearly well supported by community members.

Stream: Major Projects

AG24-057: **ILBIJERRI Theatre CO**

ILBIJERRI ENSEMBLE - Creating career pathways for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait people

Project Description: The Ensemble is a professional development program open to First Peoples emerging and aspiring artists.

The program consists of open weekly workshops throughout the year, as well as opportunities to work intensively, alongside established professional First Peoples artists. Through these workshops Ensemble members build an essential tool kit of performance skills, experience, network connections and confidence. The program creates opportunities for participants to learn a range of performance and theatre skills whilst

connecting with their peers and building self-confidence. This program fosters the next generation of First Peoples theatre artists and facilitators.

ILBIJERRI Ensemble program includes:

- 4 Blocks of participatory theatre workshops open to young First Peoples
- Each block will be run by industry professionals, culminating in a public showing

Participants have the opportunity to be exposed to wide range of performing arts, both those with ILBIJERRI program and more broadly through industry partnerships. Each participants has the, opportunity to be seconded to a professional production member (Lighting/set/costume/sound designer, director, dramaturge, stage manager etc) on a main stage ILBIJERRI production in addition to skills development workshop.This provides a holistic understanding of the theatre making process and an introduction to a wealth of career pathways. It is vital that we develop skilled First Peoples professionals in these areas.

ILBIJERRI Youth Ensemble is the only ongoing Indigenous youth theatre program delivered in Melbourne. Through providing opportunities to participate in the performing arts we can encourage mob to explore professional training opportunities and pursue rewarding careers in our industry. For many, this will be their first professional work experience so it is a very significant program in the sector development space.

Ensemble is a highly effective program running since 2018. This funding would allow us to bring this program to the City of Yarra, providing opportunities for local first peoples.

Total Project Cost: $143900.00
Amount Requested: $50000.00 **Minimum Required:** $45000.00
Recommendation: $25,000.00

Panel Comments: The program addresses a clear need in the community and is well supported. The application is solid.

AG24-059: **3CR Community Radio**

3CR Community Engagement Project

Project Description: 3CR will undertake five key areas of activity as part of our Community Engagement Project.

1. Beyond the Bars 2024
We seek a contribution to our long-standing prison radio series that gives voice to First Nations prisoners across six Victorian jails. Beyond the Bars is completely unique and delivered by First Nations broadcasters. It gives voice to over 100 First Nations prisoners, and is delivered by a team of over 10 First Nations broadcasters.

2. Disability Day 2024
We seek a contribution to fund a coordinator and content producers to contribute to our annual Disability Day 12-hour broadcast that creates radio and podcast content by, for and about the disability community. The special day builds off our weekly disability focused radio content and provides additional opportunities for media content that is by, for and about the disability community.

3. Climate Action podcast series
We will collaborate with the Australian Youth Climate Coalition to deliver podcast training to a group of young activists and the production of a podcast series for wide distribution and broadcast. Climate action remains an urgent issue, and this podcast series will enhance education and engagement.
4. 3CR Open Days
We will run two free Open Days in 2024 - inviting the community to visit our unique and dynamic community radio station. As the neighbourhood changes, we want to invite engagement, participation and knowledge about our important community work and the opportunities for participation and listening.

5. 3CR Live series
We will stage two live events in the local area to showcase unsigned artists and under-represented voices, and to foster communities coming together and connecting.

Total Project Cost: $110167.00
Amount Requested: $50000.00 **Minimum Required:** $45000.00
Recommendation: $25,000.00

Panel Comments: Clear project aligned to CoY priorities. Credible organisation with strong capacity to deliver. Detailed budget and good outcome measures.

AG24-078: **MiCare**

Yarra Women Behind the Wheel

Project Description: This program specifically targets women from refugee and migrant backgrounds who have
difficulty obtaining their driver's license. This is a continuing issue often raised in case work and community consultations. Yarra Women Behind the Wheel was developed in response to this growing need and has been successfully running for several years. We wish to continue this program and run it twice during 2024 with approximately 12 women in each round.
Program components include:
- Delivery of three x 3-hour sessions on road rules with an English language component run in collaboration with Carringbush Adult Education;
- Delivery of three 2-hour information sessions covering topics such as law and driving, road safety, fines, roles of the police, buying a car, loans, insurance, and child safety restraints. Sessions will run in partnership with Victoria Police, Victoria Legal Aid/Fitzroy Legal Service and financial counsellors from the Neighbourhood Justice Centre;
- A leadership/mentoring focus where two participants from each round will become the leaders of the program. They will be supported to create flyers, facilitate the sessions including opening and closing the sessions and introduce speakers. Also, they will be involved in devising and presenting an evaluation during the final session; and
- Five driving lesson vouchers per participant to assist with the development of practical driving skills

Total Project Cost: $28847.40
Amount Requested: $19454.00 **Minimum Required:** $12550.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: The application was excellently organized, with direct and clearly articulated outcomes with measures of success.
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AG24-087: **Vacro**

Second Chance Cycles

Project Description: Since July 2009, Vacro has run a community bicycle workshop from the car park underneath the Collingwood Public Housing Estate (The Underground). The Second Cycles workshop takes discarded bicycles and unclaimed stolen bikes and restores them for community use.
Second Chance Cycles provides Yarra residents with:
• Hands-on training in a workshop environment (the employment element).
• A chance to give back to the community (the volunteer element).
• The opportunity to learn how to repair and maintain their own bikes (the skill development and mobility elements).
• An opportunity to socialise in a supported setting (the community building element).
The project was established with a dual purpose:

1. to establish a place based workshop where community participants gain experience in bicycle mechanics while also learning transferrable work readiness skills.
2. to provide an inclusive opportunity for justice involved adults and local volunteers.

Using the restoration and distribution of restored bicycles as a project tool. Second Chance Cycles aims to:
1. Connect participants with their local communities
2. Increase individual employability skills
3. Improve personal wellbeing
4. Promote healthy sustainable transport options

Total Project Cost: $252200.00
Amount Requested: $50000.00 **Minimum Required:** $40000.00
Recommendation: $40,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was strong with a number of social and environmental benefits proven to be effective in Yarra.

AG24-113: **Community Pop Up Markets Ltd**

The Community Grocer - a marketplace for multicultural food enterprises

Project Description: The Community Grocer currently runs a weekly affordable and culturally appropriate fresh food market at the Atherton Gardens Public Housing Estate. It runs every Tuesday from 9am - 1pm, and currently supports food security and social connection for up to 50 local residents from 17 different nationalities - some from public housing and some from the broader City of Yarra community. Alongside the fruit and vegetable market, we currently have 2 social and micro enterprises operating from the same marketplace - High Rise Community Bakery and Cultural Catering who provide access to culturally appropriate bakery goods and prepared foods.

We would like to expand the current marketplace, strengthening the offering of existing enterprises and providing the opportunity for up to 3 new multicultural food enterprises to join (supported by Fitzroy Learning Network and Cultivating Community). This will provide employment and income generation activities for local multicultural residents and businesses, and provide greater food access and social connection opportunities for local multicultural residents.

Alongside the additional enterprises, we want to build community engagement opportunities at the market by:
- inviting community organisations such as Yarra Libraries and CoHealth to share information/run activities
- incorporating the sharing of food at the market, through providing tea/coffee and snacks
- coordinating quarterly community events to celebrate significant cultural days and/or the seasons
- running additional activities during the school holidays to provide local family friendly activities
- relocating the market outside (it's current location is in the community hall at 90 Brunswick Street Fitzroy)
- providing pop up seating and table infrastructure to encourage community to sit and connect
- establishing a community reference group to help codesign and inform ongoing activities

Total Project Cost: $225916.00
Amount Requested: $48500.00 **Minimum Required:** $40000.00
Recommendation: $30,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel noted this application was clear and credible and were happy to secure funding for the project.

AG24-115: **Abbotsford Convent Foundation**

Convent Kids

Project Description: Abbotsford Convent Foundation's (ACF) Convent Kids program is an annual program of free/low-cost arts and cultural experiences for children and families to explore, learn and participate together through excellent arts and cultural experiences. Launched in 2018, we have delivered 40 programs

for more than 20,000 child and family audiences. Research conducted with Convent Kids audiences always results in high satisfaction. Across the 2022/2023 fiscal year we generated a 96% satisfaction rating from Convent Kids audiences.
From this foundation, and for this project, the Convent Kids 2024 program adds depth by curating activities that are not only created for and with children, but are also co-created by children. The program activities will provide richer and more diverse engagements with our loyal and growing child and family audiences.

The Convent Kids 2024 curatorial pillars and associated activities include:

• Children as co-creators of events with arts leaders through a new exhibition curated by Kate Golding, featuring work by children for Photo Festival; The Other Guise Theatre Company in association with Theatre SKAM creating Fashion Machine, featuring child performers refashioning the outfits of audience members; and Slow Art Collective Festival with a diverse array of featured artists centring children in the creation of installations.
• Children as active creators through workshops with Dandrogeny and Betty Grumble, Mobile MESS, and Peek-a-Butoh.
• Children as creators and appreciators of the arts through collaborations with Polyglot and St Martin's Youth Arts Centre.

The Convent Kids 2024 program will:

• Introduce more events created by children in our high-calibre contemporary arts and cultural program.
• Foster meaningful social connection and a positive sense of identity, belonging and social cohesion.
• Provide children with a rare agency in a public institution, inviting their active participation and celebrating their citizenship.

Total Project Cost: $405055.31
Amount Requested: $49840.00 **Minimum Required:** $38000.00
Recommendation: $35,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was credibly detailed, with strong funneling of budget and outcomes for communities in Yarra.

AG24-132: **Carringbush Adult Education**

African Women's Group

Project Description: This project will support African women in the City of Yarra through the African Women's Group (AWG). The AWG is a long-standing community group of vulnerable women from African background who are predominantly refugees and migrants. The AWG was led by MiCare who due to their limited capacity of settlement timeframe support can no longer lead the AWG. Carringbush was nominated from the community and Yarra organisations to take over as lead of the AWG.
This project will support the AWG to host monthly meetings and workshops that deep-dive into a requested topic such as, but not limited to, parenting, citizenship, financial education, health information sessions, education, increased skills, or practical skills such as swimming lessons. Each meeting, where needed, has; child-minding, interpreters, and food to ensure accessibility.
The project aims to assist the women with connection to community and celebrate culture and religion. All our meetings are culturally safe, additionally, we meet to celebrate Eid and any other important dates suggested by the women.
The project aims to reduce social isolation and increase community participation by providing participants with a safe space to socialize, share, learn and develop skills, while supporting other women with shared experiences. This project also aims to support women with participating in the wider community of Yarra and feeling confident with contributing back to the wider community. The project operates by building the women's capacity and empowering them to lead, by sharing their voices in the group and leading the direction of the group.
The project will also provide employment for a woman from an African background as a pivotal part of the project team.

Total Project Cost: $63297.50
Amount Requested: $40477.00 **Minimum Required:** $25000.00
Recommendation: $25,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was deemed credible with a strong ability to deliver outcomes.

AG24-134: **MZURI DANCE ARTISTREE FUND INC.**

Culture Club Community Cook-up

Project Description: The Culture Club Community Cook-up is co-led and co-designed with the African Australian residents of Atherton Gardens Estates, Fitzroy, Victoria. It was piloted in 2023 with very successful outcomes, as demonstrated by evaluation results and partner's acknowledgement. The program revolves around hosting 30 sessions of African communities cook-ups, with a primary focus on addressing food insecurity, nurturing intergenerational connections, and encouraging intercultural exchange among families. Each Saturday, we unite participants to showcase their culinary skills and rejoice in their diverse cultural heritage through shared meals.

In addition to the cook-ups, our program provides a safe and inclusive space for young kids to engage in arts and crafts and ball gaming activities. This enriching environment allows kids to express their creativity, develop new skills, and enjoy recreational activities, keeping them away from the streets and providing constructive outlets for their energy.

Empowering the African Australian residents of Atherton Gardens Estates, especially women and young people, is at the core of our mission. To achieve this, we actively engage local African women as program facilitators, providing them with leadership roles and promoting their catering businesses, fostering economic growth and financial independence.

The program also addresses food insecurity among the community, particularly those from refugee backgrounds. We equip participants with skills to create nutritious meals even with limited resources by sharing culinary traditions and knowledge.

Culture Club's activities offer a space for families and young kids to bond, learn, and celebrate together. By providing these opportunities, we contribute to a vibrant and inclusive environment that enriches the lives of all participants involved and the wider community. Our project has a far-reaching positive impact, fostering a sense of belonging, promoting cultural heritage, challenging gender norms, and empowering Yarra's social housing community.

Total Project Cost: $78380.00
Amount Requested: $50000.00 **Minimum Required:** $35000.00
Recommendation: $30,000.00

Panel Comments: The application is well explained with clear outcomes and metrics, and sufficient evidence for the panel to grant funding.

AG24-143: **Australian Catholic University**

Yarra Community Middle Years Sport, Health and Wellbeing Programs

Project Description: The project is a community led sport, health and wellbeing program targeted to benefit youth delivered in collaboration with two charities based and/or working in the Yarra neighbourhoods, GR8M8S and Home Ground Hub and with involvment from Victoria Police. Using sport and game-based physical activity as a vehicle for positive social and individual change, the programs aim to break down barriers between youth and the wider community in a safe environment and prevent adverse health events among individuals participating in the programs. Led by the needs of, and developed in conjunction with, the community the program aims to increase capacity of the local youth in areas such as self-esteem, resilience, openness, flexibility, self-worth and future education and employment prospects. All programs would be offered at no cost.

Individualized yearlong programs will be implemented in the Collingwood, Fitzroy and Richmond housing estates.

1. Collingwood Estate - soccer program delivered one afternoon a week.

2. Fitzroy Estate - AusKick in Term 1, Soccer Term 2, Cricket Term 3 and Tennis Term 4 delivered in conjunction with local sporting clubs.

3. Richmond Estate - Soccer program one day a week for young males and females delivered in conjunction with Melbourne Victory.

4. At all estates - Non-sport physical activity programs focussing on game-based non-competitive, fun and respectful fundamental motor skill, physical fitness and teamwork development.

5. Special occasion excursion opportunities with community partners (e.g. Melbourne Victory Football Club)

6. Sports equipment library on all three estates available while other programs are running for residents outside of target age range of structured programs (e.g. young adults)

Total Project Cost: $169040.00
Amount Requested: $50000.00 **Minimum Required:** $38000.00
Recommendation: $25,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel noted this was a strong and impactful program, which brings in-kind support to Yarra.

AG24-215: **Australian Vietnamese Women's Association**

Strive

Project Description: Thrive Mental Health Literacy and Inclusion Program is aimed at supporting vulnerable young people from Australia's Vietnamese Community using Peer to Peer Educators who will be recruited from Vulnerable Australian Vietnamese youth populations including LGBTIQ youth and those who live in public housing estates. P2Ps will be delivered by qualified and experienced professionals in three areas: menta health awareness, basic community development work focusing on empowering on young people to take part in activities that will improve their mental health and wellbeing outcomes, and AVWA Mental Health Literacy an Inclusion web-based application. This component of the training will also be delivered by Legal Tech Helper (LTH)
Legal Tech Helper will:
- research and consult with AVWA staff (including Peer to Peer Workers) to co-design the content for a training program to be delivered to the recruited Peer to Peer Educators
- facilitate three training sessions for the Peer to Peer Workers (including debriefing/refining content after the first training session) in Q1/2024
- facilitate two evaluation sessions towards the end of the life of the project to find out whether or not the target group have used digital platforms to access place-based services including mental health services. and write an evaluation report for AVWA in Q4/2024.

The training will comprise information on how to find the new AVWA web application on a mobile or tablet, how to use the web application to find place-based support (mental health and legal) services and mental health law rights, and how to find other services (e.g., through Ask Izzy, LGBTQI youth services/websites, Mental Health Legal Centre's Online Help, youth-based mental health services, and relevant services in other areas of need).

Total Project Cost: $67057.44
Amount Requested: $45000.00 **Minimum Required:** $39264.00
Recommendation: $25,000.00

Panel Comments: This is a good project with strong alignment to CoY priorities. Youth mental health is a significant ongoing issue post the pandemic. Success measures and outcomes are well articulated

AG24-223: **Elizabeth Trewhella**

Conscious Stock

Project Description: FFW is seeking funding to recruit and train a team of volunteers to support the development and implementation of a Stock Management System in FFW's Donations Hub.

The number of clothing donations FFW receives every year is rising and in FY22 FFW processed over 20,000 kilos of donations.

For this reason, we need to create a Stock Management System to better sort, process, control and store our donations and will require a team of volunteers to implement this system.

Activities we will undertake include:
Creating Position Descriptions for the volunteer roles, including a Lead Stock Control Role.
Advertising volunteer opportunities and recruiting a minimum of 4 volunteers
Training of the volunteer team and ongoing management of this team.
Development and implementation of a Stock Management System for the Donations Hub that supplies a pipeline of suitable stock to FFW's Dressing Room and retail social enterprise, The Conscious Closet.

Total Project Cost: $625985.00
Amount Requested: $20000.00 **Minimum Required:** $10000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: Strong application by a credible local community org. Multiple groups to benefit from project including volunteers and disadvantaged women. Budget is reasonable, and outcome measures clear.

Stream: Social Enterprise

AG24-029: **North Richmond Community Health**

Cultural Catering Business Support

Project Description: Cultural Catering is a social enterprise catering business, originally started 20 years ago by local public housing residents in partnership with Belgium Avenue Neighbourhood House (BANH), to provide employment and culturally-relevant catering opportunities on the estates and for local events. Today, NRCH has partnered with BANH to grow the enterprise, which now employs 7 community cooks (public housing residents from a refugee background) and has supported 4 other residents into local jobs in hospitality through training courses.

This first year of expansion was made possible though a DJPR grant to renovate the NRCH kitchen, train local community members in hospitality and provide wages for the first year of business. Now that seed funding is coming to it's completion, we need to grow the business and ensure that Cultural Catering can continue to employ existing and new cooks.
Current orders are covering the cost of food and community cook wages, but does not cover the costs of administration, marketing, new equipment and other overheads that allow the business to grow.

NRCH is providing in-kind support for program coordination in-kind and all corporate overheads including electricity, rent, accounting, etc.
However, NRCH does not have the resources for additional in-house marketing and business support to develop and execute a marketing plan and empower the community cooks to run the program sustainably and eventually go on to run their own businesses, allowing other Yarra residents the opportunity to take their first steps in catering via Cultural Catering.

This is what we require additional funding for to ensure the enterprise is sustainable and can provide employment opportunities to more people experiencing barriers to employment in hospitality.

Total Project Cost: $176458.00
Amount Requested: $15000.00 **Minimum Required:** $12000.00
Recommendation: $15,000.00

Panel Comments: Investing in a business strategy sounds like a sensible next step for this emerging enterprise.

AG24-211: **SisterWorks Inc.**

Crafted Culture WISE Capacity Building

Project Description: WORK-INTEGRATED SOCIAL ENTERPRISE (WISE) MODEL
SisterWorks provides hospitality training and employment opportunities for migrant, refugee and asylum seeker women (Sisters) to gain industry specific skills, develop their confidence, economic empowerment and build a better life in Australia.

Training is provided on a 10 week-term basis (to accommodate women with caring responsibilities) and ongoing support after training is completed including employment at our Crafted Culture to increase confidence and skills. Crafted Culture is a job creation cafe; a safe and welcoming space where Sisters can further develop their hospitality skills. Since opening in November 2022, we have employed 11 Sisters who have been able to:

- Gain paid training and Australian work experience
- Increase their confidence and English skills
- Increase their familiarity with working in a Cafe environment

AREA FOR GROWTH - CRAFTED CULTURE CATERING
SisterWorks started to run catering services from Crafted Culture when we opened the cafe in November. Since this date we have been able to grow our catering services but see the opportunity for growth which will lead to more employment opportunities for Sisters.

From 1 January - 30 June 2023, our catering sales have become 41% of the revenue at Crafted Culture. Throughout this period, we have seen a steady growth rate as catering went from 30% of Crafted Culture income in January - March to 48% in June. Not only is the percentage of Crafted Culture income increasing but the overall revenue for the cafe growing - 61.7% (from April - June compared with January - March) - mainly driven by catering. This increase in revenue has allowed us to employ more Sisters and become more sustainable.

Total Project Cost: $368115.00
Amount Requested: $12315.00 **Minimum Required:** $7315.00
Recommendation: $12,315.00

Panel Comments: SisterWorks submitted a remarkable application in terms of cultural measurement; it includes the internal skills to measure the outcomes and impact of this project. The social issued (gender inequality) is well identified and the need of the project is well explained (inclusive employment).

AG24-226: **Jigsaw Australia**

A large plan scanner to diversify Jigsaw's business services, creating employment for people with disability

Project Description: We are requesting support to purchase a second large plan scanner for Jigsaw’s social enterprise business. The scanner will be used by employees and trainees with disability to digitise historical records for corporate and government clients, including magazines and property floor plans - document types that cannot be processed with our standard scanners. The scanner requested will a) facilitate 3 FTE jobs and 6-9 traineeships for people with disability, b) diversify the services we can offer to business clients and c) enable Jigsaw trainees to experience new processes and develop their skills, contributing to Jigsaw’s

employment pathway and leading to employment outcomes for people with disability.

Thanks to Yarra City Council for your incredible support since Jigsaw opened in 2021, both in terms of grants and business partnerships with Yarra Libraries. Your grant support for scanning and computing equipment has been a huge enabler for our growth: compared to this time last year, we are supporting an additional 16 people to gain core soft skills and work experience through Jigsaw Academy (86 up from 70), employing an additional six people with disability at award wage (22 up from 16) and our first Jigsaw graduate has worked their way fully through the Jigsaw pathway to a mainstream job. Our Jigsaw Connect team is now supporting Luke and his new manager at Victoria Department of Transportation and Planning! We have five new business clients (AN1 Media, Darebin Council, Whitehorse Council, Air Services Australia and Uniting), and have grown our average monthly revenue from $37,500 to $65,000.

A second large plan scanner will facilitate continued growth in the number of traineeships and award-wage jobs we can create for people with disability, and drive continued revenue growth for Jigsaw. Jigsaw reinvests this revenue in promoting more people into paid traineeships and paying their wages.

Total Project Cost: $12876.60
Amount Requested: $12877.00 **Minimum Required:** $6500.00
Recommendation: $12,877.00

Panel Comments: This is an excellent application. The funding request is specific, and clearly aligned to the generation of additional employment hours and diversification of skills for your target group.

Stream: Sports and Recreation

AG24-033: **Yarra Pub Cricket Association**

Women in Pub Cricket

Project Description: The YPCA is seeking to improve the diversity of the Association by encouraging more women to take part in Pub Cricket activities. Data from the Victorian Government indicates that the number of women participating in sport drops off sharply by the age of 18. We want to undertake some activities which will encourage adult women who otherwise might not participate in sport to participate in Pub Cricket.

To do this, we propose to:
- produce flyers to specifically promote awareness amongst women in the Yarra LGA of the existence of Pub Cricket and its benefits; these flyers will be posted and distributed in hospitality and other venues (eg gyms) across the Yarra LGA;

-to run radio advertisements on community radio along similar lines to the above; and

- to hold a pre-season 'Women in Pub Cricket' function at one of the currently participating hotels where prospective female players could meet other women currently involved in the Association as well as the captains and managers of the existing Pub cricket teams; this could be linked to a 'come and try' pre-season training evening at the Edinburgh Gardens cricket nets.

Total Project Cost: $7680.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $3500.00
Recommendation: $3,500.00

Panel Comments: Overall the application was strong and granted deserving of funding by the panel. However it could have been stronger with more detail in budgeting items.

AG24-102: **Fitzroy Junior Football Club**

FJFC pre & post season sports & conditioning program for kids and coaches

Project Description: We are proposing to use our grant funding on running specialised pre and post season sports and conditioning workshops and 'train the trainer' fitness programs. We hope these workshops will help target several key areas of support and inclusivity for our young players and even new players who are looking for a club to join. We have chosen sports and conditioning as our key focus as we see this area is the most likely to be a key area of interest for the FJFC community. We want to assist them in building their strength, confidence, and ultimately provide great mental health support under the pretence of ongoing fitness objectives that are outside of their normal playing season. We also know that by keeping our players fit and strong we will assist to reduce the chance of injury and keep players active (almost) all year round. We also know that by offering a dedicated and bespoke sports and conditioning workshop we can assist our FJFC community to be more confident when tackling and to be stronger kickers and overall players of the game. By offering a specialist coach workshop run by committed professionals we will also be able to ensure that our coaches feel supported, safe and feel inclusive which aligns with our overall objectives as a junior AFL football club.

Total Project Cost: $17212.00
Amount Requested: $6000.00 **Minimum Required:** $6000.00
Recommendation: $2,000.00

Panel Comments: An important initiative by the applicant to support the health and wellbeing of our young players, especially in the offseason.

However, funding was decreased significantly due to a number of issues with the application. The max grant amount is 5k (the applicant has applied for 6k). The application should have applied for 2 separate grants (as they have 2 separate projects that hit different stream requirements). A portion of the grant is not appropriate as it is under a different allocated stream requirement. Only the 1k amount 'train the trainer' element was seen to be applied properly.

Consultation with Yarra's recreation team before applying would have made this application stronger for more funding.

AG24-104: **GR8 M8S Foundation**

Toolangi Adventure Sports Camps (TASC) 2024

Project Description: We would like to request funding to run the Toolangi Adventure Sports Camp (TASC) for 2024, a four-day camp run during the school holidays to bring together teenagers from around the Yarra City High Rise Housing Estates to broaden their experiences and help them integrate better in the Yarra City community.
In the idyllic bush setting of Toolangi, participants will engage in a range of team-based activities - fostering soft skills development, soccer and/or basketball skills and enabling deeper social learning without the regular distractions of home / city life. We will engage youth from Blue Light Victoria's Yarra after school program, many of whom come from recently arrived immigrant or refugee backgrounds, to come together and build strong connections with other youth in their community. Our program will also provide ongoing mentorship to the participants and reduce their risk of criminal involvement.

TASC seeks funding under the Participation Category to contribute to costs of the 4 camps we are planning for 2024 during school holidays.

TASC attendees are assorted into teams according to mutual needs and are encouraged to build teamwork skills throughout the camp in a series of mock competitions over the course of the program. The team-based activities are centered on outdoor activities such as basketball, soccer and an Outdoors Inc adventure-based activity, whilst also incorporating the crucial life skills such as cooking, cleaning, activity planning and working in a team environment.

Other sessions hosted by our implementing partners include: a Melbourne Victory soccer clinic, AM/PM Basketball and leadership and teamwork session by the Western Bulldogs Community Foundation. TASC planning and implementing partners include Yarra Youth Services and Victorian Police. Camp facilities in Toolangi provided by Anglicare Victoria.

To see our program in action, you can watch us on ABC's 'Sideliners' via the link below: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bt818DbBXqE

Total Project Cost: $104088.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $4000.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: A very good application, which shows extensive consultation with contributing partners and targets a significant community need. The applicant has a proven track record of delivering such programs.

AG24-108: **Yarra Pub Cricket Association**

Provision of Women's Cricket Equipment

Project Description: The YPCA would like to purchase cricket equipment, specifically cricket bats, which are more suitable for women players. The cricket bats used at YPCA training sessions and in club kits are all currently men's bats, which are often too heavy to be easily used by female players. We would like to progressively purchase over time enough light weight but full sized bats to ensure all women taking part in YPCA games have access to equipment which will maximise their performance and hence their enjoyment of the game. The maximum grant of $1000 would allow us to purchase 3 to 4 bats this year, for use from the second half of the 2023/24 season.

Total Project Cost: $1252.00
Amount Requested: $1000.00 **Minimum Required:** $700.00
Recommendation: $1,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall this is a clear application with necessary outcomes and sufficient evidence for funding.

AG24-122: **Melbourne Swimming Club**

Development program for Melbourne Swimming Club Coaches

Project Description: The project involves having our new and established coaches undergo training and certifications to increase the skills, knowledge and understanding around general club operations and governance to better cater to the needs of swimming participants, especially as we prepare the launch of our new program catering for children with specific learning needs and autism. We will conduct a workshop on inclusive coaching techniques to strengthen their understanding of coaching children and those with specific learning needs and autism.

This workshop should cover topics like adapting coaching methods, communication strategies, and creating inclusive environments to accommodate children with diverse learning needs. There will also be a coaching workshop and seminars on diverse aspects of coaching, including effective communication, leadership, group dynamics, and sports psychology.
With a large focus on mental health, this aims to provide coaches with practical tools and strategies to enhance their coaching skills and ability to motivate and support athletes.

Total Project Cost: $3590.00
Amount Requested: $1000.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $1,000.00

Panel Comments: Seems a good plan as people qualified in the coaching of special needs participants is imperative to the success of the venture.

AG24-123: **Melbourne Swimming Club**

Purchase of portable ramp to cater for our swimmers with a disability/disabilities

Project Description: This project involves the purchase of a portable ramp (per quote attached), which is an important equipment item in making our venue accessible for people with mobility issues and other disabilities. We are constantly growing, particularly meeting demand in programs for people with disabilities, and these ramps are essential to boosting our capacity and enabling new programs in these areas. It is our intention to make the experience of everyone attending our venue inclusive and enjoyable, regardless of their abilities.

Portable ramps provide access for many participants with disabilities to participate in the sport more comfortably, which provides an enhanced experience for all and in turn will improve the vibrancy / overall viability of our club, enabling us to keep fees to a minimum, so that we can maximise community participation.

Total Project Cost: $18851.00
Amount Requested: $1000.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $1,000.00

Panel Comments: Strong application, addresses the stream priorities through the purchase of specific equipment to enable or enhance the participation of swimmers with a disability or those who may otherwise have difficulties accessing the swimming pool.

AG24-124: **Melbourne Swimming Club**

Learn to Swim Program to help children with specific learning needs, autism, and other disabilities

Project Description: We are planning to develop a swim program addressing the learning needs of those struggling with conventional swimming lessons, by adding specific teaching and communication strategies and an understanding of autism, sensory processing difficulties and specific learning requirements.
Below are the planned activities for our "Learn to Swim" program:
• Individualised Swim Plans: Develop individualised swim plans for each child, taking into account their specific learning needs, strengths, and areas for improvement. The plan contains achievable goals and personalised teaching strategies to support each swimmers' progress.
• Partner Swimming Buddies: Pair each child with a trained swim buddy. This partnership can create a supportive and inclusive environment, where children with specific learning needs receive encouragement and assistance, while their buddies learn about empathy and inclusivity.
• Sensory focused Swim Sessions: Design sensory integration-focused swim sessions that cater to the sensory needs of children with autism. Include activities that stimulate various sensory systems, such as water play with different textures, floating and diving exercises, and games that involve specific sensory experiences like water splashing or gentle waves. Sensory integration activities can help regulate sensory input, support self-regulation, and improve overall sensory processing for children with autism.

Total Project Cost: $15500.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $4000.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: A good application in line with stream priorities for improving inclusion and access for a disadvantaged section of the community.

AG24-129: **Northcote United Cricket Club**

2024 Family Day

Project Description: To launch the cricket season, NUCC has successfully held a Family Day for the last 2 years, opening its doors and inviting the local community to join us at Alphington Park. The purpose of the event is to increase awareness of the Club's programs & facilities amongst the local community, promote the Club's cricket programs, attract and retain families and players, increase our social connection with the local community (and in particular Yarra Bend and local schools), use and promote local businesses including our

sponsors and bring Club members, friends, families and community together for the launch of the upcoming cricket season.

Similar to previous Family Days, we will provide a range of free, healthy, fun filled activities and entertainment, a free BBQ, coffee, drinks, prizes, giveaways, special guests/mascots and various cricket activities across our Woolworths Blast program and Junior program. With a womens program now in place, we will expand the range of activities in 2023 and 2024 to include a Womens Social Sixes format. For our 2024 Family Open Day, we propose offering the following activities (or similar):
- Cricket programs - Blast, Junior and Social Sixes (all equipment provided)
- Face painting
- Musician/DJ
- Activites sourced through Cricket Victoria (eg., Stars Bus or inflatibles) subject to availability
- Mini-petting zoo/pony rides
- Mini-golf
- Soccer activities provided by co-tennant Alphington Football Club
- Free BBQ, coffee, water, juice, fruit, icypoles
- NUCC branded balloons &/or water bottles
- Special guests/mascots
- Prizes/giveaways (donated by Cricket Victoria, sponsors, local businesses)
- Other games & activities to engage children of all ages, abilities and interests

Typically, we hold our Family Day on the last Saturday morning of the school holidays which coincides with our Seniors playing in the afternoon, another opportunity to showcase the Club and its program.

Total Project Cost: $8843.00
Amount Requested: $3500.00 **Minimum Required:** $2700.00
Recommendation: $2,700.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel thought the application was strong though wanted to recommend a more sustainable outcome (Yarra has taken a stance against single-use plastics which do not align with funding streams. - e.g balloons, waterbottles).

AG24-130: **GR8 M8S Foundation**

2024 Yarra Challenge Cups

Project Description: We are planning to hold the "Challenge Cup', which is an eight a side soccer program, whereby approximately 100 children and youths (5-18yrs) from Fitzroy, Richmond and Collingwood public high rises train and compete 4 times per year in a friendly tournament. This will offer children the opportunity to participate in teams made up of various demographics from their local community. The Cups are assisted by other services in Yarra and feature a Showcase Exhibition Game at each cup. This game is made up of local service providers, volunteers and local young people. Their chosen sport will be what brings them together to enjoy the opportunities to play and establish new social connections, while also benefiting their physical and mental health.
We have been very fortunate to have been funded by the grant last year to conduct the 2023 Cups. For 2024, although we are doing our very best to raise the required funding through other fundraising means, we are once again seeking the help of Council as all help will be beneficial for us to achieve our aims for the program.

Total Project Cost: $25502.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $3800.00
Recommendation: $4,600.00

Panel Comments: A well-targeted application from an organisation with a track record of successful program delivery, and which shows extensive consultation with partners.

There may have been a type in the budget/funding application section which is why the panel has chosen to fund this amount.

AG24-140: **COLLINGWOOD CITY FOOTBALL CLUB (CCFC)**

COLLINGWOOD EAGLES INCLUSIVE FOOTBALL

Project Description: The Collingwood Eagles program is a soccer skills training program for children and young people aged 6 to 28 years with an
intellectual or physical disability. The aims of the program include; to provide children and young people with an opportunity to learn soccer skills in a safe and welcoming environment where the players' abilities and progress is valued, to improve player physical fitness, to prepare children for integration with other teams as appropriate, supporting players who wish to compete in the FV All Abilities competition, and contributing to the further development of the the FV All Abilities competition. The program also supports families of children with special needs by providing recreational/ sporting opportunities for their children and inclusion in a community club, being the Collingwood City Football Club.
The program includes players in 3 age groups: Juniors (7-12 years); Youth (13-18 years), Seniors (from 19 years). About two thirds of the players participate in games, and 1 third attend training but do not participate in games.
Since the introduction of the Football Victoria All Abilities competition, the Junior Competition has had a very broad age range from 6 years to 14 years due to low numbers of players. Additionally, at 15 years of age, players had to make the transition to playing against adults which is not ideal. The inclusion of a competition for the Youth Group will allow for further development of adolescent players before transitioning into the adult league. The Junior competition will also be improved due to the narrower age range allowing potential for more evenly balanced Junior games.
In 2024 we are aiming to boost the number of players in both the Junior and Youth groups so that we will have enough players in each group to have the 2 viable teams.

Total Project Cost: $17442.00
Amount Requested: $5962.00 **Minimum Required:** $5962.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: Strong application with opportunity for significant impact on health and wellbeing outcomes for priority groups within the Yarra community.

Please note the maximum grant amount in this stream is 5k.

AG24-162: **North Richmond Community Health**

Chair Based Exercise

Project Description: Funding is sought to continue the successful operation of a chair-based exercise program that runs at North Richmond Community Health Centre. The program targets older (over 65 years) members of the community who reside in the Richmond Housing Estate who are frail and experience mobility issues, many of whom are also socially isolated. The majority of the current participants are from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, particularly East Timor, Vietnam and China. The program provides weekly 1 hour chair based gentle exercise sessions aiming to maintain and increase their strength, coordination and fitness as well as providing opportunities for social connection to members of the community who would otherwise be inactive and isolated. The exercises are delivered by a qualified fitness instructor who is experienced in older people's fitness training. Interpreters are used as required and the facilitator has a community language. Participants are encouraged to stay back after the sessions to have a cup of tea and socialize with one another to increase social connectedness.

Total Project Cost: $19080.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $5000.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: A strong application targeting a priority group from an organisation with an established track record of successful program delivery.

AG24-167: **North Richmond Community Health**

Tai Chi and QiGong for Gentle exercise.

Project Description: Gentle Exercise for Tai Chi is a gentle, movement-based program. Tai Chi is effective in reducing the risk of falls (Monash University Research Institute 2013) and supports people with chronic complex health conditions such as: Diabetes, Arthritis, Osteoporosis and
back Pain. Tai Chi not only improves balance and reduces falls risk by teaching people to move forwards, backwards and sideways safely, it show's positive benefits in relaxation, fitness and overall health for people in a group environment (Sherrington et al. 2011).
Tai Chi exercise is s a powerful system of healing and energy, an integration of physical postures breathing techniques and focus. The slow gentle movements of most Qigong forms can be easily adapted, even for the physically challenged and can be practiced by all age groups which makes it easily adaptable to the client group with more challenged balance. This project will provide participants with 1-hour weekly group exercise at the Community Hub at the bottom of 110 Elizabeth Street Richmond. It will enhance social connectedness for elderly, frail aged who experience a chronic disability living in the City of Yarra with particular scope for public residents. It will looks to focus on clients of Culturally Linguistically and Diverse backgrounds who may experience limited opportunity for exercise and participation.

Total Project Cost: $20740.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $3000.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: Another strong application with an opportunity for significant impact on health and wellbeing outcomes for priority groups within the Yarra community.

AG24-207: **Northcote United Cricket Club**

Cricket Coaching - Level 2/Representative coaching accreditation

Project Description: Provide an opportunity for some of our Level 1 accredited coaches to undertake Level 2 accreditation training via Cricket Victoria's programs. Currently & at the time of drafting this application, Cricket Victoria are reviewing coaching programs and offerings. We propose to participate in a Level 2 accreditation program or similar, depending on future offerings of Cricket Victoria.

Refer to attached link for status of Cricket Victoria coaching accreditation:
https://www.cricketvictoria.com.au/accreditation-courses/

Given the current review being undertaken by Cricket Victoria & lack of information on future programs, we have completed the application to the best of our ability and would be happy to provide more details once released by Cricket Victoria.

Total Project Cost: $8560.00
Amount Requested: $1000.00 **Minimum Required:** $800.00
Recommendation: $1,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall the panel thought this application was strong with well detailed outcomes and sufficient evidence to grant funding.

AG24-236: **EDINBURGH CRICKET CLUB INC**

Special Olympics All Abilities Program

Project Description: We have partnered with Special Olympics Melbourne Inner East to pilot a cricket program, which we would like to expand and integrate into a broader All Abilities cricket program. This would include:
- creating targeted coaching streams for participants with varying skill or communication levels
- provide and encourage integrated training opportunities at age and ability appropriate general training sessions
- where appropriate, provide subsidised membership and supported participation in general cricket programs (transport, uniforms etc)

Total Project Cost: $4544.00
Amount Requested: $3000.00 **Minimum Required:** $1000.00

Recommendation: $3,000.00

Panel Comments: Overall panel thought this was an interesting initiative that partners with SOMIE to target disadvantaged individuals with varying skill or communication levels.

AG24-237: **Clifton Hill Cricket Club**

CHCC Schools Program 2024

Project Description: A core part of CHCC's strategy and role in our community is to introduce and encourage young children of all ages and backgrounds to play cricket. We believe cricket is a game that should have no barriers to entry and be available for all. Based on our existing relationships with the schools in our community, CHCC have developed the CHCC Schools Program 2024 to run introductory cricket sessions for children from grades 2-5. This program will be split between 2 phases in 2024 as follows;

Phase 1 Summer Season (Term 1 Feb-Mar)
Phase 2 Pre-season (Term 3 Aug-Sept)

The purpose of phase 1 will be to attract newcomers to the game of cricket while phase 2 will do the same and encourage keen children to play cricket for the 24/25 season.

The sessions lasting approx 45-60 minutes will be run by 2 qualified club coaches, typically at PE lesson times. Sessions will be energetic and fun-filled, the core purpose being for the children to have a fun and enjoyable time, while learning the basic skills of throwing, catching and batting.
The club will work with the schools to ensure that the program is promoted and enjoys the highest possible attendance to ensure that children of all backgrounds, and especially from those less likely to consider playing cricket, are able to participate in the sessions.

Total Project Cost: $6900.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $3000.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: Very strong application addressing stream priorities through the inclusion of children and younger people in community sports. Well supported through the expression of interest letters from local schools.

AG24-238: **Fitzroy Lions Soccer Club**

FLSC Young leaders

Project Description: The FLSC young leaders project aims to empower young females and males to become role models and leaders in the community. By using soccer as a platform, we will provide coaching and leadership opportunities to young people, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds. The program will enhance their skills, confidence, and sense of self-worth, fostering a strong support network for their personal and professional growth. We envision creating positive futures for these aspiring coaches and leaders while promoting healthy, active lifestyles among them.

Total Project Cost: $39500.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $
Recommendation: $3,000.00

Panel Comments: A very comprehensive application. However, a more realistic approach to the viability of the project without the maximum grant would have improved the application, as would a clearer explanation of what the 'Young Leader program deliveries' are.

AG24-239: **Clifton Hill Cricket Club**

First Aid Training

Project Description: Arrange for First Aid training for Club volunteers

Total Project Cost: $3084.00

Amount Requested: $1000.00 **Minimum Required:** $500.00
Recommendation: $1,000.00

Panel Comments: Strongly addresses stream priorities by increasing the skills, knowledge and understanding of club volunteers regarding first aid provision and therefore having a positive impact on community safety.

AG24-242: **Clifton Hill Cricket Club**

PRIDE MATCHE/s - Celebrating Inclusion

Project Description: As a community cricket club since 1967, Clifton Hill has long prided ourselves as a welcoming and inclusive place to enjoy cricket and in recent years we have seen further growth with the development of two successful Women's teams.
We are proud of the diversity of our squad and as a testament of that, we recognize and celebrate our LGBTIQA+ teammates and acknowledge the unique challenges they may face participating in community sport by hosting a Pride Match each year.
We would like to build on our efforts and include our Men's team/s in what would become a Pride Weekend.
We are hoping to schedule our matches to coincide with next year's Midsumma events in Melbourne, (4th Feb. 2024) or the world famous Mardi Gras event in Sydney - 16th Feb to 3rd March - fixture dependent - and create a festive inclusive weekend of cricket, that will hopefully offer an opportunity to begin/continue important conversations.
We hope to encourage greater LGBTQIA+ participation in community sport by offering a safe and welcoming environment, it is also our intention to better educate our broader community with such an event.

Total Project Cost: $14290.00
Amount Requested: $5000.00 **Minimum Required:** $3500.00
Recommendation: $5,000.00

Panel Comments: A welcome initiative to increase diversity and inclusiveness within the Clifton Hill CC. The project strongly addresses stream priorities and has the potential to greatly contribute to the community.

7.2 Pre-trial study for 30 km/hr speed limit trial

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Purpose

1. To present the key findings of the pre-trial study which considers expanding the existing 30km/hr speed limit trial in parts of Fitzroy and Collingwood to cover all streets within Fitzroy and Collingwood (excluding; Johnston Street, Nicholson Street, Hoddle St and Victoria Parade which are all Department of Transport and Planning roads).
2. For Council to consider the recommendation to endorse the proposed expanded trial subject to:
   (a) State Government approval; and
   (b) Securing external funding to fully fund the trial.
3. For Council to consider the recommendation to commence the expanded 30km/hr speed limit trial as soon as possible in 2024 (post-holiday period) noting that:
   (a) The trial would initially proceed without the tram streets (Brunswick Street, Gertrude Street and Smith Street) if any traffic signal or timetable modifications required to assist tram services delay the inclusion of these streets at the commencement of the trial;
   (b) The tram streets would be added to the trial at the earliest possible opportunity once any modifications (if any) related to tram services are delivered; and
   (c) If no modifications are required, or if any modifications for tram services can be delivered prior to the trial, the tram streets would be included with all other streets at the start of a trial, if approved.

Critical analysis

History and background

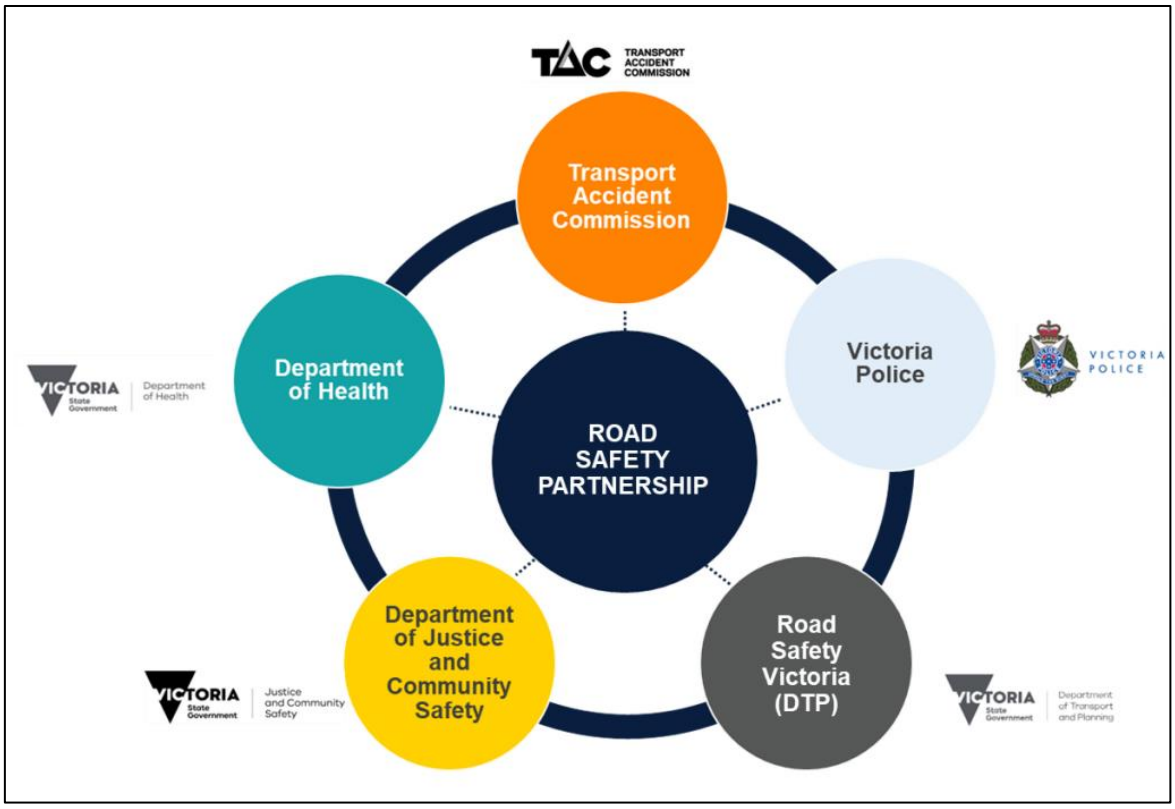
4. It is commonly accepted within international, national, state, and local road safety policy that:
   (a) Road collisions (or accidents) do occur (for a variety of reasons including road user error) and it is important to reduce the impacts from such events;
   (b) The severity of injuries to vulnerable road users following a collision is directly linked to vehicle speed; and
   (c) Even small changes to vehicle speeds can have a positive impact in the severity of injuries to vulnerable road users.
5. The Victorian Government Road Safety Partners (shown in Figure 1) submission to the 2023 Parliamentary Inquiry into the impact of road safety behaviours on vulnerable road users advised:
   (a) The most important factor in reducing injuries to vulnerable road users are travel speeds, and resultant impact speeds, especially at those locations where the mix of vulnerable road users is high;

(b) Research shows that a pedestrian or cyclist struck at 50km/hr experiences a 90% chance of being killed in the impact. There is a 60% likelihood a person hit at 40km/hr will be killed, compared to a 10 per cent chance of being killed if struck at 30km/hr;

(c) Successive studies have shown that 30km/hr is the maximum impact speed for a healthy adult before death or very serious injury becomes increasingly likely; and

(d) The World Health Organisation recommends that in areas where vulnerable road users are typical in the traffic mix, the maximum speed limit should be 30km/hr, unless strong evidence suggests otherwise.

Figure 1: Victorian Government Road Safety Partnership



6. Almost all local streets in Yarra have 40km/hr posted speed limits.

7. Road safety, transport, and social inclusion policy from all levels of government provides direction to investigate 30km/hr speed limits (or lower) in high pedestrian and cyclist demand locations.

8. 30km/hr speed limits are not standard speed limits in Victoria. 30km/hr speed limits can only be implemented on a trial basis and subject to State Government approval.

9. Yarra has an existing 30km/hr speed limit trial on local streets in the northern parts of Fitzroy and Collingwood which was implemented in 2018.

10. In 2019, Council resolved to make the existing trial permanent. As 30km/hr is not a standard limit, the speed limit has remained in place since 2018-19 as a trial – the Minister has power to make the trial speed limit permanent.

11. In line with direction set out in Yarra's Council Plan 2021/25, officers have been exploring opportunities to implement further 30km/hr trials.

12. In October 2022, Council received a $30,000 grant from the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) to explore a proposal to expand the existing 30km/hr trial to cover all local streets within Fitzroy and Collingwood.

13. An expanded trial in Fitzroy and Collingwood has been identified as the most suitable location for a next possible 30km/hr trial in Yarra given:

(a) The area, collectively, is one of the busiest areas for pedestrian, bicycle, and micro mobility movements in Melbourne. Some streets also have a relatively high number of vehicles either visiting the area or passing through to other destinations;

(b) The potential for conflict between vehicles and vulnerable road users is high and there is a need to try to reduce the impact of collisions when they do occur;

(c) The number of crashes that have occurred in the 40km/hr speed area in Fitzroy and Collingwood (including the tram streets). Over the past 5 years, there has been 193 crashes on local streets of which approximately 80% involved vulnerable road users;

(d) The number of schools/education facilities, community uses, businesses, key public transport routes and high levels of street activation and socialisation;

(e) The strategic and locally important bicycle routes within Fitzroy and Collingwood including Wellington Street, Langridge Street and Napier Street;

(f) The provision of consistent speed limits for local streets in Fitzroy and Collingwood which will make it clearer for all road users on the expected speed of travel; and

(g) State Government criteria for considering new trials to inform its Speed Zone Guidelines and Policy.

14. Importantly, any implementation of lower speed limits in Yarra is not intended to be:

(a) Anti-car: the Yarra community and visitors can continue to drive to/from and around Yarra. There has been no notable difference in the level of traffic or visitation to the northern areas of Fitzroy and Collingwood associated with the existing 30km/h trial; and

(b) A revenue-raising mechanism: Council does not receive any money from traffic offences.

Existing 30km/h trial in northern parts of Fitzroy and Collingwood

15. Council undertook a 30km/h area speed limit trial on streets in the northern parts of Fitzroy and Collingwood starting in 2018 (refer to Figure 2).

Figure 2: Location of existing 30km/hr trial in Yarra

16. This area was selected for the first trial as it is well traffic-calmed and has two key priority bicycles routes on Napier Street and Wellington Street.

17. The trial did not include the Brunswick Street and Smith Street activity centres / tram streets which retained the 40km/h speed limit.

18. Delivery of the existing trial involved the cooperation of and input from various stakeholders, including the Victorian Government (VicRoads, now part of the Department of Transport and Planning), TAC and Victoria Police.

19. As the existing trial was one of the first trials of this nature, Council adopted a scientific evidence-led approach which was evaluated by the Monash University Accident Research Centre. The key findings included:

    (a) A limited change to average speed in the precinct, noting that many of the roads had average speeds of less than 30km/h;

    (b) A reduction in people travelling at speeds above 40km/h and above 50km/h meaning that a greater percentage of vehicles are travelling at a speed that is more consistent with the safe sharing of space with vulnerable road users;

    (c) A reduction in the percentage of people travelling at 'excessive' speeds (i.e. over 60km/h);

    (d) It was estimated that the risk of serious or fatal injury for a vulnerable road user reduced by 4% based on the observed speeds; and

    (e) Community support rose from 47% (pre-trial) to 51% following the trial.

20. Despite the moderate support for lower speed limits identified via pre- and post-trial evaluation, there has not been any notable community action to seek removal of the 30km/h speed limit despite it being in place for close to 5 years.

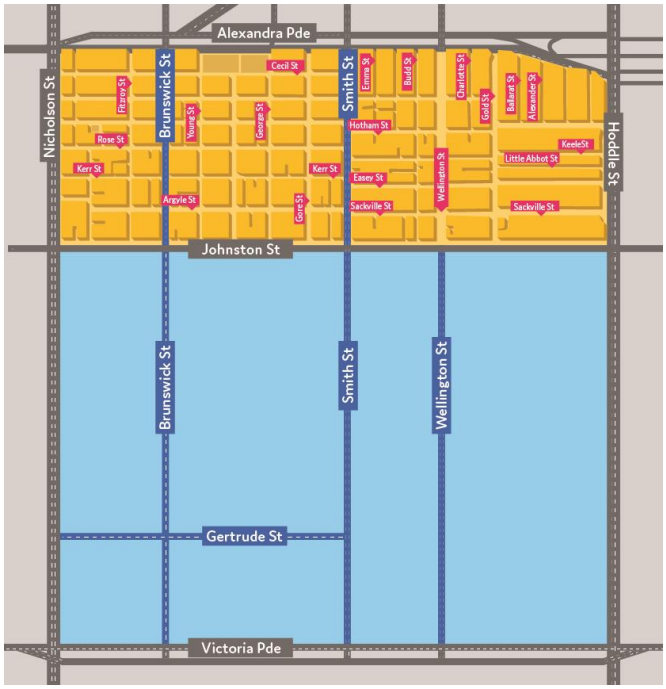
21. Full details of the trial and its outcomes were reported to Council at its meeting of 17 December 2019.

Discussion

Proposed trial

22. The expanded trial would cover all local roads within Fitzroy and Collingwood, including Brunswick, Gertrude, and Smith Street activity centre / tram streets (refer to Figure 3) and subject to Yarra Tram requirements.

Figure 3: Location of proposed expanded 30km/hr trial shown in blue



23. Existing 40km/hr speed limit signs and road markings will be replaced by 30km/hr speed limit signs and road markings.

24. There will be a range of initiatives to promote road safety and lower speeds during the trial including road safety education at local schools.

25. It is proposed that the trial would run for up to 24 months, with scope to reduce the length of the trial following a mid-trial review.

26. This timeframe has been proposed to assess and measure the outcomes of any required additional modifications to traffic signals or timetables identified as part of the trial evaluation.

27. The timing of the mid-trial review will be determined by the evaluation framework agreed with stakeholders including the Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) and TAC.

28. Subject to Council endorsement, the timing of approvals and available funding, which is outside the control of Council, the earliest the trial could commence would be in February 2024.

29. There may be a requirement to modify traffic signals or timetables to assist tram services. Discussions regarding this are ongoing, and it has not yet been confirmed whether this will be simple or more time consuming to resolve, or whether this needs to occur prior to the trial commencing.

30. If this cannot be resolved in time for the trial start date, possible options for a trial include:

    (a) Start the trial without the tram streets (Brunswick Street, Gertrude Street and Smith Street) and then introduce 30km/hr speed limits on these streets once any required modifications are delivered; or

    (b) Wait until any required modifications are delivered and start the trial at a later date.

Pre-trial study – key findings

<u>Stakeholder engagement</u>

31. Extensive stakeholder consultation has occurred since mid-2022 to understand stakeholder requirements to support and fund an expanded trial.

32. Road Safety Victoria (RSV) and approval officers in other areas of DTP have informally advised that a trial in Fitzroy and Collingwood generally aligns with road safety policy.

33. However, any formal RSV or wider DTP position would be considered in line with the standard approval process, should Council endorse the trial.

34. TAC and Victoria Police (in Yarra) have informally indicated support for 30km/hr speed limits for Fitzroy and Collingwood, noting that these organisations have noted the road safety importance of 30km/hr speeds in locations with a high number of vulnerable road users during a recent parliamentary inquiry on road safety behaviours.

35. Officers have been advised that there are external funding programs to fully fund the trial, subject to Council and State Government approvals, and agreement on the conditions of funding.

36. Yarra Trams officers have informally noted general support for lower speed limits but have noted that modifications to traffic signals arrangements, timetables etc. may be required so not to impact on tram services.

37. Officers have had informal discussions with some local schools in Fitzroy and Collingwood who have expressed interest in supporting the trial and see possible opportunities to educate students in road safety.

38. The opportunity to be involved in the trial will be extended to all local schools within the trial area.

39. Yarra received support from a range of road safety and community health advocates for the original 30km/hr trial.

40. As part of the pre-trial study, the following organisations have been contacted and have confirmed continued support for 30km/hr speed limits:
    (a) Victoria Walks;
    (b) Bicycle Network;
    (c) Heart Foundation;
    (d) 20's Plenty for Us;
    (e) Pedestrian Council of Australia;
    (f) Amy Gillett Foundation; and
    (g) Royal Australasian College of Surgeons National Trauma Committee.

Community sentiment

41. To understand current and possible changes in community sentiment on 30km/hr speed limits, a baseline research survey was undertaken between mid-August and mid-September 2023.
42. 6000 randomly selected properties (including households and businesses) in Fitzroy and Collingwood were invited to participate in a 10-minute online survey.
43. Over 600 households and businesses participated in the survey.
44. The results of the sentiment surveys show:
    (a) 68% support (participants living or working within the current 30km/hr location) and 59% support (participants living or working within the proposed 30km/hr trial expansion area) for 30km/hr speeds on the streets the participants live on;
    (b) The higher-level support for the participants within the current 30km/hr location is consistent with the findings of many studies, where support for lower speeds increases post-implementation;
    (c) Support for 30km/hr speed limits on local neighbourhood streets in Fitzroy and Collingwood has increased over time since 2018 (when the original trial commenced), while unfavourable views have decreased;
    (d) 62% of participants considered the current 40km/hr speeds on Brunswick Street and Smith Street to be about right, while 27% considered the speeds too fast; and
    (e) 60% of participants considered the current 40km/hr speeds on Wellington Street (south of Johnston Street) to be about right, while 23% considered the speeds too fast.

Data collection

Vehicle speeds

45. 80 vehicle volume and speeds surveys were undertaken in Fitzroy and Collingwood during August 2023 and September 2023 to provide baseline data for a trial. A further 34 volume and speed surveys were undertaken at control locations on similar type streets outside of the proposed trial area in Yarra.
46. An analysis of the data has shown:
    (a) Average and 85th percentile vehicle speeds are at a similar level to that reported at the end of the trial in 2019 (in the 30km/hr limit areas), with the moderate reduction in speeds maintained since the trial was implemented in 2018; and
    (b) For the data collection sites in the current 40km/hr limit areas:
        (i) The range of 85th percentile speeds is approximately 27km/hr to 42km/hr across data collection sites; and
        (ii) The average 85th%ile speed is 34km/hr across data collection sites.

Crashes

47. A review of the Victorian Government's RCIS database of crash information, for the five years leading up to the implementation of the existing 30km/hr trial, and the five years since the implementation of the existing 30km/hr trial has shown:
    (a) A 51% reduction in all crashes, and 70% reduction in serious crashes between these five-year time periods where the 30km/h speed limit applies; and
    (b) A decrease of 10% in all crashes, and a decrease of serious crashes of 11% where the 40km/h speed limit applies in Fitzroy and Collingwood.
48. It is noted that there was reduced travel during COVID-19 lockdowns potentially has contributed to the reduction of crashes since the implementation of the 30km/hr speed limit.
49. In the 5-year period to 30 April 2023:
    (a) There were 71 crashes on the local neighbourhood streets in Fitzroy and Collingwood with 40km/hr speed limits. 75% of the crashes involved vulnerable road users; and
    (b) There were 122 crashes on the Brunswick, Gertrude and Smith Street activity centre / tram streets. 84% of the crashes involved vulnerable road users.

<u>Trial evaluation</u>

50. An evaluation framework will be developed with stakeholders (including DTP and TAC) if the trial is approved.
51. The required evaluation parameters will be designed to inform the possible future roll out of 30km/hr speeds and any potential future review of State Government speed zoning policies and guidelines.
52. Factors that are likely to be considered in the evaluation include:
    (a) Community sentiment;
    (b) Traffic speeds;
    (c) Crashes;
    (d) Travel time; and
    (e) School and active travel mode surveys.
53. Any costs to obtain and analyse data or undertake further surveys will be included within external funding arrangements or undertaken independently by external government agencies.

<u>Infrastructure planning</u>

54. Existing 40km/hr speed limit signs and road markings will be replaced by 30km/hr speed limit signs and road marking.
55. Any additional treatments will be considered during the trial as needed.
56. The cost to replace signage and line marking, and any further required treatments, will be included within external funding arrangements.

Indicative timelines

57. The indicative timeline of activities and approvals to occur before commencement of the trial is shown in Table 1.

Table 1 Indicative timelines

Activity or approval	Estimated date
Formal consideration by Council	14 Nov 2023
If supported by Council	
Formal speed zone application to be reviewed by DTP	Early Dec 2023
External funding arrangements progressed and finalised	Nov - Dec 2023
Outstanding data collection (if any)	Nov/Dec 2023 – Feb 2024
Community Engagement Plan / Evaluation Plan	Dec 2023 – Feb 2024
Community informed of the upcoming trial	Dec 2023 – Feb 2024
Earliest possible start date of trial	February 2024

Options

58. The options available to Council include:

(a) Option A: Recommended - Endorse trial, subject to State Government approval and external funding, and start trial at the earliest opportunity:

(i) Officers would seek the required approvals and funding;

(ii) The trial would commence as soon as possible in 2024 (post-holiday period);

(iii) The trial would initially proceed without the tram streets (Brunswick Street, Gertrude Street and Smith Street) if any traffic signal or timetable modifications required to assist tram services delay the inclusion of these streets at the commencement of the trial;

(iv) The tram streets would be added to the trial at the earliest possible opportunity once any modifications (if any) related to tram services are delivered;

(v) If no modifications are required, or if any modifications for tram services can be delivered prior to the trial, the tram streets would be included with all other streets at the start of a trial;

(vi) The initial exclusion of tram streets (if required) would not have any notable impact on the trial; and

(vii) If the trial is not successful, the 40km/hr speed limits could be reintroduced with relative ease, at no cost to Council; and

(b) Option B: Endorse trial, subject to State Government approval and external funding, and implement trial once any required modifications for tram services are delivered:

(i) Officers would seek the required approvals and funding;

(ii) The trial would commence as soon as any required traffic signal or timetable modifications (if any) related to tram services are delivered;

(iii) The timelines regarding any required modifications to assist tram services is unknown; and

(iv) If this is time consuming to resolve, there is a potential risk that a trial could not be delivered within the term of Council if this option is adopted; and

(c) Option C: Do not proceed with the trial:

(i) Council is not obligated to proceed with a trial;

(ii) There will likely be some opposition to a trial by some areas of the community and there may be some negative media attention; and

(iii) If Council does not support the trial, the community will be informed of the decision.

Community and stakeholder engagement

59. If the decision to expand the trial is endorsed, we will conduct community engagement under the following objectives:

    (a) Inform affected residents, businesses, and visitors on the changes to speed limit in the area;

    (b) Educate the Yarra community on the rationale of 30km/hr speed limits and their safety benefits;

    (c) Gather feedback from residents, businesses, and visitors on the impacts of the change to help assess its viability; and

    (d) Understand the experiences from a variety of people travelling in Fitzroy and Collingwood including motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians.

60. If endorsed and once the new trial area is established, Your Say Yarra will become the hub for residents to get information and provide feedback. This lets us ensure content is managed in line with digital engagement best practice in a manner consistent with our Community Engagement Policy. The previous “Thanks for 30” website established in 2018 will be shut down and redirected to allow for a seamless transition for our community.

61. If the trial proceeds and engagement, information and the invitation for feedback will be promoted widely to help support behaviour change in the area. This includes promotion via a wide range of communications channels. A detailed engagement plan, including communication activities, will be developed in line with our Community Engagement Policy if Council endorses the decision to expand the trial area. This plan will also include detailed stakeholder mapping to help us identify and connect with our diverse community.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

62. The Yarra 2030 Community Vision, under Theme 4: Environmental Sustainability, includes a Future Priority of “A transport system that is innovative, efficient, sustainable and accessible”. The proposed trial is consistent with this vision. Streets with lower travel speeds are more attractive for cycling and walking, which are contribute positively to efficiency sustainability and accessibility of the transport system.

63. Yarra’s Council Plan 2021-2025 directly supports 30km/h speed limits. Specifically, Strategic Objective 5: Transport and Movement includes the initiative “Develop and deliver road safety studies and work with State Government for support to implement 30kms zones”. The proposed trial responds directly to this strategic objective of the Council Plan.

64. Yarra’s adopted Transport Strategy, Moving Forward, includes a policy “P10. Lower traffic speeds”. The proposed trial responds directly to this policy in the Transport Strategy.

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

65. Reducing travel speeds on roads improves conditions for walking and cycling, thus supporting low-carbon and sustainable transport use.

66. Overseas research undertaken by Transport for London within its 20 miles per hour (32km/h) zones has identified no net negative effect on vehicle emissions.

Community and social implications

67. The underlying objective of the proposed trial is to lessen the impact of any collision involving a vulnerable road user by trialling lower vehicle speeds in an area with higher pedestrian and bicycle movements.

68. Serious injuries resulting from road accidents are known to have significant impacts on the individuals involved, their families and their local communities.

69. The proposal would require vehicles to travel at lower speeds (10km/h less than existing) within the trial area.

70. It is well established across the world that safer lower speed road environments encourage an uptake in cycling and walking, particularly in kids and the elderly.

71. There will be no change to higher speed arterial roads as part of any trial.

72. There will be no change to access or any other changes that may impact residents such as the removal of parking.

73. The speed of vehicles tends to be an issue of greater concern/importance for families with young children, movement impaired individuals and elder members of the community. There is potential that lower speeds can encourage greater accessibility and opportunities for activity and socialisation for these members of the community.

74. There are ongoing requests from the Yarra community to address the speed of vehicles.

Economic development implications

75. There are no direct economic implications. There has been no known change to visitation to the areas of Fitzroy and Collingwood within the existing trial area.

76. However, lower speed limits improve conditions for walking and cycling, which can bring more foot traffic to an area. This can support local business and economic development.

Human rights and gender equality implications

77. Lower speeds will reduce the numbers of fatal crashes in the municipality which improves health outcomes for all who live, work, study, visit and recreate in Yarra.

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

78. There will be costs associated with implementing the trial relating to:

    (a) Communications and evaluation;

    (b) Infrastructure funding; and

    (c) Any events.

79. The costs of the trial will be determined once communications and evaluation frameworks have been developed.

80. Officers have been advised that there are external funding programs to fully fund the trial, subject to Council and State Government approvals, and agreement on the conditions of funding.

81. It is recommended that any Council endorsement of the trial will be subject to receiving external funding.

Legal Implications

82. Council has an overall obligation under the *Road Management Act 2004* to manage the local road network in a manner that gives due consideration to community safety.

83. Speed limits are deemed to be Major Traffic Control Devices (TCDs) under the *Road Safety Act 1986* (RSA). The use of Major TCDs is prescribed by Regulations 6 to 24 of the RSA.

84. Approval for Major TCDs is require from the Department of Transport. This authority has not been delegated to Councils.

Conclusion

85. The road safety benefits of 30km/hr speed limits are well established.

86. An expanded trial in Fitzroy and Collingwood has been identified as the most suitable location for a next possible 30km/hr trial in Yarra.

87. The pre-trial study has identified that traffic/transport conditions and community sentiment for an expanded trial is favourable.

88. Subject to Council endorsement, the timing of approvals and available funding, which is outside the control of Council, the earliest the trial could commence would be in February 2024.

89. Should Council endorse the trial, officers will seek the required approvals and funding and work towards the implementation of the trial, subject to receiving approvals and external funding.

90. The community will be updated on progress and informed on implementation if approved and externally funded.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:

    (a) notes the key findings of the pre-trial study prepared to expand the existing 30km/hr speed limit trial in parts of Fitzroy and Collingwood to cover all streets within Fitzroy and Collingwood (except for Johnston Street);

    (b) endorses the expanded 30km/hr trial subject to:

        (i) State Government approval; and

        (ii) securing external funding to fully fund the trial; and

    (c) endorses the proposal to commence the expanded trial as soon as possible in 2024 (post-holiday period) noting that:

        (i) the trial would initially proceed without the tram streets (Brunswick Street, Gertrude Street and Smith Street) if any traffic signal or timetable modifications required to assist tram services delay the inclusion of these streets at the commencement of the trial;

        (ii) the tram streets would be added to the trial at the earliest possible opportunity once any modifications (if any) related to tram services are delivered; and

        (iii) if no modifications are required, or if any modifications for tram services can be delivered prior to the trial, the tram streets would be included with all other streets at the start of a trial.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

7.3 Gertrude/Brunswick Public Space Project

Reference	D23/417016
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Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

Purpose

1. The Gertrude-Brunswick corner project in 2023/24 is to deliver a design for a new public space at the north-east corner of Gertrude and Brunswick Streets in Fitzroy.
2. Part of the site is on Atherton Gardens, which is owned and managed by the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH).
3. DFFH provided in-principal support for the project in February 2022 and Yarra officers have recently met with DFFH officers, who confirmed their support for Yarra to proceed with the design work and site investigations.
4. The proposal originated from the Brunswick Street Streetscape Masterplan adopted by Council in 2020. Funding has been allocated for 2023/24 to develop concept and detailed designs for the proposed public space.
5. The consultation and engagement findings of the Masterplan indicated that the community and stakeholder support for this project was high at approximately 90%.
6. The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the project, including discussions with internal and external stakeholders, the draft concept design and the planned public consultation.

Critical analysis

History and background

7. The site is located at the north-east corner of Gertrude and Brunswick Streets. It includes a small triangle of land within Atherton Gardens Estate (owned by DFFH) and adjacent footpaths along Gertrude and Brunswick Streets (owned by Yarra). Refer to Location Map below, Figure 1.

Figure 1: Location map

8. The triangle shaped pocket within DFFH land has a noticeable level change rising up from the footpaths towards the estate. A tram stop and shelter is located on the Brunswick Street side to service the southbound Route 11 trams. The site is currently occupied by dense shrubbery which limits views across the space and creates hiding spaces and space where litter collects, refer Figure 2 below.

Figure 2: View of site from Brunswick/Gertrude intersection

9. The Brunswick Street Streetscape Masterplan identifies an opportunity for a new public space at this location. A high-level artist's impression was provided showing the potential of the space, as shown in the image below, Figure 4. This includes removing the shrubs and opening up the corner (1) to provide new seating and greenery (6), improved lighting (5), and an integrated artwork with an opportunity to potentially integrate this with a tram shelter (4). It also looks to make the path into Atherton Gardens more visible (2) and provide ample space at the intersection (3).

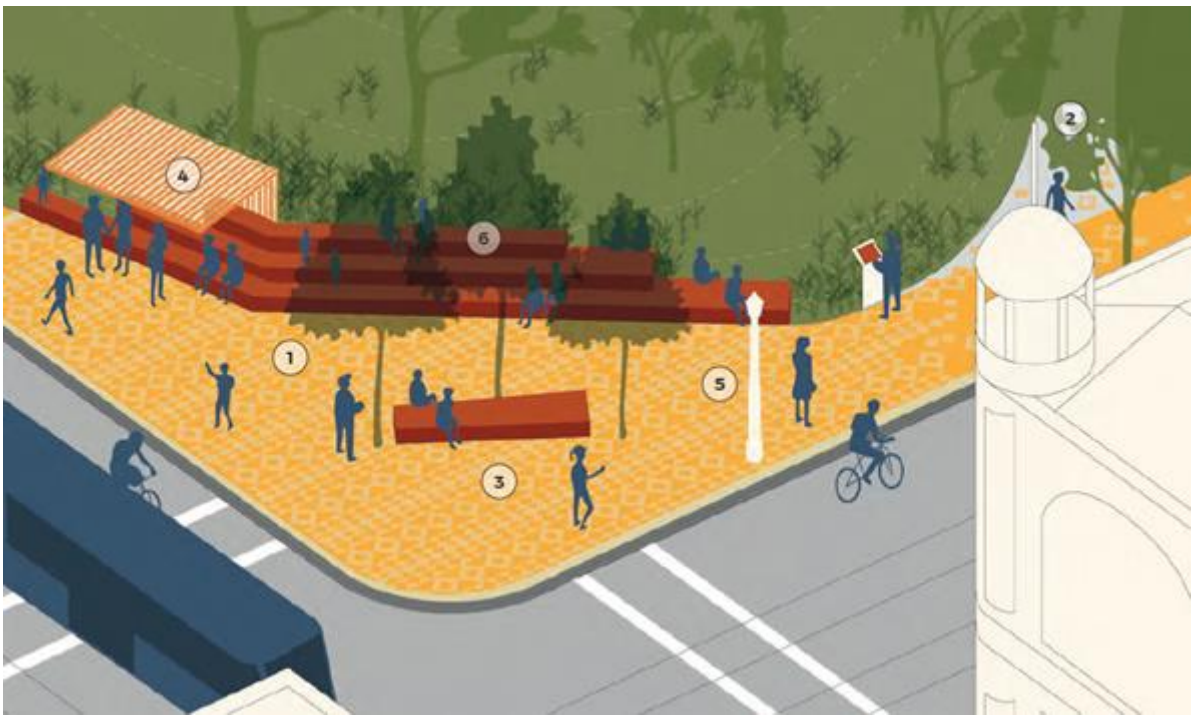


Figure 4: Extract from Brunswick Street Streetscape Masterplan

Discussion

10. Council has engaged Openwork, a landscape architectural company to work with Council in developing the design of this space. A draft concept plan has been developed using the original idea shown above as a starting point and adapting it to meet Council's requirements and feedback received from key stakeholders. The designers have also explored the potential for an integrated artwork that weaves through text/stories that reflect the place's important history and continuing connection for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

11. Council officers have met with representatives from DFFH who own the land, which confirmed that:

    (a) DFFH officers are supportive of the project and keen to be involved at regular stages;

    (b) Although in-principle support has been given from DFFH, there is also a process for obtaining formal approval from the Minister for Housing once the concept design is finalised following community consultation. The DFFH officers have confirmed that this will be the same process as with previous Council lead projects in Atherton Gardens, where DFFH officers brief the Minister in the lead up and manage the approval process;

    (c) there will also need to be other agreement/s in place regarding the use and maintenance of the space (type of agreement/s to be confirmed); and

    (d) DFFH officers have given consent for Council officers to undertake site investigations, including feature survey, tree survey, service scanning and geotechnical investigation.

12. Ongoing discussions with DFFH representatives about the project including the upcoming consultation. Officers are also aware of the recent housing announcement and are speaking with DFFH officers about this as well as scheduling in a meeting Homes Victoria so that this project can be coordinated with any longer-term commitments for the site.

13. Discussions have also been had with representatives from the Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) and Yarra Trams regarding:

    (a) opportunities to integrate the Route 11 tram stop and shelter on Brunswick Street within the space, including opportunities for a customised shelter; and

(b) in consultation with Yarra's Strategic Transport team, consideration of the Route 86 tram stop upgrades along Gertrude Street, to ensure that the project is future proofed if any changes happen along this stretch of Gertrude Street.

14. Representatives from Fitzroy Police Station have been engaged, to discuss:

    (a) considerations for the future design of the space, including lighting and surveillance; and

    (b) consideration of potential use of the space by different members of the community and at different times (including night-time use).

15. Council officers have met with representatives from the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation, to discuss the project, including initial design ideas, integrated art component, and proposed targeted consultation.

16. Internal workshops have been held with key teams across Council to confirm Council's requirements relating to a number of matters such as materials, maintenance and cleaning, graffiti, street art, risk, trees, traffic, access, drainage and fixtures, and to seek feedback on the draft ideas. This was attended by officers from the Arts and Culture, Economic Development, Traffic Engineering, Civil Engineering, Infrastructure, Open Space Services, Access and Inclusion, Heritage, Strategic Transport, Stormwater and Drainage, Street Cleansing and Construction Management teams.

17. Consultation with the Arts and Culture team are ongoing to ensure that this project and the proposed future statues of Archie Roach and Ruby Hunter in Atherton Gardens are coordinated.

18. A draft concept design (refer Attachment 1) has been prepared for the site which considers all the above feedback and responds to the local context and conditions.

19. The draft concept design proposes to remove the dense shrubs and open up the corner, creating a new public space. This concept proposes to include a central set of tiered steps that follow the topography of the site, new trees and garden beds, different seating options, integrated ambient lighting, improvements to the existing tram shelter, and an integrated artwork.

20. The integrated artwork proposes to embed words/stories that reflect the significance of the place for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The draft concept design suggests ways that the artwork could be integrated into the surfaces and furniture, however the content of the artwork has not yet known as this will be informed through targeted engagement.

Proposed Consultation

21. It is planned to go out to public consultation from 20 November to 18 December 2023, to seek feedback on the proposed layout and design of the new public space.

22. Consultation with the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community will also take place during this time on the draft concept design, and the integrated art component. These conversations are expected to extend past the public consultation period to support a culturally respectful process and ensure that there is adequate time for feedback to be received.

23. Following the consultation process, a final concept design incorporating the integrated artwork component will be completed in early 2024. This will require follow up discussions with DFFH, the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and other key stakeholders as necessary.

24. Once a final concept plan is finalised, it is anticipated to be brought to Council for approval early in 2024.

25. Once the final concept design has been approved by the Minister for Housing, the detailed design documentation will be processed from early to mid-2024 to make the project shovel ready for 2024/25. It is likely that a planning permit will be required, and this will be undertaken during the detailed design stage.

Community and stakeholder engagement

26. The original proposal from the Brunswick Street Streetscape Masterplan received high levels of support from the community.

27. Community engagement on a draft concept design is planned from 20 November to 18 December 2023.

28. A Community Engagement Plan has been prepared with the Communications and Engagement team. This includes Council's standard consultation practices such as the YourSayYarra webpage, online survey, and pop-up events.

29. As mentioned above, consultation with the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community will also take place from November 2023 onwards on the draft concept design and the integrated artwork.

30. Council officers are also working with a representative from DFFH to ensure appropriate consultation with Atherton Gardens residents.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

31. The proposal aligns with the Community Vision by creating high quality places that people feel safe and comfortable in and enable people to make connections with their community and their local area.

32. The project also supports a number of strategies from the Council Plan. This includes:

    (a) Objective 2: Social equity and health:
    Strategy 2. *"Build a more resilient, inclusive, safe and connected community, which promotes social, physical and mental wellbeing"*; and

    (b) Objective 4: Place and nature:
    Strategy 1. *"Create safe, accessible active spaces that provide diverse physical activity opportunities for the whole community"*.
    Strategy 5, *"Encourage people to connect with Yarra's natural and cultural heritage and prioritise the voices of Traditional Owners"*.

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

33. The project will provide environmental benefits such as seating in shaded areas, improved greenery, use of sustainable materials and use of efficient lighting.

34. It will also provide an improved space around the tram stop to encourage people to use public transport and walk in the area.

Community and social implications

35. The design will create a safe and welcoming space that can be used by various members of the community. It will improve accessibility, lighting, view lines and passive surveillance of the space.

36. The design will explore opportunities for an integrated artwork that reflects the place's significance and continuing connection for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. This will support the identity of the area, educate the local community and visitors about the space, and foster community ownership of the space.

Economic development implications

37. The project will provide an improved public space at the corner of Gertrude and Brunswick Streets, which will encourage people to spend time in the area to support the local economy. The space will also provide a place to rest for local workers.

Human rights and gender equality implications

38. The design will create and safe and welcoming space that can be used by all members of Yarra's diverse community and people visiting the area. Elements such as lighting will make the space feel safer at night for more vulnerable users.

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

39. $97,000 has been allocated through 2023/24 budget to carry out concept and detailed design work for the space.

40. The above approved budget bid for this project anticipated a construction cost of $600,000, however this will be confirmed once the design of the space is developed.

41. The creation of this new space will require additional maintenance of the space by Council including the seating, lighting, integrated artwork, any custom tram shelter and greenery.

Legal Implications

42. The use and maintenance of the space will need to be formalised with DFFH.

Conclusion

43. Council officers are progressing with design work to create a new public space at the north-east corner of Gertrude and Brunswick Streets in Fitzroy.

44. The project team has had discussions with internal and external stakeholders on the project to understand the requirements of the space and inform a draft concept design.

45. It is intended to go out to public consultation on a draft concept design from mid-November to mid-December 2023. Consultation with the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community will also take place on the design as well as on the stories that could be incorporated into an integrated artwork for the site (reflecting the area's significance).

46. Following the consultation process and final concept design, approval will be required from the Minister for Housing for the use of DFFH land.

47. Construction of the public space is planned to take place in 2024/25, subject to funding being secured.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council authorises Council officers to carry out public consultation and targeted engagement on a draft concept design at **Attachment One** from mid-November 2023.

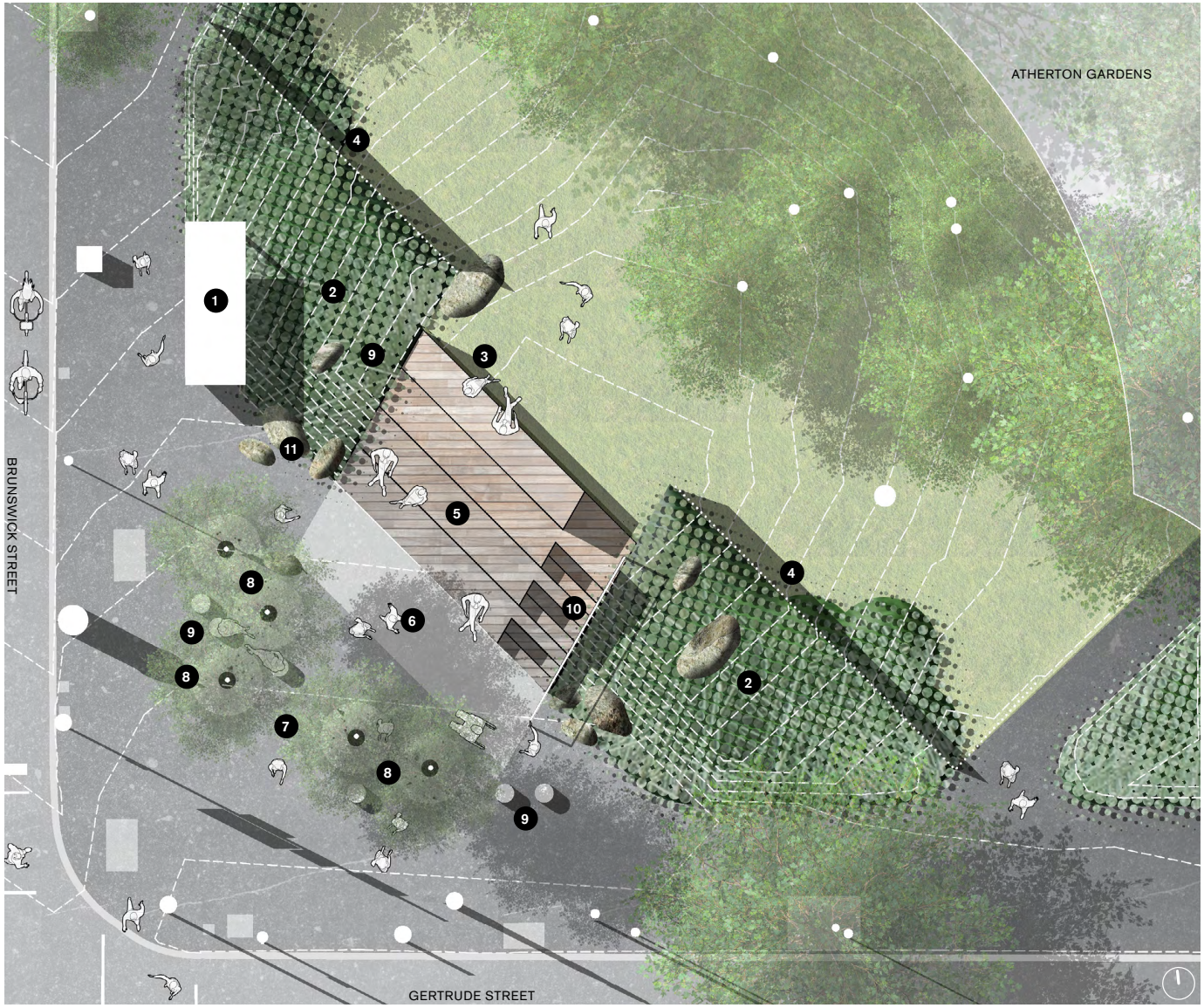
Attachments

1⇩ Attachment 1 - Gertrude and Brunswick Street corner - draft concept design

Gertrude and Brunswick Street corner new public space

Draft concept design

1. Existing Tram Shelter with new cladding
2. New garden with salvaged rocks
3. Central section of fence removed
4. Side sections of fence retained
5. Timber and stone tiered seating with integrated arm and backrests
6. Paved 'carpet' at base of seating
7. Open Plaza
8. New tree in custom pit
9. Cluster of seats on the street
10. Stair and handrail
11. Drinking fountain (not shown- water supply TBC)



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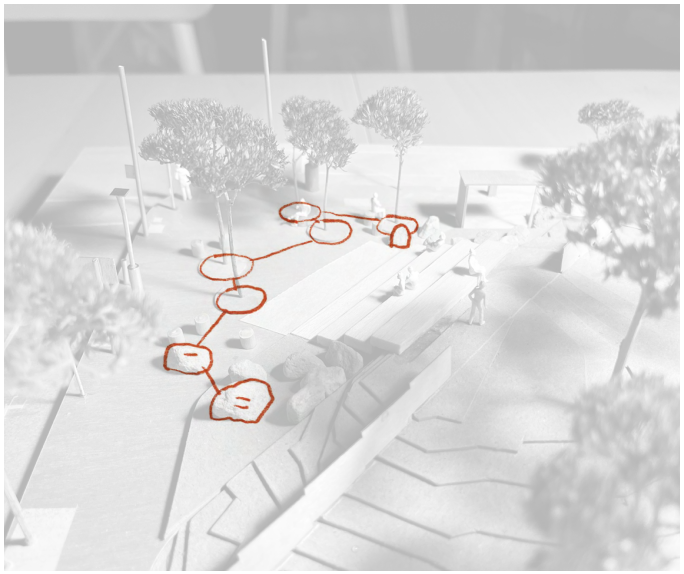
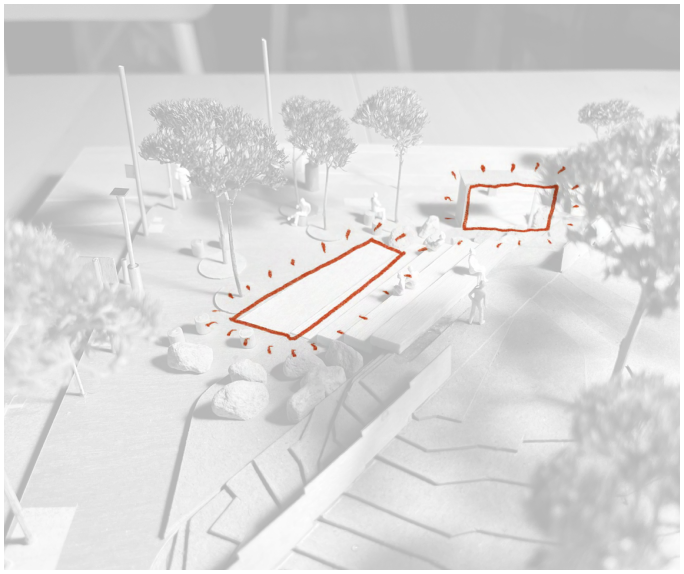
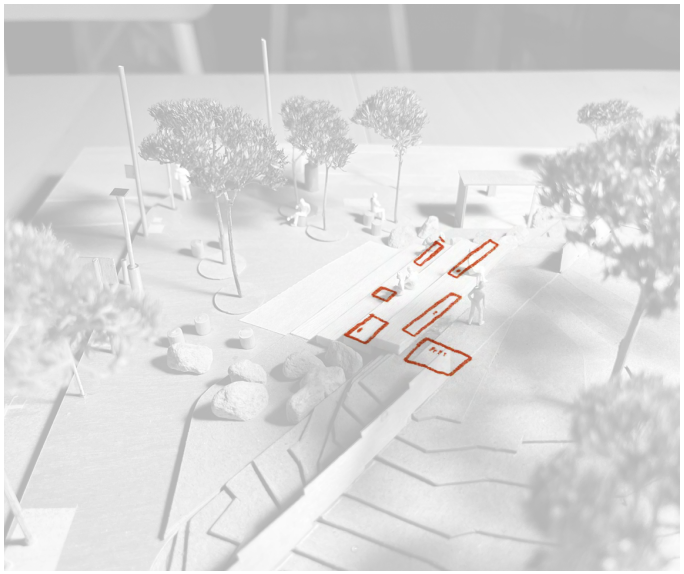
Opportunities to integrate artwork into design of the space







7.4 Draft Street Garden Guidelines

Reference	D23/408643
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Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

Purpose

1. To present a draft of the Street Garden Guidelines documents, outline the community consultation plan and seek approval to commence community consultation.

Critical analysis

History and background

2. At the February 2023 meeting, Council resolved:

   "That officers bring forward a report to the May cycle of Council on the process for developing Street Garden Guidelines for Community members who wish to contribute to gardening with non-edible plants in public places."

3. The development of draft Street Garden Guidelines has been informed by;
   - (a) a review and analysis of the policy, design guidelines and approval processes of all other M9 Councils;
   - (b) a review of existing street gardens throughout Yarra;
   - (c) a risk and safety assessment; and
   - (d) internal engagement across relevant Council departments.

Discussion

Street Garden Guidelines documents

4. The draft Street Garden Guidelines are divided into three key documents:
   - (a) The Street Garden Guidelines Pamphlet (refer **Attachment One**):
     - (i) A short summary of the guidelines (two pages);
   - (b) The Street Garden Guidelines 'Recommended Species' List and 'Do Not Plant' List (refer **Attachment Two**):
     - (i) A one page list of hardy, drought tolerant natives of appropriate sizes that are recommended for planting within a street garden; and
     - (ii) A one page list with images of key environmental weeds to avoid planting in Yarra;
   - (c) The Online Street Garden Approval Questionnaire:
     - (i) An online questionnaire which helps residents to understand how the guidelines apply to their own specific street garden by guiding them through each requirement step-by-step;
     - (ii) By submitting the online form, the applicant agrees to abide by the conditions of the guidelines. The applicant also provides details of the location of their street garden which will be recorded by Council;

(iii) Once the online form is completed it acts as a permit to plant: and

(iv) Note that the online questionnaire is not a formal permit application process and there are no changes proposed to local laws.

Risk and Safety

5. The development of the Street Garden Guidelines has been informed by a risk-based approach with the health and safety of our community and the protection of our community assets at the forefront of our decision making.

6. This risk-based approach provides assurance that plausible risks have been identified and that controls have been put in place to mitigate against these risks materialising and aligns with Council's Risk Management Framework.

Legacy gardens

7. There are many thousands of existing examples of valued, biodiverse and beautiful street gardens across Yarra. Some of these street gardens may not be fully compliant with the new guidelines. The intent of these guidelines is not to remove existing non-compliant gardens but rather to educate community on the various issues that need to be considered when planting in streetscapes.

8. Council is sometimes requested to investigate existing street gardens where a safety, accessibility or tree health concern has been raised. In these instances, Council may be required to modify or remove gardens.

Project timeline

9. Project timeline:

(a) Consultation on the draft Street Garden Guidelines is scheduled for November-December 2023;

(b) The final Street Garden Guidelines will be presented early next year for Council endorsement; and

(c) The Street Garden Guidelines are scheduled to be completed by the end of 23/24 financial year.

Community and stakeholder engagement

10. The following teams have been involved during the preparation of the Street Garden Guidelines:

(a) Urban Design;

(b) Open Space Services;

(c) Biodiversity;

(d) Urban Agriculture;

(e) Traffic;

(f) Aged and Disability Services;

(g) Street Cleansing;

(h) Risk and Safety;

(i) Local Laws;

(j) Compliance;

(k) Information and Communications Technology Team;

(l) Parking services; and

(m) Communications and Engagement.

11. A community engagement plan has been developed in collaboration with the Communications and Engagement team.

12. The objectives of the engagement are:

    (a) To inform the community about the Street Garden Guidelines; and

    (b) To seek community feedback on whether there is any information missing in the draft Street Garden Guidelines and whether there are other considerations that should be included in the draft Guidelines when planning community street gardens.

13. The communication methods will be wide ranging and include:

    (a) Your Say Yarra page;

    (b) Social media posts;

    (c) Yarra Life;

    (d) Your Say Yarra EDM;

    (e) News item (corporate website);

    (f) Postcards at key Council venues like Libraries and Customer Service Centres;

    (g) Digital Screens within our customer service centre; and

    (h) FAQs on Your Say Yarra.

14. A draft of the Street Garden Guidelines will be exhibited for feedback on Your Say Yarra from 20 November 2023 – 18 December 2023.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

15. The aspirations of the Street Garden Guidelines directly align with the Community Vision. This includes creating high quality places that people feel safe and comfortable in and enabling people to make connections with their community and their local area.

16. The principles and practices of the Street Garden Guidelines document align with the Council Plan 2021-25. This includes:

    (a) promoting tree planting, greenery and improved water management in streets (Strategic Objective one: Climate and Environment);

    (b) providing information on community led ideas for streets to enable people to contribute to and make connections with their community (Strategic Objective two: Social equity and Health);

    (c) setting out principles for well designed, safe and welcoming streets that contribute to a sense of place (Strategic Objective four: Place and Nature); and

    (d) providing principles for well-designed streets to encourage sustainable transport and prioritise more vulnerable road users such as people walking, wheeling and cycling, people with a disability, children, and older people (Strategic Objective five: Transport and Movement).

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

17. The Street Garden Guidelines document encourages community to contribute to the planting and maintenance of vegetation that cools streetscapes, increases urban biodiversity, and improves amenity and safety to encourage people to travel by more sustainable modes of transport.

Community and social implications

18. The guideline will set out how the community can contribute to improved planting outcomes in Yarra's streetscapes.

19. The guideline will encourage people to spend more time in Yarra's streetscapes and make connections with their community.

Economic development implications

20. The principles set out in this document promote high amenity street environments. This will encourage people to spend more time in their neighbourhood and use their local shops and businesses, supporting the local economy.

Human rights and gender equality implications

21. A person with a disability has a right to have access to places including public footpaths. The Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA) makes it unlawful for public places to be inaccessible to people with a disability. Street gardens can sometimes inadvertently impact the accessibility of streetscapes and footpaths. The Street Garden Guidelines provide guidance on how streets can remain accessible to users of all abilities.

22. The document promotes safe, welcoming and inclusive local streetscapes. These principles also seek to make local streets feel safer for more vulnerable members of the community, by ensuring that streetscapes remain accessible environments that encourage more people to use them and result in more passive surveillance.

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

23. In order to minimise ongoing financial costs to Council, a formal permit process has not been adopted, with a guideline approach preferred. This is in line with the approach taken by other M9 Councils.

24. There is a cost associated with the removal and rectification of street gardens that are neglected, are impacting tree health or present a safety risk to the public. Encouraging community to undertake street gardening will likely increase this cost over time.

Legal Implications

25. There are no legal implications that have been identified following enquiries and advice through Council's insurer.

Conclusion

26. The Street Garden Guidelines will provide guidance on how the community can plan, plant and maintain the gardens within Yarra's streetscapes. The guidelines are intended to educate community regarding the various considerations for gardening in streetscapes across the municipality. The guidelines include safety, accessibility and tree protection requirements and makes recommendations around preferred species selections to increase biodiversity.

27. Consultation on the Street Garden Guidelines will occur in November - December 2023.

28. The final Street Garden Guidelines will be presented early next year for Council endorsement.

29. The Street Garden Guidelines are scheduled to be completed by the end of 23/24 financial year.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council approve the draft Street Garden Guidelines at **Attachment One** to be taken to community consultation in November - December 2023.

Attachments

1⇩ Attachment 1 - Street Garden Guidelines - Pamphlet - DRAFT Oct23

2⇩ Attachment 2 - Street Garden Guidelines - Species Lists - DRAFT Oct23

Street Garden Guidelines

DRAFT – September 2023

This document provides guidance on the various considerations for community gardening within Yarra's streetscapes.

What is a Street Garden?

A street garden is any non-edible community planting in Council managed streetscapes. These gardens are supported by Council and cared for by the community. Examples of street gardens include; planting within your lawn nature strip or planting within an existing tree plot.

Online Nature Strip Approval Questionnaire

The Online Street Garden Approval Questionnaire can tell you if Council recommends planting your street garden. It will also help you understand the Street Garden Guidelines, taking you through them step-by-step.

Utilities and Services

There could be important underground utilities beneath your street garden. Contact Before You Dig Australia for free information about relevant underground services.

Utility companies may need to access their infrastructure for upgrades or repairs at any time which may result in damage to or removal of your street garden without consultation.

Consultation

Your street garden is communal, public space - you need consent from your neighbours, and/or any other tenants before you start gardening.

More information

If you would like to know more about this project, contact us on **9205 5555** or **info@yarracity.vic.gov.au**

Edible Planting

If you are planting edible plants, please refer to Yarra's Urban Agriculture Guidelines.

Gardener Safety

Remember to always consider your safety and the safety of others when gardening, particularly when gardening near roads. Consider wearing hi-vis clothing when gardening near roadways.

Soil contamination is common across the City of Yarra. Consider testing your soil for contamination and following the EPA's top tips for gardening safely.

Street Garden Maintenance

Plant material must be maintained in your street garden and not become weedy, overgrown or neglected.

Council reserves the right to remove street gardens that are not maintained or present a risk to Council assets, to public safety or to public accessibility.

Legacy Gardens

There are many existing valued, biodiverse and beautiful street gardens in Yarra. There is no expectation that these gardens be removed, even if they do not fully comply with the guidelines. However, if a specific concern is raised regarding safety, accessibility or tree health, Council may be required to modify or remove gardens to ensure public safety.

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Street Garden Guidelines

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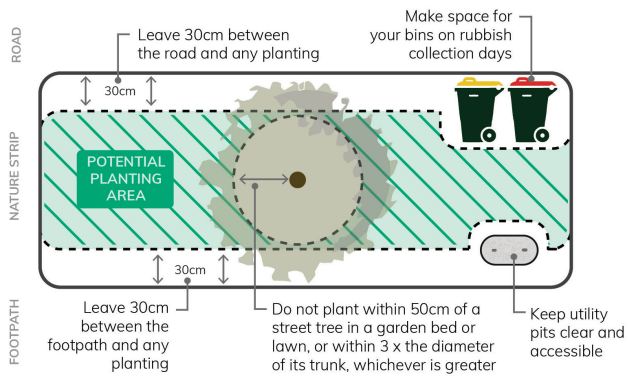
Gardening Guidelines

- Do not plant within 30cm of the road or footpath when planting in a nature strip or larger garden bed.
- Plants must not reduce the path of travel along footpaths to below 1.5m wide.
- Street garden plants are subject to a 1m height restriction. A 50cm height restriction applies to plants in tree plots or plants within 10m of intersections or pedestrian crossings.
- Only plants, soil and mulch are permitted in your street garden. You are not permitted to introduce any other materials or objects into your street garden (e.g. synthetic turf, paving, decorative gravel, furniture or art).
- Do not introduce raised structures such as raised edges, planters, pots, rocks or star pickets as these can become trip hazards or impact accessibility for prams, wheelchairs and people who might need assistance with mobility.
- Space must be allocated for bin collection services.
- Access to disability parking bays and loading zones must be maintained.
- Keep utility pits clear and accessible.
- You cannot install irrigation.
- The species you select could impact biodiversity. Please refer to our 'Do Not Plant' and 'Recommended Species' lists. This is particularly important if your street garden is within 100m of a waterway.
- Contact Council if your street garden is close to a busy commercial area or activity centre as it is particularly important that accessibility is not impacted in these busy streets.

Gardening Near Street Trees

- You are not permitted to plant any new trees on public land. Please reach out to Council if you would like to place a request for a new tree to be planted.
- Only use small hand tools and take care to not damage any roots when digging within the vicinity of street trees. If you uncover tree roots, do not cut, scrape or damage them. Any roots that are uncovered during the process should be reburied to keep them healthy.
- Keep the soil and mulch at existing levels below the tree canopy, extensive digging or any mounding of soil can damage tree roots. Do not mound soil, mulch or grass clippings against the tree trunk as this can cause disease. Residents can get free mulch from the Clifton Hill recycling drop-off centre.
- When planting in a tree plot do not plant within 30cm of the tree trunk and keep plant heights below 50cm. Do not plant within a Greenwell (plastic ring surrounding the root ball).
- When planting around a tree in a garden bed or open lawn, do not plant within 50cm or 3 times the trunk diameter (whichever is greater).
- Do not water a new tree (under 2 years old) as these trees are watered as part of their establishment maintenance.
- If the health of an existing street tree is being affected by your street garden, or if the tree needs to be removed or replanted, your street garden may be removed without consultation.

NATURE STRIPS & GARDENBEDS



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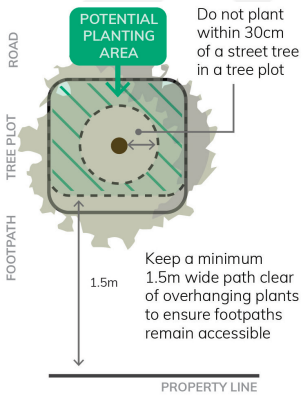

Recommended Street Garden Species List

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The following is a list of plant species that Yarra Council recommends for street gardens. These species are hardy, drought tolerant natives that are appropriate for tough streetscape environments and will help to enhance biodiversity in Yarra.

If selecting plants outside of this list please consider using native species, or species indigenous to Yarra.

The below recommended species are all Australian natives. For further guidance on species that are locally native to the City of Yarra please refer to Yarra's *Garden's For Wildlife* booklet.

Please do not plant species on Yarra's 'Do Not Plant' Street Garden Species List.

Scientific Name	Common Name
Groundcover Species (under 30cm height)	
Callistemon pearsonii 'Rocky Rambler'	Bottlebrush
Carpobrotus modestus	Inland Pigface
Dampiera diversifolia	Dampiera
Enchylaena tomentosa	Ruby Saltbush
Eremophila glabra (prostrate form)	Emu Plant
Hibbertia scandens	Snake Vine
Myoporum parvifolium	Creeping Boobialla
Small Flowering Species (under 50cm height)	
Brachyscome multifida	Cut Leaf Daisy
Calocephalus citreus	Lemon Beauty-heads
Chrysocephalum apiculatum	Common Everlasting
Grevillea lanigera 'Mt Tamboritha'	Grevillea Mt Tamboritha
Rhodanthe anthemoides	Chamomile Sunray
Wahlenbergia stricta	Tall Bluebell
Mid-Height Flowering Species (under 1m height)	
Dianella revoluta	*Blue Flax Lily*
Hardenbergia violacea	*Coral Pea*
Pelargonium australe	Austral Stork's Bill
Plectranthus argentatus	Silver spurflower
Pycnosorus globosus	*Billy Buttons*
Xerochrysum viscosum	Paper Daisy
Mid-Height Grasses (under 1m height)	
Austrostipa stipoide	Prickly Speargrass
Lomandra confertifolia	*Mat Rush*
Lomandra longifolia	*Spiny-headed Mat Rush*
Poa morrisii	Velvet Tussock-grass
Themeda triandra	Kangaroo Grass

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Do Not Plant
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The following list of plant species are known environmental weeds and negatively impact local biodiversity. These species can be detrimental to nearby biodiversity corridors and waterways.

Council avoids these plants and actively removes them whenever possible. We encourage residents to help by not planting them. This list is shortlisted for street gardens and is not a complete list of all local environmental weeds.

Please also avoid planting any species in your street garden that are spikey or toxic.

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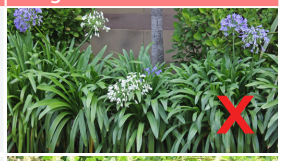
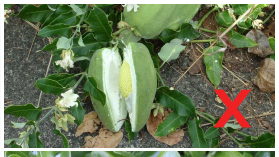
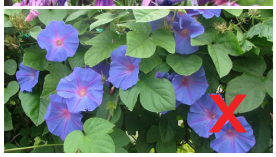
Agapanthus *Agapanthus spp.*		Wandering Trad *Tradescantia spp.*	
Madeira Vine *Anredera cordifolia*		Bridal Creeper *Asparagus asparagoides*	
Moth Plant *Araujia sericifera*		Paterson's Curse *Echium plantagineum*	
Mirror Bush *Coprosma repens*		Morning Glory *Ipomoea indica*	
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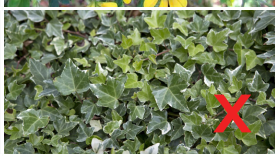
English Ivy *Hedera helix*		Arum lily *Zantedeschia aethiopica*	

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7.5 2023 Advocacy Action Plan

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Purpose

1. To endorse the new Yarra City Council Advocacy Action Plan (refer **Attachment 1)**.

Critical analysis

History and background

2. In 2021, Yarra City Council endorsed an Advocacy Action Plan, which was intermittently updated until late last year. This document listed 24 individual advocacy priorities (**Attachment 2**).
3. The 2021 Advocacy Action Plan is now outdated and requires a restructure to specify the tangible outcomes Council is seeking across the short, medium and long term to ensure a planned, coordinated, evidence-based and resourced approach to advocacy.
4. To ensure the new plan captured all of Yarra City Council's priorities, the Advocacy and Partnerships team met with all managers to discuss potential advocacy items.
5. Following these meetings, the Advocacy and Partnerships team reviewed all of Council's strategic plans (Council Plan, Yarra Transport Strategy, Yarra Climate Emergency Plan etc.) to ensure that advocacy from these plans was captured and aligned with the development of the new plan.
6. The new AAP was developed and structured by themes to make it clear on the 'ask' and accessible in language.
7. Advocacy actions from the 2021 Advocacy Action Plan were incorporated (where applicable) into the new AAP under a relevant theme, as well as all recent advocacy Council resolutions.
8. The AAP will inform Council's strategic advocacy agenda and be refreshed every 12 months.
9. Twice yearly reports on progress will be provided to Councillors (via the Quarterly Report).
10. The AAP will be a public document on the website and supported by collateral to ensure the community, stakeholders and government are aware of Council's advocacy agenda and priorities.
11. The Advocacy and Partnerships team will track any new advocacy items that arise and add to the AAP as necessary.
12. One such is example is public, social and affordable housing. Given the critical and urgent issues regarding housing and homelessness within our community, the evolving policy agenda including the recent announcements relating to the State Government reforms, a new draft Public, Social and Affordable Housing Policy Statement is being prepared for Council's consideration in December 2023.
13. This will seek to articulate Council's position and if endorsed, the statement will supersede the 2019 Social and Affordable Housing Strategy and the AAP will be updated as required.

14. Similarly, at the time of writing the AAP, the State Government's recent announcement on the public housing demolition project is evolving and will require officers to update the AAP as more becomes known.

Discussion

What is advocacy?

15. Advocacy is about influencing for change, such as creating or changing policies, laws, regulations, resources, or other decisions that affect people lives and ensuring that said decisions lead to implementation.

16. Successful advocacy is also often defined by an organisation's ability to nimbly respond to unanticipated challenges and optimising moments.

17. Advocacy can also be through successful relationship management. Council currently has strong partnerships with government and relevant agencies, which provide opportunities to promote Council's priorities and leverage funding and/or other opportunities.

18. Officers advocate to ensure government decision-makers are aware of our opportunities and challenges, so that Council can partner to deliver positive outcomes for our diverse and growing community.

19. While all advocacy issues are important, it is not possible to advocate for all the issues on Council's agenda. Too many advocacy priorities can dilute council's effort.

20. It is therefore critical that Council prioritise and consolidate its efforts in one plan to ensure effort is focused on achieving tangible results.

How we advocate

21. We submit submissions to other tiers of government including budget submissions to the Victorian and Australian Government, participate in consultations and Parliamentary inquiries.

22. We directly and proactively advocate through meeting programs and/or direct correspondence with local Members of Parliament, State and Federal Ministers and other policymakers.

23. We make representations on priority issues to local MPs, Ministers, and/or the Opposition.

24. We deliver public awareness campaigns and undertake media activity.

25. Through membership and sector networks such as M9, MAV, ALGA, Local Government Mayoral Advisory Panel, LGPRO, and other strategic memberships also form part of our advocacy efforts.

26. We use the AAP actions to form the basis of budget submissions to State and Federal Government, as well as election priority documents for candidates.

Community and stakeholder engagement

27. Pending Council endorsement of the AAP, a communications strategy and implementation plan will be developed to inform the community and relevant stakeholders.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

28. This document aligns with the Community Vision, Council Plan and other strategic Council plans.

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

29. The AAP includes several actions that aim to ensure the continued response to the climate emergency as well as ensure continued foresight of sustainability through Council advocacy projects.

30. Following Council endorsement of the AAP, the Advocacy and Partnerships team will advocate for the strategic priorities identified throughout the plan.

31. Theme 1 is purposefully titled ‘Climate Emergency.’ This theme includes advocacy projects that will accelerate the transition needed to protect the environment and community from the climate emergency such as implementing new green space and transitioning off gas. Additionally, there will be intersectional implications across other themes and actions that similarly intend to improve the community’s resilience to climate change.

Community and social implications

32. Following Council endorsement of the AAP, we will be better equipped to demonstrate to the community how we advocate for their interests to the State and Federal Governments.

33. Across all themes, as advocacy projects are addressed, the Advocacy and Partnerships team will utilise all communication channels to inform the community of our advocacy successes.

Economic development implications

34. Following Council endorsement of the AAP, and as advocacy projects are actioned, there will be economic developments that will benefit the community. Multiple themes have the potential to impact the economy, whereby, improving community outcomes can impact both the financial sustainability of Council and that of our community.

Human rights and gender equality implications

35. The AAP includes multiple actions that aim to advance and protect human rights, gender equality and equity.

36. Following Council endorsement of the AAP, the Advocacy and Partnerships team will action several priorities that aim to enhance the wellbeing of the community and ensure the continued development of a safe, inclusive, and connected community.

37. For example, themes 6 and 7 specifically outline multiple priorities that will maintain our socio-economically diverse population, support our most vulnerable community members, and address complex health and wellbeing issues within our community, leading to improved human rights for all.

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

38. Collateral development for the AAP will be designed internally. Printing costs associated with the promotion of the AAP can be accommodated within operational budgets.

39. Events to promote successful advocacy, ribbon cutting, openings, Ministerial tours, have been factored into the 2023/2024 budget.

Legal Implications

40. Not applicable.

Conclusion

41. Once the AAP has received formal Council endorsement, the Advocacy and Partnerships team will begin developing collateral, progressing actions and reporting on achievements.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That:

    (a) Councill endorses the 2023 Advocacy Action Plan to formally establish our strategic advocacy priorities; and

    (b) bi-annual progress reports be formally provided to Council.

Attachments

1⇩ Attachment 1 - 2023 - Advocacy Action Plan

2⇩ Attachment 2 - Old Advocacy Action Plan - 2021.pdf1

Advocacy Action Plan

Yarra City Council

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Our purpose is to advocate for City of Yarra interests; build the capacity of Yarra City Council, protect and support the viability of Yarra City Council and promote the interests of our community. This plan was developed by the Advocacy and Partnerships team in line with our strategic priorities. It expresses key positions across several policy areas, but is not intended as a replication of all positions adopted through our strategic plan or Council resolutions. It is intended that this document will be reviewed, updated, and added to in response to emerging issues and priorities.

Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and true sovereigns of the land now known as Yarra. 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 and to their Elders past, present and future.

1. Climate Emergency

Background

Yarra City Council was one of the first councils to declare a climate emergency.

Our declaration recognised the planet's climate is already too hot and that transformational change is needed across all levels of government, businesses, and communities to address the crisis. We recognise that we need transformational change to rapidly reduce carbon emissions across the community and ensure homes, business and community infrastructure are sustainable and resilient to a changing climate.

Victorian councils have a strong track record of actively working to reduce emissions and increase organisational and community resilience to climate impacts.

Strong policy leadership and significant financial investment is urgently needed from both the State and Federal Government to accelerate the transition to a net zero emissions economy and strengthen community resilience to climate change. The major transition ahead needs to occur in a fair and socially equitable way. The most vulnerable people have typically made the least contribution to the problem and often have less capacity to respond and cope with the impacts.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

1.1 The State and Federal Governments to immediately declare a climate emergency;

1.2 The State Government to set strong targets for the complete transition off gas in Victoria, in line with Yarra's ambitious targets;

1.3 The Minister for Planning to immediately approve the Elevating Environmentally Sustainable Development Targets Planning Scheme Amendment proposed by the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment;

1.4 The Federal Government establish a Climate Action Regulatory Reform Working Group to remove regulatory, policy and other barriers to climate action for local governments and communities and ensure policy coherence and synchronisation at all levels of Government and with relevant industry stakeholders;

1.5 The State Government deliver an annual allocation of funds to each inner metropolitan Council to facilitate the creation of more green spaces for their communities;

1.6 The State Government to expand the Integrated Water Management Grants program to provide more investment for Water Sensitive Urban Design at a local level and specifically fund $3.5m for the Curtain Square Stormwater Harvesting project;

1.7 The State Government to accelerate the upgrade of all DTP streetlights in Yarra to smart LED;

1.8 The State and Federal Governments to develop a cohesive EV policy and fund/invest in the rollout and implementation of public and private electric vehicle chargers in Victoria;

1.9 The Federal Government to implement a ban on fossil fuel advertising.

2. Circular Economy

Background

Every year, more than 80 billion tonnes of raw materials like metal, cardboard and plastics are consumed in Australia - that's set to double by 2060. Right now, only 9% of that raw material is reused and recycled. This is because our current waste system struggles to do much with our materials after it's thrown away. At Yarra City Council, we're working to reduce waste at each step, from design and purchasing to use and disposal. This creates a 'circular economy' which changes how we handle and value our raw materials resulting in less being sent to landfill.

A circular economy model employs three core principles; design out waste and pollution, keep products and materials in use, and regenerate natural systems.

A more circular and sustainable system in is required, one that works with manufacturers to rethink how products are made and reduce the waste that's created during production, supporting our local recycling industry, reducing excess consumption and reusing items wherever possible.

This strategy requires state, federal and international work to ensure a more circular and sustainable system. Significant policy and regulatory systemic change are required to achieve an economic system that views generation of waste as a design flaw and ensures our production and consumption habits support, rather than challenge, our transition to a net zero emissions economy.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

2.1 The State and Federal Government to implement material product and packaging standards across the 'supply chain' so products last longer, are repairable, reusable and recyclable and prohibit excessive packaging and hard to recycle products;

2.2 The State Government to invest its landfill levy in new innovations and technology that accelerate a circular economy and reduce waste going to landfill;

2.3 The State Government to immediately upgrade waste services and waste facilities for all public housing across Yarra's to ensure consistency with the objectives outlined in the State Govermments circular economy plan "Recycling Victoria: A new economy" and the Household Waste and Recycling Service Standards;

2.4 The State Government immediately commit to working directly with the M9 Councils to ensure the States Household Waste and Recycling Service Standards take into account complexities of waste management in inner metropolitan Melbourne settings and are workable in their implementation.

3. Transport

Background

So that Yarra remains an attractive inner-city destination to live, work and visit, it's vital we address transport challenges, create sustainable and active transport opportunities. That's why we deliver infrastructure, and advocate and innovate to improve the liveability of our neighbourhood.

To make walking and cycling a safe and attractive part of everyday life, we are improving footpaths and pedestrian and cycling infrastructure. In addition, we deliver, and advocate for, an integrated transport network that prioritises sustainable and active transport that is safe, accessible, equitable and reduces barriers to community movement. This includes high-quality and connected walking and cycling routes and public transport options to enable our community, including older persons and people with mobility limitations, to move around the city with ease.

It is vital that we are at the decision-making table with the Victorian and Federal Governments on these issues and that adequate funding for local priorities is provided. State and Federal Government must make sure there is better alignment between funding streams, major projects and local priorities.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

3.1 The State Government to prioritise funding and implementation of Strategic Cycling Corridor links in the City of Yarra to provide more separated lanes and connectivity;

3.2 The State Government to fully fund and deliver a new fit-for-purpose bridge across the Yarra River at Walmer Street;

3.3 The State immediately commit to the provision of Disability Discrimination Act compliant tram stops and surrounding area upgrades to the Fitzroy Gasworks, Brunswick Street, Gertrude Street, Bridge Road and Church Street tram stops;

3.4 The State Government commit to streamlining their approval pathways and cutting red tape for walking and cycling works on local streets;

3.5 The State Government to fully fund improvements to address traffic movement issues within the Cremorne precinct including at the intersections of Kelso and Punt Road and Swan and Cremorne Street;

3.6 The State Government to extend the 30km/ph trial to include all of Fitzroy and Collingwood and include 30 km/h as a standard speed limit in the upcoming review of the Speed Zone Policy;

3.7 The State Government to fully fund works to make permanent the pop-up bike lanes on Heidelberg Road, Wellington Street and connecting routes;

3.8 The State Government to deliver the North-East Link busway and provide a high-quality link into the CBD;

3.9 Inclusion of a new active transport corridor that runs parallel to the Eastern Freeway as part of the North-East Link project;

3.10 The State Government to implement an ongoing local road funding stream to ensure maintenance issues that don't meet the criteria for other grant programs can be dealt with. Existing funding streams and grants are either too rigid, or simply unsustainable.

4. A Vibrant Yarra

Background

The arts and culture sector is vital to Yarra's local economy and community. Yarra is known for its live music, galleries and visual arts studios, theatres, performance and literature venues, and public art. Council is committed to supporting local arts and culture particularly following the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Yarra also has a thriving local economy with more than 16,600 businesses, making us home to one of the largest economies in metropolitan Melbourne. Our proximity to CBD business activity, cultural and sporting centres, road, rail and tram links makes Yarra an attractive place to do business and work. Our dynamic economy is driven by 4 key areas: knowledge industries, creative industries, population-driven activities and the health, education and public sectors.

From artists and craftspeople to the traders on our shopping strips to the increasing number of creative enterprises and technology businesses – Yarra's economic capacity is diverse and growing.

We aspire to be a global hub for the small to medium arts sector, showcase our diverse cultures and champion our role as a recognised centre for LGBTIQA+ culture and business. Fitzroy and Collingwood are important cultural and meeting places for Aboriginal peoples, with many people from the Stolen Generations finding their families and community in these places.

We will continue to deliver and advocate for a range of enabling infrastructure and work to improve the amenity and economic prosperity of our city.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

4.1 The Minister for Housing commits to releasing and delivering the North Richmond Masterplan and revitalisation project;

4.2 The Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions to reinvigorate the Cremorne Place Implementation Plan working group and reaffirm their commitment to making Cremorne a centre for innovation, technology and high-skilled jobs;

4.3 The State Government to fund $1.5m redeveloping the streetscape outside Richmond Town Hall to revitalise the precinct and attract more visitors to the area;

4.4 The State Government to commit to ongoing funding of at least $500,000 per year to support Yarra's Leaps and Bounds Festival;

4.5 The State Government fund $100,000 for the development of research into the Night-Time Economy and how inner-metro areas can work together to leverage activities and programs that boost community engagement;

4.6 The State Government to immediately commit to permanently locating and funding the Victoria Pride Street Festival on Smith and Gertrude Street Fitzroy;

4.7 The State Government to commit to funding capital projects within Yarra City Council's Brunswick Street, Victoria Street, Swan Street and Bridge Road streetscape masterplans.

5. Land Use and Planning

Background

Yarra supports an efficient and fair planning system that places community input and wellbeing at its centre. As the level of government closest to the community, councils are best placed to lead and implement planning policy that responds to local needs and vision. Councils understand that local areas pay a high price for poor planning decisions that place short-term gain over the long-term benefits of sound strategic planning.

Yarra will continue to advocate for strong policy leadership on a range of issues that are important to our community, particularly climate change mitigation and adaptation and mechanisms to meet the systemic lack of social and affordable housing.

Yarra will advocate for reforms to the planning system that improve transparency in decision-making, responds to the urgency of the climate crisis, delivers necessary infrastructure, and empowers communities to make informed decisions on the future of their neighbourhoods.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

5.1 The State Government immediately commits to ensuring that any changes to planning controls or planning powers will maintain input from local Councils and safeguard the community voice;

5.2 In response to the planning reforms announced by in September 2023, that the State Government:

- Specify how DTP will consider Council's built form controls and Councils strategic planning when determining 'significant developments';
- Commit to ensuring that all Public Open Space and Development Contributions are captured;
- Qualify how or when the 10% affordable housing will be waived or varied;
- Commit to transparent decision making by publishing of all DTP's Planning (decision) Reports, including application assessments, details as to why affordable housing requirements have been reduced or waived, height and other built form controls have been varied;
- Commits to ensuring that the Development Facilitation Program does not shift costs to Council by directly reimbursing Council for the full costs incurred for planning advice;
- Commit to providing reasonable time frames to allow Council to respond to referrals and requests for advice.

5.3 The State Government reaffirm their commitment to delivering the Cremorne Place Implementation Plan including funding streetscape, traffic movement and amenity improvements;

5.4 The Minister for Planning to urgently approve all outstanding Yarra Planning Scheme amendments;

5.5 The State Government to continue investing in creating more green, community space through road discontinuances and immediately fund $3.5m to deliver the Charlotte Street pocket park in Richmond;

5.6 The State Government to work with Yarra to identify government owned land in Cremorne to create new public space.

6. Public, Social and Affordable Housing

Background

Council has a long and proud tradition of advocating for the best housing outcomes for its residents and is resolute in its commitment to work with all levels of government and private, non-profit and government property developers to increase the supply of social and affordable housing in the municipality.

Sustaining a socio-economically diverse population in Yarra requires us to address a range of affordable housing needs and ensure accessible options across various income levels. This commitment extends from supporting the most vulnerable members of our community and through to the key workers essential to our economy. Offering affordable housing options for very low, low, and low-to-moderate-income households exerts downward pressure on market forces, alleviating the current housing market's polarisation. In this market, public and social housing is limited, and most available housing is often only accessible to high-income earners.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

6.1 The State Government to immediately commit to ensuring all public housing tenants are fully informed of all processes and possible outcomes from all public housing redevelopments and supporting them through any changes;

6.2 No significant net loss of vital open space that may result from future infill construction across the public housing estates;

6.3 The immediate incorporation of inclusionary zoning in planning schemes in Greater Melbourne and beyond to dramatically increase the provision of affordable housing options for lower-income households and key workers;

6.4 A mandated minimum social and affordable requirement for build-to-rent developments with binding agreements with registered housing agencies to retain social and affordable housing stock into the future;

6.5 At any public housing redevelopments, there is a mix of dwellings made available across the spectrum of housing products for singles, couples, and families to ensure that people of various life stages can reside in the same neighbourhood, fostering social diversity, promoting community stability, and enabling aging in place;

6.6 All new public and community housing dwellings are to be indistinguishable from any affordable-to-purchase or private market housing stock (i.e., tenure blind);

6.7 Efficient allocation of government capital funding currently distributed across various authorities (e.g., Victorian Health Building Authority and Homes Victoria) towards viable, needs-based mixed-use projects (e.g., combining health facilities with housing or adult education with housing), such as the cohealth proposal on Hoddle Street, Collingwood;

6.8 Access to capital funding from state and federal housing growth funds should be enabled for non-profit organisations owning undercapitalised land to realise mixed-use redevelopment.

7. Public Health and Wellbeing

Background

Yarra City Council is committed to creating a safe, inclusive and connected community where everyone is welcome and has the opportunity to participate and receive the support and services they need. We deliver social, physical and mental wellbeing services directly to our community as well as partnering with other tiers of government and community organisations.

During times of crisis and emergency, we respond to evolving needs within our community and support those in need. We actively support our more vulnerable populations and make decisions in the best interests of our community's health and wellbeing. Council works in partnership with other agencies including Victoria Police and Victorian Government in responding to community safety. These issues are complex, and Council is aware of the significant impact that drug-related activity is having on the community.

Council's key role and influence is working in partnership with others to promote and address public health, safety and amenity. Council leads, supports and participates in a range of coordinated responses to address complex and dynamic issues found in the community. Council also supports and advocates for an approach that prioritises investment in service delivery and community development, to respond to vulnerabilities, using a strengths-based approach to community safety.

The focus of all levels of government on public health, mental health and wellbeing is welcomed but it is critical that local coordination of new funding programs and service delivery from both federal and state government works to minimise service gaps and duplication of scarce resources including trained workforces.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

7.1 Improving safety and amenity in the North Richmond precinct:

- The State Government immediately assumes responsibility for syringe management services and associated cleansing in the North Richmond and southern Abbotsford area (currently costed at $500,000 PA), or funds the full costs currently met by Council;
- To effectively support harm reduction efforts, the State Government should establish additional medically supervised injecting rooms near street-level drug markets across the Greater Melbourne area;
- The State Government to reaffirm its commitment to ensuring members of our community continue to receive the support and services they need and prioritise initiatives that foster community resilience and connectedness in the North Richmond Precinct;
- The State Government to collaborate with Yarra City Council to enhance safety perceptions around the immediate perimeter of the Medically Supervised Injecting Room (MSIR). This collaboration should involve exploring design interventions that can contribute to improved safety in the area.

7.2 The Federal Government to ensure the new aged care funding model provides for a flexible funding model for aged care group-based programs, including social support, community transport and meals programs, that recognises the fixed costs of providing these services and individualised funding models.

8. Early Years, Education and Young People

Background

A key responsibility of Victorian councils is strategically planning for the health, wellbeing, safety, connection to culture, access and participation, and development of its youngest citizens. Councils take a whole-of-community, whole-of-system approach to building community strength and addressing the underlying causes of inequity and vulnerability of children and young people and their families.

Local government understands the importance of the early years and continues to formally embrace this through a range of plans, infrastructure provision, service delivery and support. A municipality that has a focus on children is one that benefits all members of the community.

Whilst local government understands the importance of the early years and continues to formally embrace this through a range of plans, infrastructure provision, service delivery and support, it is becoming increasingly difficult for local government to play a provider role in the face of significant federal and state level reform. Childhood is a stage of life where investment has the greatest return and opportunities to intervene have the greatest impacts. Yarra will prioritise its focus to ensure an optimum environment for children and young people.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

8.1 Improved pathways to education and employment for young people in the City of Yarra, particularly through partnerships with online and tech businesses located in the Cremorne precinct;

8.2 The State Government to continue to provide core funding of $305,000 annually (indexed to CPI) to Council for the Richmond Youth Hub for a minimum of a further four years from July 2024;

8.3 An ongoing partnership with local government in the provision of universal maternal and child health services, including an increase in the State Government's unit cost to meet the 50:50 funding arrangement;

8.4 The State Government to commit to fully funding unmet demand identified in the updated Kindergarten Infrastructure and Service Plan (KISP) and resources to implement the kindergarten reform, including associated infrastructure / capital and operational costs.

9. Financial Sustainability

Background

Councils, including Yarra, tend to 'step in' as a provider of 'last resort' when other levels of government or the market exits a service to the community. This occurs when the service is essential and more recently perceived to be important to the community. Typically, councils do not receive sufficient funding to deliver these services and often struggle to maintain continuity.

Going forward, Council alongside our community, will need to make difficult decisions about the role of local government in delivering services that address a shortfall created by other levels of government.

Cost-shifting occurs where Local Government provides a service to the community on behalf of the State and Federal Government. Over time the funds received by local government does not increase in line with real cost increases. Some sector estimates herald a cumulative burden of cost-shifting in the order of $6.2b in a 10-year period (preceding 2021). Legislative and policy changes imposed by the State Government have had a significant financial impact on Yarra, such as early years reform, pool fence compliance, psychological safety legislation, cladding, gender equality legislation, child safe legislation, the fire services levy and waste reforms. In all these services, the level of payment Council receives (or the absence of payment) from government does not reflect the real cost of providing the service to the community – leaving a financial burden that is borne by ratepayers.

Our Position

Yarra advocates for:

9.1 The revision of agreements for co-funded 50 / 50 services between levels of government, as many have shifted unfair burdens onto local government (i.e school crossing supervisors) over time and haven't risen with inflation;

9.2 The creation of mechanisms to fully resource Councils to implement the growing number of obligations from new State Government legislation;

9.3 Greater consideration in Regulatory Impact Statements of the costs that will be borne by local government;

9.4 The Federal Government to increase Financial Assistance grants and restore them back to 1% of Commonwealth tax revenue;

9.5 The State Government to reinstate a state funded program to ensure local government is adequately supported to continue the ongoing maintenance and additional replacement and renewal of the local road network.

Advocacy Action Plan 2021

[October 2022 update to Councillors]

The Advocacy Action Plan captures Council's priorities and with documents like Yarra's Victorian Budget submission, State and Federal Election priorities and others, guide Yarra's advocacy activities.

This document provides Councillors with an update on projects and initiatives on the AAP for the second half of 2022.

Project Number	Name & Sponsor	Level (1, 2 or 3)	Action "We will advocate for…"	Update
1	Climate Emergency (CEO and Executive)	1	Advocate to ALGA and MAV to support greater action on sustainability and the declaration of a climate emergency in the local government sector. Advocate for the goals and initiatives expressed in Yarra's Climate Emergency Plan.	Council has strongly advocated for issues and initiatives captured in Yarra's Climate Emergency Plan. In its Australian Election Advocacy Priorities, Council called on candidates and parties to support the declaration of a climate emergency as well as various policies to address the climate emergency. Council also endorsed motions for the 2022 ALGA and MAV conferences as well as lodged submissions on key government policies and strategies including: • Victoria's Emissions Reduction Target For 2035 • GreenPower Program Review Consultation
2	Inclusionary Zoning (Director, Planning and Place Making)	1	A commitment from the Minister for Planning for the introduction of inclusionary zoning within the City of Yarra and advocate for a broader introduction of inclusionary zoning.	Council continues to advocate for inclusionary zoning, including as part of the M9 group which specifically supports and advocates to: *Introduce mandatory affordable housing controls in the Victorian Planning System to deliver social and affordable housing with certainty and at scale.*
3	Sustainable Developments (Director, Planning and Place Making)	1	An increase in ESD requirements in all planning schemes across Victoria and the fast-tracking of a Zero Carbon Developments Planning Scheme amendment in partnership with the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment (CASBE).	On 21 July, 24 Victorian councils lodge a planning scheme amendment to support Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) and Zero Carbon Built Environment outcomes. Councils are seeking support from the Government to introduce a Particular Provision in the Victoria Planning Provisions that will enable 24 councils to elevate ESD built form requirements into their respective planning schemes. The initiative is strongly supported by the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment (CABSE) that serves under the auspice of the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV). In support of the planning scheme amendment, Council has advocated strongly to the Victorian Government and Victorian Election candidates including:

				• Writing letters to relevant Victorian Government Ministers • Put forward and secured the successful passage of a MAV motion at its State Conference • Direct engagement with the Department and industry stakeholders
4	Electric Vehicles (Director, Planning and Place Making & Director, City Works and Assets)	1	Greater funding for public EV charging points and financial incentives to purchase electric vehicles.	Council has recently secured funding through the Victorian Government to deliver two new EV chargers in Yarra. Those chargers are expected to be installed in the coming months. In addition, Council included the need for greater investment in EV chargers
5	Active Transport (Director, Planning and Place Making)	1	Additional separated cycling infrastructure across the municipality and better interconnectivity across intersecting municipal areas.	Council included increased funding for cycling infrastructure in its 2022 Victorian Budget submission
6	Walmer Street Bridge (Director, Planning and Place Making)	1	Funding for a new fit-for-purpose bridge across the Yarra River at Walmer Street.	Council sought a commitment from the Victorian Government to deliver a new, fit for purpose bridge in its 2022 Victorian Budget submission. The project is also captured in its draft Victorian Election Advocacy Priorities. Council has advocated strongly to the Member for Richmond, the Hon Richard Wynne MP, Minister for Public Transport and Roads and Road Safety, the Hon Ben Carroll MP, and DoT on the matter. In the 2022 Victorian Election, the Coalition made a commitment to fund a replacement bridge should they win government.
7	Cremorne Place Implementation Plan (Director, Planning and Place Making)	1	Funding to improve urban design, traffic movement and amenity within the Cremorne precinct and continued implementation of the Cremorne Place Implementation Plan.	Council continues to advocate strongly for greater investment in the Cremorne precinct, including through its 2022 Victorian Budget submission, Australian Election Advocacy Priorities and draft Victorian Election Advocacy Priorities.

				Council is working closely with the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions to support improved digital and technological infrastructure in the precinct as well as working closely with key stakeholders such as BKI to lobby for additional funding across the precinct. Yarra has recently signed a new 3-year MoU with BKI.
8	Social, affordable and public housing (Director, Community Wellbeing)	1	More social, affordable and public housing, including community facilities and services, within the City of Yarra.	Council has advocated strongly for social, affordable and public housing outcomes, including through the rezoning and redevelopment process. Since the Social and Affordable Housing Strategy was endorsed in 2019, developer contributions of approximately 250 social and affordable dwellings have been negotiated through voluntary agreements made during the rezoning process. This will be considerably increased by the current commitment for 20 per cent of dwellings at the former gasworks site to be social and affordable housing. This has been achieved through significant and continued advocacy to the Minister for Planning and Minister for Housing, the Hon Richard Wynne MP. In addition, Council has made a submission to the Productivity Commission which is undertaking a review of the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement (February 2022) as well as writing to the Victorian Government to advocate for improved outcomes in local public housing site redevelopments. Investigation of a Collingwood Town Hall Community Hub also continues with council officers to brief Councillors on this matter separately.
9	Recycling services at Yarra's public housing estates (Director, City Works and Assets)	1	Resumption of recycling services at all of Yarra's public housing estates.	Council continues to collaborate with the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing to support circular economy initiatives at its low-rise housing sites in Yarra. Funding has also been secured to pilot a recycling service at the Richmond high-rise public housing estate which Council will participate in.

10	New recycling centres (Director, City Works and Assets)	2	Construction of 23 new recycling centres across Victoria and a ban on food waste going to landfill.	Council continues to advocate to State and Federal government for increased funding for circular economy projects, including investment in the recycling sector.
11	Solar Homes (Director, Planning and Place Making)	2	Reduced impediments to installing solar PV on multi-unit developments.	Council continues to advocate on the need for increased solar outcomes, including on multi-unit developments through the Zero Carbon Development Planning Scheme amendment as well as developing the Sustainable Strata guide and project and working with YEF to deliver the Solar for Apartments guide.
12	Sustainable Homes (Director, Planning and Place Making)	2	A State Government program to assist homeowners to make homes more sustainable.	Yarra's Victorian Election Advocacy Priorities include initiatives that would provide support to local residents and homeowners to improve the sustainability of their homes.
13	Open Space (Director, Planning and Place Making)	2	Funding to support the creation of new open space across the municipality.	Council is continuing to progress the Collingwood Pocket Parks (Otter and Cambridge Streets). Council has specifically advocated for continued investment in the Victorian Government's Local Parks Program as well as writing to the Victorian Government regarding the potential expansion of Wangaratta Reserve.
14	Accessible Tram Stops (Director, Planning and Place Making)	2	Upgrades to all tram stops across the City of Yarra to ensure they are fully accessible for all members of the community.	Council has recently written to the Victorian Government advocating for greater investment in accessible tram stops across the municipality. Council has met with representatives from the Minister for Public Transport's office and the Department of Transport to discuss DDA-compliant tram stops along Swan Street. Advocacy on accessible tram stops continues through the Victorian Election Advocacy Priorities and other targeted activities.
15	Pathways to education and employment (Group Manager, People and Culture)	2	Improve pathways to education and employment for young people in the City of Yarra, particularly through partnerships with online and tech businesses located in the Cremorne precinct.	Council recently signed a new 3-year MoU with BKI where both organisations specifically agreed to work together to: • Broker relationships between BKI students and Yarra businesses to enable students to develop

				pathways to local employers, particularly in regard to employment in emerging sectors and workforces • Support BKI's plans to grow and develop new education and training offerings aligned to digital technologies and innovation • Promote local education and training opportunities offered through BKI and encourage a greater proportion of local residents engaged in education and training, particularly through innovative initiatives between BKI, Council and local schools
16	Victoria Street and North Richmond Precinct (Director, Community Wellbeing)	2	Funding to deliver more arts, culture and events around the Victoria Street precinct and place activation and other initiatives to improve local amenity within Victoria Street precinct and North Richmond.	Council continues to advocate strongly to the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing and other government bodies and forums for targeted funding and support for North Richmond precinct. Council continues to engage with the Government to leverage funding opportunities to deliver targeted projects and initiatives in the precinct and advocate for and behalf of the local community. In it's Victorian Election Advocacy Priorities, Council is seeing additional funding for Yarra's arts sector.
17	Bridge Road Precinct (Director, Community Wellbeing)	2	Funding to deliver localised improvements and place activation within the Bridge Road precinct.	Council sought funding through its 2022 Victorian Budget submission to deliver improvements along Gleadell Street, in Richmond Town Hall precinct and along Bridge Road. Council has also lobbied the Member for Richmond, Richard Wynne MP, about this project and included it in its draft Victorian Election Advocacy Priorities.
18	Gipps street steps (Director, Planning and Place Making)	2	The delivery of a pedestrian and cyclist alternative to the Gipps Street steps.	Funding for this project was secured in previous State Budgets and is progressing.
19	Road Asset Maintenance Costs (Director, City Works and Assets)	2	Greater State Government contributions towards road asset maintenance across the City of Yarra.	Council continues to advocate for greater State Government contributions towards road asset maintenance, including to the Department of Transport and other authorities and bodies.

20	Urban Revitalisation (Director, Planning and Place Making)	2	An expansion of State Government funding for urban revitalisation and activation projects within inner city municipalities.	Council has advocated strongly for greater funding for urban revitalisation projects, including directly advocating to the Minister for Local Government and Suburban Development.
21	NEL-Hoddle Street bus services planning (Director, Planning and Place Making)	3	A NEL busway design that would include buses exiting the busway and running along an alternative route into the CBD other than Hoddle Street.	Council continues to advocate for improvements to the NEL busway design.
22	Yarra Riverbank at Former Amcor site (Director, Planning and Place Making)	3	The creation of new open space along the riverbank at the former Amcor site.	This initiative continues to be progressed through direct engagement with the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.
23	Product Stewardship Scheme & sustainable packaging (Director, City Works and Assets)	3	Improved product stewardship scheme at a Federal level and stricter sustainable packaging standards across Australia.	Council continues to advocate for improved product stewardship and stricter sustainable packaging standards. Both of these issues were included in Yarra's Australian Election Advocacy Priorities.
24	January 26 Campaign (Group Manager, CEO's Office)	3	A national change to January 26 achieved through broad community support.	Council continues to advocate for a change to January 26 through various forums, meetings and partnerships.

7.6 Governance Report - November 2023

Reference	D23/395434
Author	Rhys Thomas - Senior Governance Advisor
Authoriser	Manager Governance and Integrity
Disclosure	The author discloses a general conflict of interest in this report in relation to the update of the Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority. This conflict arises due to the author's financial interests in Urbis Ltd, a planning consultancy that represents clients in Yarra. The author has not been involved in the development of the protocol or recommendation in this matter, and Council's Manager Statutory Planning will be present at the meeting to respond to any questions Council may have. The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any other general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

Purpose

1. The Governance Report is prepared as a periodic report to Council which provides a single reporting platform for a range of statutory compliance, transparency and governance related matters.

Critical analysis

History and background

2. To ensure compliance with the Act and in accordance with best practice and good governance principles, transparency and accountability, this standing report consolidates a range of governance and administrative matters.

3. Matters covered in this report are:

   (a) good governance initiatives;

   (b) update of the Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority;

   (c) governance arrangements for 2023/2024;

   (d) Municipal Association of Victoria State Council – 23 October 2023; and

   (e) appointment of authorised officers under the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

   (f) appointment of a new independent committee member to the Audit and Risk Committee.

Discussion

Good governance initiatives

4. Council's ongoing commitment to good governance is a process of regular review of policies and practices with a view to fostering the stated aim set out in the City of Yarra Council Plan 2021-2025 to *"practice good governance, transparency and accountable planning and decision-making"*.

5. In line with this ongoing commitment, officers have developed the following proposals for Council's consideration.

Amendment to Councillor Conflict of Interest Declarations

6. In its report following Operation Sandon, the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission recommended a strengthening of the process for disclosure of conflicts of interest in relation to planning matters, and identified a process improvement in that Councillors could be required to make a positive declaration that they have familiarised themselves with the parties to a matter and whether they have a conflict of interest in the relevant agenda item.

7. Council's Governance Rules provide that Councillors with a conflict of interest are required to do three things at Council meetings and meetings of Delegated Committees:

   (a) provide a written declaration to the Chief Executive Officer, in a form determined by them;

   (b) make a public declaration at the meeting that they have a conflict of interest and have submitted the necessary declaration to the CEO; and

   (c) leave the meeting while the item is considered.

8. Similar provisions apply to Councillor Workshops (the only difference being that the written notice may be submitted after the meeting).

9. These written declarations are retained for a period of three years, but due to the confidentiality of information contained therein (including that of third parties), they are not made public.

10. Officers propose a number of changes in both these forums to the process in order to increase transparency and public confidence in the conflict of interest process, aligned with the outcomes from Operation Sandon. It is intended that these not be limited only to planning matters, but be a feature of all meetings.

11. These changes are:

    (a) Each Councillor be individually asked by the meeting Chair to confirm at the commencement of each meeting (or latecomers on arrival), either that;

        (i) they have familiarised themselves with the matters being presented to the meeting and they do not have a conflict of interest, or

        (ii) that they do have a conflict of interest (in which case they make a formal declaration in accordance with the Governance Rules).

    (b) The Chief Executive Officer prepare and publish a register of conflicts of interest declared by Councillors at Council meetings, meetings of Delegated Committees; and Councillor workshops which contains a summary of any declaration made by Councillors, subject to any rephrasing necessary to ensure compliance with the Privacy and Data Protection Act insofar as it relates to third parties.

12. It is recommended that Council implement the proposed changes to the conflict of interest declaration process, as well as publish a register of all conflict of interest declarations made during this term of Council.

<u>Conflict of interest declaration in relation to the exercise of power outside meetings</u>

13. Councillors have very few powers that can be exercised individually, outside the formal setting of Council meetings. The Mayor (or, in their absence, the Deputy Mayor) have slightly more, but still comparatively few.

14. While the Governance Rules provide for the declaration of conflicts of interest at Council meetings, meetings of Delegated Committees and Councillor Workshops, there are no provisions requiring a Councillor to declare a conflict of interest in relation to the exercise of powers outside those settings.

15. That said, section 123(3)(f) of the Local Government Act 2020 makes it an offence for a Councillor to participate in a decision on a matter in which they have a conflict of interest, regardless of the setting.

16. As a result, it is proposed to reinforce this requirement by introducing a requirement that a Councillor will also be required to declare that they do not have a conflict of interest when:
    (a) requesting that the CEO call an Extraordinary Council Meeting or
    (b) calling up a planning item to the Planning Decisions Committee.
17. In the case of the Mayor, this same requirement will also be applied to:
    (a) appointing a Councillor to be the chair of a delegated committee.
18. While the requirement to make a declaration that no conflict of interest exists cannot be mandated in the absence of legislative amendment, including this provision in Council's internal processes will serve as an important reminder to Councillors of their obligation under section 123(3)(f) of the Local Government Act 2020.
19. It is recommended that Council endorse the proposed approach to exercise of Councillor powers outside meetings.

Councillor Workshop Transparency Policy

20. An opportunity exists to adopt a Councillor Workshop Transparency Policy, to set out the role of Councillor Workshops, describe the arrangements and put a number of transparency measures in place.
21. While Councillor Workshops are not formally constituted meetings under Council's Governance Rules, they do play a role in enabling Councillors to fulfil their obligation in the Standards of Conduct in the Local Government (Governance and Integrity) Regulations 2020 to *"diligently use Council processes to become informed about matters which are subject to Council decisions".*
22. Most importantly, Councillor Workshops cannot be used to make decisions, negotiate agreed positions or otherwise canvass, lobby or seek to influence the outcome of a decision to be made by an officer under delegation or by Council at a future meeting.
23. In its final report following Operation Sandon, the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission examined the role of Councillor briefings (workshops) and stressed the importance that they be used for the presentation of information to Councillors and the provision of responses to questions, but not as decision-making forums. Specifically, IBAC recommended that guidance about Councillor briefings *"make clear that councillors must not discuss the substance of agenda items in detail, reach agreements on council agenda items in private, and that briefings should involve the presentation of information only."*
24. These prohibitions are already well understood at Yarra, and clear protections are in place to ensure that Councillor Workshops are not used as a proxy decision-making forum, however the adoption of a supporting policy presents an opportunity to clearly set out Council's position and expectations in this regard.
25. Measures included in the proposed policy found at **Attachment One** are:
    (a) a Statement of Purpose for Councillor Workshops;
    (b) a description of the role of workshops in Council's decision-making framework;
    (c) statements about expected and prohibited conduct;
    (d) details of who may attend workshops, including a prohibition on attendance by property developers;
    (e) transparency measures, including publication on Council's website of a summary of proceedings for each workshop; and
    (f) confidentiality provisions.
26. It is recommended that Council adopt the policy as presented and commence the production and publication of a summary of proceedings for each workshop, commencing with the next scheduled Councillor Workshop.

Divisions by default

27. The minutes of Council meetings and meetings of Delegated Committees record the details of each motion presented to the meeting, and whether or not it is carried. The vote of each Councillor is not recorded unless a Division is called in accordance with Chapter Two, Rule 61 of Council's Governance Rules.

28. In its report following Operation Sandon, the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission recommended the development of model Governance Rules that require council meeting minutes to state the names of Councillors who voted for and against each motion (regardless of whether a division was called).

29. In the absence of the adoption of model Governance Rules, or a formal change to Council's own rules, the same outcome can be achieved without a change, simply by establishing the practice that the meeting Chair, instead of saying *"I will now put it to a vote"*, they instead say *"I will now put it to a vote and call for a Division"*.

30. It is recommended that Council endorse this approach to voting and request that the meeting chair observe this custom for votes on all matters (except procedural motions) considered at Council meetings and meetings of Delegated Committees with immediate effect.

31. It is noted that while Council cannot compel the meeting chair to take this approach, any Councillor present at a meeting can ask that a Division be recorded in this way.

<u>Update of the Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority</u>

32. The Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority (Planning Protocols) is a guide to Officers within Council's Statutory Planning Branch as to the proper exercise of powers and duties delegated to them by Council's Instrument of Delegation to Staff. The Protocols must be read in conjunction with the Council's instrument of delegation to Council staff and to the Planning Decisions Committee.

33. Following Council's review of the Instrument of Delegation to Council staff in October 2023, it is now necessary to update the Planning Protocols, so that they reflect Council's direction for the use of delegated authority.

34. Officers have reviewed the current Planning Protocols and recommend three changes:

    (a) Amend the Protocols to update the reference to the delegation from the former Internal Development Approval Committee to the Planning Decisions Committee to be consistent with the current Instrument of Delegation by the Council to the Planning Decisions Committee;

    (b) Amend the Protocols relating to specific categories of application for improved clarity around existing delegation; and

    (c) Amend the Protocols relating to different types of applications subject to a proposed settlement at a compulsory conference at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).

35. Further, officers recommend a change to the Approval Authority for the Planning Protocols – delegating responsibility for undertaking periodic review to the General Manager City Strategy and Sustainability. This will enable to document to be reviewed more readily in response to legislative or other change, as well as to immediately reflect Council's delegations in relation to planning matters. It is noted that the Planning Decisions Committee is due to sunset in October 2024, and it will be necessary for a new decision-making process to be implemented.

36. The designation of the Planning Protocols as a management policy does not affect the power to delegate powers in respect of planning matters – something that remains (and must by law remain) the sole responsibility of Council.

37. The specific changes proposed to the Planning Protocols are set out in the marked up document provided at **Attachment Two**.

Governance arrangements for 2023/2024

38. Section 20A(1) of the Local Government Act 2020 provides that “A Council may establish an office of Deputy Mayor”.

39. This provision was introduced into legislation in response to the fact that the overwhelming majority of Melbourne Councils had established the role of Deputy Mayor under a local policy or resolution. The introduction of this provision introduces a consistent legislative framework for those Councils who wish to have a Deputy Mayor. The City of Yarra has appointed a Deputy Mayor every year since 2017.

40. The legislative role of a Deputy Mayor is to exercise any of the powers of the Mayor if the Mayor is unable for any reason to attend a Council meeting or part of a Council meeting; is incapable of performing the duties of the office of Mayor for any reason, including illness; or the office of Mayor is vacant.

41. Should Council determine not to appoint a Deputy Mayor, then provisions exist to enable Council to appoint an Acting Mayor should the Mayor be unable to discharge their duties.

42. An Acting Mayor and Deputy Mayor have identical roles and responsibilities.

43. Allowances for the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors are set by the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal. Under the tribunal’s current determination, the Deputy Mayor’s allowance is set at $63,480 annually, with the Councillor allowance set at $38,316. As a result, a decision to retain the position of Deputy Mayor has a financial impact on Council of $25,164 (the difference between the Deputy Mayoral and Councillor allowances).

44. Officers recommend that Council continue with the practice of electing a Deputy Mayor in respect of the 2023/2024 Council year.

Municipal Association of Victoria State Council – 23 October 2023

45. The Municipal Association of Victoria held its biannual State Council meeting on 23 October 2023. State Council is an opportunity for all Victorian Councils to come together to determine the policy directions of the Municipal Association of Victoria and provides an opportunity for the furtherance of Council’s interests at the state level.

46. Yarra City Council submitted two motions to the State Council for consideration. The outcome of the vote on these matters was:

    (a) Proposed planning reforms (carried as part of a consolidated motion); and

    (b) Alternate approval pathways for pedestrian works (carried).

47. The next Municipal Association of Victoria State Council will be held in May 2024.

Appointment of authorised officers under the Planning and Environment Act 1987

48. In order to conduct inspection, enforcement and prosecution activities on Council’s behalf, officers require specific authorisation under the relevant legislation. While authorisation for most legislation is provided by the Chief Executive Officer acting under delegation, specific provisions of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 require that the authorisation be made directly by Council resolution.

49. In order to undertake the duties of office, staff members listed in the recommendation require authorisation under the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

50. In addition, authorisation must also be provided under section 313 of the Local Government Act 2020 in order to enable these officers to commence enforcement action where necessary.

51. The proposed Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation is provided at **Attachment Three**.

Appointment of a new independent committee member to the Audit and Risk Committee

52. The current Audit and Risk Committee Charter (the Charter) specifies the membership tenure for independent external members of the Audit and Risk Committee who are appointed by Council.

53. The Audit and Risk Committee consists of five members, comprising the Mayor or an appointed alternative Councillor, one other Councillor, and three independent members.

54. Appointment of independent Committee members will be made by Council, following a publicly advertised expression of interest process managed by the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate). Ideally, the term of one independent member will conclude each year. New appointments shall be for a term of three years (or in the case of a casual vacancy, until the expiry of the departing member's term) or any other timeframe at the Council's sole discretion.

55. An expression of Interest (EOI) process for an independent member of the Audit and Risk Committee was conducted and advertised between Saturday, 16 September 2023 and Monday, 2 October 2023. The advertisement was placed on Council's public website, The Saturday Age, and on LinkedIn.

56. Over 80 applications were received. Four applicants were shortlisted by the CEO and General Manager Corporate Services and Transformation for interviews.

57. First-round interviews were conducted on Tuesday, 24 October 2023. The interview panel comprised of the following members:

    (a) David Ashmore, Chair of Audit and Risk Committee;

    (b) Jenny Scicluna, General Manager Corporate Services and Transformation; and

    (c) Wei Chen, Chief Financial Officer.

58. Two applicants proceeded to second-round interviews conducted on Monday, 30 October 2023. The interview panel comprised of the following members:

    (a) Sue Wilkinson, Chief Executive Officer; and

    (b) Jenny Scicluna, General Manager Corporate Services and Transformation.

59. Reference checks were conducted after the second-round interviews between 31 October and 3 November 2023.

60. Following the selection process, the panel now recommends Council appoint its preferred candidate to the Audit and Risk Committee. Details of the preferred candidate are provided at **Confidential Attachment Four**.

Options

61. There are no options presented in this report.

Community and stakeholder engagement

62. No community or stakeholder engagement has been undertaken in the development of this report, save the engagement with internal stakeholders necessary to compile the report content.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

63. In its Yarra 2036 Community Vision, Council articulated an objective for a community that is *"informed and empowered to contribute to the shared governance of Yarra, (where) decision-making is through access, inclusion, consultations and advocacy."*

64. City of Yarra Council Plan 2021-2025 includes Strategic Objective six: 'Democracy and governance', which states that good governance is at the heart of our processes and decision-making. The plan commits Council to *"practice good governance, transparency and accountable planning and decision-making."*

65. The presentation of a Governance Report provides an opportunity to provide updates on key organisational matters both to the Council and the community.

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

66. There are no climate emergency or sustainability implications considered in this report.

Community and social implications

67. There are no community or social implications considered in this report.

Economic development implications

68. There are no economic development implications considered in this report.

Human rights and gender equality implications

69. There are no human rights or gender equality implications considered in this report.

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

70. The financial impact of establishing the office of Deputy Mayor are set out above. There are no other no financial or resource impacts considered in this report.

Legal Implications

71. There are no legal implications considered in this report.

Conclusion

72. This report presents an officer recommendation on:

    (a) good governance initiatives;

    (b) update of the Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority;

    (c) governance arrangements for 2023/2024;

    (d) Municipal Association of Victoria State Council – 23 October 2023;

    (e) appointment of authorised officers under the Planning and Environment Act 1987; and

    (f) appointment of a new independent committee member to the Audit and Risk Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council continue its focus on good governance and:
   (a) alter the conflict of interest process at Council meetings and meetings of Delegated Committees to require an attestation from each Councillor present at the meeting;
   (b) authorise the Chief Executive Officer to publish a register of summaries of all conflicts of interest declared by Councillors at Council meetings and meetings of Delegated Committees, subject to any rephrasing deemed necessary by the Chief Executive Officer to protect the privacy of third parties, and that the register include all declarations made since 24 October 2020;
   (c) endorse the requirement that Councillors must declare they do not have a conflict of interest when seeking to exercise powers outside Council meetings and meetings of Delegated Committees;
   (d) adopt the Councillor Workshop Transparency Policy at **Attachment One**, including the publication of a summary of proceedings for each Councillor Workshop; and
   (e) request that the chair of future Council meetings and meetings of Delegated Committees observe the custom of calling for a Division upon the vote for all motions before the meeting (except procedural motions).
2. That Council adopt the Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority (Planning Protocols) incorporating the changes set out at **Attachment Two**.
3. That Council establish the office of Deputy Mayor for 2023/2024.
4. That Council note this Governance Report on the Municipal Association of Victoria State Council – 13 October 2023.
5. That in the exercise of the powers conferred by s 147(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, Council resolves that Nanda CHAKRABARTY be appointed and authorised as set out in the instrument at **Attachment Three**, with the instrument coming into force immediately it is signed by Council's Chief Executive Officer, and remaining in force until Council determines to vary or revoke it.
6. That Council appoint _____ the Audit and Risk Committee as an independent member be appointed for 3 years commencing 1 December 2023.

Attachments

1⇩ Attachment 1 - Councillor Workshop Transparency Policy (draft)

2⇩ Attachment 2 - Protocols for the use of delegated authority with track changes

3⇩ Attachment 3 - TEMPLATE - Planning Enforcement Officer

4 Attachment 4 - Confidential - CV - Audit and Risk Committee Independent Member - *Confidential*

Councillor Workshop Transparency Policy

Title	**Councillor Workshop Policy**
Description	A policy to set out Council's position in relation to Councillor Workshops
Category	Governance
Type	Policy
Approval authority	Council
Responsible officer	Senior Governance Advisor
Approval date	14 November 2023
Review cycle	Every four years
Review date	14 November 2027
Document Reference	*added once adopted*
Human Rights compatibility	This policy has been assessed and is compatible with the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities

1. Purpose

1.1 This policy sets out Council's position in relation to the role of Councillor Workshops and the administrative and transparency measures in place.

2. Statement of Purpose

Purpose of Councillor Workshops

Councillor Workshops support Councillors to fulfil their legislative obligation to "diligently use Council processes to become informed about matters which are subject to Council decisions".

Councillor Workshops are an opportunity for the presentation of information to Councillors, responding to questions they might have and the provision of professional development and training.

Councillor Workshops cannot be used to make decisions, negotiate agreed positions or otherwise canvass, lobby or seek to influence the outcome of a decision to be made by an officer under delegation or by Council at a future meeting.

Councillor Workshop confidentiality is important. It encourages open and frank discussion, helps facilitate the development of vision and the implementation of an effective strategy to achieve that vision, and protects information that is confidential, personal, or relates to employment, commercial or legal matters.

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3. Role of Councillor Workshops

3.1 Councillor Workshops have no delegated authority to make decisions on Council's behalf and no legally binding decisions are made in these forums.

3.2 Councillor Workshops are designed to assist Councillors to fulfil their obligation at Schedule 1, clause 2(b) of the Local Government (Governance and Integrity) Regulations 2020 which requires that a Councillor *"diligently uses Council processes to become informed about matters which are subject to Council decisions."*

3.3 Councillor Workshops provide an opportunity to enhance the decision-making process and are a forum for the Chief Executive Officer and senior management to address any Councillor questions and provide additional background on matters or relevance to the Council.

3.4 Councillor Workshops are designed to better inform and encourage robust discussion and debate relating to Council initiatives, policies, plans and strategies.

3.5 Specifically, Councillor Workshops provide a forum for:

3.5.1 Councillors to be fully informed on complex matters that will allow for more effective discussion and debate during subsequent formal meetings;

3.5.2 Councillors to share their views with each other; and for Councillors to seek further information, clarification and background details from council officers or any guest presenters;

3.5.3 officers to advise Councillors of their professional opinions and reasoning behind their intended recommendations;

3.5.4 Councillors to adequately prepare for Council Meetings without the limitations and restrictions of formal debate.

3.6 While Councillor Workshops are not formal decision-making forums, officers may have regard to discussions and issues raised at Councillor Workshops in developing recommendations for a future Council meeting.

4. Expected conduct

4.1 Councillor Workshops are chaired by the Mayor, or in their absence the Deputy Mayor, or in their absence a Councillor agreed by the Councillors in attendance.

4.2 Councillor Workshops are to be approached with an open mind and participants are expected to participate in discussions with an open mind and be receptive to alternative positions and ideas.

4.3 Persons attending Councillor Workshops will:

4.3.1 treat other participants with courtesy and respect;

4.3.2 in the case of Councillors, adhere to the Councillor Code of Conduct, to the extent that its terms are relevant, and can be applied, to Councillor Workshops; and

4.3.3 in the case of Council staff, adhere to the Staff Code of Conduct, to the extent that its terms are relevant, and can be applied, to Councillor Workshops.

4.4 While Councillor Workshops are not subject to Chapter Two of Council's Governance Rules, it is important that they are conducted in an orderly and timely fashion. The Chair will:

4.4.1 ensure that the timeframes specified in the agenda are adhered to;

4.4.2 call on Councillors, who indicate that they have a question, to ask it;

4.4.3 direct that questions or comments that are irrelevant to the matter being considered are to be disregarded;

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4.4.4 direct that the Councillor Workshop move to the next item on the agenda;

4.4.5 ask that Councillors refrain from behaviour that might contradict the Councillor Code of Conduct; and

4.4.6 reduce or extend the time allocated for agenda items, if they consider it appropriate to do so.

5. Prohibited conduct

5.1 Councillor Workshops are not an opportunity to reach agreement or negotiate an outcome in relation to matters ahead of their presentation to Council for a formal decision.

5.2 Councillor workshops cannot be used by Councillors to lobby or otherwise seek support from other Councillors for a particular position or outcome in relation to a matter ahead of its presentation to Council.

5.3 Councillors will not make a decision at a Councillor Workshop about their support or otherwise in relation to a matter foreshadowed to be presented to a formal Council meeting for a decision. Councillors will ensure they maintain an open mind until they are asked to formally vote.

5.4 Persons attending Councillor Workshops will not:

5.4.1 raise matters that are defamatory, indecent, abusive, offensive, irrelevant, trivial or objectionable in language or substance;

5.4.2 participate in discussions relating to a matter in which they have a conflict of interest;

5.4.3 direct or seek to direct a Council officer in breach of section 124 of the Local Government Act 2020.

6. Participation

Councillors

6.1 Councillors are invited to attend Councillor Workshops in order to assist them to fulfil the obligation set out in the Local Government (Governance and Integrity) Regulations 2020 that a Councillor "diligently uses Council processes to become informed about matters which are subject to Council decisions".

6.2 For the purposes of the transparency reports, a Councillor's attendance will be recorded as:

6.2.1 In attendance, where they are present for all or part of the Councillor Workshop;

6.2.2 On leave, where they have obtained leave from Council under s35(1)(e) of the Local Government Act 2020 or where s35(5) or 35(6) applies.

6.2.3 Absent or Apology, where the Councillor is not present.

Staff

6.3 The Chief Executive Officer and relevant General Managers will attend all Councillor Workshops.

6.4 The Chief Executive Officer will extend an invitation to a Councillor Workshop (or part thereof) to relevant Council staff, including senior management and subject matter experts.

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Guest Attendance

6.5 The Chief Executive Officer may, after consulting with the Mayor, extend invitations to third parties to participate in Councillor Workshops (or part thereof) as appropriate.

6.6 Invitations to Councillor Workshops cannot be extended to third parties in relation to applications or prospective applications that they may make for planning scheme amendments, planning permits, heritage permits or other land use planning matters, with the exception of:

6.6.1 Commonwealth or state government departments and agencies; and

6.6.2 parties acting on behalf of, or in partnership with, Council.

Attendance by electronic means of participation

6.7 It is Council's view that Councillor Workshops are most effective when participants are physically present, and encourages all participants to attend in person. Council does however recognise that there are individual circumstances where this cannot be achieved and where participation by electronic means of participation is necessary.

6.8 Where the location, layout and technical capability of the meeting venue allows it, the Chief Executive Officer will make arrangements for the attendance by electronic means of participation by any Councillor who requests to participate in that manner with at least 24 hours' notice.

6.9 Where attending a meeting by electronic means of participation, a Councillor must both be able to hear and see other members in attendance and be heard and be seen by other members in attendance.

6.10 Councillors attending from a remote location may be asked to demonstrate to the chair's satisfaction that they are attending from a private and secure location that is free of distractions such that it is conducive to active participation in the meeting.

7. Administration

7.1 The Chief Executive Officer, after consulting with the Mayor, will establish a program of Councillor Workshops, including fixing the date, time and place.

7.2 The Chief Executive Officer, after consulting with the Mayor, shall set the agenda for Councillor Workshops.

7.3 Wherever practicable, agendas and briefing papers will be circulated to Councillors six days before the Councillor Workshop, to enable sufficient time to prepare for the meeting. Officer briefing papers are not public documents and will not be published.

7.4 No formal minutes are prepared for Councillor Workshops, however the Chief Executive Officer shall ensure sufficient records are kept to enable publications of the transparency reports set out below.

8. Transparency

Public Reporting

8.1 As soon as practicable after each Councillor Workshop, a summary of items discussed will be published on Council's website including:

8.1.1 the date of the meeting;

8.1.2 a list of the matters discussed at the meeting;

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8.1.3 details of Councillor attendance; and

8.1.4 details of any conflict of interest declared at the meeting.

8.2 Where the inclusion of a matter discussed at a Councillor Workshop would constitute the disclosure of confidential information, the list shall instead state "Confidential Matter" and state the grounds on which this determination has been made by reference to the grounds specified in the definition of confidential information in section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020.

Annual Report

8.3 Council's Annual Report shall include a table setting out the attendance details during the previous financial year of Councillors at Councillor Workshops.

Confidentiality

8.4 Councillor Workshop documents are not intended for public release, and in many cases contain confidential information as defined at section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020.

8.5 The intentional or reckless disclosure of confidential information by a Councillor or member of Council staff is an offence under section 125 of the Local Government Act 2020.

8.6 To assist participants to comply with their confidentiality obligations, the Chief Executive Officer shall indicate (by way of a watermark, footnote or other marking) on each document if it contains confidential information.

8.7 These provisions apply to all documents provided in connection with a Councillor Workshop including, but is not limited to:

8.7.1 agendas

8.7.2 briefing papers

8.7.3 briefing paper attachments

8.7.4 slide decks and presentations

8.7.5 meeting notes or minutes

9. Related Documents

- City of Yarra Governance Rules
- Local Government Act 2020

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Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority (Planning Protocols)

Title	**Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority (Planning Protocols)**
Description	A guide to Officers within Council's Statutory Planning Branch as to the proper exercise of powers and duties delegated to them by Council's Instrument of Delegation to Staff.
Category	Planning
Type	Policy
Approval authority	~~Council~~ General Manager City Strategy and Sustainability
Responsible officer	Manager Statutory Planning
Approval date	~~6 November 2019~~ 14 November 2023
Review cycle	Every four years
Review date	~~6 November 2023~~ 14 November 2027
Document Reference	
Human Rights compatibility	This policy has been assessed and is compatible with the Victorian Charter of Human Rights of Responsibilities

1. Introduction

These protocols form a guide to Officers within Council's Statutory Planning Branch as to the proper exercise of powers and duties delegated to them by Council's Instrument of Delegation to Staff. More specifically, the protocols provide guidance in relation to the exercise of powers of Council under the Planning and Environment Act 1987, which have been delegated to those Officers.

Importantly these Protocols must be read in conjunction with the Council's:

- Instrument of Delegation to Staff (as amended from time to time)
- Instrument of Delegation by the Council to the Planning Decisions Committee (as amended from time to time).

In any instance where this Protocol appears to contradict the Instrument of Delegation to Staff or the Instrument of Delegation to the by the Council to the Planning Decisions Committee (PDC), the relevant Instrument of delegation takes precedence.

In essence:

- the Instrument of Delegation to Staff allows Council to formally confer powers and duties upon specific officers
- this Protocol allows Council to set further guidelines upon the use of those delegated powers.

2. Operation of these Protocols

If a legislative power has been delegated by Council to a member of staff via the Instrument of Delegation to Council Staff and the conditions or limitation on that power require reference to these Protocols, the following procedures for the relevant category of application must be followed in the decision making process.

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Where the decision making process includes more than one category of application, the category requiring the higher level of delegation must be followed in determining an application.

General Note: any reference in this document to an application in respect of which no objections have been received includes an application that is exempt from notice requirements in the Planning and Environment Act 1987 or as application when Council's delegate has determined that notice is not required to be given in order to comply with section 52 of that Act.

3. Definitions

In these protocols:

Group A	**means**	~~Director Planning and Place Making~~ General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy Manager Statutory Planning Senior Coordinator Statutory Planning ~~Senior Coordinator Continuous Improvement~~ Coordinator Statutory Planning Appeals Advocate
Group B	**means**	Group A Principal Planner Senior Planner Subdivision Planner
Group C	**means**	Group B Statutory Planner
DAP	**means**	The Development Assessment Panel
~~IDAC~~ PDC	**means**	~~The Internal Development Approvals Committee~~ The Planning Decisions Committee

4. Categories of application

Categories of application	**Officer or body empowered to make decision or recommendation**
Heritage Overlay Detailing	
Applications for road side changes, furniture and detailing	Group B
Applications for development where development proposed is taller than the highest point of the existing building, excluding applications which qualify as a VicSmart application: • within the shaded area shown in clause 22.14 (Development Guidelines for Heritage Places in the World Heritage Environs Areas [WHEA] of the Yarra Planning Scheme; and • within the area designated as the 'Buffer Zone" in Map 8 of the World Heritage Environs Area	~~IDAC~~ PDC

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Categories of application	**Officer or body empowered to make decision or recommendation**
Heritage Victoria Referrals	
Process All Heritage Victoria referrals received are listed on the Council's website. All Heritage Victoria referrals including Council's responses to Heritage Victoria Referrals are published on Council's website. All Heritage Victoria referrals are emailed to all Councillors by the Manager Statutory Planning or delegate as soon as heritage advice has been received from Council's Heritage Advisors. Councillors have the authority to request any Heritage Referral be dealt with by the ~~Internal Development Approvals~~ Planning Decisions Committee within three working days of receiving notification from the Manager Statutory Planning.	
Response to *Heritage Victoria referrals* where no request has been received from a Councillor within three working days of the email notification from the Manager Statutory Planning.	Manager Statutory Planning
Response to *Heritage Victoria referrals* where a request has been received from a Councillor within three working days of the email notification from the Manager Statutory Planning.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Notification to Heritage Victoria where Council intends to make a submission within the allotted 14 day period but this will not be possible as the matter needs to be considered by the ~~Internal Development Approvals~~ Planning Decisions Committee.	Chief Executive Officer
Heritage Council Applications	
Process Where a matter is before the Heritage Council, the Manager Statutory Planning or delegate will advise Councillors of this in writing, including advice regarding the future conduct of the Heritage Council hearing. Councillors have the authority to request a Heritage Council report be dealt with by the ~~Internal Development Approvals~~ Planning Decisions Committee within three working days of receiving notification from the Manager Statutory Planning.	
Consideration of *Heritage Council applications* where no request has been received from a Councillor within three working days of the email notification from the Manager Statutory Planning.	Manager Statutory Planning
Consideration of *Heritage Council applications* where a request has been received from a Councillor within three working days of the email notification from the Manager Statutory Planning.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Additions to buildings	
Applications for *urban conservation detailing* ~~that generally comply with policy and guidelines and~~ with no objections.	Group B
Applications for *urban conservation detailing* ~~that generally comply with policy and guidelines and~~ with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for *urban conservation detailing* ~~that generally comply with policy and guidelines~~ with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Applications for *residential additions* ~~that generally comply with policy and~~ with no objections.	Group B
Applications for *residential additions* ~~that generally comply with policy and~~ with ~~1 to 5~~ any number of objections ~~(inclusive) from different properties.~~	DAP

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Categories of application	Officer or body empowered to make decision or recommendation
~~Applications for *residential additions* with 6 or more objections from different properties.~~	~~IDAC~~
New Residential	
Applications for *one house* ~~that generally complies with policy and~~ with no objections	Group B
Applications for *one house* ~~that generally complies with policy and~~ with ~~1 to 5~~ any number of objections ~~(inclusive) from different properties~~.	DAP
~~Applications for *one house* with 6 or more objections from different properties.~~	~~IDAC~~
Applications for *multi unit* (after advertising) ~~that generally comply with ResCode and Council policies and~~ with no objections.	Group A
Applications for *multi unit* (after advertising) ~~that generally comply with ResCode and Council policies and~~ with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for ~~*multi unit*~~ up to 3 dwellings (after advertising) ~~that generally comply with ResCode and Council policies and~~ with ~~1 to 5~~ any number of objections.	DAP
Applications for ~~*multi unit*~~ 4 or more dwellings (after advertising) with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Discretionary uses in residential zones	
Applications for *discretionary uses* ~~(after advertising) that generally comply with policy and~~ with no objections.	Group A
Applications for *discretionary uses* ~~(after advertising) that generally comply with policy and~~ with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for *discretionary uses* ~~(after advertising) that do not generally comply with policy and/or~~ with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Demolition in heritage overlay areas	
Applications for *partial demolition* ~~where the demolition generally complies with policy and~~ with no objections.	Group B
Applications for *whole demolition* ~~where the demolition generally complies with policy and~~ with no objections.	Group A
Applications for *partial or whole demolition* ~~where the demolition generally complies with policy and/or~~ with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for *partial or whole demolition* ~~where the demolition does not generally comply with policy and/or~~ and construction of up to 3 dwellings (after advertising) and any number of objections	~~IDAC~~ DAP
Applications for *partial or whole demolition* ~~where the demolition does not generally comply with policy and/or~~ and construction of 4 or more dwellings (after advertising) with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Commercial / Industrial	
Applications for *additions / new development* ~~that comply with policy and~~ with no objections.	Group B

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Categories of application	Officer or body empowered to make decision or recommendation
Applications for *additions / new development* ~~that comply with policy~~ up to $1 million for commercial and $2 million for industrial and with ~~1 to 5~~ any number of objections ~~(inclusive) from different properties.~~	DAP
Applications for *additions / new development* ~~that do not comply with policy~~ above $1 million for commercial and $2 million for industrial and ~~/or~~ with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for *additions / new development* ~~that do not comply with policy~~ above $1 million for commercial and $2 million for industrial and ~~/or~~ with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
~~Applications for *new* commercial / industrial that generally comply with policy and with no objections.~~	~~Group B~~
~~Applications for *new* commercial / industrial that generally comply with policy and with 1 to 5 objections (inclusive) from different properties.~~	~~DAP~~
~~Applications for *new* commercial / industrial that do not generally comply with policy and/or with 6 or more objections from different properties.~~	~~IDAC~~
Built form within a Design and Development Overlay	
TYPE A - Applications for *additions and or new works* that exceed the preferred maximum height controls by more than one storey (not including plant equipment and roof terraces) with any number of objections.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
TYPE B - Applications for *additions and or new works* with street setbacks to a heritage building that do not meet the preferred minimum setback requirements outlined within the Design and Development Overlays with any number of objections.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Applications for *additions and/or new works* that are not TYPE A or TYPE B ~~that generally comply with the preferred maximum height controls and~~ with no objections.	Group B
Applications for *additions and/or new works* that are not TYPE A or TYPE B ~~that generally comply with the preferred maximum height controls~~ or with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for *additions and/or new works* ~~that generally comply with the preferred maximum height controls and~~ with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Change of use from one discretionary use to another	
Applications for *change of use* with no objections.	Group A
Applications for *change of use* with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for *change of use* with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Non conforming uses	
Applications for *change of use* ~~*that is deemed no more detrimental*~~ with no objections	Group A
Applications for *change of use* ~~*that is deemed no more detrimental* and/or~~ with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for *change of use* ~~*that is deemed no more detrimental*~~ with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC

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Categories of application	Officer or body empowered to make decision or recommendation
Liquor Licences	
TYPE C – Planning permit applications for *liquor licence* that comply with the hours of operation outlined within Clause 22.09 of the Yarra Planning Scheme and do not propose more than 200 patrons with any number of objections	~~IDAC~~ DAP
Planning permit applications for *liquor licence* that are not TYPE C with 15 or more objections from different properties.	PDC
Planning permit applications for *liquor licence* with 1 to 14 (inclusive) objections from different properties.	DAP
Planning permit applications for *liquor licence* with no objections.	Group A
Electronic Gaming Machines	
Planning permit applications regarding Electronic Gaming Machines	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Outdoor Advertising	
Applications for *under verandah height* signage (approx. 3 metres) with no objections.	Group B
Applications for *under verandah height* signage (approx. 3 metres) with ~~1 to 5~~ any number of objections ~~(inclusive) from different properties.~~	DAP
~~Applications for *under verandah height* signage (approx. 3 metres) with 6 or more objections from different properties.~~	~~IDAC~~
Applications for *above verandah height* signage with no objections.	Group B
Applications for *above verandah height* signage with ~~1 to 5~~ any number of objections ~~(inclusive) from different properties.~~	DAP
~~Applications for *above verandah height* signage with 6 or more objections from different properties.~~	~~IDAC~~
Applications for *Major Promotion Signs* with no objections.	Group A
Applications for *Major Promotion Signs* with ~~1 to 5~~ any number of objections ~~(inclusive) from different properties.~~	DAP
~~Applications for *Major Promotion Signs* with 6 or more objections from different properties~~.	~~IDAC~~
Applications for *Signage in Road Reservations and / or Public Spaces* that generally comply with policy and with no objections.	Group A
Applications for *Signage in Road Reservations and / or Public Spaces* that generally comply with policy and with ~~1 to 5~~ any number of objections.	DAP
~~Applications for *Signage in Road Reservations and / or Public Spaces* that do not generally comply with policy and/or with 6 or more objections from different properties.~~	~~IDAC~~
Subdivision	
Applications for *existing buildings* where the subdivision complies with the development plan and with no objections.	Group B
Applications for *existing buildings* where the subdivision complies with the development plan and with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP

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Categories of application	**Officer or body empowered to make decision or recommendation**
Applications for *existing buildings* where the subdivision does not comply with the development plan and/or with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Applications for *new subdivisions* with no objections.	Group A
Applications for *new subdivision* with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
Applications for *new subdivision* with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Application for *certification* of plans of subdivision / other associated approvals such as Statement of Compliance.	Group C
Applications for permission *to remove or vary an easement / restriction* where the following circumstances exist: (i) The application has been advertised or referred to the benefited party and no objection is received, and (ii) In the case of an *easement / restriction in favour of a public authority*, the authority that has benefit of the easement has advised the Council in writing that no service exists within the easement and/or is no longer required, and/or (iii) In the case of an *easement / restriction in favour of other lot owners*, no lot benefiting from the easement objects to its removal or variation and the service may be or has already been provided to that lot by another route or the easement physically cannot be of benefit to the lot.	Group B
Applications to *re-align a boundary* where the application has been advertised and no objection has been received.	Group B
Other applications	
All other *application types* not specified with no objections.	Group A
All other *application types* not specified with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 objections (inclusive) from different properties.	DAP
All other *application types* not specified with ~~6~~ 15 or more objections from different properties.	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal – Compulsory Conference	
Where a matter relates to a Compulsory Conference before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the matter seeks to settle or part settle a Statutory Planning Department decision with no parties ~~other than Council~~ in addition to Council and the Applicant, for applications under section 79 (failure appeal with position of support), section 80 (conditions appeal), section 82 (objector appeal) and section 87A (amend permit).	~~Group A~~ Group B
Where a matter relates to a Compulsory Conference before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the matter seeks to settle or part settle a Statutory Planning Department decision with 1 to ~~5~~ 14 parties ~~other than Council~~ in addition to Council and the Applicant, for applications under section 79 (failure appeal with position of support), section 80 (conditions appeal), section 82 (objector appeal) and section 87A (amend permit).	~~IDAC~~ ~~DAP~~ Group A

Protocols for the Use of Delegated Authority (Planning Protocols)

Categories of application	Officer or body empowered to make decision or recommendation
Where a matter relates to a Compulsory Conference before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the matter seeks to settle or part settle a Statutory Planning Department decision with 0 to ~~5~~ 14 parties ~~other than Council~~ in addition to Council and the Applicant, for applications under section 77 (refusal) and section 79 (failure appeal with position of refusal).	DAP
Where a matter relates to a Compulsory Conference before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the matter seeks to settle or part settle a Statutory Planning Department decision with ~~6~~ 15 or more parties ~~other than Council~~ in addition to Council and the Applicant	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Where a matter relates to a Compulsory Conference before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the matter seeks to settle or part settle applications under section 77 (refusal appeal) and 79 (failure appeal with position of refusal) whereby the Planning Decisions Committee are the body empowered to approve the application regardless of the number of objections (eg. where building height exceeds the preferred maximum height by more than one storey specified in a Design and Development Overlay).	~~IDAC~~ PDC
Where a matter relates to a Compulsory Conference before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the matter seeks to settle or part settle a Planning Decisions Committee decision with no parties ~~other than Council~~ in addition to Council and the Applicant, and the settlement does not amend or delete a condition imposed by the ~~internal Development approvals Committee~~ Planning Decisions Committee (excluding inconsequential or trivial changes)	~~IDAC~~ ~~DAP~~ Group B
Where a matter relates to a Compulsory Conference before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the matter seeks to settle or part settle a Planning Decisions Committee decision with 1 to 14 parties in addition to Council and the Applicant, and the settlement does not amend or delete a condition imposed by the ~~internal Development approvals Committee~~ Planning Decisions Committee (excluding inconsequential or trivial changes)	~~IDAC~~ ~~DAP~~ Group A
Where a matter relates to a Compulsory Conference before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the matter seeks to settle or part settle a Planning Decisions Committee decision and the settlement does amend or delete a condition imposed by the ~~Internal Development Approvals~~ Planning Decisions Committee (excluding inconsequential or trivial changes)	~~IDAC~~ PDC
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Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation
Planning Enforcement Officer

In this instrument "officer" means -

[INSERT OFFICER NAME]

By this instrument of appointment and authorisation, Yarra City Council –

1. under section 147(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 - appoints the officer to be an authorised officer for the purposes of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 and the regulations made under that Act; and
2. under section 313 of the Local Government Act 2020 - authorises the officer either generally or in a particular case to institute proceedings for offences against the Acts and regulations described in this instrument.

It is declared that this Instrument -

(a) comes into force immediately upon its execution; and
(b) remains in force until varied or revoked.

This instrument is authorised by a resolution of the Yarra City Council on [insert date].

Sue Wilkinson
Chief Executive Officer
Yarra City Council

[insert date]

7.7 Quarterly Report - Quarter 1 2023-24

Reference	D23/427694
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Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

Purpose

1. To present the 2023/24 Quarter One Annual Plan progress report, Financial report and Capital Works progress report.

Critical analysis

History and background

2. The Council Plan 2021-25 incorporating the Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan was adopted by Council on 19 October 2021 in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act).
3. Supporting the Council Plan is an annual action plan that outlines the principal activities that will be undertaken over the course of each financial year.
4. The Local Government Act 2020 requires that Council publish a quarterly statement comparing the budgeted revenue and expenditure for the financial year with the actual revenue and expenditure to date.
5. The Quarterly Report provides a comprehensive, integrated report of progress against strategic indicators, the delivery of the Council Plan, budget and capital works program delivery.
6. Over the last year, significant focus has been directed to strengthening the format and content of the Quarterly Report to Council.
7. New inclusions in the Quarter One report for the 2023/24 financial year include progress on key activities and metrics for the quarter and updates on a number of Council's strategies:
   (a) A summary of community engagement activities for the quarter;
   (b) Updates on the implementation of key Council strategies. This report provides information about the Nature Strategy, Access and Inclusion Strategy, Active Healthy and Ageing Action Plan and Heritage Strategy; and
   (c) Quarterly statutory planning and parking activity data.
8. This work is ongoing. In addition to the above, the Quarter Two report for 2023/24 which will be presented to Council in February 2024 will include:
   (a) Highlights of key Council events held during the quarter i.e. citizenship ceremonies;
   (b) Recreation and leisure metrics; and
   (c) Quarterly VCAT data.

Discussion

Quarter One – Budget

9. Like all other councils across Victoria, Yarra is facing financial challenges with rising cost pressures, rate capping and cost shifting, coupled with unprecedented growth and increasing pressure and demand on its services.

10. More recently, changes to the current economic landscape have compounded these challenges with high levels of inflation and significant increases to cost of services, labour, utilities and construction materials.

11. As part of our commitment to improving Council's financial health we have developed a draft Financial Sustainability Strategy. This document has been prepared to identify reforms and direction on how to achieve a healthy long-term financial position. The Strategy recommends a set of initiatives which Council can immediately pursue to uplift Council's financial position to 2031/32 and beyond.

12. Community feedback on the draft Financial Sustainability Strategy has now closed. The feedback received is currently being reviewed and will be reported to Council in the near future.

2023/24 September YTD net result

13. The YTD actual net result is $9m favourable to the YTD budget. This is comprised of permanent changes and timing of transactions driven by:

    (a) Permanent increase in Statutory Fees and Fines;

    (b) Operating Grant carry forward income from 2022/23;

    (c) Timing of Contributions received for Open space reserve; and

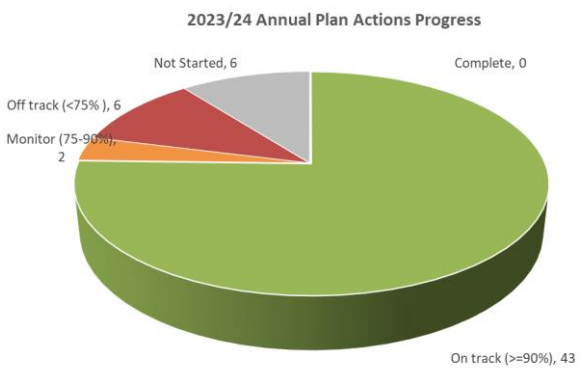
    (d) Savings in YTD materials and services.

14. The financial position as at 30 September 2023 shows a cash and investment balance of $92.64 (June $81.1m) which is partially funded by $33.8m of borrowings.

15. Cash and investment balances are adjusted for restricted cash and intended allocation obligations, providing Council with a balance of $36.33m being unrestricted cash ($5.39m on 30 June 2023). However, this movement is largely driven by the timing gap of receipts from rates instalments and the payments for suppliers and capital works to be paid during 2023/24.

2023/24 Annual Plan Quarter One

16. At the end of September, 84% of Annual Plan actions scheduled to have started are On Track. The annual performance target is 75%.



Strategic Onbjective	Complete	On track (>=90%)	Monitor (75-90%)	Off track (<75%)	Not Started	Total
Climate and environment	0	7	0	0	1	8
Social equity and health	0	12	2	0	3	17
Local economy	0	3	0	1	1	5
Place and nature	0	12	0	2	1	15
Transport and movement	0	4	0	1	0	5
Democracy and governance	0	5	0	2	0	7
Total	0	43	2	6	6	57

17. The City of Yarra Community Report – Quarter 1 2023/24 includes a detail breakdown on the progress of each action in the Annual Plan and commentary on the achievement in quarter 1.

18. The following action and milestones could not be achieved due to a change in the project status.

    (a) 4.1.2.1 Brunswick Street Oval precinct redevelopment

19. Tenders for the project were received and evaluated. Unfortunately, the prices tendered significantly exceeded the budget available for the project. Work is undertaken with key stakeholders, including clubs and funding partners, to explore options for a revised project that is within existing budget.

20. The State Government funding for this project has been deferred to 2024/25 budget period. Officers seek to amend the action milestones to reflect the change in activity for the remainder of this year.

    Current milestones for 2023/24:

September	Tender evaluation complete for Brunswick St Oval works
December	
March	Works on-site commenced
June	

    Proposed revised milestones 2023/24:

September	Tender evaluation complete for Brunswick St Oval works
December	
March	New Concept Designs Completed
June	Detailed Design Contract Awarded

Community and stakeholder engagement

21. The Annual Plan is informed by initiatives in the adopted Council Plan 2021-25. Extensive community engagement was undertaken during the development of the Council Plan 2021-25.

22. Council's Community Engagement Policy guides the approaches taken for community engagement for the individual projects contained in the Annual Plan.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

23. The structure of the Annual Plan is aligned to the six Strategic Objectives of the Council Plan 2021-25 that respond to Yarra 2036 Community Vision.

24. Actions in the Annual Plan are closely aligned to Initiatives in the Council Plan.

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

25. The Council Plan 2021-25 includes a Strategic Objective 'Climate and Environment' that addresses climate emergency and sustainability implications. The Annual Plan includes seven actions that respond to Initiatives in this Strategic Objective.

Community and social implications

26. The Council Plan 2021-25 includes a Strategic Objective 'Social equity and health' that addresses community and social implications. The Annual Plan includes seventeen actions that respond to Initiatives in this Strategic Objective.

Economic development implications

27. The Council Plan 2021-25 includes a Strategic Objective 'Local economy' that addresses economic development implications. The Annual Plan includes five actions that respond to Initiatives in this Strategic Objective.

Human rights and gender equality implications

28. The Council Plan 2021-25 includes a Strategic Objective 'Social equity and health' that addresses equity, inclusion, wellbeing and human rights considerations. The Annual Plan includes seventeen actions that respond to Initiatives in this Strategic Objective.

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

29. This report provides an analysis of progress against the Council Plan and budget for the first quarter 2023/24 financial year.

Legal Implications

30. N/A

Conclusion

31. The Quarter 1 - Quarterly Report 2023/24 provides the community with an update of progress against the Council Plan and budget.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That:
   - (a) Council notes the Quarter 1 - Quarterly Report 2023/24 provided at Attachment 1; and
   - (b) Council endorses the following amendments to the Annual Plan action milestones;
     - (i) 4.1.2.1 Brunswick Street Oval precinct redevelopment.

       Remove milestone:

March	Works on-site commenced

       New milestones:

March	New Concept Designs Completed
June	Detailed Design Contract Awarded

Attachments

1⇩ Attachment 1 - City of Yarra Quarterly Community Report

City of Yarra Quarterly Report

Quarter One 2023/24

September 2023

Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and true sovereigns of the land now known as Yarra. 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 and to their Elders past, present and future.

Executive Summary

The Quarterly Report provides an integrated report of progress against strategic indicators, the delivery of the Council Plan, budget and capital works program delivery.

Over the last year, significant focus has been directed to strengthening the format and content of the Quarterly Report to Council to provide more information and to share highlights from the previous quarter.

New inclusions in the Quarter One report for the 2023/24 financial year include progress on key activities and metrics for the quarter and updates on a number of Council's strategies;

(a) A summary of community engagement activities for the quarter
(b) Updates on the implementation of key Council strategies. This report provides information about the Nature Strategy, Access and Inclusion Strategy, Active Healthy and Ageing Action Plan and Heritage Strategy
(c) Quarterly planning and parking data

Some of the highlights from this quarter include:

Council Plan 2021-25

There are 57 actions planned for delivery this financial year. As of 30 September 2023, 51 actions are in progress. For the month of September, 84% of our actions are on-track, which is well-above our performance target of 75%.

Some of the current work in progress includes:

- Development of the new Climate Emergency Plan
- The progression of the Zero carbon development planning scheme amendment
- Promoting access and inclusion for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities
- Advancing Yarra's Homelessness Strategy.

Capital Works

Council's 2023/2024 Capital Works Program features an investment of $34.01 million, consisting of a new budget allocation of $26.76m and carry over projects with a budget of $7.25m from the previous financial year.

The community can follow the progress of our many projects across the City via a new map of Council's current Capital Works infrastructure projects for 2023/24 which is available on Council's website at: https://www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/about-us/council-information/current-works

Financial Sustainability

Council is committed to the responsible management of ratepayer's funds and ensuring our community can thrive, now and into the future. As part of our commitment to improve Council's financial health we have developed a draft Financial Sustainability Strategy. This document has been prepared to identify reforms and direction on how to achieve a healthy long-term financial position.

Like all councils in Victoria, Yarra is facing financial challenges including rising cost pressures, cost-shifting of services from other levels of government, and the impact of unprecedented growth on our services and infrastructure.

The draft Financial Sustainability Strategy looks at the predicted numbers in our Long-Term Financial Plan and identifies ways to address them, so that we are in an improved financial position and can deliver for our community.

Central to the strategy are the seven strategic levers which are practical and achievable actions and outcomes. These levers will help us get to where we need to be and guide Council's direction over the next decade. Moving forward, we will provide updates on the progress of this strategy subject to its endorsement by Council at the end of the year.

Community Engagement

This year Council has created even more opportunities for our community to speak directly with our Councillors about the issues that matter to them.

Council has been holding a series of in-person events throughout the year across the City including via our Meet the Mayor sessions, Councillor Conversations events, Ward Listening Posts and Community Tuesdays.

Highlights from the last quarter include:

- An event with community health organisations, local GPs, the local Public Health Unit, and the local Primary Health Network to discuss the issues currently impacting primary health care and what actions are being taken and what is needed for future advocacy.
- Yarra Conversations: 'Zeroing in on homelessness' which included Launch Housing, cohealth and the St Mary's House of Welcome, as well as hearing from a guest speaker with a lived experience of homelessness.
- Ward Listening Posts were held across all the three wards in September.
- Three Councillor Conversations were held this quarter in Abbotsford, Fitzroy North and Alphington which were attended by around 80 community members.

In addition, in the last quarter Council undertook 14 community engagements in relation to current projects.

Community Engagement Activities

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Council has been holding a series of in-person events throughout the year across the City including via our Meet the Mayor sessions, Councillor Conversations events, Ward Listening Posts and Community Tuesdays. In the last quarter we have held the following in person engagement activities for councillors;

- Councillors, Community Health Organisations, local GPs, the local Public Health Unit and the local Primary Health Network met to discuss what is happening locally regarding primary health care, what actions are being taken to address issues and what is needed for future advocacy
- Yarra Conversations: 'Zeroing in on homelessness' – event for Homelessness Week, including local stakeholders and guest speakers was held in August
- Ward listening posts were held across the three wards in September
- Four "Meet the Mayor" sessions held in Carlton, Alphington, North Fitzroy and Fitzroy
- Three Councillor Conversations with Community events in Abbotsford, Fitzroy North and Alphington which were attended by approximately 80 community members

An evaluation of the program from February to July this year was also undertaken this quarter. The evaluation showed strong community support for these in-person events to continue in 2024.

A new program of events is currently being developed with a strong focus on creating more opportunities for our community to engage in person with councillors and ensuring active engagement with our diverse community and under-represented voices.

During the July to September quarter of the 2023/24 financial year, Council has undertaken 14 engagements in relation to current projects. The engagements undertaken include:

- Council Order Review (including the proposed introduction of a cat curfew and changes to some dog off-lead parks.)
- Keeping Yarra flood resilient – Stage 1
- Safer streets - Alphington – Stage 1
- Fast-tracking Neighbourhood Batteries - Stage 2
- Future directions for Heidelberg Rd

- A new pocket park on Charlotte Street – Stage 2
- Charles Evans Reserve upgrade
- Container Deposit Scheme
- Transport Action Plan
- Financial Sustainability Strategy
- A strategy for a multicultural Yarra – Stage 1
- Nicholson Street – Intersection upgrade pilot (ongoing engagement)
- Coppin Street – Intersection upgrade pilot (ongoing engagement)
- A new bike lane for Park Street, Fitzroy North (ongoing engagement)

As part of best practice engagement, encouraging participation, making engagements more accessible and inclusive and ensuring broad representation from our diverse community, we are continually trying new approaches to the way we engage. The following are some examples:

- Using mapping tools for the ‘Keeping Yarra flood resilient’ and ‘Safer streets – Alphington’ engagements.
- Using translated messages and QR codes on signage to promote the ‘Council Order Review’.
- Using decals as part of the ‘a new pocket park on Charlotte Street’ engagement which showed before and after images of the proposed concept designs and provided our community with strong visual cues on what was being proposed.
- Using images and icons for ‘A strategy for multicultural Yarra’ engagement to improve accessibility and encourage participation from community members who do not speak English as their first language.
- Using Bicultural Liaison officers at engagement sessions to provide in language support and disseminate information about engagements such as ‘A strategy for a multicultural Yarra’ This provided Council with better access to communities who had been identified as under-represented and helped overcome some identified barriers to participation.

Citizenship Ceremonies

Yarra is a proud culturally diverse community and Citizenship Ceremonies celebrate the value and vibrancy this level of diversity brings to our local community.

In Yarra, 1 in 5 residents speak a language other than English at home with almost 30 per cent of our residents born overseas. It is our strong belief that our multiculturalism is central to what makes our city a vibrant place to live, work and visit. At Yarra we work hard to make sure that our city is a place where all people feel welcome regardless of their race, culture, religion or language.

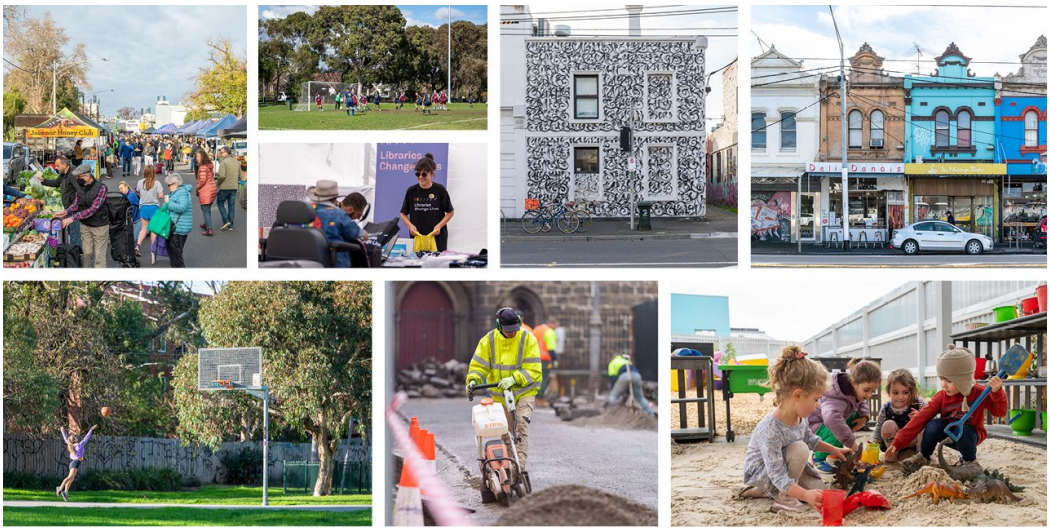
We acknowledge the City of Yarra is the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri, and a place of special significance for the broader Aboriginal community.

In April this year Yarra City Council held its first citizenship ceremony in five years following a decision by the Federal Government to reintstate Councils right to do so.

It was a very special day at Collingwood Town Hall as Council welcomed migrants from all around the world, with large groups born in Britain, Vietnam, India and the USA. On the day we welcomed 200 new Australian citizens.

Since then, a total of 711 people from across Yarra have become Australian Citizens.

Financial Sustainability Strategy



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Financial sustainability is Council's ability to manage its financial resources in a responsible and efficient manner over the long term. It means consistently having sufficient reserves set aside to meet unforeseen or emergency expenses and to respond to growth, without relying on additional borrowing or compromising essential services.

In today's complex and rapidly changing economic landscape, local governments face unique challenges and responsibilities in effective financial management. Like all councils in Victoria, Yarra is facing financial challenges including rising cost pressures, cost-shifting of services from other levels of government, and the impact of unprecedented growth on our services and infrastructure.

The draft Financial Sustainability Strategy will guide future decision-making, so that Council can transparently, proactively, and prudently plan to be financially sustainable.

Central to the strategy are the 7 strategic levers, practical and achievable actions and outcomes. These levers will maximise our community impact, deliver efficient and effective services and infrastructure and help us get to where we need to be as well as guide Council's direction over many years.

Community feedback on the draft Financial Sustainability Strategy has now closed. The feedback received is currently being reviewed and will be reported to Council in the near future.

Quarter One - Financial update

Comprehensive Income Statement

Comprehensive Income Statement	YTD Budget $'000	YTD Actuals $'000	YTD Variance $'000	Annual Budget $'000	Annual Forecast $'000	Annual Variance $'000
Income						
Rates and charges	130,248	129,962	(286)	132,118	131,898	(220)
Statutory fees and fines	8,619	10,109	1,490	35,592	36,792	1,200
User Fees	9,578	9,638	60	35,216	33,226	(1,990)
Grants - Operating	4,831	6,090	1,259	18,739	17,914	(826)
Grants - Capital	-	497	497	7,263	2,349	(4,914)
Contributions - OSR	1,250	2,215	965	5,000	5,200	200
Contributions - Other monetary	328	849	522	1,351	2,408	1,057
Reimbursements	536	1,075	539	761	1,074	313
Other Income	450	1,077	628	2,154	2,574	419
Net gain/(loss) on disposal	137	304	167	134	183	50
Total income	**155,976**	**161,815**	**5,840**	238,329	**233,618**	**(4,710)**
Expenses						
Employee Costs	26,842	26,780	62	101,490	102,244	(755)
Materials and services	21,147	18,194	2,953	89,398	88,914	484
Depreciation & Amortisation	6,502	6,439	63	25,697	25,697	0
Amortisation - right of use assets	60	143	(83)	234	234	(0)
Bad and doubtful debts	1,250	916	334	5,095	5,270	(175)
Borrowing costs	234	243	(9)	894	894	-
Interest Exp - Leases	2	45	(43)	8	136	(129)
Other expenses	156	141	15	753	753	(0)
Total expenses	**56,193**	**52,900**	**3,292**	223,568	**224,142**	**(575)**
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	**99,783**	**108,915**	**9,132**	14,761	**9,476**	**(5,285)**

The full year forecast surplus has reduced by $5.3m, primarily due to Brunswick Street Oval project and grant funding under consideration to be deferred to 2024/25.

Other decreases in the forecast surplus are driven by a reduction in the utilisation of Childcare and Leisure Centres of $0.8m and $0.8m respectively. Some sector wide staff shortages have resulted in savings in employee costs however providing an overspend in agency labour costs.

The above decreases are partially offset with the following income increases to the forecast surplus. Statutory fees and fines ($1.5m) driven by improved resource allocation to increase infringements, operating grants ($1.3m), and other income ($0.7m) as a result of higher than anticipated cash available for investment and higher interest rates.

At this stage of the financial year, there is no change to the overall financial sustainability risk rating as budgeted.

Variance analysis is prepared based on a comparison of YTD actuals, YTD budget and end of year forecast.
YTD actual results to YTD budget is favourable by $9.2m. This result is driven by the following:

Revenue

a) Statutory Fees are favourable YTD, as a result of improved resource allocation to increase parking infringement notices and increased Parking meter fees income ($1.285m).

b) User Fees are unfavourable YTD in Family and Children services ($0.397m), Traffic and Civil Engineering ($0.185m) and Footpath trading fees ($0.133m). Full year forecast includes variance from Family and Children services ($0.876m), Property and Leisure ($0.860m) and Footpath trading fees ($0.331m).

c) Operating Grants are favourable YTD due to grant income carried forward from 2022/23 ($0.771m). Revenue is recognised progressively throughout the year as the projects are delivered. Further, impacts to the YTD variance is the timing of funding for Children's Services and Aged and Disability services. Forecasts have been revised to reflect unbudgeted grant income, decreased utilisation as well as reduction in Victorian Local Government Grants Commission (VLGGC) grant ($1.484m).

d) Grants - Capital are favourable YTD due to unbudgeted grant income ($0.498m) carried forward from 2022/23. Revenue is recognised progressively throughout the year as the projects are delivered. Associated expenses are captured in the capital works program. Impacting the variance to forecast is the timing difference for Brunswick Street Oval between the receipt of grant funding and delivery of the project ($4.700m) and Collingwood College ($0.385m).

e) Reimbursements are favourable YTD, driven by increased revenue from construction & development reinstatements ($0.099m) and carry forward income from 2022/23 ($0.290m). Forecasts have been updated to reflect the increased revenue.

f) Other Income is favourable YTD, driven by increased interest on investments ($0.555m), which has also been reflected in the annual forecast.

g) Net gain on disposal of assets is favourable YTD due to unbudgeted income from proceeds of Asset sales. Forecasts have been updated to reflect the unbudgeted income.

Expenses

e) Employee Costs are favourable YTD largely due to favourable movements in Annual leave and Long service leave provision. Full year forecast is unfavourable due to increases in sector wide vacancies resulting in increased Agency costs ($0.451m) and work cover premium ($0.450m).

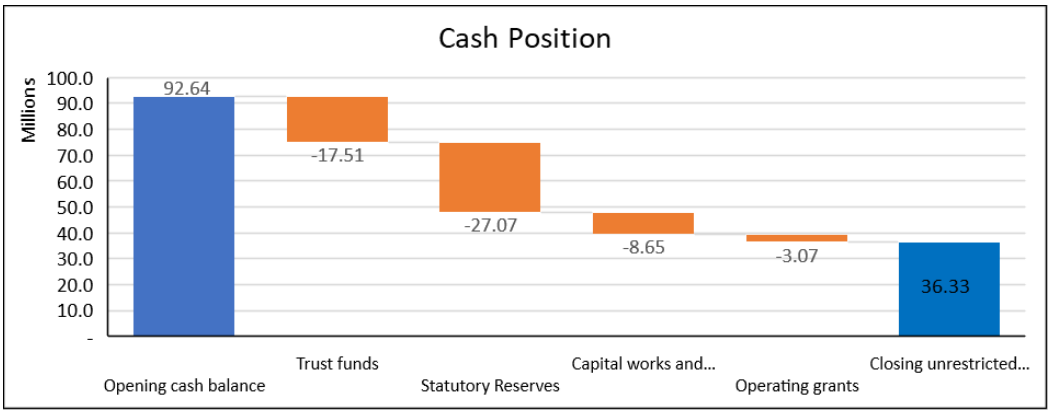
f) Materials & Services YTD favourable variance with the biggest drivers are delays in budget utilisation for Legal and Consultant costs ($1.100m), timing in processing utility costs ($0.226m) and insurance payment ($0.110m) as well as savings across City Works mainly for contract payments and processing costs ($0.696m).

Capital Works Program

At 30 September 2023, YTD actuals $3.334m are lower than YTD budget of $5.229m and includes spend of $1.019m from carryovers of $7.248m.

Financial Results Summary	YTD Budget	YTD Actuals	YTD Variance	Annual Budget	Current Final Projection	Annual Variance
	$'000	$'000	$'000	$'000	$'000	$'000
New asset expenditure	2,175	980	1,195	12,424	8,414	4,010
Asset renewal expenditure	2,826	2,252	573	20,043	18,694	1,349
Asset upgrade expenditure	228	101	127	1,541	1,447	95
Total capital works expenditure	**5,229**	**3,334**	**1,895**	**34,008**	**28,555**	**5,454**

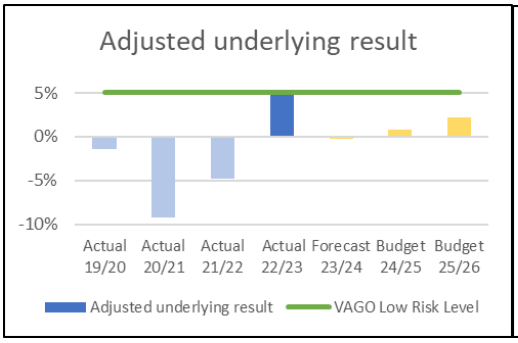
Cash Position

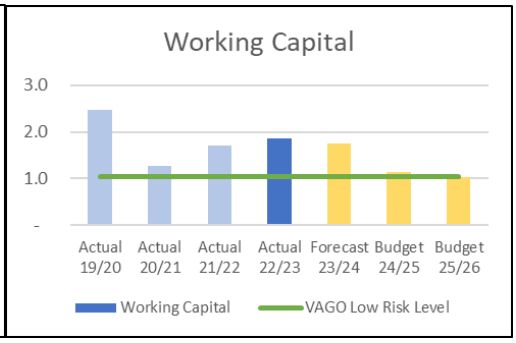


At 30 September 2023, Council has total cash of $92.64m, of which $33.81m is funded by borrowings. Unrestricted and unallocated cash position is $36.33m, moving from $5.39m as at 30 June 2023.

This movement in unrestricted and unallocated cash is largely driven by the timing of receipts from rates instalments and the payments for suppliers and capital works to be paid during 2023/24.

Financial Sustainability Ratios



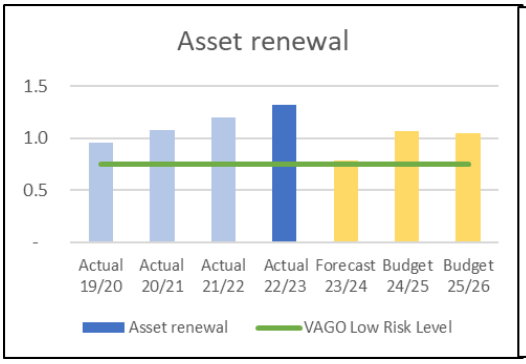


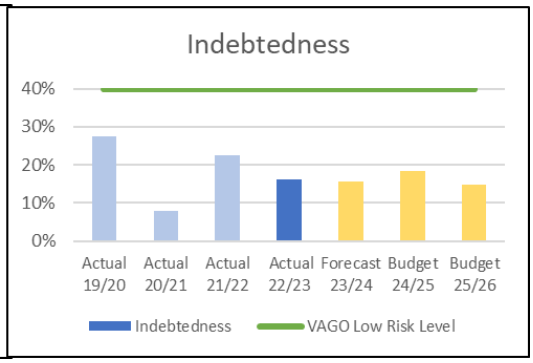
Adjusted underlying surplus (deficit) / adjusted underlying revenue

This ratio measures an entity's ability to generate its own cash. A positive result indicates a surplus, the larger the percentage, the stronger the result. The result highlights Councils challenges in generating enough cash to fund future capital works without borrowing.

Current assets / current liabilities

Compares current assets to current liabilities, which provides a measure of the ability to pay existing liabilities in the next 12 months. This year's result expected to be in the low-risk range.





Renewal & upgrade spend/ depreciation

Ratios higher than 1.0 indicate that spending on existing assets is faster than the depreciation rate. This year's result is expected to stay in the low-risk range.

Non-current liabilities/own-source revenue

Measures Council's ability to pay the principal and interest on its borrowings when they are due from the funds it generates. This year's result is expected to stay in the low-risk range.

Treasury Corporation of Victoria (TCV) Loan financial covenants

TCV loan requirements		Target	Current Month
Interest Cover	EBITDA/Interest Expense	> 2.0	472
Interest Bearing Loans	Interest Bearing Liabilities /Own Source Revenue	< 60%	22.22%

TCV financing is conditional upon Council maintaining a sustainable financial position when measured by the interest cover and interest-bearing loans ratios. YTD results indicate that Council is meeting the minimum requirements. TCV loan requirements are well within target given limited borrowing compared to own source revenue and liability obligations.

Statement of Financial Position

Statement of Financial Position	YTD Actuals $'000	30/06/23 Actuals $'000	Movement Inc/(Dec) $'000
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	37,636	31,124	6,512
Trade and other receivables	145,636	25,721	119,915
Other financial assets	55,000	50,000	5,000
Inventories	147	147	-
Non-current assets classified as held for sale	-	-	-
Other assets	703	2,148	(1,445)
Total current assets	239,121	**109,139**	**129,982**
Non-current assets			
Investments in joint arrangements	5	5	-
Property, infrastructure ,plant and equipment	1,923,233	1,926,440	(3,207)
Right-of-use assets	2,949	279	2,670
Total non-current assets	1,926,187	**1,926,724**	**(537)**
Total assets	2,165,308	**2,035,863**	**129,446**
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	6,334	7,188	(854)
Trust funds and deposits	34,088	15,797	18,292
Unearned income/revenue	14,527	13,413	1,114
Provisions	18,344	17,759	585
Interest-bearing liabilities	3,312	4,399	(1,087)
Lease liabilities	548	249	299
Total current liabilities	77,152	**58,804**	**18,348**
Non-current liabilities			
Other Liabilities	393	386	7
Provisions	1,186	1,227	(41)
Interest-bearing liabilities	30,501	30,501	-
Lease liabilities	2,267	50	2,216
Total non-current liabilities	34,347	**32,165**	**2,182**
Total liabilities	111,500	**90,969**	**20,531**
Net assets	2,053,809	**1,944,894**	**108,915**
Equity			
Accumulated surplus	672,933	651,149	21,784
Asset revaluation reserves	1,244,894	1,244,894	-
Other reserves	27,067	25,575	1,492
Surplus for the year	108,915	23,276	85,639
Total equity	2,053,809	**1,944,894**	**108,915**

Statement of Cashflows

Statement of Cash Flows	YTD Actuals $'000 Inflows (Outflows)	Annual Budget $'000 Inflows (Outflows)	Annual Forecast $'000 Inflows (Outflows)	Annual Variance $'000 Inflows (Outflows)
Cash flows from operating activities				
Rates and charges	29,334	132,797	130,579	(2,218)
Statutory fees and fines	9,758	32,033	36,424	4,391
User fees	5,529	35,136	33,226	(1,909)
Grants - operating	7,204	18,739	17,914	(826)
Grants - capital	497	7,263	2,349	(4,914)
Contributions - monetary	3,064	6,351	5,200	(1,151)
Interest received	955	1,800	2,408	608
Trust funds and deposits taken/(repaid)	2,706	-	3,648	3,648
Other receipts	578	1,196	-	(1,196)
Net GST refund/(payment)	1,190	-	-	-
Payments to Employees	(26,236)	(101,505)	(102,244)	(739)
Payments to Suppliers	(18,465)	(90,117)	(90,067)	50
Net cash (used in) / provided by operating activities	**16,114**	**43,692**	**39,436**	**(4,256)**
Cash flows from investing activities				
Payments for property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	(6,045)	(34,008)	(28,555)	5,454
Proceeds from sale of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	304	350	400	50
Payments for investments	(5,000)	-	-	-
Net cash used in investing activities	**(10,742)**	**(33,658)**	**(28,155)**	**5,503**
Cash flows from financing activities				
Finance costs	(243)	(894)	(894)	(0)
Proceeds from Borrowings	-		-	-
Repayment of borrowings	(1,087)	(4,399)	(4,399)	-
Interest paid - lease liability	(45)	(8)	(136)	(129)
Repayment of lease liabilities	2,515	(249)	(766)	(517)
Net cash used in financing activities	**1,140**	**(5,549)**	**(6,195)**	**-**
Net decrease in cash held	6,512	4,485	5,087	602
Cash at beginning of period	31,124	82,566	81,123	(1,443)
Cash at end of period	**37,636**	**87,051**	**86,209**	**(841)**

Financial Assets	
Cash at end of period	37,636
Term Deposits	55,000
Total financial assets	**92,636**

Future items to be funded	
Trust Funds and deposits	17,510
Statutory reserves	27,067
Capital works carry forwards (including capital grants funding)	8,655
Operating grant carry overs	3,070
Total	**56,301**
Unrestricted cash balance	**36,334**

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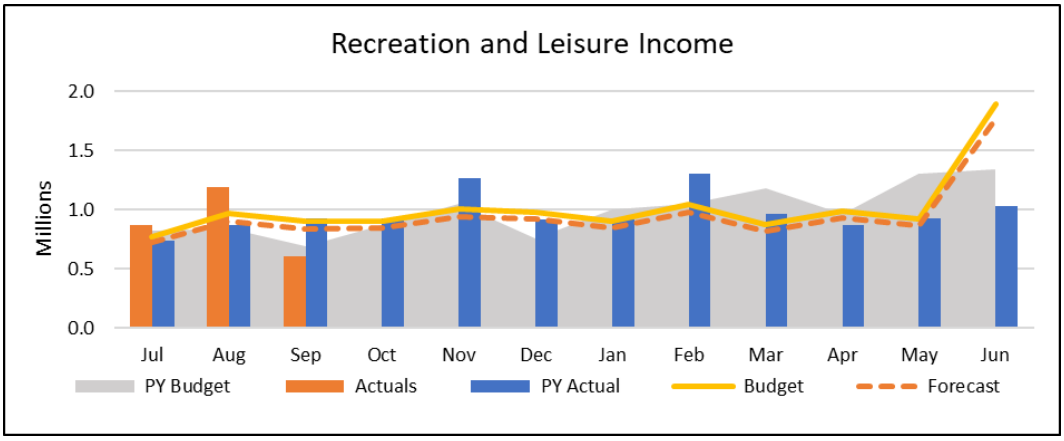
Operating Performance

Recreation and Leisure

Recreation and Leisure actual results are tracking to budget as at the end of September quarter, the annual forecast has been decreased to recognise some closures to facilities to allow for renewal/upgrade works.



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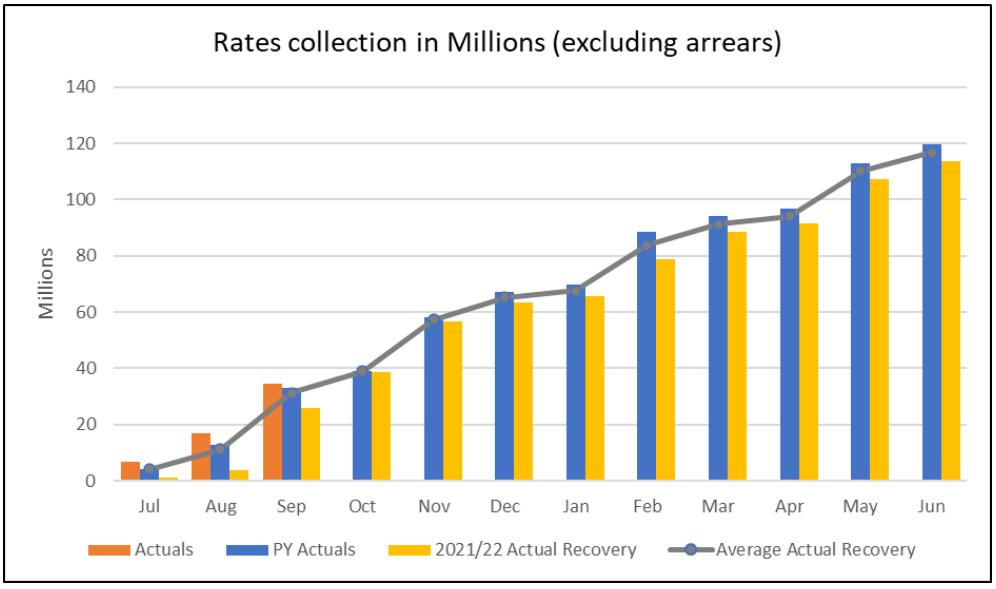
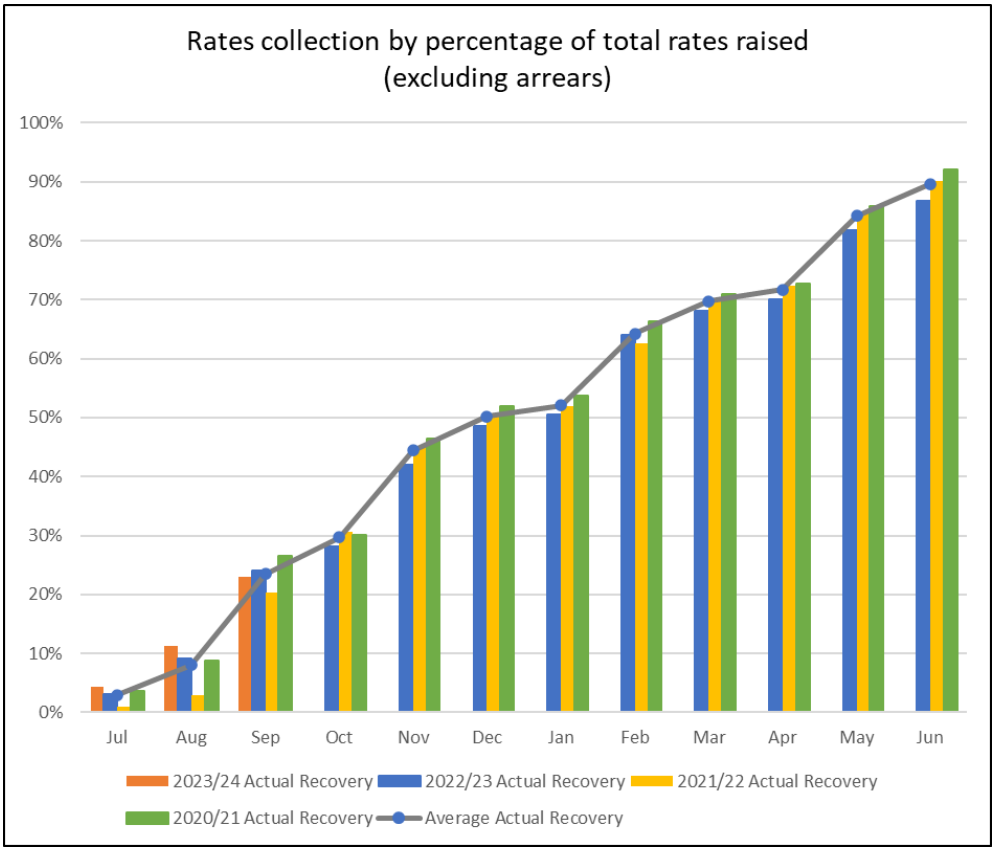
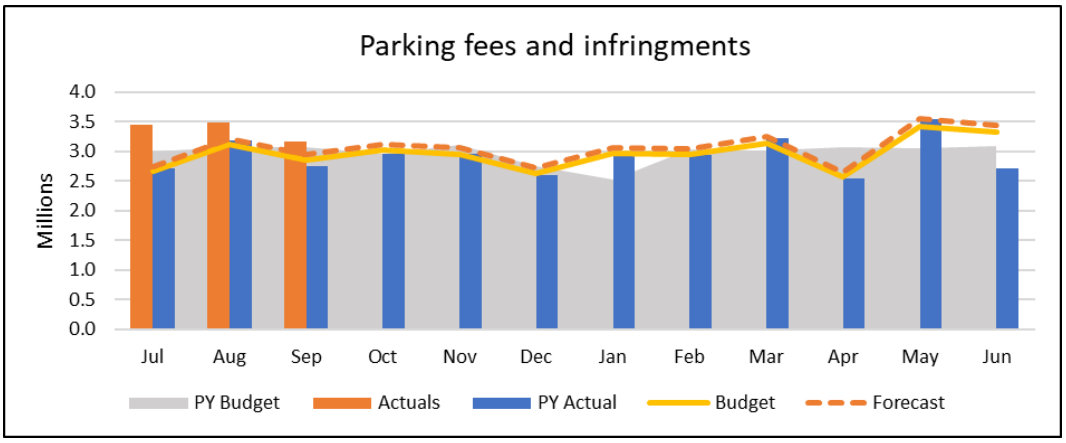




Statutory Fees (Parking fees and infringements)

Statutory fees are comparing favourably to budget and are forecast to be higher than budget due to improved operational alignments.



PY=Prior Year

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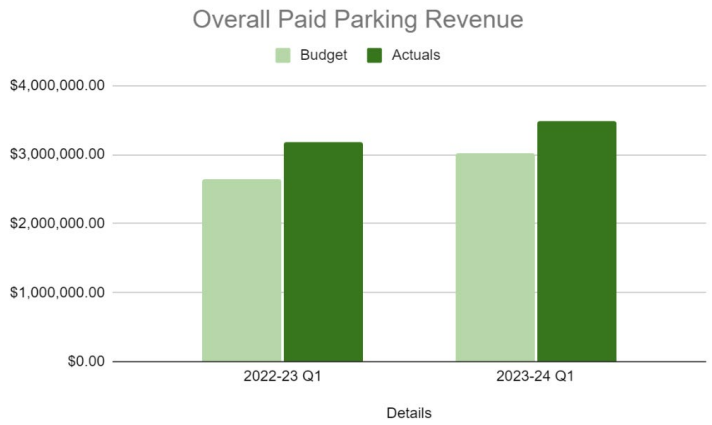
Q1 Overall Paid Parking Revenue

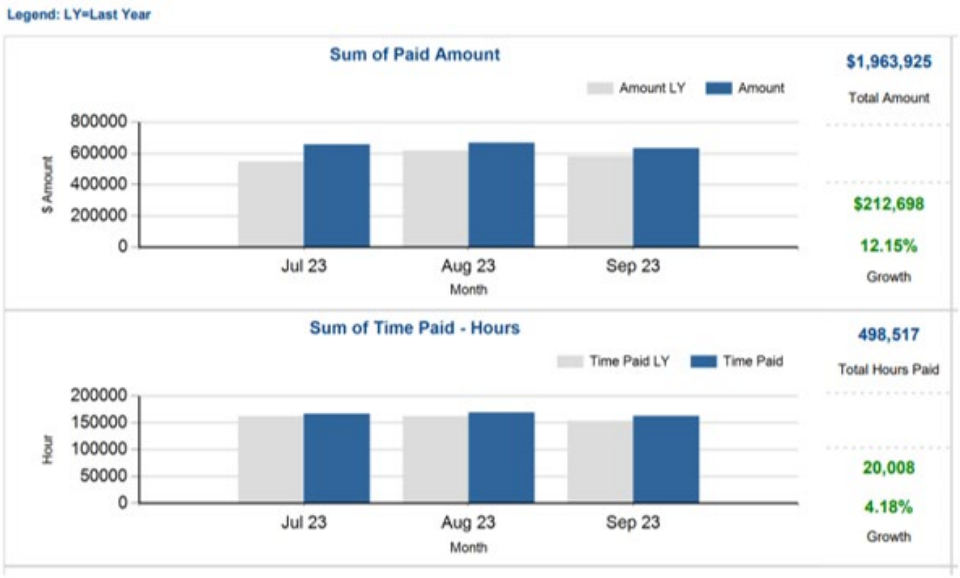
Paid parking revenue includes both pay-by-phone (PayStay) and meter payments are inclusive of GST. Total revenue received for Q1 23/24 increased by 9.55% compared to Q1 22/23. The graph below shows that the forecast revenue for Q1 was exceeded, and the end of financial year forecast has been adjusted to reflect this growth. In comparison, Q1 figures for 22/23 and 23/24 are shown below:

- Q1 2022/2023: $3,494,623.56
- Q1 2023/2024: $3,828,471.98



Meter Parking

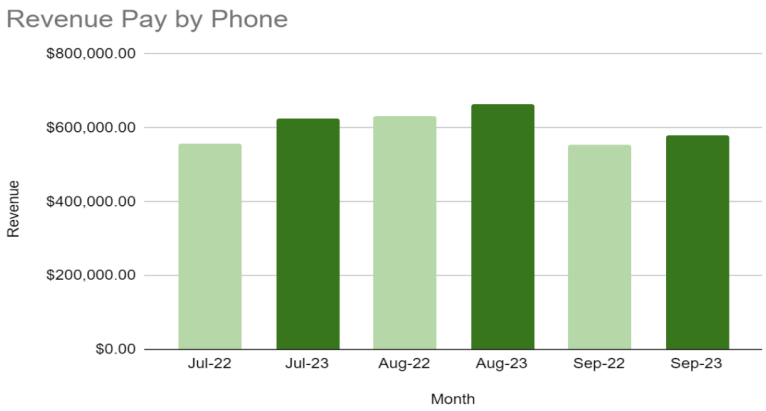
Data collected for meter parking per month shows growth in both the amount collected per month and increase in 'total hours paid' showing an increase in the average transaction from $5:33 for Q1 22/23 to $5.94 for Q1 23/24.



Pay by Phone

Pay by phone remains an active option for customers and the data shows a modest increase in the number of transactions when comparing Q1 22/23 to 23/24.

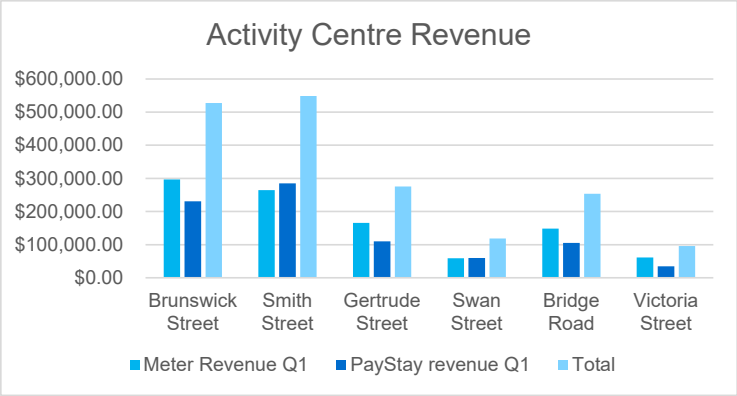
Revenue generated by pay by phone also shows a consistent growth trend when compared to Q1 22/23 to 23/24.



Activity Centres

Each shopping strip in Yarra is unique, influenced by a variety of factors such as the types of attractions and businesses located on the street. As a result, it is not possible to directly compare paid parking revenue across the centres.

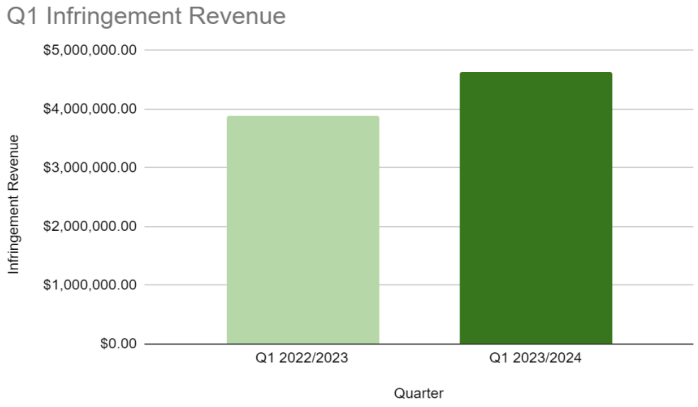
Several important variables to consider when looking at the various centres include different tariffs (hourly fee) applied across the centres, amount paid for on-street parking, and breadth of hours that paid parking is in effect.

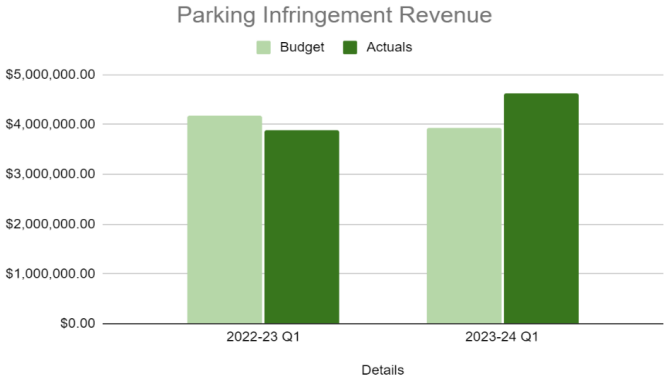


Q1 Infringement Revenue

The number of parking infringements issued in the first quarter of financial year has exceeded that forecast for Q1. A total of 42,563 infringements were issued. Revenue from infringements has also increased, when comparing Q1 2022/23 with 2023/24 with:

- Q1 2022/2023: $3,884,188.00
- Q1 2023/2024: $4,635,808.00





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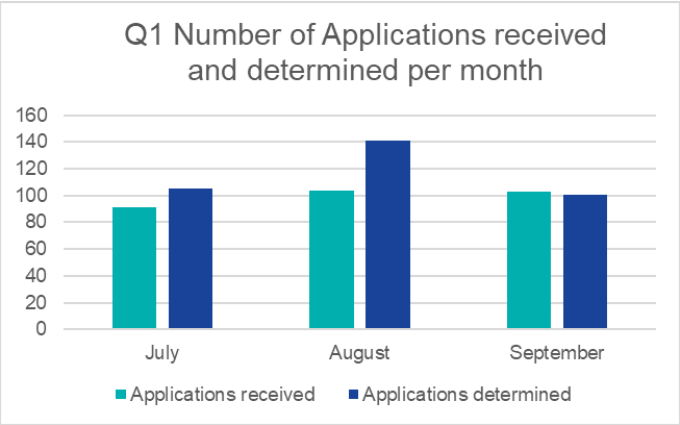
Statutory Planning Activity

Applications Received and Determined

During Q1 Council has received 298 planning applications and determined 347.

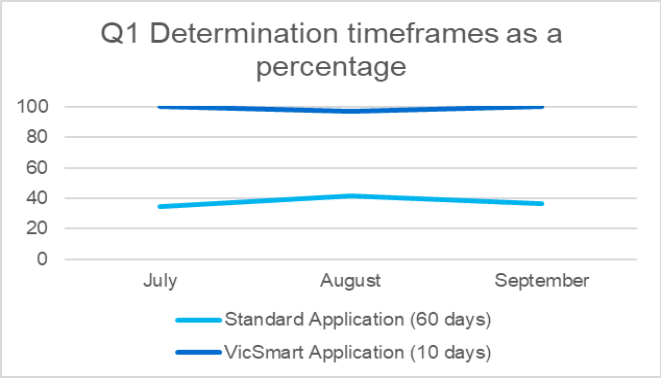


Timeframes

Council generally has two types of applications:

- Standard applications – 60 day statutory timeframe
- VicSmart applications – 10 business day timeframe

For Q1, on average Council determines 37.6% of its applications classified as 'standard' within the 60 day timeframe. VicSmart applications are currently determined within the 10 business day requirement at a rate of 99%.



Capital Works Update

Council's 2022/23 Capital Works Program features an investment of $34.01 million, consisting of a new budget allocation of $26.76m and carry over projects with a budget of $7.25m from the previous financial year.

A map of capital works infrastructure projects for 2023/24 is available on Council's website at: https://www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/about-us/council-information/current-works

All projects

Council continues to plan and deliver projects that improve community safety and usability of our assets, to ensure longevity and reliability of our assets, to increase usability and efficiency, and address our community's current and future needs.

Total actual expenditure for the 2023/24 Capital Works Program is $3.33 million. Progress to date includes a mix of infrastructure works (roads and drainage) and structural works (ovals and pavilions, and community facilities)

Budget adjustments on a total of 8 projects have resulted in a net budget reduction of $0.81m

Yarra City Council has completed the following:

- Pavement, footpath and kerb renewal works on Taylor St (Miller St to Clauscen St), Fitzroy North
- Pavement, footpath and kerb renewal works on Arnold St (Paterson St to Richardson St), Arnold Street
- Pavement, footpath, kerb renewal works on Charlotte St (Hotham St to End Of Street), Collingwood
- Reconstruction of laneway, from George St to End of Lane
- Reconstruction of laneway, rear of 34 Wilson Street Princes Hill, Nicholls ward
- Bluestone laneway reconstruction near 12 Arnold Street Princes Hill, Nicholls ward
- Footpath and kerb renewal works on Fleet St (Palmer St to End Of Street), Richmond

The following are the major adjustments to the program in this quarter:

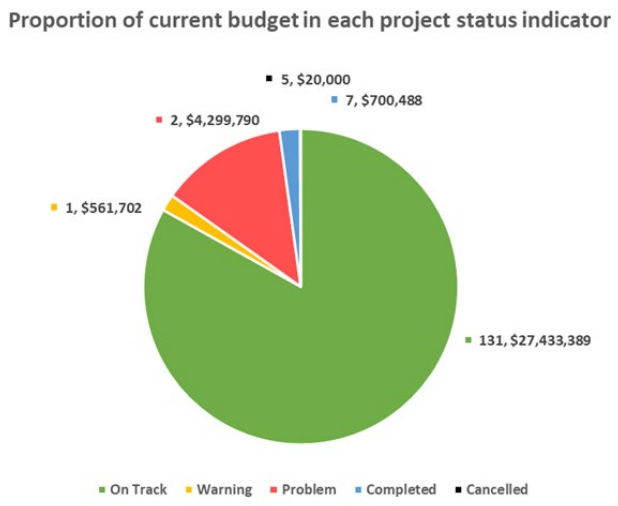
- Langridge Street (Abbotsford) road pavement works have been replanned. Four laneway projects were added to the program in substitute.

- The removal of Collingwood College Early Childhood Centre (occasional care room) project from program (and the proposed 2024/25 program). At the time of the preparation of Council's 2023/24 budget, it was considered that there would be estimated funding budget from Victorian Schools Building Authority (VSBA) that would allow Council to fit out an existing unused room for a single 22 place occasional care/playgroups room to be managed by Council. Council has since been advised that there is no capital funding remaining after the installation of the modular kinder rooms as part of project scope.
- The inclusion of a project to the program - Keele Street Acoustic Fence and Inclusive Entry project. The scope of works involves the replacement of the current chain link cyclone fencing with higher acoustic fencing and reconfiguration of the front entrance for DDA compliance. The budget is fully externally funded by Victorian Schools Building Authority (VSBA).
- Increase in the scope of works in the Federal Spot Safety Program adding the delivery of civil works and new signage at Canning Street/Pigdon Street and Garton Street/Pigdon Street to address the road safety issues.
- Deferral of Brunswick Stret Oval Precinct redevelopment.

The following provides a description of the summary status indicators used for the capital works program and discretionary operating projects:

Status	Description
Completed	Project has been successfully completed
On-Track	The project is on track for successful completion by the end of the budget year
Warning	There is a moderate level of risk that the project will not be successfully completed by the end of the budget year
Problem	There is a high level of risk that the project will not be successfully completed by the end of the budget year

The summary status of capital works projects is shown in the chart below.



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Strategy updates and highlights

Access & Inclusion Strategy

The Access and Inclusion Strategy aims to ensure Yarra is an inclusive and accessible community and is a place where everyone can live well. The original Strategy started in 2018 and was revised in 2021.

Achievements under these strategies have included:

- Early June 2023, the Groove Tunes all-accessible music event took place at The Corner Hotel in Richmond.
- Council was successful with the application for a state universal design funding round 2022, which funded an upgrade entry to the southern side of the Collingwood Senior Citizen Centre now known as the Djerring Centre
- Improved connections with established carer networks to support carers and carer groups through programs, forums and information.
- Recognition and celebration events-including World Autism Awareness day, International Day People with Disability
- Improvements in the built environment such as level pedestrian crossings delivered on six nominated streets, as part of the Local Area Place Making Scheme; and an increase in the number of accessible tram stops.

Active and Healthy Ageing Action Plan

The Active and Healthy Ageing action plan aims to ensure our residents aged 50+ remain engaged, active, and independent. Living well means feeling included and active in the community, being able to connect to other people and being able to participate in everyday life. The Plan started in 2018 and was revised in 2021. Achievements under these plans have included:

- Implementation of new footpath lighting and appropriate seating in the Darling Gardens is an excellent example of creating an age friendly environment.
- Over 100 people from Yarra Aged Care facilities attended a Leaps and Bounds Festival event in 2023.

- The Participation Grants have continued to support approximately 20 older persons groups, mostly with CALD backgrounds to meet regularly in venues across Yarra.
- At our Willowview Centre, working closely with clients, we have introduced population based groups and areas of interest. Successful activities have so far included a biodiversity program, computer literacy program, and the establishment of a LGBTIQ+ Social group.
- Support of the U3A has continued across this period. The U3A hosted community forums as part of Seniors Week each year, drawing upon local academics, Council staff and innovators to discuss new ways to enable people to age well.

- Providing Library services to older people in their neighbourhoods has also seen the development of an innovative initiative hosted by Library Services being the Open Table Sunday free meals. This initiative was a regularly occurring weekly social opportunity for isolated residents experiencing food insecurity.

- Centre Improvements have occurred at the Collingwood Seniors Centre with the creation of a sensory garden, completion of bio-diversity murals on the exterior walls, improvements in accessibility and we have started to develop a new vision for the Centre.
- Council hosted three sessions for residents annually sharing information on understanding and navigating the My Aged Care (MAC) system, with up to 90 residents attending each year.
- Pedestrian user friendly intelligent (Puffin) walk detectors have been implemented at certain locations throughout Yarra Council. Puffins detect any pedestrian present on the road, which then extends the walk/clearance time to accommodate the pedestrians needs. This results in greater responsiveness to the needs of individuals and improves safety and efficiency.
- Recommencement of the Companion Animal Support Program: volunteers recruited inducted, trained, and paired with clients.
- Coordination of activities for Intergenerational Week, pairing aged care facilities with local playgroups for a shared activity.
- The Support for Carers program provides iPads, laptops, tablets, and Wi-Fi to carers, which is complemented by Yarra Libraries, who provide one-on-one training and support to enable carers practice and technical support.

Nature Strategy

The City Works team is proud to share following Nature Strategy highlights for first quarter with the community:

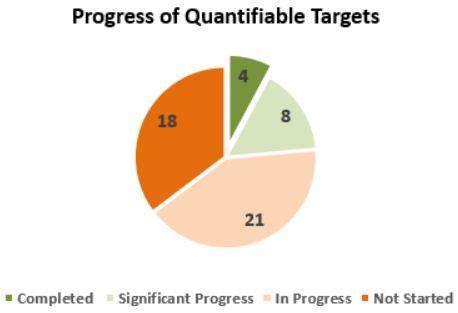
- National Tree Day 2023 was held at Kevin Bartlett Reserve.
- 158 community participated in restoration of Plains Grassy Woodland vegetation by planting 3660 local indigenous ground and understory plants.
- A further 5500 local indigenous grasses, shrubs and trees have been planted by bushland maintenance staff expand areas of open space managed for ecological values.
- To celebrate Biodiversity Month in September, 25 nature loving community participated in a Threatened Species Day zine making art workshop. Participants learnt about threatened species in Yarra including the Grey-headed Flying-fox, and how to communicate conservation messages through zines.
- An enthusiastic audience of community members attended the launch of Gardens for Wildlife. Council staff presented on Yarra's biodiversity and the role of Gardens for Wildlife in supporting this, and Australian Native Plants Society, shared knowledge and tips on habitat gardening with indigenous plants. Those attending were the first to get their hands on our new Yarra Gardens for Wildlife booklet, which received wonderful feedback!
- Yarra's dedicated team of Gardens for Wildlife volunteers provided the owners of 10 local gardens with a garden specific report that assists residents to create habitat gardens for local wildlife, connect people with nature and each other and increase the abundance and appreciation of biodiversity.
- From information gathered via Yarra's threatened species monitoring program, it was a thrill to confirm that a single Powerful Owl owlet successfully fledged in late September and is being 'wisely' monitored by very wary parents.

Heritage Strategy

Council is in its fourth year of the Strategy. Significant progress has been made on the following actions:

- Action 8 - City Council reviewed its current Planning Scheme preparing an amendment (C269 introducing a Municipal Planning Strategy, including Yarra's a vision for future, Strategic Directions, and a Strategic Framework Plan. This Amendment updates some of the existing planning policies such as the heritage policy and introduces other new ones. The amendment has been submitted to the Minister for Planning for approval.
- Action 9 - Guidelines for installation of solar panels on heritage places have been prepared and can be accessed from the Council website. Guidance for the management and protection of heritage materials on Council's roads and footpaths is also available through Council's existing Road Material Policy. An internal process has been developed to avoid impact on heritage infrastructure due to the works of the other government and utility agencies.
- Action 16 (Part 1) - A framework for Council's own heritage assets has been prepared providing processes and practices for the management with a list of priority actions for 10 years.
- Action 23 (Part 1) - Council actively participated in the review of the World Heritage Environs Area (WHEA) Strategy Plan providing feedback on the policies that affect the WHEA portion that is a part of the City of Yarra.
- Action 24 - Yarra News regularly includes articles that promote Yarra's heritage.
  Heritage information is also being promoted in many other ways - for example 11 heritage walks have been prepared and placed on Council's website as self-guided tours. Yarra's website also now provides a link to Yarra's 54 heritage precincts.

The diagram below summarises the current implementation status.



Priority of Actions	Number of quantifiable targets	Implementation Status			
		Completed	Significant Progress	In Progress	Not Started
Short Term (0-5 years)	30	4	7	10	9
Long Term (0-10 years)	6			3	3
Ongoing	15		1	8	6
Total	51	4	8	21	18

Annual Plan Performance

Action Progress

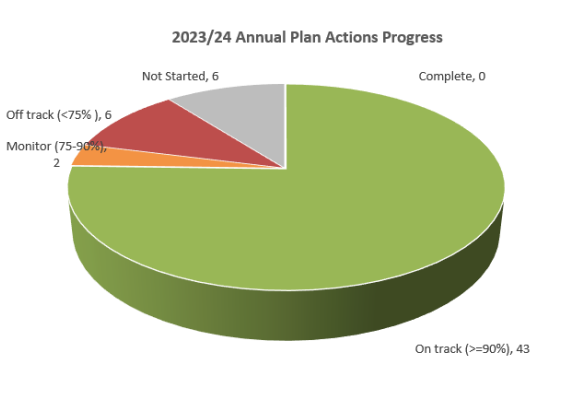
Council adopted its Council Plan 2021-25 on 19 October 2021. The Council Plan, incorporating the Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan, sets out the medium-term direction of Council and the outcomes sought by Councillors for their term. This financial year 2023/24, is year three of the Council Plan 2021-25.

The Council Plan 2021-25 has six Strategic Objectives that respond to the Community Vision, which represent the Strategic Direction of Council for their four-year term.

The Annual Plan and Budget operationalise the Council Plan. The Annual Plan identifies several initiatives under each Strategic Objective which are significant projects that Council will undertake towards achieving the Strategic Objectives. The Annual Plan includes actions that link to some, but not all initiatives from the Council Plan.

Council's progress in delivering the 2023/24 Annual Plan for quarter one (July to September 2023), is detailed in the next section under our six Strategic Objectives.

Annual Plan 2023/24 September Progress



Strategic Onbjective	Complete	On track (>=90%)	Monitor (75-90%)	Off track (<75%)	Not Started	Total
Climate and environment	0	7	0	0	1	8
Social equity and health	0	12	2	0	3	17
Local economy	0	3	0	1	1	5
Place and nature	0	12	0	2	1	15
Transport and movement	0	4	0	1	0	5
Democracy and governance	0	5	0	2	0	7
Total	0	43	2	6	6	57

There are 57 actions planned for delivery in 2023/24. As of 30 September 2023,51 actions are in progress, 6 Actions have not started. Council's September performance result is 43 (84%) actions currently in progress are on-track, compared to a performance target of 75%.

Annual Plan Actions

GREEN	AMBER	RED	–
At least 90% of action target achieved	Between 75% and 90% of action target achieved	Less than 75% of action target achieved	No target set

1 Climate and environment

1.1 Yarra urgently mitigates climate change

1.1.1 Take urgent action to respond to the climate emergency and extend our impact through advocacy and partnerships

Action Title: 1.1.1.1 Development of the new Climate Emergency Plan

Develop a new climate emergency plan that builds on the success of the last plan, incorporates current best practice, and builds from a foundation of community engagement. Look to broaden the focus and reach of the Plan as needed and include the strong links to community well-being and strengthening.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Sustainability	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Council has completed an updated review of community greenhouse gas emissions undertaken by Ironbark Sustainability. For the first time this has been built from local utility data and is broken into key sections.

Action Title: 1.1.1.2 Community engagement and mobilisation on climate emergency

Deliver targeted programs and activities to key sectors in our community to take climate action. This includes supporting our community to reduce individual and household carbon emissions; bringing people together to be active citizens pushing for change; and helping our community prepare for and cope with worsening climate impacts.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Sustainability	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	42%	42.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Council delivered the 'Let's Kick Climate Goals' session in partnership with Richmond Football Club in June 2023 with local sports clubs, fans and members discussing how they might support climate action in their communities. Based on this we are further engaging with our local sports clubs, but also noting the feedback received that post-COVID they are short of volunteers and those they do have carry a heavy load with volunteer fatigue is high, so we need to be mindful of this as we go forward.

Council actively promoted the Climate Action Grants to our community via the Yarra Environment News, other corporate channels, and through direct engagement with key groups and individuals. A strong and diverse mix of community-led climate projects were received and are expected to be presented to Council for endorsement next quarter.

Action Title: 1.1.1.3 Community batteries

Support opportunities to accelerate uptake of renewable energy in Yarra through community battery installations.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Sustainability	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Officers briefed Councillors on the status and direction of community batteries in Yarra at Cr Workshop on 19 September 2023.

Action Title: 1.1.1.4 Zero Carbon Business

Engage businesses and partners to transition towards zero-net carbon and develop circular economy approaches

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Sustainability	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	40%	40.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Council has promoted the CitySwitch program, a national program supporting office tenants to improve energy and waste efficiency, to Yarra office-based businesses for their consideration to participate. This includes via the Sustainable Business e-Newsletter, our Yarra Website, and direct engagement with our existing sustainable business contacts and through the CitySwitch program manager.

Officers worked with YEF to review the Better Energy Better Business (BEBB) program through the process of developing the new Funding Agreement with YEF for 2023/24. YEF has recently provided Officers with a first draft BEBB Solar Guide. This Guide is designed to present potential solutions for larger businesses and include case studies for businesses with different usage scenarios.

1.1.2 Lead and support the community, business and industry to take urgent climate action and transition to a circular economy

Action Title: 1.1.2.1 Circular Economy

Circular economy is a new way of seeing products and materials, viewing them as valuable resources instead of 'waste'. Instead of dealing with waste materials when we throw things away, Yarra City Council continue to be a leader in this space and drive change through our services and initiatives.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Works	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	42%	42.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Officers continue to work with the State Government to influence what is included in bin content service standards. The draft service standard, corresponding draft regulations, and associated Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) have not been released for formal public consultation, this is expected by the end of 2023. The final service standards and regulations are expected to be made in early 2024.

Officers have been working closely with State Governments, Visy (our network provider) and other Councils to ensure the CDS program is delivered to meet Yarra's objectives of litter reduction, resources recovery and equal community participation.

Online workshop promoting sustainable local food systems and community growing spaces for residents interested in applying for a planter box was delivered.

Action Title: 1.1.2.1 Collingwood Leisure Centre facility design to support the transition off gas

Council will undertake design for the renewal of building services at Collingwood Leisure Centre. A major component of this is Heating, Ventilation and Airconditioning (HVAC), which will include full electrification to enable retirement of the use of gas at the facility.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Building and Asset Management	Not Started	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	0%	0.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: No updates scheduled for this quarter.

Action Title: 1.1.2.1 Zero carbon development planning scheme amendment

A key action in the Climate Emergency Plan, Council is pursuing a 'zero carbon development' planning scheme amendment and developing further environmentally sustainable development guidelines.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Statutory Planning	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	33%	33.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Council continues to advocate and engage with Department of Transport and Planning and the Minister for Planning to support the progression of the amendment. Offices are also meeting with members of CASBE on an on-going basis.

Action Title: 1.1.2.2 Reduce the use of single use plastics

Engage with businesses and the community to reduce the use of single use plastics and phase out single use plastics across Council's operations.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Works	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The Single Use Plastic Free Yarra (SUPFY) working group has been established, consisting of 12 staff members from across the organisation, including a member of the Exec team. Monthly working group meetings have commenced with the first one taking place in August. The initial focus of the working group is to revise and comment on the draft SUPFY Policy and proposed project plan and timelines. Following this we will commence a review of the project's Action Plan as it was written in 2020.

2 Social equity and health

2.1 Yarra's people have equitable access and opportunities

2.1.1 Celebrate, respect and embrace Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and heritage, and reflect this in our decision-making, services and activities

Action Title: 2.1.1.1 Yana Ngargna – Reflection and future directions

Work with Yana Ngargna Advisory Group, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and key stakeholders to reflect on the Yana Ngargna 2020-23 plan and its implementation and development of the next multi-year partnership plan.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %

Equity and Community Development	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The Yana Ngargna Advisory Group was reactivated with a meeting held in August 2023. Officers have commenced background research towards the renewal of the Yana Ngargna Plan, which expires at the end of 2023.

2.1.2 Build a more resilient, inclusive, safe and connected community, which promotes social, physical and mental wellbeing (MPHWP)

Action Title: 2.1.2.1 0-25 Plan

Implement initiatives within the 0-25 Plan to enhance the health and wellbeing of children, young people and families.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Family, Youth and Children's Services	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The voice of the child project supports increased engagement and empowerment of children in our Family Services programs, it is included in the operations manual for family support caseworkers and sets out how we engage with children in our work with their parents and caregivers.

Action Title: 2.1.2.1 Promote access and inclusion for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities

Address discrimination and tackle systemic barriers to participation in social and economic life for CALD communities and promote access and inclusion to the policies and services of the Council, other levels of government, and relevant agencies.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Equity and Community Development	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: A community engagement plan has been developed to determine the scope of the next Multicultural Partnerships Plan. The engagement plan will use an inclusive lens to reach a diversity of groups in Yarra. The first stage of engagement is set for 18 September to 23 October 2023, with a second stage of engagement scheduled for Feb - March 2024.

Action Title: 2.1.2.1 Access and Inclusion Strategy and Action Plan

Implement the Access and Inclusion Strategy's strategic actions to ensure that Yarra is an inclusive and accessible community and is a place where everyone can live well. In addition to implementing the 2023-24 action plan, a new strategy (2024 – 2030) will be developed, to align with new and emerging priorities and needs.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Community Planning	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	33.00%	AMBER

Action Progress Comments: Council's Disability Advisory Committee is providing advice on key issues including accessibility initiatives, e-scooters and disability parking, to increase access to local businesses.

Community engagement for the development of the 2024-2030 Strategy will commence on 30 October 2023, through Your Say Yarra with an online survey open until 4 December,

Action Title: 2.1.2.2 Youth led engagement

Empower young people aged 12–25 to have a greater voice on the issues that affect them through Council's Youth Advocacy Group. With the support of a project steering committee, and Council, young people will co-design a series of youth-led activities, which build young people's skills and confidence and help them establish networks and opportunities to amplify their voices in local decision-making and inform advocacy priorities.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Family, Youth and Children's Services	Not Started	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	0%	0.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: No activity scheduled this quarter.

Action Title: 2.1.2.2 Active and Healthy Ageing Strategy and Action Plan

Implement the Active and Healthy Ageing Strategy, action plan to ensure our residents aged 50+ remain engaged, active, and independent. Living well means feeling included and active in the community, being able to connect to other people and being able to participate in everyday life. In addition to implementing the 2023-24 action plan, a new strategy (2024–2030) will be developed, to align with new and emerging priorities and needs.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %

Community Planning	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	40%	40.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Our Clubs, Our Stories videos, part of the Yarra's Seniors Clubs Re-connect Project which promote the history and activities of a range of Culturally diverse Senior Clubs have been completed. A compilation of the videos will be shown as a short film on the 19 October 2023 as part of Victorian Seniors Festival.

Program planning for Seniors Week 2023 is complete with 29 different events to be held in October within the City of Yarra. Events include social outings, high teas, group activities, guided tours, Carers Walk and luncheons. Larger events include Ageing Well in Yarra forum, Willowview Day Centre 30 Anniversary celebrations, Silver Startups for 50+ entrepreneur and intergenerational activities.

Community engagements planning for the strategy has been finalised and will commence 24 October 2023, with an online survey via-Your Say Yarra open until 4 December 2023.

Action Title: 2.1.2.3 National aged care reforms

Ensuring residents and clients are supported across the transitional period of the National Aged Care reforms, expected to commence in full by 1 July 2025. Across 2023-2024, Council will continue to review and assess its role in the new program and existing State based Home & Community Care program for Young People. This will include the range of services Council provides directly and areas of potential re-investment.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Aged and Disability Services	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	19%	16.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Detailed planning continues to ensure that Council meets the requirements of the national aged care reforms, including consideration of its role in the new service. Council continues to advocate on Aged Care Reforms, which has included participation in webinars and completion of surveys.

Council participated in the trial of the new Integrated Assessment Tool (IAT) and provided feedback on what worked well, and what needed improvement.

2.1.3 Support vulnerable communities and residents of public housing to thrive in our community

Action Title: 2.1.3.1 Sustainable food systems

Promote sustainable local food systems and building community resilience in the Yarra community.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Works	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	58%	33.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: An online Community Growing Spaces workshop for residents interested in applying for a planter box, productive tree, or laneway gardens was launched on Council's website.

In September 2023, 15 wooden planter boxes were replaced with recycled plastic boxes that include a wicking bed and soil.

Action Title: 2.1.3.1 Celebrate LGBTIQA+ community, enhance visibility and promote inclusion

Support the LGBTIQA+ community through inclusive Council policy and programs, strategic advocacy, local visibility campaigns and cultural events.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Equity and Community Development	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	15%	17.00%	AMBER

Action Progress Comments: Implementation of the LGBTIQA+ visibility campaign commenced in the previous reporting period with the completion of Phases 1, 2 and 3:

• Phase 1: Creation of a visual identity for 'Rainbow Yarra' in the form of a logo used across all digital and print platforms was launched on IDAHOBIT May 17th 2022.
• Phase 2: Video Campaign – Visibility campaign of LGBTIQA+ Yarra with intersecting identities: Launched on Wear it Purple Day 26 August 2022.
• Phase 3: Build a 'Rainbow Yarra' page on the Yarra website to house all the LGBTIQA+ external engagement, campaigns, venues, events and resources: Launched 17 MAY IDAHOBIT 2023. Work is progressing on Phase 4, the Street (rock) poster Campaign of LGBTIQA+ community faces and intersections about belonging in Yarra. This street poster campaign will be pasted throughout the City of Yarra and in Yarra venues/facilities. The launch is scheduled to take place on International Human Rights Day on 10 December 2023.

Action Title: 2.1.3.1 Supporting the community

Engage with community, local organisations and other key stakeholders to identify, develop and leverage the strengths and passions of the community in responding to identified support needs, including for harder to reach/vulnerable people in the community.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Aged and Disability Services	Not Started	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	0%	0.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The renamed Djerring Centre reopened in July 2023 after a refurbishment was completed that included improved accessibility, storage and technology. This work was done to increase utilisation of the facility, with a number of activities booked in October as part of the Victorian Seniors Festival, in addition to regular programs. Support continues to be provided to the CALD senior groups and the Bent Twig Alliance.

2.1.4 Work to reduce the harms associated with the use of alcohol, illicit drugs, gambling and tobacco (MPHWP)

Action Title: 2.1.4.1 Alcohol and other drugs harm minimisation

Through a program of action research, investigate and develop strategies to reduce alcohol-related and other drug harm in the community through a multi-faceted approach (e.g., education, enforcement, support, harm reduction, and responsible drinking promotion).

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Equity and Community Development	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	56%	50.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Funding was received from VicHealth to support the development of Council's Alcohol Harm Minimisation Plan. Research completed and
analysis underway to develop the plan.

Research for the development of the scope of a Council "Alcohol and other Drugs Policy" that provides a framework to address alcohol and other drug issue within the community has been completed.

Engagement is continuing around event planning for summer events with Liquor Forum members in order to reduce the impacts of alcohol relation harm.

Action Title: 2.1.4.2 Supporting the National Alliance for Gambling Reform (MPHWP)

Minimise the social and economic harms caused by gambling via the Yarra Gambling Policy, which outlines how Council works to reduce gambling through i.e., advocacy, planning controls, community education and supporting gambling-free initiatives). Our membership of the Alliance is a critical means to advance Council objectives to reduce gambling-related harm.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Equity and Community Development	Not Started	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	0%	0.00%	GREEN

2.1.5 Create and facilitate opportunities for culturally vibrant and socially diverse community expression

Action Title: 2.1.5.1 Richmond Youth Hub

Undertake a project evaluation of the Richmond Youth Hub and advocate to the State government for appropriate funding to continue activities to vulnerable young people living on the North Richmond Estate.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Family, Youth and Children's Services	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	50%	50.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The Richmond Youth Hub Evaluation Report was undertaken in July 2023 and endorsed by Council in September 2023.

The Richmond Youth Hub Evaluation Report highlights its short and medium-term success in creating a safe space for young people, which fosters social connection, encourages community involvement, and supports youth leadership.

The report will form part of strategic advocacy for Council to secure further funding for the Richmond Youth Hub from the State Government beyond the current agreement which ends in June 2024.

Since the Richmond Youth Hub opened in March 2021, almost 170 young people have registered through Yarra Youth Services and accessed the service. In total, over 10,000 contacts have been made with Yarra Youth Services programs, activities, and individual support.

Action Title: 2.1.5.1 Promote initiatives to celebrate Yarra's cultural diversity

Host events that bring Yarra's artists, communities and generations together, provide skills- and resource-sharing opportunities, and build connections between artists and representatives from other sectors.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Libraries Arts and Events	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	41%	21.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The Smith Street Dreaming event celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community arts, culture and resilience was held in July coordinated by Yarr City Council with support from the Victorian Government.

Yarra's annual winter music festival, Leaps and Bounds was delivered in July. In its 11th year. Over 40 events, spanning a diversity of live music acts, arts activities and cultural celebrations. Planning is already underway for Leaps & Bounds Festival 2024 including an invitation to pitch for select live music venue partnerships and further consult on the model and impact of the festival with industry and internally.

The Gertrude Street Projection Festival was held over nine nights in July, presented works from more than 20 artists that experiment with the shape, space and meaning of the urban landscape and explore projection art as medium and message.

Planning and preparation work has already commenced on a number of events to be held later in the year.

Action Title: 2.1.5.1 Access for all and community connections

Access for all, Council's Library Strategic Plan 2022-2026 outlines the direction for library services over 4 years. Library services will support our community to access spaces and services, build skills and knowledge, connect and discover learning opportunities that enables our community to thrive. Our goal is to ensure access for all by reducing barriers for our community.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Libraries Arts and Events	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The Learning Bank is a new community space located in Victoria Street, Richmond, for residents and businesses to connect, create and learn. Throughout June 2023 the 'Be Connected' digital literacy program was delivered at The Learning Bank to support its operation as a community hub.

Action Title: 2.1.5.1 Sport Club development workshop

Develop and host three club development workshops across the 2023/24 financial year, specifically designed for Yarra's community sports clubs. The workshops aim to support local sports clubs to develop and improve the sustainability and capacity of their organisation, the capability of their people/volunteers and connect them with specific tools and resources to inform the direction and priority of activities and investment, as well as deliver quality, inclusive and accessible sport and recreation programs that are aligned with Yarra's Sports Ground and Facilities Allocations Policy 2022.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Recreation and Leisure Services	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The first workshop was successfully undertaken with Yarra Club. The aim of the development workshops is to assist clubs to upskill club volunteers in key focus areas, as well as satisfying the essential Sportsfields and Facilities Allocation Policy criteria.

The workshop focused on recent changes made to the Fair Play Code (an update of the 2018 blueprint) that sets out the standards of behaviour expected of everyone involved in sport and active recreation. These changes to the Fair Play Code have been made to support greater national consistency, reflecting the National Principles for a Child Safe Organisation developed following the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

2.1.6 Leverage significant developments and advocate for increased access to public, social and affordable housing stock

Action Title: 2.1.6.1 Strategic activities to advance the Yarra Homelessness Strategy

Work to deliver an enhanced coordinated and compassionate crisis response to people experiencing homelessness and connecting with secure housing working with local partners, particularly Launch and cohealth.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Equity and Community Development	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	33%	33.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Backbone support and governance established for the Yarra Towards Zero project, as a collective impact initiative with key partner agencies, to address issues of homelessness in Yarra, A soft launch of project took place in August 2023 for Homelessness Week, a public launch scheduled for October 2023.

3 Local economy

3.1 Yarra's neighbourhoods and major activity centres are thriving

3.1.1 Support Yarra's employment precincts and drive economic development opportunities

Action Title: 3.1.1.1 Precinct Activation Program

The Economic Development unit will work with trader groups and associations to co-design and deliver 4 projects/campaigns within Yarra's retail and services precincts. The purpose is to create awareness, drive visitation, increase spend and revitalise our main streets.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	50%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Funding for the 'Vic St East' trader's activation program has been provided to the Head On agency, they are currently developing a new brand for the local area. Promotion should commence in the next Quarter.

Officers are currently identifying which businesses in Brunswick Street are keen to participate in an activation program, to date traders have expressed a range of wants and needs.

Works are well underway on Nicholson Street, Fitzroy North, where Council has engaged an agency to continue the Everyday Nicholson campaign. A 30m banner will be installed on the fence of the Kinetic bus shelter and will be kicking off Trick or Treat at the end of October.

Scoping of the 'Greening Gertrude St' project, funded via Department of Jobs Skills Industry and Regions and business contributions, has been completed and treatment development has commenced. Planter boxes, hanging baskets and additional plantings within existing garden beds are some of the options being considered.

Action Title: 3.1.1.2 Night Time Economy Action Plan

The economic benefit of Night Time Economy to the city is largely unknown, so a gap analysis is required to be carried out, which can then lead to a short term action plan, followed by a draft Night Time Economy strategy.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %

City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	1%	25.00%	RED

Action Progress Comments: The brief to engage a consultant for the Night Time Economy project has not yet been defined as competing projects have taken priority. This action will be progressed in Quarter 2.

3.1.2 Revitalise local retail, arts and culture and night-time economy to enhance Yarra as an economic destination and extend our reach through partnerships and advocacy

Action Title: 3.1.2.2 Enable opportunities in the planning development process for spaces for artists to work to enhance the arts sector and everyday creative experiences

Facilitate and encourage landowners and planning permit applicants to provide affordable spaces for creatives in support of Council's Room to Create scheme.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Libraries Arts and Events	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	50%	50.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: A partnership with Alfasi Property has been established to activate a short term creative space in Cremorne. The rent free space houses 3 collectives and 2 individual artists.

3.1.5 Manage access, safety and amenity to enhance people's experience when visiting Yarra (MPHWP)

Action Title: 3.1.5.1 Joined-up response to promote local safety and wellbeing

Promote community safety through interagency partnerships including the Local Safety Reference Group, Yarra Liquor Forum, and supporting initiatives with VicPol, Department of Justice and Community Safety, Department of Families, Fairness and Housing, Department of Housing and agencies commissioned locally to promote health and wellbeing.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Equity and Community Development	Not Started	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	0%	0.00%	GREEN

4 Place and nature

4.1 Yarra's public places and green open spaces

4.1.1 Create safe, accessible active spaces that provide diverse physical activity opportunities for the whole community (MPHWP)

Action Title: 4.1.1.1 Opportunities for new and expanded open space in Yarra

Construction of Otter Street new pocket park and expansion of Cambridge Street Park by converting road space into park to increase open space provision in Collingwood.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	33%	33.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Construction of the new Otter Street Park commenced in July 2023, with estimated completion in December.

Action Title: 4.1.1.2 Opportunities for new open space in Yarra

Roads to Parks programme to increase open space in areas identified as deficient in the Open Space Strategy.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	23%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Feasibility studies underway to identify new opportunities to convert road space into open space.

Action Title: 4.1.1.3 Gipps Street Employment Precinct Local Area Plan

Preliminary investigation into the Gipps Street Employment Area.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Council contacted the State Government seeking Streamlining for growth funding however they advised they are not funding the Streamlining for Growth program this year.

Action Title: 4.1.1.4 LGBTIQQ+ Cultural Heritage

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	23%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The draft report on the LGBTIQA+ Heritage Study Part 1 (Thematic Statement and a comprehensive list of places of significance to community) is being finalised and the report is expected to be available in October.

Action Title: 4.1.1.5 Charlotte Street New Public Space

Continue to consult and prepare designs to convert road space in Charlotte Street into public open space.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	20%	20.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The draft concept design for the Charlotte Street new public space was placed on public exhibition on Council's Your Say Yarra website and at 4 in person pop up sessions held on site. A consultation report is being finalised with final draft concept plan being amended to include community feedback as appropriate.

4.1.2 Plan and manage community infrastructure that responds to growth and changing needs

Action Title: 4.1.2.1 Permeable pavement study

Commence a study into the optimised use of permeable pavement in partnership with the University of Melbourne and the Australian Research Council.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Infrastructure Traffic and Civil Engineering	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	66%	66.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Council and memorandum of understanding representatives conducted a workshop to define the key deliverables of this research project.

Following on from the workshop the MOU was signed by all involved. The MOU will ensure that Council receives high quality deliverables.

Action Title: 4.1.2.1 Brunswick Street Oval precinct redevelopment

This project will redevelop the sporting and community facilities in the immediate vicinity of the Brunswick Street Oval (WT Peterson Community Oval) within Edinburgh Gardens, North Fitzroy, along with improvements to the landscaping and civil infrastructure in the area.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Building and Asset Management	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	50%	50.00%	RED

Action Progress Comments: Tenders for the project were received and evaluated. Unfortunately, the prices tendered significantly exceeded the budget available for the project. Progress of the project has been halted while officers work with key stakeholders, including clubs and funding partners, to explore options for the project with a view to proposing a project that is within the budget available. It is hoped that the proposed way forward will be agreed in the coming months.

Action Title: 4.1.2.1 Cremorne implementation

Continue work to implement built form controls for Cremorne and implement the Cremorne Implementation Plan.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	33%	34.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: A report on the revised Urban Design Framework, interim and permanent Design and Development Overlays. was presented to Council in September 2023. Council's request to State Government for interim and permanent amendment is being finalised and will be for lodged in October.

Officers contacted the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions to establish seeking to reconvene the Cremorne Place Implementation Plan group.

Action Title: 4.1.2.2 C286 Open Space Contribution Rate

Continue to pursue Open Space Contribution Rate changes.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	25%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Workshop on the Open Space Contribution Rate peer review was held with Councillors. A report to progress the amendment and request for the Planning Panel Review process to be reconvened was presented to Council on 15 August and again on12 September 2023.

Action Title: 4.1.2.3 Permanent built form provisions

Continue work to implement permanent Built form controls.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	22%	24.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The C273 Heidelberg Road amendment submission period closed with 119 submissions lodged. Officers are now analysing submissions.

Council submitted to the Minister seeking permission to place on exhibition. Council is waiting on consent from State Government to place amendment C271 Fitzroy-Collingwood on public exhibition.

4.1.3 Protect and enhance the biodiversity values, connectivity and resilience of Yarra's natural environment

Action Title: 4.1.3.1 Greening Yarra

Reduce the urban heat island effect, enhance amenity, improve wildlife corridor connections and overall biodiversity values across the community through the planting of trees, shrubs and grasses, and increasing canopy cover.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	21%	14.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Planning for additional street tree locations to accelerate the annual street tree planting programme commenced in July 2023.

Winter/Spring planting in progress aiming at planting a minimum of 10,000 locally indigenous plant species to improve habitat hectare condition score and reinstate endangered Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVC) including riparian woodland, escarpment shrubland, plains grassy woodland EVCs within Yarra's bushland areas and consolidate and reinstate areas of strategic biodiversity value by increasing indigenous vegetation extent within Open Space by 5000m2.

Action Title: 4.1.3.1 Direct Seeding and Cultural Burning

Adopt innovative integrated bushland management approaches to achieve cost effective and efficient bushland management and site-specific targets in partnership with Yarra's Bushland Contractor and Wurrundjeri Woi Wurrung Narrap Team.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Works	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	15%	0.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Council's liaison with Narrap Fire lead has commenced and site preparation is underway to deliver an autumn ecological cultural burn in the endangered Plains Grassy Woodland EVC in Burnley Park.

Action Title: 4.1.3.2 Education and awareness program

Deliver Yarra's community based education, awareness, and nature engagement program as outlined in the Yarra Nature Strategy Action Plan 2020-2024.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Works	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	58%	33.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: As part of the 2023 National Tree Day 158 community members planted 4000 local indigenous species at Kevin Bartlett Reserve

The Yarra's Gardens for Wildlife Program included 25 households in its August 2023 program.

Action Title: 4.1.3.3 Yarra citizen's science program

Encourage Yarra's community to further appreciate and actively enhance Yarra's natural landscape by offering engagement and education opportunities.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Works	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	10%	20.00%	RED

Action Progress Comments: The grassland walk was changed to a Zine making workshop in September to celebrate Biodiversity month and Yarra threatened species. The Gardens for wildlife (G4W) book launch took place in September.

4.1.4 Protect, promote and maintain our unique heritage and ensure development is sustainable

Action Title: 4.1.4.1 Special Building Overlay update

Review provisions within the Yarra Planning Scheme as they relate the Special Building Overlay in Yarra.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
City Strategy	Not Started	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	0%	0.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: No activity scheduled for first quarter.

5 Transport and movement

5.1 Yarra's transport network is sustainable

5.1.1 Lead, promote and facilitate the transition to sustainable and active transport modes for people living and working in Yarra, as well as people moving through Yarra (MPHWP)

Action Title: 5.1.1.1 Transport Action Plan

Continue to develop actions that support the implementation of the Yarra Transport Strategy, including, finalise the Transport Action Plan, commence development of a parking strategy and design and construct new and upgraded walking and cycling infrastructure on key transport corridors.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Strategic Transport	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	33%	33.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Community engagement has commenced on the Draft Transport Action Plan and to seek input to inform the scope for the Parking Strategy.

Action Title: 5.1.1.2 Transport New Deal implementation

Council will implement the three New Deal programs outlined in the Yarra Transport Strategy, New Deal for Cycling: design and construct new and upgraded cycling infrastructure in priority locations, New Deal for Walking: develop clear processes for implementing the outcomes of the Yarra Transport Strategy and continue to deliver safer walking infrastructure, such as pedestrian improvements in Cremorne and New Deal for Schools: commence the first round of the New Deal for Schools program to encourage and enable active travel.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Strategic Transport	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	20%	40.00%	RED

Action Progress Comments: The new pedestrian crossing on Cremorne Street was due to be installed in September however an old gas pipe has been discovered albeit after 2 service checks were commissioned by council. This issue needs to be addressed before work on the crossing can commence. This has pushed delivery timeframes back 2 months.

A number of walking projects are underway and at different stages of the delivery process. Formal commencement of a New Deal for Walking process which is a significant undertaking is not scheduled for delivery this year in the Transport Action Plan (TAP) or detailed team plan and cannot be resourced noting other projects have been given priority status such as e-scooters, Wellington Street bike lanes, Parking Strategy, tram stop corridor study and the TAP. Recent changes to capital delivery processes and streets typology work, lead by Council's Urban Design team, would be considered as this work progresses.

A list of 'shovel ready' projects has been prepared for potential delivery this year for discussion at the new deal working groups.

It will not be possible to deliver the full New Deal for Schools program in year 1, instead a 'light' rollout will commence at Alphington School in partnership with the Road Safety Study done by the traffic team using a contractor as an interim measure.

5.1.2 Foster strategic partnerships and advocate to improve sustainable and active transport options, integration and accessibility

Action Title: 5.1.2.1 Transport advocacy

Advocate to other stakeholders, including the State Government, for priority transport needs identified in the Yarra Transport Strategy by raising awareness of these and being proactive in identifying solutions, including:
· Accessible tram stop upgrades across all of Yarra's network, including Smith Street, Gertrude Street, Swan Street and Bridge Road
· Increased bus, tram and rail services and reliability to support current and future needs
· Funding and/or delivery of active transport infrastructure in priority locations, such as strategic cycling corridors and areas with high pedestrian activity

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Strategic Transport	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	37%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Notifications have been issued to internal and external stakeholders of the Transport Action Plan.

Council continues to assess and apply for relevant external grant funding to assist with delivering active transport projects. Conversations have taken place with State Government to encourage them to fund the new deal for cycling and walking projects. These are continuing.

Council has lodged bids for multiple grants under the federal blackspot program as part of our road safety studies.

Action Title: 5.1.2.2 Transition to Zero-Emission Transport

Encourage, facilitate and advocate for policies and projects that result in an increased use of electric and other zero-emission modes of transport in Yarra, including:
Accelerated use of electric and other zero-emission vehicles on bus routes.
Increased replacement of internal combustion engines with electric and other zero-emission means of propulsion in cars.
Increased adoption and use of electric bicycles, including for 'last kilometre' freight and local business use.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Strategic Transport	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	67%	67.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Officers have provided inputs to the M9 group of Council's and Inner Metro Partnership, advocating for State and Federal Government to show leadership on the uptake and development of all types of electric vehicles. Recent announcements by State Government suggest that action on e-vehicles is now ramping up.

A consultant brief has been prepared to look at the role of Yarra in accelerating the rollout of electric vehicle charging points in Yarra and to forecast e-car charger demand over the next 10 years. The Transport Action Plan also covers e-car chargers and feedback from that consultation will be an input and agreement on next steps. The work done to date has shown that finding sites for chargers on public land at least in Yarra is not easy when all practical factors are considered.

5.1.3 Create a safe, well-connected and accessible local transport network including pedestrian and bike routes through Yarra (MPHWP)

Action Title: 5.1.3.1 Fitzroy and Collingwood 30km/hr pre-trial study

Undertake a pre-trial study to investigate the feasibility of expanding the current 30km/hr speed limit trial to cover the entire suburbs of Fitzroy and Collingwood.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %

Infrastructure Traffic and Civil Engineering	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	90%	50.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Officers have agreed with stakeholders that the 30km/hr trial should initially begin with a soft touch approach with existing signs and line marking to be replaced with 30km/hr signs and line marking. An infrastructure plan based on this has been completed and submitted to the Department of Transport and Planning for review.

There has been ongoing engagement with stakeholders since mid-2022. Stakeholder engagement will be finalised once Council has been a decision to endorse the trial in November 2023.

A community sentiment survey of 6000 randomly selected properties (including households and businesses) were surveyed during August and September 2023. The surveys have shown quite strong support for 30km/hr speeds. This will be reported to Council at a meeting in November 2023.

6 Democracy and governance

6.1 Yarra is smart, innovative and sustainable.

6.1.1 Provide opportunities for meaningful, informed and representative community engagement to inform Council's decision-making

Action Title: 6.1.1.1 Councillor engagement program

Develop and promote Council's enhanced engagement program to provide more opportunities for the community to engage with Councillors.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Communications and Engagement	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	50%	50.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: The Councillor Engagement Program was launched in February 2023 and activities have been scheduled every month until November. The program responds to requests for more in-person community engagement activities and the request from community for their local representatives to be more visible.
In the last quarter we have held the following in person engagement activities for councillors
• Dinner event with health agencies which brought together Councillors, Community Health Organisations, local GPs, the local Public Health Unit and the local Primary Health Network to discuss what is happening locally regarding primary health care, what actions are being taken to address issues and what is needed for future advocacy
• Yarra Conversations: 'Zeroing in on homelessness' – Dinner for Homelessness Week, including local stakeholders and guest speakers was held in August

• Ward listening posts were held across the three wards in September
• Four Meet the Mayor sessions will held in Carlton, Alphington, North Fitzroy and Fitzroy this quarter
• Three Councillor Conversations with Community events were held this quarter in Abbotsford, Fitzroy North and Alphington which were attended by approximately ? community members
An evaluation of the program from February to July this year was also undertaken this quarter which provided important insights into what is working and also identified some areas for improvement. This report was presented to a Councillor Briefing in September.

6.1.2 Manage our finances responsibly and improve long-term financial management planning

Action Title: 6.1.2.1 Financial Sustainability Strategy

Develop and begin implementation of the Financial Sustainability Strategy.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Chief Financial Officer	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	67%	34.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: A Draft Financial Sustainability Strategy has been developed and endorsed by Council to be placed on public exhibition for community consultation. It includes strategic levers on revenue generation and cost efficiencies.

A report to Executive Management Team and Council on the outcomes of the engagement will take place in November-December

Budget guidelines for 2024/25 are being developed to include key objectives of the Financial Sustainability Strategy.

6.1.3 Maximise value for our community through efficient service delivery, innovation, strategic partnerships and advocacy

Action Title: 6.1.3.1 Digital Transformation

Deliver a series of digital projects to transition Yarra technology into a contemporary future state and enhance employee and customer experience.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Digital Technology	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	1%	17.00%	RED

Action Progress Comments: Development of the Business Case for GIS/Yarra maps enhancement will be delivered as part of the Enterprise Resource Planning programme (ERP), the EPR project plan is under development.

A City of Yarra Data Governance Framework and Digital Blueprint and Roadmap will be delivered as part of EPR Project scheduled to commence in 2024.

Action Title: 6.1.3.2 Service Review Program

Develop and implement the service review and improvement program for identified Council services.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Business Transformation	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	15%	34.00%	RED

Action Progress Comments: Council has endorsed the engagement plan which includes a two-stage community engagement process. The process to engage consultants to deliver the engagements has commenced.

Analysis and planning for developing a council wide service review framework has begun while support is being provided to existing service review projects.

6.1.4 Practice good governance, transparency and accountable planning and decision-making

Action Title: 6.1.4.1 Electoral representation review

The City of Yarra will actively engage in the Electoral Representation Review to be conducted by the Victorian Electoral Commission in preparation for the 2024 Council election. We will make a submission to the process on behalf of the Council and advocate for a system that provides for representation that reflects Yarra's diverse community. We will encourage and support the community to make their own direct submissions to the review.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Governance and Integrity	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	75%	67.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Council undertook a publicity campaign to encourage members of the community to make submissions to the Victorian Electoral Commission in relation to the electoral representation review. The campaign included social media, newspaper advertisements and SMS messages to approximately 40,000 voters in Yarra.

A formal submission was endorsed by Council on 18 July 2023, submitted on 20 July 2023 and presented on 9 August 2023 to the electoral representation review.

A project team has been convened, with early planning underway for single member ward changes.

Action Title: 6.1.4.1 Website strategy and redevelopment of the Council website.

Develop and implement a website strategy and redevelop the Council website, with a focus on accessibility and ease of finding information, to increase

community awareness and encourage broader participation in decision making.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Digital Communications and Marketing	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	32%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Development of the website strategy to guide the development of the new website and future improvements has been completed.

Development of the content strategy has commenced

6.1.5 Progress and embed our culture of organisational continuous improvement and build resilience to adapt to changing requirements in the future

Action Title: 6.1.5.1 CX Program 2022-2024

Implement the CX Strategy's program of initiatives to realise and deliver the best service value for Yarra's customers, community, and internal teams. This is delivered through four strategic objectives Mindset | Systems Discipline | Collaboration | Empathy. This year Council will deliver service experience improvements with the official launch of additional digital channels, a relaunch of the CX program internally, establishment of a CX Centre of Excellence and creation of a Customer Service Charter.

Responsible Branch	Status	Start Date	End Date	% Complete	Target	On Target %
Customer Experience	In Progress	01-Jul-2023	30-Jun-2024	50%	25.00%	GREEN

Action Progress Comments: Promotion of digital customer service options and channels is progressing with engagement of the Communications Team. The online promotion will be completed by end of year.

The CX working group has been re-established and is currently drafting the CX Charter prototype. Presentation to Executive is likely to take place late 2023.

Research and benchmarking have been completed for the development of the Customer Service Charter. Drafting of charter currently underway.

7.8 Cost Shifting - work on other agencies' land

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Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to highlight the out-of-pocket costs to Council for the maintenance works currently being undertaken by Council on behalf other government agencies, in particular the Department of Transport and Planning, which is creating a cost shifting burden to Yarra ratepayers.
2. Officers recommend that Council cease these maintenance activities until, and if, the Department of Transport and Planning more adequately reimburses Council and ratepayers for their financial effort.

Critical analysis

History and background

3. Council recently endorsed a period of community consultation on Yarra's Financial Sustainability Strategy (FSS).
4. The FSS includes 7 strategic levers which when implemented will help to assure Council's long term financial viability.
5. A feature of the FSS is to arrest the cost shifting from other levels of government as stated (p.11):
   - *"Cost shifting occurs where local government provides a service to the community on behalf of the State and Federal Government. Over time the funds received by local government do not increase in line with the real cost increases."*
6. Council's draft advocacy action plan (also being considered by Council tonight) also references the cost shifting from other levels of government as stated (p. 11):
   - *"The revision of agreements for co-funded 50/50 services between levels of government, as many have shifted unfair burdens onto local government over time and haven't risen with inflation".*
7. Council has for many years conducted several different types of maintenance activities on Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) roads throughout the municipality under a memorandum of understanding (MoU) agreement.
8. Council's agreement with DTP for services provided on its assets does not provide a level of service for these activities (e.g. how often streets should be swept) but over time, Council's service delivery has exceeded the reimbursement provided by DTP.
9. These services include tree pruning, grass mowing, litter management, weed management, and street sweeping.
10. These works are currently being undertaken as part of the open space and street sweeping contracts by Council contractors and the cost borne by rate payers.
11. The full cost to deliver these works is significantly greater than the funding received by Council from DTP.

12. The 2021/22 MoU reimbursement amount from DTP was $83,671.10 (paid in arrears). DTP advised Council at the time that it had increased the payment from the 2020/21 sum by 1.1% despite CPI increasing by 6.1% in that year.

13. In June 2023, DTP paid Council $87,938.33 for 22/23, an increase of approximately 5% on the previous year, but nowhere near enough to compensate Council for its efforts.

14. Officers have undertaken a thorough analysis of the services provided to DTP assets and the cost of providing those services and estimates that the total cost of direct service provision for works in the agreement to be in excess of $1m. The cost to Council will be higher once indirect staff costs, corporate overheads and opportunity costs are taken into account.

15. Council is advised that some of this cost (e.g. street sweeping) is being passed onto residents as part of the waste charge.

16. It appears that DTP has used a municipal maintenance agreement better suited to a rural or urban municipality but is not appropriate for a busy inner-city municipality like Yarra with the prominence of the roads and the traffic volumes it receives. Service levels for DTP roads in Yarra requires a significantly greater intervention than DTP roads in other parts of Victoria.

17. The shortfall in reimbursement is significant even accounting for any historical over servicing of DTP assets that might exist.

18. Providing services to DTP roads are expensive due to scheduling of services after hours (due to traffic volumes), staff safety requirements and the cost of traffic management on busy DTP roads.

19. The DTP roads are listed below. Various service levels are delivered (daily/weekly/monthly) depending on the road and the service required.

Road	Road
Alexandra Pde	Johnston St
Burnley St	Nicholson St
Bridge Rd	Punt Rd
Barkly St	Princes St
Brunswick St	Queens Pde
Chandler Hwy	Swan St
Church St	St Georges Rd
George St	Victoria St
Hoddle St	Victoria Rd
Heidelberg Rd	Yarra Blvd

20. In addition to works on assets belonging to DTP, Council is also undertaking open space maintenance, graffiti removal and dumped rubbish removal on land owned by VicTrack or on assets belonging to the power authorities. Investment in these maintenance activities is not as substantial as in the case of DTP, but nevertheless, officers have begun cost-shifting maintenance discussions with counterparts in these agencies.

Discussion

21. Council has undertaken the work on DTP roads through an MoU for many years now and over time the cost to Council has significantly increased with no true reflection of this cost being provided by the DTP (and reimbursed to Council).

22. Officers are aware of a number of other metropolitan Councils who have, or will shortly, advise DTP that the costs to service its roads are growing so significantly (and without adequate compensation) so as to create an unsustainable financial burden to municipal rate payers.

23. Officers have already flagged with colleagues at DTP that the existing arrangement is entirely unsatisfactory and a fairer deal will be sought. DTP officers are expecting Council's contact.

Options

24. Council has a number of options available to it including:

    (a) Council begin a process to hand back maintenance obligations to DTP and/or work to reach an improved financial outcome for Council. This option could see the CEO negotiate a more favourable outcome for Council.
    The outcome might see DTP fully compensate Council for its efforts so that the service provision is cost neutral, or DTP engaging its own contractors to service its roads. Alternatively, Council may deliver a reduced suite of services or lower the service frequency to match the reimbursement sum being paid by DTP.
    Council is advised that, subject to DTP's response, cessation of all service delivery may be necessary (even for a short period) until an agreement is reached.
    This option is recommended; and

    (b) Council continues to deliver maintenance efforts on assets belonging to other agencies like DTP and continues to accept the cost shift to Yarra's ratepayers.
    This is not recommended.

Community and stakeholder engagement

25. Officers plan to develop a communications plan to ensure residents are aware that grass mowing, tree pruning and street sweeping on DTP land is entirely an obligation of DTP and that Council is working towards a more equitable accord for rate payers.

26. Subject to negotiations with DTP, officers are prepared with communications messages to inform the general public about the cost shift from the State Government to local government and ultimately to rate payers.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

27. Council Plan 3.4 - Council actively maintains, educates, and implements infrastructure to ensure our streets and public spaces are free of hazards.

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

28. There are no known climate emergency and sustainability implications within the report.

Community and social implications

29. A shift in reporting maintenance issues on DTP assets will be required by the Yarra community. This may create resistance from some members of the community and will need to be strongly supported by Council officers to advise our community of those assets that Council is responsible for maintaining and those that are not Council's responsibility.

Economic development implications

30. Delivering outcomes for the community requires an agile and responsive organisation. We are proud of our strong advocacy on issues of community importance. We are committed to good governance, financial stewardship, authentic community engagement and enhancing our culture of continuous improvement.

31. Street sweeping around activity centres will be important for traders and this will feature in officer negotiations with DTP.

Human rights and gender equality implications

32. Residents, visitors, and traders are entitled to a clean and pleasant amenity and obligations for ongoing maintenance of the public realm is critical to healthy living. Council negotiations and advocacy for a fairer financial deal will assist to achieve a liveable Yarra.

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

33. There are currently significant costs associated with maintaining DTP owned assets. This is costing Council in excess of $1m annually which will continue to rise as Council's contracted service rates increase annually.

34. Subject to negotiations with DTP, Council may choose to reduce services to an agreed level, cease services altogether (so that DTP can then engage its own contractor for these services) or cease services for a short period of time. For each of these approaches, the outcome will be financially advantageous to Council.

Legal Implications

35. Council's MoU with DTP makes provision for terminating the agreement – by mutual consent immediately or by absolute discretion with six months' notice. Cancelling or renegotiating the MoU is considered low risk.

36. Officers may need to negotiate service levels provided to DTP assets by Council's contractors should a reduction of service provision to these assets be the outcome. This is also considered a low risk given the contractual relationship Council has with its contractors.

Conclusion

37. Councillors note the significant cost to Council for maintaining DTP assets. Further costs are associated with maintaining assets belonging to other agencies.

38. Council will renegotiate the agreement with DTP (in particular) which strikes a better and fairer financial deal for Yarra's rate payers.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:

    (a) reiterates its concern with cost shifting arrangements that unfairly transfers the responsibility and cost for maintaining the State Government's assets to the Yarra community;

    (b) endorses the proposed renegotiation of arrangements for the ongoing maintenance of the Department of Transport and Planning's assets throughout the City of Yarra; and

    (c) receives an update from officers once a new agreement with the Department of Transport and Planning has been negotiated and executed.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

7.9 Bryant and May Proposed Redevelopment - 560 Church Street, Cremorne

Report Summary

Purpose

1. This report provides Council with an assessment of the site at 560 Church Street, Cremorne for a Section 20(4) Planning Application (combined Planning Scheme Amendment and Incorporated Document) to redevelop the northern portion of the greater Bryant and May site.
2. The Minister for Planning (the Minister) is considering whether to prepare, adopt and approve Yarra Planning Scheme Amendment C319yara which would apply a Specific Control Overlay Schedule 19 (SCO19) and Incorporated Document titled '560 Church Street, Cremorne Incorporated Document, May 2023' along with associated changes to the planning scheme.
3. This report provides the Minister with Council's recommendations.

Key Planning Considerations

4. Key planning considerations include:
   (a) clause 15.01 – Urban Environment – Higher Density Guidelines;
   (b) clause 22.10 – Built Form and Design Policy; and
   (c) clause 52.06 – Car Parking.

Key Issues

5. The key issues for Council in considering the proposal relates to the acceptability of the Incorporated Document proposed for the site. The assessment will analyse the following:

Financial Implications

6. None.

Recommendation

7. That Council write to the Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) making recommendations for conditions that can be included on any Incorporated Document and outline a number of concerns with the quality of the proposed development. The key recommendations are as follows:
   (a) Condition added to the Incorporated Document requiring amended plans showing:
      (i) Height reductions to Building B (three levels) and Building D (one level);
      (ii) Three metre landscape setback to Building D (whole of building) to Chestnut Street and additional one metre setback at the upper levels;
      (iii) Greater activation to Adelaide Street;
      (iv) Widen the width of the colonnade footpath to a minimum of 1.8m from inside edge of the pillars to the building edge;
      (v) Clearly show Adelaide Street as one-way traffic only;
      (vi) Prior to development (except for site preparation works) an indicative public realm plan for Adelaide Street showing general layout of all public realm improvements, full re-surfacing and trees along full extent to Council satisfaction;
      (vii) Add a Section 173 requirement to ensure all open air publicly assessable spaces are 24 hour activation and maintained by owner; and

(viii) Add condition to assess the potential glare of Buildings B, C and D to ensure there are no unreasonable impacts.

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7.9 Bryant and May Proposed Redevelopment - 560 Church Street, Cremorne

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Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

Ward:	Melba
Proposal:	Construction of buildings and works including alterations and additions to three existing buildings and the existing chimney and the construction of three new multi-storey buildings, use of the land for Office (as of right use), Residential Hotel and Retail premises, basement car parking accessed off Adelaide Street and the reduction of car parking requirements of the Yarra Planning Scheme
Existing use:	Commercial
Applicant:	Alfasi Property Development Pty Ltd c/o Contour Consultants
Zoning / Overlays:	Commercial 2 Zone / Design and Development Overlay Schedules 2 and 5, Development Contributions Plan Overlay Schedule 1, Heritage Overlay Schedule 240
Date of Referral:	1 September 2023
Application Number:	PHRF23/0004

Background

Relevant Planning history

1. On 20 April 2023 Council was informed that an application was made to the Development Facilitation Program (DFP) within the Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) on 11 April 2023. The City of Yarra was identified by DFP as a key stakeholder that has an interest or statutory responsibility relating to this proposal and preliminary comments were sought.
2. Initial discussions with the DTP and the permit applicant provided Council with opportunity to outline a number of serious concerns with the proposal including:
   (a) The poor design and two-way traffic proposed to Adelaide Street;
   (b) Scale and height;
   (c) Overshadowing; and
   (d) Heritage impacts.
3. Subsequently the application was reviewed by the Office of the Victorian Government Architect (OVGA) on two occasions which resulted in a number of changes being made to the application.
4. Following meetings with all key stakeholders in August 2023 the OVGA provided a second written review of the revised proposal, generally supportive of the revised proposal.
5. On 21 August 2023 Council was advised that the application has been recommended for accelerated assessment and determination by the Development Facilitation Program**.**
6. On 1 September DTP State Government proceed with consultation including nearby owners and occupiers and relevant referral authorities as well as letter to Council pursuant to section 20(5) of the Act.

Heritage Victoria

7. On 26 June 2023 the Executive Director Heritage Victoria, in a concurrent process under the Heritage Act 2017, provides a copy of the Heritage Victoria application for works to the registered place to Council.

8. On 21 July 2023 Council respond to Heritage Victoria indicating that the proposal should not be supported in its current form.

Proposal

9. Amendment C319yara would introduce an Incorporated Document into the Yarra Planning Scheme, which in simple terms, would act in a similar way to a planning permit by allowing use and development of the site. The proposed Incorporated Document covers the whole site and all buildings and works proposed including the construction of three new multi-storey buildings, works to the existing buildings and all the new works to the ground plane across the site as well as the use of land. The Incorporated Document includes numerous conditions that must be met just like a planning permit.

10. It is noted that the site is included on the State Heritage Resister and requires relevant approvals from Heritage Victoria.

11. In more formal terms, Amendment C319yara proposes as follows (as described in the Explanatory Report):

    ‘The Amendment applies a Specific Controls Overlay (SCO) to the land at 560 Church Street Cremorne and introduces an incorporated document into the planning scheme titled ‘560 Church Street, Cremorne, Incorporated Document, August 2023’.

    The amendment facilitates a commercial development comprising office, residential hotel and retail premises, a reduction in the statutory car parking requirements and removal of native vegetation.

    Specifically, the amendment:

    - Applies the Specific Controls Overlay Schedule 19 (SCO19) to land at 560 Church Street Cremorne, Cremorne (the subject land).
    - Amends the Schedule to Clause 45.12 ‘Specific Controls Overlay’ to apply SCO19 and the Incorporated Document titled ‘560 Church Street, Cremorne Incorporated Document, August 2023’ to the subject land.
    - Amends the Schedule to Clause 72.04 ‘Documents Incorporated in this Planning Scheme.’

    Inserts Planning Scheme Map No. 8SCO to apply SCO19 to the subject land.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Significance

12. The subject site is not within an area of cultural significance.

Planning Application

13. The Draft Amendment Application applies only to the land bound by Adelaide Street to the north, Chestnut Street to the west, Russell Street to the south and Church Street to the east, which is known as 560 Church Street, as shown in Figure 1.

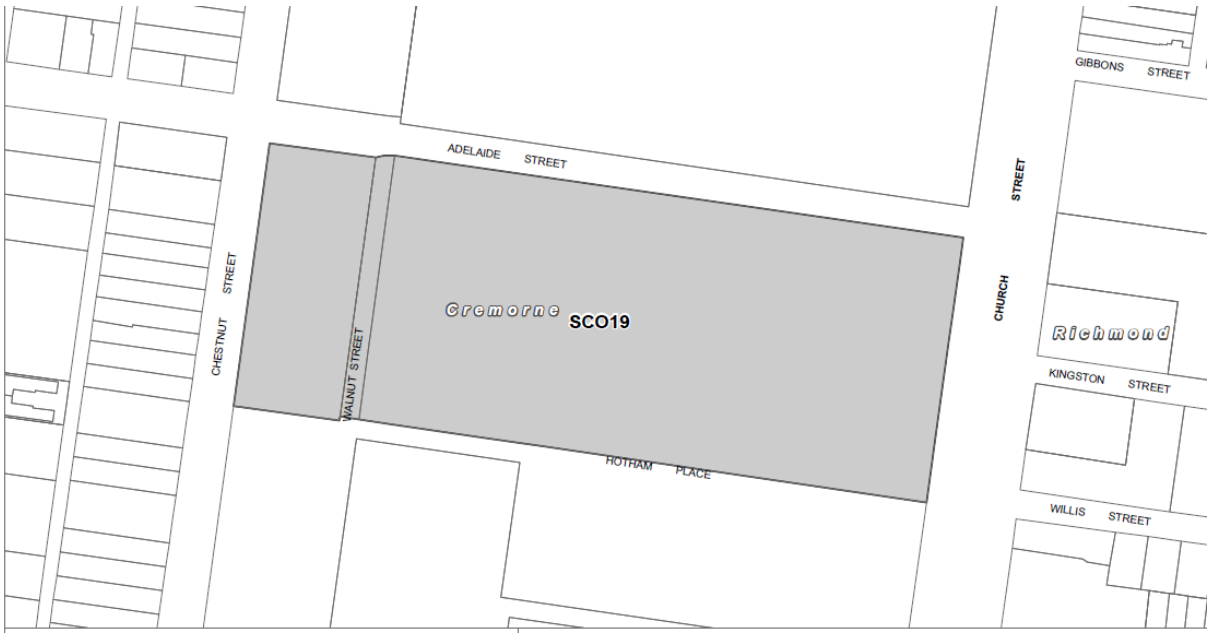

Figure 1: Exact extent of the subject land
Source: State Government draft planning scheme amendment C319yara

General

14. The proposal seeks approval for the construction of a mixed-use commercial development ranging between 8 and 13 storeys on the land at 560 Church Street, Cremorne.

15. The proposal comprises three main new buildings along with works to three existing heritage buildings. These buildings are known as follows:

    (a) Building B: Residential Hotel;

    (b) Building C: Central Workplace;

    (c) Building D: Chestnut Workplace;

    (d) Building E: Administration Building;

    (e) Building F: Brymay Hall; and

    (f) Building G: Boiler House.

16. The general position of these buildings is shown in Figure 2 below.

Figure 2: General footprint of the new buildings (shown in grey) and existing heritage buildings
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

17. The key breakdown of the proposed land uses (lettable area) across the site is as follows:

Land Use	Size/ No.	Location
Office	23,640 sqm	Buildings C and D
Residential Hotel	7,275 sqm/ 197 rooms	Buildings B and F
Retail	2015 sqm	Buildings C, D, E and G

Demolition

18. The majority of the subject site is within the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR – Reference No. H626) meaning that pursuant to Clause 43.01-3 of the Heritage Overlay 'No permit is required under this overlay to develop a heritage place which is included in the Victorian Heritage Register, other than an application to subdivide a heritage place of which all or part is included in the Victorian Heritage Register.' Refer to Figure 3 below for the extent of the Heritage Overlay on site.

19. As such the assessment of the partial demolition of the existing buildings on site is via the Heritage Victoria assessment taking place concurrently to this application under the *Heritage Act 1995.* Council has already provided detailed comments on this process, these are included in attachment 4.

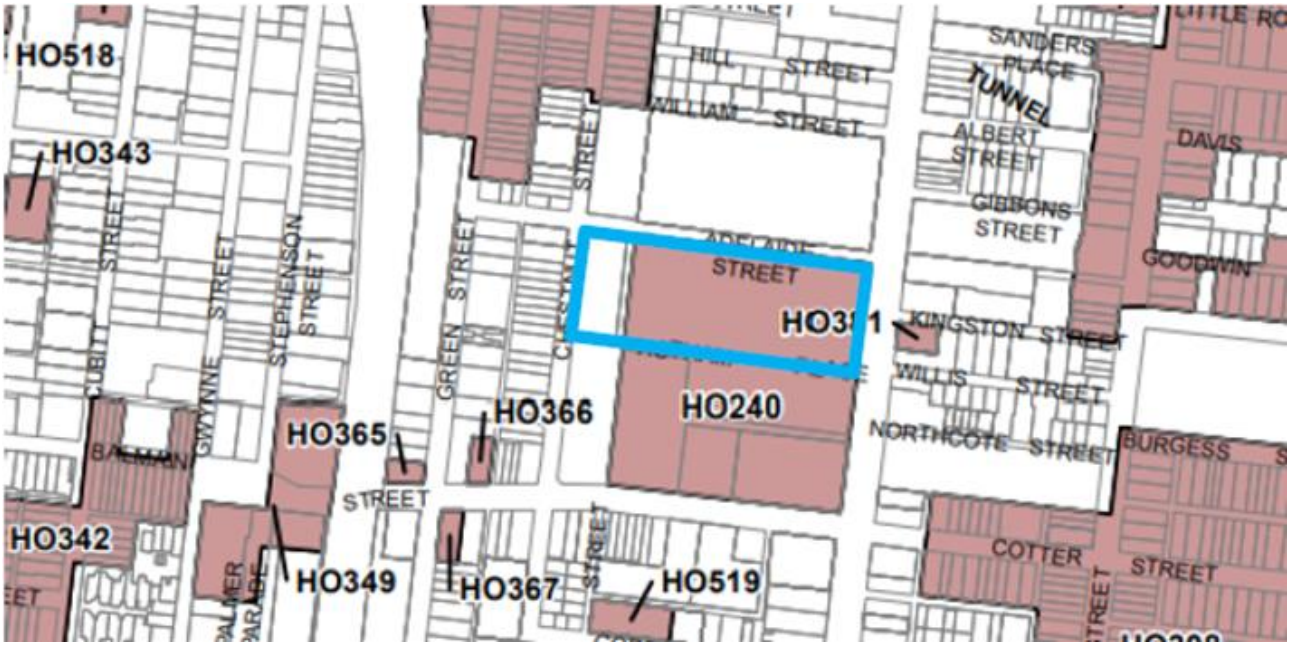

Figure 3: Extent of Heritage Overlay
Source: DELWP

20. The rear section of the site fronting Chestnut Street is not within the VHR or the Heritage Overlay and as such no permit is required for the demolition to this section of the site.

Overall design

21. The whole site consists of six buildings and chimney stack with substantial new and/or enhanced public realm links, landscaping and public spaces. There are new pedestrian links created between the buildings in a north-south direction and east-west direction, as well as a wholesale enhancement to the existing private lane to be known as Russell Street abutting the southern edge of the site.

22. Specifically, there are six new spaces / squares (including one new green space) and three new pedestrian links as well as the re-instatement of Walnut Street that provide access and permeability through the site as shown in Figure 4 below:

Figure 4: Location of the links and spaces within the site
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

23. The layout of the buildings and corresponding heights is provided in Figure 5.

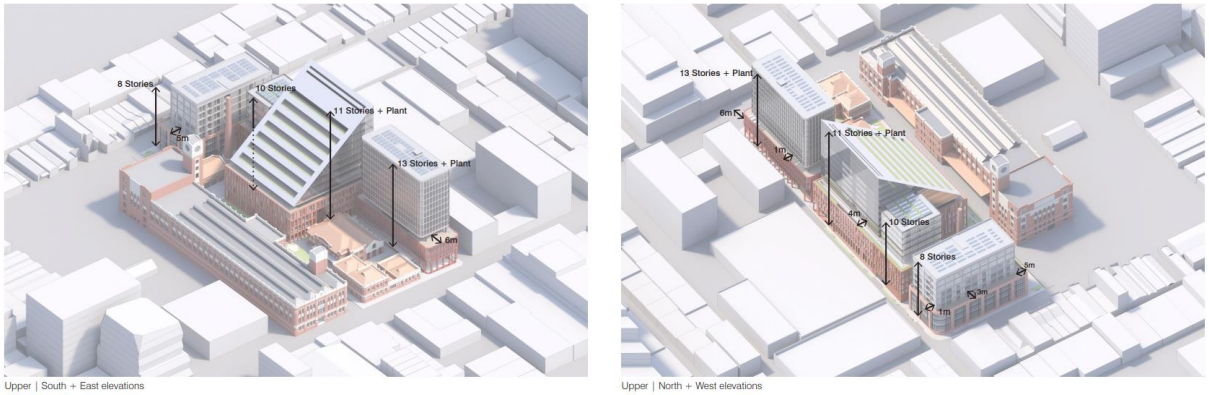

Figure 5: Proposed layout/Heights of development
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Building B: Residential Hotel

24. The 13 storey (51.425m) building positioned on the north eastern corner of Church and Adelaide Streets proposed as a residential hotel contains 197 rooms across levels 1-12 with hotel amenities and landscaped area located at level 4. Building B has a three level (14.7m) streetwall, including a double height ground floor with colonnade wrapping around to Adelaide Street.

25. The ground level comprises the hotel public areas and lift lobby, a restaurant fronting Church and Adelaide Street and service areas. The main pedestrian access to the building is via the new walkway known as Hotham Place which abuts its southern façade with a covered ramped access via Church Street.

26. At green wall is proposed along part of the upper street wall levels to Adelaide Street.

Figure 6: Building B (Hotel) as viewed from Church Street
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Building C: Central Workplace

27. Ranging between 10 to 12 storeys (58.03m) the proposed office building is positioned in middle of site fronting Adelaide Street to the north and a pedestrian walkway to the east. The main part of the building is set back 7.9m from Russell Street to the south, with the smaller 10 storey western wing fronting 'Cremorne Square' and Walnut Street. The building has a street wall height of 17.1m.

28. The distinctive standalone building is shaped in a 'wedge' with the highest part of the building orientated to Adelaide Street, slopping away from the clocktower to the south of the site.

29. At lower ground level, this building comprises on site car parking areas and services including waste, fire services, end of trip (EOT) facilities and a loading bay. This level also accommodates retail tenancies that front internally within the site to 'Cremorne Square' and Russell Street.

30. The upper ground level contains a mix of retail and workplaces, including lobby areas with the remainder of the building proposed to be used as office space.

31. The GFA is 36745sqm, with 18325sqm of Office (NLA) and 756qm retail (NLA) is throughout the remainder, from upper ground to Level 11.

Figure 7: Building C (Central Workplace) as viewed from Russel Street
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Building D: Chestnut Workplace

32. An 8 storey (34.65m) office building positioned to the north-west corner of the subject site fronting Adelaide and Chestnut. The building presents as a three-storey streetwall and then sets back from Chestnut Street.

33. At lower ground level is the lobby area accessed off Walnut Street, office and 4 x retail tenancies (three to 'Chestnut Corner' and one to corner of Walnut and Adelaide streets).

34. The GFA is 10240sqm, with 5315sqm office (NLA) and 285sqm retail (NLA).

Figure 8: Building D as viewed from Chestnut and Russell streets
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Building E: Administrative Building

35. This existing two-storey building is positioned on the south eastern side of the subject site, with an interface to Church Street to the east and Russell Street to the south. The building will contain 805sqm retail tenancies.

Figure 9: Building E as viewed from Church Street
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Building F: Brymay Hall

36. This existing building is to the south of the residential hotel (Building B), central to the Church Street frontage.

37. To the south of this building will be a new green space known as Matchstick Park.

38. The two storey building is to be retrofitted to contain operations of the residential hotel, including its restaurant, kitchen and meeting room facilities.

Figure 10: Brymay Hall and Matchstick Park as viewed from Russell Street
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Building G: Boiler House

39. The existing building is sited to the south of the chimney stack and is to accommodate a 55sqm retail tenancy at lower ground level.

Figure 11: Boiler House as viewed from Russell Street with chimney, the west wing of Building C and Building D in the background
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

40. Images of the proposal, as viewed from Church Street (east) and Adelaide Street (north) are provided at Figures 12 and 13.

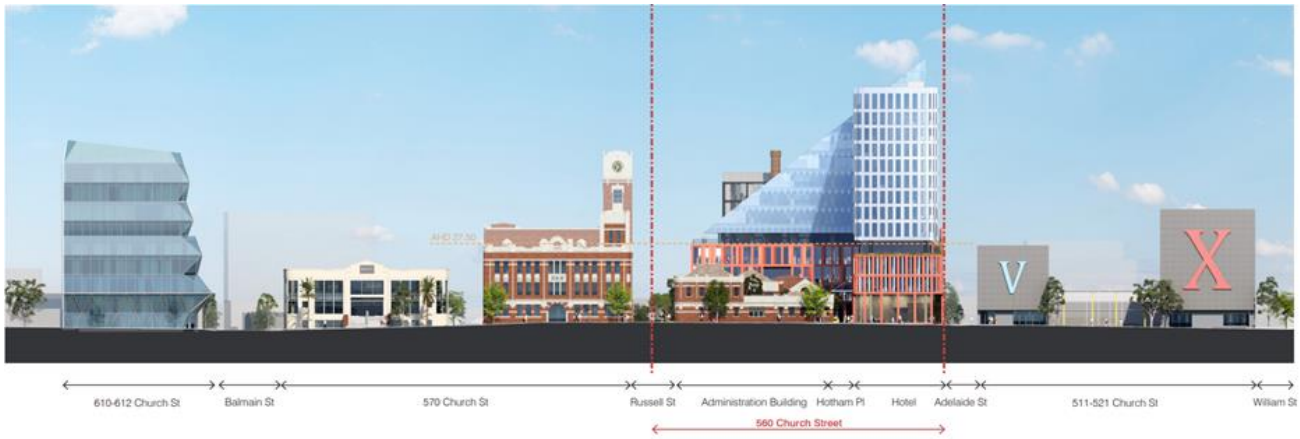

Figure 12: Church Street streetscape elevation
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Figure 13: Church Street streetscape elevation
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Basement Levels

41. The two levels of basement under Buildings B, C and D contain car parking and services. The basement level under Building B consists of a substation, services and staff amenities.

Car parking / bicycle parking and loading

42. A total of 209 car spaces (180 for employees, 29 for the hotel valet) are to be provided as well as 232 bicycle spaces.

43. All loading areas are to be provided to Adelaide Street with one dedicated loading area to each of the three new buildings.

Materials and finishes

44. A wide range of high quality construction materials are proposed and have been designed to distinguish between the differing built form elements across the proposal. The key finishes are summarised as follows.

45. The streetwalls of the new buildings will all comprise different types of red coloured ornate cladding to provide strong bases that reference the existing red brick heritage on site, while all the upper levels are a contrasting lighter coloured and lighter weight language incorporating a high degree of glazing. Each of the buildings complement one another to create a collection of connected buildings but still have subtle variations in particular at the lower levels.

46. The streetwall to Building B (Hotel) will comprise a grid pattern of a mix of glass, red Glass Reinforced Concrete (GRC) and reinforced concrete, with the glazing inset from the cladding. The upper levels are a combination of glass, polished metal and light coloured GRC with the windows protruding from the metal to create visual interest and depth. There is also a vertical green wall to the northern elevation to Adelaide Street proposed.

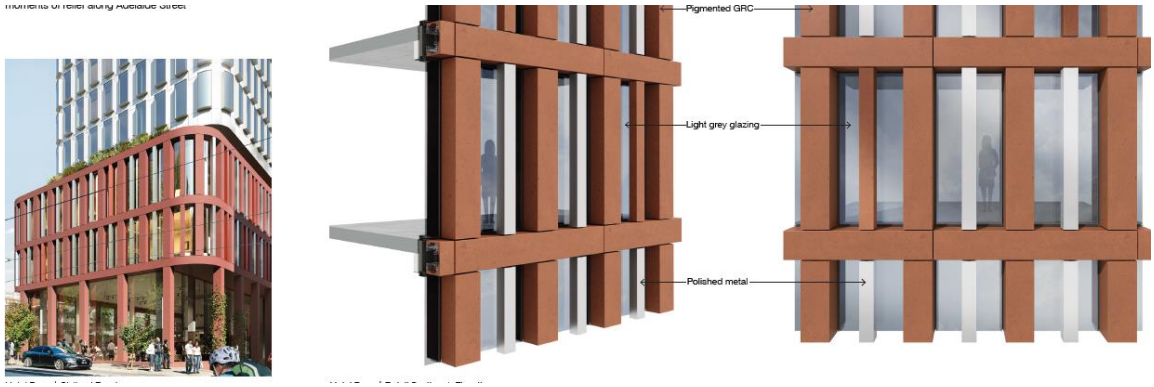

Figure 14: Hotel streetwall detail
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Figure 15: Building B (Hotel) upper level detail
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

47. Building C known as the Central Workplace base is similar to that of Building B (Hotel) but has subtle differences in expression. The streetwall is a continuation of the coloured GRC grid but there is a secondary layer that is slightly lighter in colour along with the same red colour as the hotel. Also unlike the hotel grid, which has uniform proportions, there is variation in the sizes of the rectangular openings and winter gardens to the northern façade.

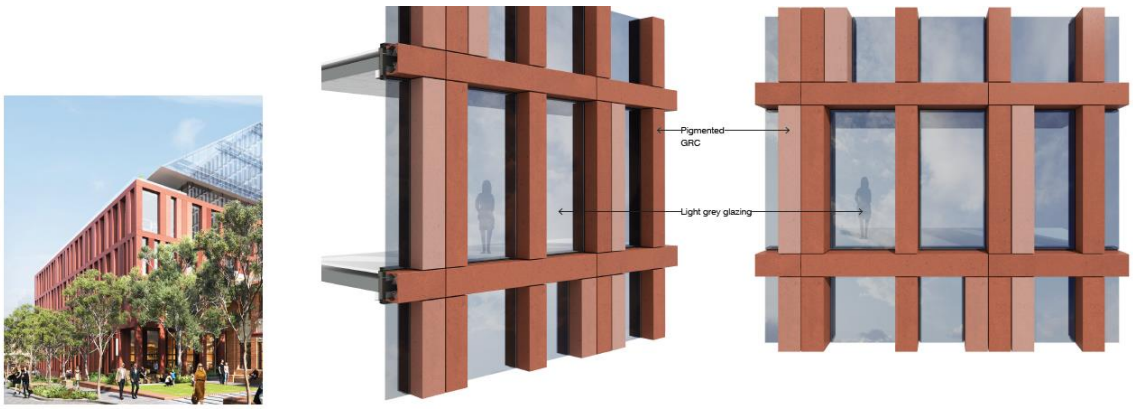

Figure 16: Building C (Central workplace) streetwall detail
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

48. At the east and west upper levels is an intricate glass façade system including double skin lightweight glass façade with operable glass louvres to the northern and eastern façades.

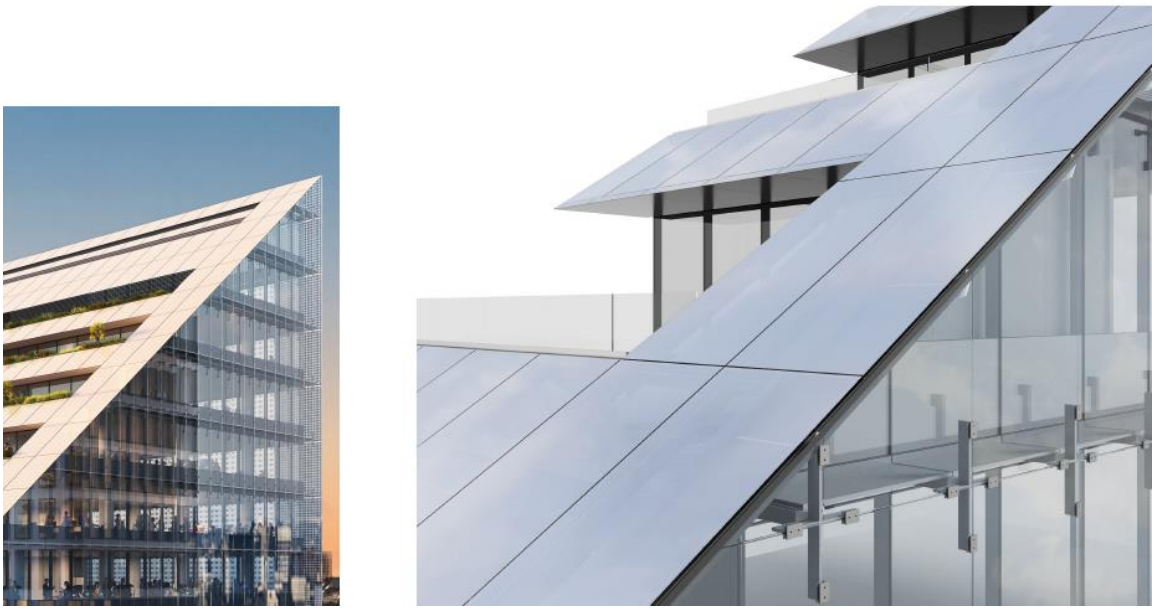

Figure 17: Building C (Central workplace) upper level detail to east and west facades
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

49. The northern upper façade continues the double skin but with photovoltaic cells integrated into the laminated outer skin glazing panels.

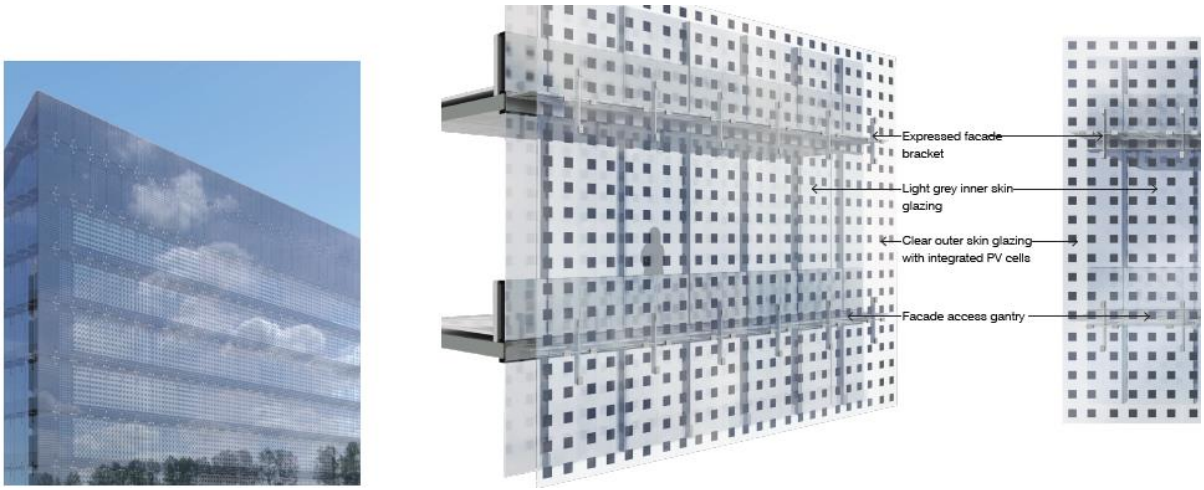

Figure 18: Building C (Central workplace) upper level detail to photovoltaic northern face
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

50. The upper levels of the west wing of the Central Workplace are a flat glass with uniform charcoal grid.

Figure 19: Building C (Central workplace) upper level detail to west wing
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

51. Building D known as the Chestnut Workplace streetwall is vertically textured red coloured precast concrete. The texture of fine vertical lines is complemented by larger industrial style metal framed windows.

Figure 20: Building D (Chestnut workplace) streetwall detail
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

52. The upper levels are an expressed metal grid, referencing to Cremorne's industrial history. The protruding metal framing with glass panels provides a lightweight and elegant upper level language that is visually interesting with depth and articulation that is individua but also complements the other new buildings.

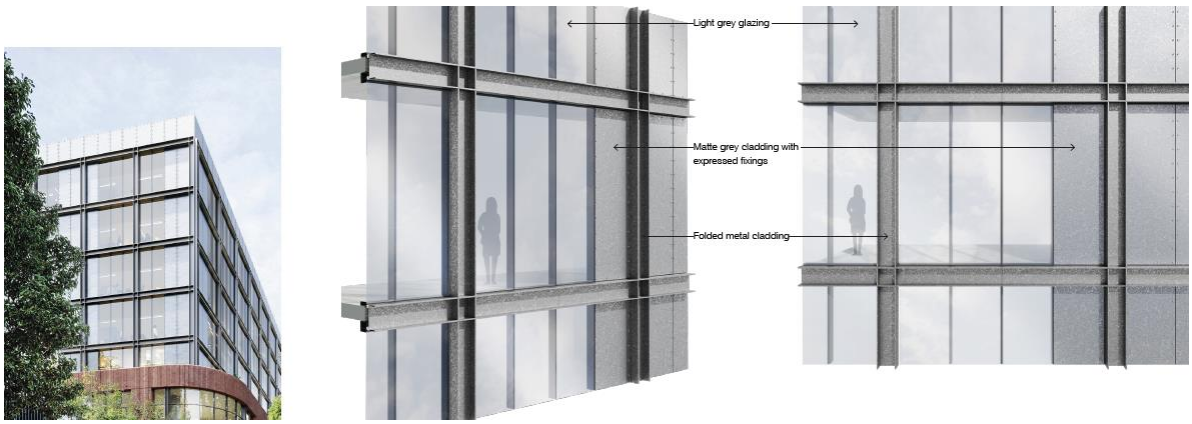

Figure 21: Building D (Chestnut workplace) upper level detail
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Existing Conditions

Subject Site

53. The subject site is the northern half of the former Bryant and May Industrial Complex located on the western side of Church Street, Cremorne between Adelaide Street to the north and the privately owned Russell Street to the south. The site is a rectangular shape with a 159.6 metre frontage to Adelaide Street, 161.2 metre frontage to Russell Street, 61.2 metre frontage to Church Street and a 6.5 metre frontage to Chestnut Street, resulting in a total site area of 9700sqm.

Figure 22: Aerial
Source: NeapMap 21 October 2023

54. The subject site is formally made up of 11 land parcels formally described as:

    (a) Lot 1 on Title Plan 128114J;

    (b) Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 214127X;

    (c) Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 214128V;

(d) Lot 1 on Title Plan 128218V (formerly known as part of Portion 6 Parish of Jika Jika);

(e) Lot 1on Title Plan 613126W (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika);

(f) Lot 1 on Title Plan 593353Q (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika);

(g) Lot 1 on Title Plan 376361D (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika);

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(j) Lot 1 on Title Plan 694570T (formerly known as part of Portion 5 AT RICHMOND Parish of Jika Jika); and

(k) Lot 1 on Title Plan 692646W (formerly known known as part of Portion 5 AT RICHMOND arish of Jika Jika).

55. The titles submitted with the application do not show any covenants or easements that would affect the proposal.

56. Occupying the site are various heritage buildings including the Administrative building to Church Street, Boiler House and Brymay Hall to Russell Street and the chimney stack. The remainder of the buildings are later commercial buildings and additions constructed in the late 1980s, all ranging between one and two storeys.

57. The existing buildings currently accommodate a range of commercial uses including offices, retail, a gym and furniture showroom.

Figure 23: Church Steet frontage

58. The main vehicular access point is via Russell street along the southern boundary which provides access between Church and Chestnut streets. There is at grade car spaces to the south of the site abutting Russell Street and also at the west end of the site.

Figure 24: Brymay Hall from Russell Street

59. There is a substantial fall across the site from the south east to the north west of about 3 metres.

60. The site contains no landscaping, with extensive hard surfaces. There is a large Red Ironbark tree at the western boundary and street trees to the Church Street frontage.

Surrounding Land

61. The surrounding area contains a mix of uses, with predominantly commercial development neighbouring but with residential to the north-west.

62. In the wider area are showrooms, warehouses and offices generally constructed to the boundary with high site coverage. Dwellings are also located within the wider area over Church Street to the east and over Chestnut Street to the north-west. A furniture retailing theme is evident along Church Street.

63. The site is in proximity to activity centres and public transport routes. The site is within 300 metres of the Swan Street Major Activity Centre (MAC) and located on the Church Street commercial strip. Public Transport is readily available to the site with tram services on both Church and Swan Streets as well as East Richmond Railway Station (230 metres to the north) and Richmond Railway station 800 metres to the north0-west and South Yarra Railway station located about 1km to the south-west.

64. The subject site is located in the Commercial 2 Zone (CZ2) with the properties to the west, east and south and most of the north (exception being the north-west) within this zone. Properties within both the Neighbourhood Residential Zone (NRZ1) or General Residential Zone 1 (GRZ1) are located further to the east. The surrounding land is mixed, and this pattern is most clearly demonstrated by the zoning context; specifically by the CZ2 and residential zones to the north-west and further east towards Brighton Street.

65. The mix of zoning is shown below:

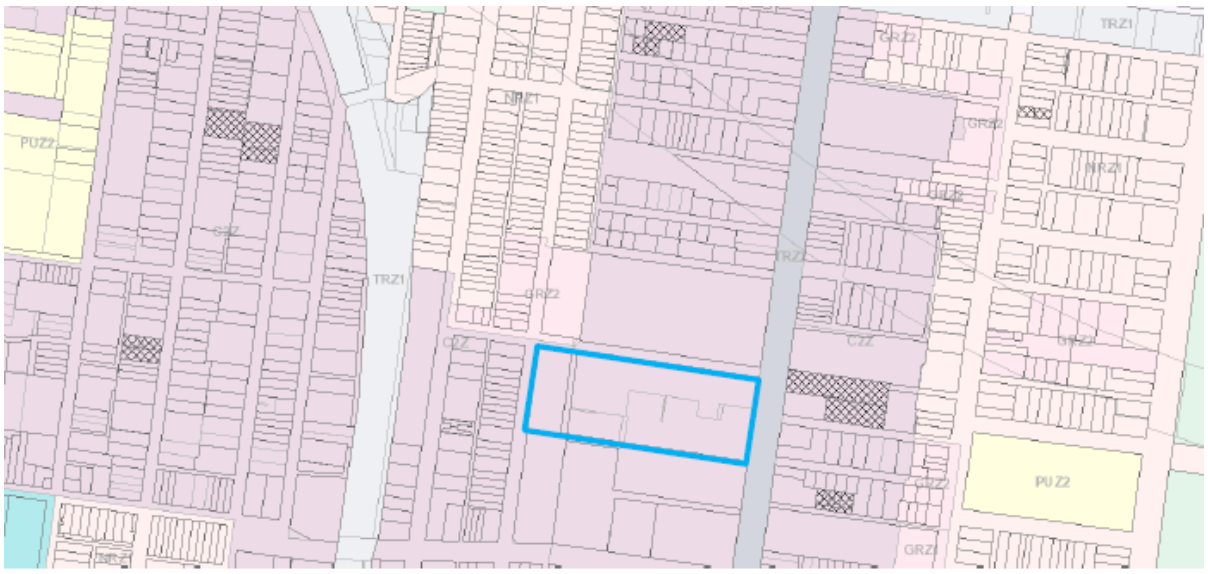

Figure 25: Zoning map
Source: DELWP

North

66. To the north is Adelaide Street, a narrow one-way local road (west to east) with parking on the northern side and narrow footpaths either side, providing access between Church and Green streets. The street has a low-scale, industrial character for the entirety of the subject site frontage, with back of house warehouse buildings and red brick prevalent. Further west are more low scale commercial buildings, while to the corner of Church Street on the opposite side is a four storey commercial building.

South

67. To the south is Russell Street (also known as Hotham Place), which is privately owned by the subject applicant and the owner of the remainder of the Bryant and May site at 570 Church Street. The remainder of the Bryant and May building is part three and part four storeys containing fronting Church Street and inclusive of the iconic clocktower. The building is the main office to Red Energy Australia.

68. Russell Street is predominantly vehicle providing access between Church Street and Chestnut Street as well as car parking either side.

East

69. To the east is Church Street, a two way main arterial road (within Transport Zone 2) with car parking either side and a tramlines. On the opposite side of Church Street are single storey retail shops and further east are low-scale commercial buildings and then residential hinterland towards Brighton Street. Richmond Primary School and Barkly Gardens are approximately 150 metres and 300 metres east respectively.

West

70. To the west is Chestnut Street, a narrow one-way (north to south) street with car parking and footpaths either side, providing a connection between Gordon Street to the south all the way to Railway Crescent to the north. Further west are low-scale commercial as well as some dwellings on opposite side of Chestnut Street. Further east is the commercial Green Street, the train line and then more commercial hinterland beyond.

Broader area

71. The Church Street spine and surrounding area is currently going through a period of transition from lower scale buildings to higher density commercial development. There have been a number of approvals along Church Street and the immediate blocks to the east and west for larger developments. Constructed developments within proximity to the site include:

    (a) 17 William Street, Cremorne (6 Storeys);

(b) 19 William Street, Cremorne (7 storeys);

(c) 480 Church Street, Richmond (Glenville) (6 storeys);

(d) 534 Church Street, Cremorne ('X' Building) (7 storeys);

(e) 594 - 612 Church Street, Cremorne (Icon) (8 storeys);

(f) 12-18 Albert Street, Richmond (7 storeys);

(g) 511-521 Church Street, Richmond (REA) (6 storeys);

(h) 561-563 Church Street, Richmond (6 storeys);

(i) 631-633 Church Street, Richmond (9 storeys); and

(j) 8 Howard Street, Richmond (9 storeys).

72. Other recently approved larger scale developments in the vicinity that have commenced construction or recently received permits include:

(a) PLN18/0328 459-471 Church St & 20-26 Brighton St, Richmond (10 storeys);

(b) PLN17/0278 506 & 508-510 Church Street, Cremorne (10 storeys plus roof terrace);

(c) PLN17/0456 594-612 Church St, Cremorne (8 storeys plus roof terrace);

(d) PLN19/0886 11-13 Pearson Street and 10-12 Adolph Street (8 storeys);

(e) PLN19/0404 10 Chapel Street, Cremorne (7 storeys);

(f) PLN19/0025 9 Kingston Street, Richmond (6 storeys);

(g) PLN14/0714 565-567 Church Street, Richmond (6 storeys); and

(h) PLN18/0498 1-11 Gordon Street, Cremorne (6 storeys);

(i) PLN17/057 19 Howard Street, Richmond (4 storeys);

(j) PLN20/0230 587-593 Church Street, Richmond (12 storeys); and

(k) PLN20/0361 609-615 Church Street, Richmond (10 storeys).

73. The above recently constructed, under construction, and recently approved planning applications show that the subject site is in an area which can sustain larger scale developments compared to the more long-established building stock.

Planning Scheme Provisions

Zoning

74. The whole site is zoned Commercial 2 Zone (C2Z).

75. The existing and proposed provisions will be outlined below.

Clause 32.04 – Commercial 2 Zone

76. The subject site is zoned C2Z. The following relevant purpose of the C2Z2 as follows:

(a) To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework;

(b) To encourage commercial areas for offices, appropriate manufacturing industries, bulky goods retailing, other retail uses, and associated business and commercial services; and

(c) To ensure that uses do not affect the safety and amenity of adjacent, more sensitive uses.

77. Pursuant to this Clause 34.02-1, the office use does not require a planning permit, however Retail premises, Residential hotel are Section 2-permit required uses and therefore a planning is required for these uses.

78. Pursuant to Clause 34.02-4, a planning permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works. The decision guidelines are set out at Clause 34.02-7.

Overlays

Clause 43.01 Heritage Overlay

79. As outlined earlier in the report , the majority of the subject site is within the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR – Reference No. H626).

80. Pursuant to Clause 43.01-3 of the Heritage Overlay 'No permit is required under this overlay to develop a heritage place which is included in the Victorian Heritage Register, other than an application to subdivide a heritage place of which all or part is included in the Victorian Heritage Register.'

Clause 43.02-Design and Development Overlay (Schedule 2 – Main Roads and Boulevards) (DDO2)

81. The site is located within the DDO2. Pursuant to Clause 43.02-2 of the Scheme, a planning permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works within this overlay.

82. Schedule 2 to the DDO specifically relates to Main Roads and Boulevards. Specific design objectives are:

    (a) To recognise the importance of main roads to the image of the City;

    (b) To retain existing streetscapes and places of cultural heritage significance and encourage retention of historic buildings and features which contribute to their identity;

    (c) To reinforce and enhance the distinctive heritage qualities of main roads and boulevards;

    (d) To recognise and reinforce the pattern of development and the character of the street, including traditional lot width, in building design;

    (e) To encourage high quality contemporary architecture;

    (f) To encourage urban design that provides for a high level of community safety and comfort;

    (g) To limit visual clutter; and

    (h) To maintain and where needed, create, a high level of amenity to adjacent residential uses through the design, height and form of proposed development.

Clause 43.02 Design and Development Overlay (Schedule 5 City Link Exhaust Stack Environs) (DDO5)

83. The site is located within the DDO5. Pursuant to Clause 43.02-2 of the Scheme, a planning permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works within this overlay.

    This does not apply:

    (a) If a schedule to this overlay specifically states that a permit is not required.

84. Section 2.0 of Schedule 5 specifically states that a permit is not required for buildings and works.

85. Section 4.0 of Schedule 5 states that where a permit is required to use land or for the construction of a building or the construction or carrying out of works under another provision in this scheme, notice must be given under section 52(1)(c) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to the person or body specified as a person or body to be notified in Clause 66.06 or a schedule to that clause.

86. Clause 66.06 of the Scheme identifies that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Transurban City Link Limited and the Roads Corporation (Transport for Victoria).

87. The City of Yarra has entered into an agreement with the EPA on 10 July 2019 regarding the requirement for notice to be given to the EPA under Schedule 5 to Clause 43.02. The agreement is to exempt certain applications from being required to be referred to the EPA.

88. Nonetheless, EPA as well as Transurban City Link Limited and the Roads Corporation (Transport for Victoria) were notified of the application.

Clause 43.02 Development Contributions Plan Overlay Schedule 1 (DCPO1)

89. The subject site is affected by the Development Contributions Plan Overlay (Schedule The following provisions apply:

    (a) Pursuant to Clause 45.06-1 a permit granted must;

    (b) Be consistent with the provisions of the relevant development contributions plan; and

    (c) Include any conditions required to give effect to any contributions or levies imposed, conditions or requirements set out in the relevant schedule to this overlay.

90. The proposal results in an increase to the commercial floor area; thus, the requirements of the Overlay apply. As such if a permit is to issue a standard condition would be included requiring a levy to be paid.

Particular Provisions

Clause 52.06- Car parking

91. Pursuant to Clause 52.06-2, before a new use commences the number of car spaces required under Table 1 at Clause 52.06-5 must be provided to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

92. Pursuant to Clause 52.06-3 a permit is required to reduce the number of car parking spaces required under this clause. Pursuant to Clause 52.06-5, Column B of Table 1 applies if any part of the land is identified as being within the Principal public Transport Network Area as shown on the Principal Public transport Network Area Maps (State Government of Victoria, August 2018). The subject site is shown as being within the Principal Public Transport Network Area and therefore Column B applies. Under clause 52.06-5, the following parking rates are required:

Proposed Use	Quantity / Size	Statutory Parking Rate*	No. of Spaces required	No. of Spaces Allocated
Office	23,640 sqm	3 to each 100sqm of net floor area	709	180
Residential Hotel	197 Rooms	To satisfaction of Responsible Authority/	N/A	29
Retail Premises	2015 sqm	3.5 spaces per 100sqm of net floor area.	70	0
Total			779	209

93. A total of 209 car spaces are proposed on site, therefore the application seeks a reduction of 570 car spaces.

94. Pursuant to Clause 52.06-3, a permit is required to reduce (including reduce to zero) the number of car spaces required under Clause 52.06-5.

Clause 52.06- Car parking

95. Pursuant to Clause 52.34-1, a new use must not commence until the required bicycle facilities and associated signage are provided on the land. The following table identifies the bicycle parking requirement under Clause 52.34-3, the provision on site, and the subsequent reduction below the statutory requirement:

Proposed Use	Quantity/ Size	Statutory Parking Rate	No. of Spaces Required	No. of Spaces Allocated
Office (other than specified in the table)	23,640 sqm	1 employee space to each 300 sqm of net floor area if the net floor area exceeds 1000 sqm	79 employee spaces	
		1 visitor space to each 1000 sqm of net floor area if the net floor area exceeds 1000 sqm	24 visitor spaces.	
Retail premises (other than specified in this table)	1,940 sqm	1 employee space to each 300 sqm of leasable floor area	7 employee spaces	
		1 visitor space to each 500 sqm of leasable floor area	4 visitor spaces.	
Residential building (other than specified in this table)	202 Rooms	Employees: In developments of four or more storeys, 1 to each 10 lodging rooms	20 employee spaces	
		Visitors: In developments of four or more storeys, 1 to each 10 lodging rooms	20 visitor spaces.	
Bicycle Parking Spaces Total			**106 resident / employee spaces**	**200 resident / employee spaces**
			52 visitor spaces	**64 visitor spaces**
Showers / Change rooms		1 to the first 5 employee spaces and 1 to each additional 10 employee spaces	**21 showers / change rooms**	**21 showers / change rooms**

96. Clause 52.34-4 provides design standard for bicycle spaces and signage contains bicycle signage requirements.

97. The development provides well above the requirements for employee and visitor spaces and meets the requirements for change rooms / showers. This will be discussed later in this report.

Clause 52.29 – Land adjacent to a road zone, Category 1, or a public acquisition overlay for a category 1 road zone

98. Pursuant to Clause 52.29-2, a planning permit is required to create or alter access to a Road Zone Category 1. An application must be referred to the relevant Roads Corporation. Pursuant to clause 52.29-4, an application to create or alter access to a road declared as a freeway or arterial road under the Road Management Act 2004, in accordance with clause 52.29 must be referred to the Roads Corporation (Transport for Victoria) under section 55 of the Act.

99. The decision guidelines require the following to be considered:

    (a) The Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework;

    (b) The views of the relevant road authority;

    (c) The effect of the proposal on the operation of the road and on public safety;

    (d) Any policy made by the relevant road authority pursuant to Schedule 2, Clause 3; and

    (e) of the Road Management Act 2004 regarding access between a controlled access road and adjacent land.

Clause 53.18 – Stormwater Management in Urban Development

100. This clause applies to an application under a provision of a zone to construct a building or construct or carry out works. An application to construct a building or to construct or carry out works:

    (a) Must meet all of the objectives of Clauses 53.18-5 and 53.18-6; and

    (b) Should meet all of the standards of Clauses 53.18-5 and 53.18-6.

General Provisions

Clause 65 – Decision guidelines

101. The decision guidelines outlined at clause 65 of the Scheme are relevant to all applications. Because a permit can be granted does not imply that a permit should or will be granted. Before deciding on an application, the Responsible Authority must consider a number of matters. Amongst other things, the Responsible Authority must consider the relevant Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework., as well as the purpose of the zone, overlay or any other provision. An assessment of the application against the relevant sections of the Scheme is offered in further in this report.

Clause 66.03 Referral of Permit Applications Under Other State Standard Provisions

102. In accordance with clause 66.03-11 of the Scheme, an application to create or alter access to a road declared as a freeway or an arterial road under the Road Management Act 2004, in accordance with clause 52.29 must be referred to the Roads Corporation (Transport for Victoria). The Roads Corporation (Transport for Victoria) is a determining referral authority for this application.

Clause 66.06 Notice of Permit Applications Under Local Provisions

103. In accordance with Section 1.0 of clause 66.06 of the Scheme, notice must be provided to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Transurban City Link Limited and the Roads Corporation (Transport for Victoria) where the application is within the DDO5 and triggered under another provision of the Scheme.

Planning Policy Framework (PPF)

104. The following PPF provisions of the Scheme are relevant:

    Clause 11.01-1R – Settlement – Metropolitan Melbourne

105. The relevant strategy of this clause is to:

    (a) Create mixed-use neighbourhoods at varying densities, including through the development of urban-renewal precincts, that offer more choice in housing, create jobs and opportunities for local businesses and deliver better access to services and facilities.

    Clause 11.02-1S – Supply of Urban Land

106. The relevant strategy of this clause is to:

    (a) Planning for urban growth should consider:

        (i) Opportunities for the consolidation, redevelopment and intensification of existing urban areas.

    Clause 11.03-1S – Activity Centres

107. The objective of this clause is to:

    (a) To encourage the concentration of major retail, residential, commercial, administrative, entertainment and cultural developments into activity centres that are highly accessible to the community; and

    (b) Relevant strategies include the following:

(i) Undertake strategic planning for the use and development of land in and around activity centres;

(ii) Encourage a diversity of housing types at higher densities in and around activity centres;

(iii) Reduce the number of private motorised trips by concentrating activities that generate high numbers of (non-freight) trips in highly accessible activity centres; and

(iv) Improve access by walking, cycling and public transport to services and facilities.

Clause 11.03-2S – Growth Areas

108. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To locate urban growth close to transport corridors and services and provide efficient and effective infrastructure to create sustainability benefits while protecting primary production, major sources of raw materials and valued environmental areas.

Clause 13.04-1S – Contaminated and potentially contaminated land

109. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To ensure that potentially contaminated land is suitable for its intended future use and development, and that contaminated land is used safely.

Clause 13.05-1S – Noise management

110. The objective of this clause is;

(a) To assist the management of noise effects on sensitive land uses.

Clause 15.01 – Built Environment and Heritage
Clause 15.01-1S – Urban design

111. The objective is:

(a) To create urban environments that are safe, healthy, functional and enjoyable and that contribute to a sense of place and cultural identity.

Clause 15.01-1R – Urban design - Metropolitan Melbourne

112. The objective is:

(a) To create a distinctive and liveable city with quality design and amenity.

Clause 15.01-2S – Building design

113. The objective is:

(a) To achieve building design and siting outcomes that contribute positively to the local context, enhance the public realm and support environmentally sustainable development.

114. Relevant strategies include:

(a) Ensure a comprehensive site analysis forms the starting point of the design process and provides the basis for the consideration of height, scale and massing of new development;

(b) Ensure development responds and contributes to the strategic and cultural context of its location;

(c) Minimise the detrimental impact of development on neighbouring properties, the public realm and the natural environment;

(d) Ensure the form, scale, and appearance of development enhances the function and amenity of the public realm;

(e) Ensure buildings and their interface with the public realm support personal safety, perceptions of safety and property security;

(f) Ensure development is designed to protect and enhance valued landmarks, views and vistas; and

(g) Ensure development provides safe access and egress for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.

115. This clause also states that planning must consider as relevant:

(a) Urban Design Guidelines for Victoria (Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 2017); and

(b) Apartment Design Guidelines for Victoria (Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 2017).

Clause 15.01-4S – Healthy neighbourhoods

116. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To achieve neighbourhoods that foster healthy and active living and community wellbeing.

Clause 15.01-4R – Healthy neighbourhoods - Metropolitan Melbourne

117. The strategy is:

(a) Create a city of 20 minute neighbourhoods, that give people the ability to meet most of their everyday needs within a 20 minute walk, cycle or local public transport trip from their home.

Clause 15.01-5S – Neighbourhood character

118. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To recognise, support and protect neighbourhood character, cultural identity, and sense of place.

Clause 15.02-1S (Energy Efficiency)

119. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To encourage land use and development that is energy and resource efficient, supports a cooler environment and minimises greenhouse gas emissions.

Clause 15.03-1S – Heritage Conservation

120. The objective of this clause is;

(a) To ensure the conservation of places of heritage significance.

Clause 17.01 – Employment

Clause 17.01-1S (Diversified economy)

121. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To strengthen and diversify the economy.

122. The relevant strategies of this clause are:

(a) Protect and strengthen existing and planned employment areas and plan for new employment areas;

(b) Facilitate growth in a range of employment sectors, including health, education;

(c) retail, tourism, knowledge industries and professional and technical services based on the emerging and existing strengths of each region; and

(d) Improve access to jobs closer to where people live.

Clause 17.02-1S – Business

123. The relevant objective of this clause is:

(a) To encourage development that meets the communities' needs for retail, entertainment, office and other commercial services.

124. Relevant strategies include;

(a) Locate commercial facilities in existing or planned activity centres; an

(b) Provide new convenience shopping facilities to provide for the needs of the local population in new residential areas and within, or immediately adjacent to, existing commercial centres.

Clause 18 – Transport
Clause 18.01-1S – Land use and transport integration

125. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To facilitate access to social, cultural and economic opportunities by effectively integrating land use and transport.

Clause 18.02-1S – Walking

126. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To facilitate an efficient and safe walking network and increase the proportion of trips made by walking.

Clause 18.02-2S – Cycling

127. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To facilitate an efficient and safe bicycle network and increase the proportion of trips made by cycling.

Clause 18.02-2R – Cycling – Metropolitan Melbourne

128. The strategy of this clause is to:

(a) Develop local cycling networks and new cycling facilities that support the development of 20-minute neighbourhoods and that link to and complement the metropolitan-wide network of bicycle routes - the Principal Bicycle Network.

Clause 18.02-3S – Public Transport

129. The objective of this clause is:

(a) To facilitate an efficient and safe public transport network and increase the proportion of trips made by public transport.

Clause 18.02-3R – Principal Public Transport Network

130. Relevant strategies include the following:

(a) Maximise the use of existing infrastructure and increase the diversity and density of development along the Principal Public Transport Network, particularly at interchanges, activity centres and where principal public transport routes intersect.

Clause 19.02-6R – Open Space – Metropolitan Melbourne

131. The relevant objective and strategies of this clause are:

(a) To strengthen the integrated metropolitan open space network.

(b) Develop a network of local open spaces that are accessible and of high-quality and include opportunities for new local open spaces through planning for urban redevelopment projects.

Clause 19.03-1S – Development and infrastructure contributions plans

132. The relevant objective of this clause is:

(a) To facilitate the timely provision of planned infrastructure to communities through the preparation and implementation of development contributions plans and infrastructure contributions plans.

Clause 19.03-3S – Integrated water management

133. The relevant objective of this clause is:

(a) To sustainably manage water supply and demand, water resources, wastewater, drainage and stormwater through an integrated water management approach.

Local Planning Policy Framework (LPPF)

Clause 21 – Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS)
Clause 21.04 – Land Use

134. The relevant objectives and strategies of this clause are:

(a) Objective 3 – To reduce potential amenity conflicts between residential and other uses.

(i) Strategy 3.2 – Apply the Interface Uses policy at clause 22.05; and

(ii) Strategy 3.4 – Discourage late night and 24 hour trading activities located near residential zones to minimize impacts on residential amenity.

Clause 21.04-2 – Activity Centres

135. The relevant objectives and strategies of this clause are:

(a) Objective 4 To maintain a balance between local convenience and regional retail roles in Yarra's activity centres:

(i) Strategy 4.1 Increase the range of retail, personal and business services, community facilities, and recreation activities, within individual centres; and

(b) Objective 5 To maintain the long term viability of activity centres:

(i) Strategy 5.3 Discourage uses at street level in activity centres which create dead frontages during the day; and

(ii) Strategy 5.4 Permit residential development that does not compromise the business function of activity centres.

Clause 21.04-3 Industry, office and commercial

136. The relevant objectives and strategies of this clause are:

(a) Objective 8 To increase the number and diversity of local employment opportunities.

Clause 21.04-5 Parks, gardens and public open space

137. The relevant objectives and strategies of this clause are:

(a) Objective 13 To provide an open space network that meets existing and future community needs:

(i) Strategy 13.3 Ensure new development does not have a negative impact on adjoining open space.

Clause 21.05-1 Heritage

138. The relevant objectives and strategies are:

(a) Objective 14 To protect and enhance Yarra's heritage places:

(i) Strategy 14.2 Support the restoration of heritage places;

(ii) Strategy 14.6 Protect buildings, streetscapes and precincts of heritage significance from the visual intrusion of built form both within places and from adjoining areas;

(iii) Strategy 14.8 Apply the Development Guidelines for sites subject to a Heritage Overlay policy at clause 22.02; and

(iv) Strategy 14.9 Apply the Landmarks and Tall Structures policy at clause 22.03.

Clause 21.05-2 – Urban design

139. The relevant objectives and strategies of this clause is:

(a) Objective 16 To reinforce the existing urban framework of Yarra;

(b) Objective 17 To retain Yarra's identity as a low-rise urban form with pockets of higher development:

(i) Strategy 17.2 Development on strategic redevelopment sites or within activity centres should generally be no more than 5-6 storeys unless it can be demonstrated that the proposal can achieve specific benefits such as:

- Significant upper level setbacks
- Architectural design excellence
- Best practice environmental sustainability objectives in design and construction
- High quality restoration and adaptive re-use of heritage buildings
- Positive contribution to the enhancement of the public domain
- Provision of affordable housing.

(ii) Strategy 17.3 Apply the Landmarks and Tall Structures policy at clause 22.03.

(iii) Strategy 18.2 Enhance the amenity of laneways by applying the Development Abutting Laneway policy at Clause 22.07.

(c) Objective 21 To enhance the built form character of Yarra's activity centres.

(i) Strategy 21.1 Require development within Yarra's activity centres to respect and not dominate existing built form;

(ii) Strategy 21.2 Require new development within an activity centre to consider the context of the whole centre recognising that activity centres may consist of sub-precincts, each of which may have a different land use and built form character;

(iii) Strategy 21.3 Support new development that contributes to the consolidation and viability of existing activity centres; and

(d) Objective 22 To encourage the provision of universal access in new development.

Clause 21.05-4 Public environment

140. The relevant objectives and strategies of this clause is:

(a) Objective 28: To a provide a public environment that encourages community interaction and activity:

(i) Strategy 28.1 Encourage universal access to all new public spaces and buildings;

(ii) Strategy 28.2 Ensure that buildings have a human scale at street level;

(iii) Strategy 28.3 Require buildings and public spaces to provide a safe and attractive public environment;

(iv) Strategy 28.4 Require new development to consider the opportunity to create public spaces as part of new development;

(v) Strategy 28.5 Require new development to make a clear distinction between public and private spaces;

(vi) Strategy 28.6 Require new development to consider the creation of public access through large development sites, particularly those development sites adjacent to waterways, parkland or activity centres;

(vii) Strategy 28.9 Apply the Public Open Space Contribution policy at clause 22.12; and

(viii) Strategy 28.10 Require site rezonings for new development to consider the inclusion of public domain improvements commensurate with the new use.

Clause 21.06 - Transport
Clause 21.06-1 Walking and cycling

141. The relevant objectives and strategies of this clause are:

(a) Objective 30 To provide safe and convenient pedestrian and bicycle environments.

(i) Strategy 30.1 Improve pedestrian and cycling links in association with new development where possible.

Clause 21.06-3 The road system and parking

142. The relevant objectives and strategies of this clause are:

(a) Objective 32 To reduce the reliance on the private motor car.

Clause 21.07-1 Environmentally sustainable development

143. The relevant objectives and strategies of this Clause are:

(a) Objective 34 To promote environmentally sustainable development.

(i) Strategy 34.1 Encourage new development to incorporate environmentally sustainable design measures in the areas of energy and water efficiency, greenhouse gas emissions, passive solar design, natural ventilation, stormwater reduction and management, solar access, orientation and layout of development, building materials and waste minimisation; and

(ii) Strategy 34.3 Apply the Environmentally Sustainable Development policy at clause 22.17.

Clause 21.08 – Neighbourhoods
Clause 21.08-2 – Burnley-Cremorne- South Richmond)

144. This clause outlines the South Richmond neighbourhood as follows (as relevant):

(a) the established residential area surrounding Barkly Gardens provides a range of housing opportunities in small cottages and larger period dwellings;

(b) This neighbourhood is largely an eclectic mix of commercial, industrial and residential land use. With two railway lines and both north south, and east west tram routes, the

neighbourhood has excellent access to public transport. The Cremorne commercial area functions as an important metropolitan business cluster which must be fostered;

(c) The Barkly industrial precinct, south of Swan Street and west of Burnley Street, has the opportunity to establish itself as a new business employment node. This should include a mix of industrial and related activities as well as service business and offices; and

(d) Along Church Street is an activity centre based on furniture and homewares, professional and business services and hospitality. There is an opportunity to enhance this activity centre with consistent active frontages.

145. The subject site is on a 'main road' where the built form character objective is to maintain the hard edge of the strip.

Relevant Local Policies

Clause 22.05 – Interface Uses Policy.

146. The objectives of this clause are:

(a) To enable the development of new residential uses within and close to activity centres, near industrial areas and in mixed use areas while not impeding the growth and operation of these areas as service, economic and employment nodes.

(b) To ensure that residential uses located within or near commercial centres or near industrial uses enjoy a reasonable level of amenity.

Clause 22.07 – Development Abutting Laneways

147. The objectives of this clause are;

(a) To provide an environment which has a feeling of safety for users of the laneway; and

(b) To ensure that development along a laneway is provided with safe pedestrian and vehicular access.

Clause 22.10 – Built Form and Design Policy

148. This policy applies to all new development not included in a heritage overlay. Relevant objectives aim to;

(a) Ensure that new development positively responds to the context of the development and respects the scale and form of surrounding development where this is a valued feature of the neighbourhood character;

(b) Ensure that new development makes a positive contribution to the streetscape through high standards in architecture and urban design;

(c) Limit the impact of new development on the amenity of surrounding land, particularly residential land;

(d) Design buildings to increase the safety, convenience, attractiveness, inclusiveness, accessibility and 'walkability' of the City's streets and public spaces;

(e) Create a positive interface between the private domain and public spaces; and

(f) Encourage environmentally sustainable development.

Clause 22.16 – Stormwater Management (Water Sensitive Urban Design)

149. The relevant objectives of this clause are:

(a) To achieve the best practice water quality performance objectives set out in the Urban Stormwater Best Practice Environmental Management Guidelines, CSIRO 1999 (or as amended). Currently, these water quality performance objectives require:

(i) Suspended Solids - 80% retention of typical urban annual load;

(ii) Total Nitrogen - 45% retention of typical urban annual load;

(iii) Total Phosphorus - 45% retention of typical urban annual load; and

(iv) Litter - 70% reduction of typical urban annual load; and

(b) To promote the use of water sensitive urban design, including stormwater re-use.

Clause 22.17 – Environmentally Sustainable Development

150. This policy applies to residential development with more than one dwelling. The overarching objective is that development should achieve best practice in environmentally sustainable development from the design stage through to construction and operation. The Development Plan has specific environmental sustainability standards that will be referenced within the assessment section.

Other relevant documents

151. Clause 15.01-2S states that planning must consider as relevant:

(a) Urban Design Guidelines for Victoria (Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 2017) (UDG).

Plan Melbourne

152. Plan Melbourne outlines a vision of Melbourne as a 'global city of opportunity and choice'. This vision is guided by seven key outcomes, each supported by directions and policies towards their implementation. Outcomes relevant to the land-use and built-form changes sought by this proposal include the following:

(a) Outcome 1: Melbourne is a productive city that attracts investment, supports innovation and creates jobs;

(b) Outcome 4: Melbourne is a distinctive and liveable city with quality design and amenity;

(c) Outcome 5: Melbourne is a city of inclusive, vibrant and healthy neighbourhoods; and

(i) Direction 1.1 seeks to create a city structure that strengthens Melbourne's competitive for jobs and investment, particularly regarding supporting the central city to become Australia's largest commercial and residential centre by 2050.

153. Policy 1.1.1 & 1.1.2 encourages new development opportunities to create grow office floor space amongst residential space is to deliver co-benefits of employment, reduced commuting and transport costs for workers and residents. Urban renewal precincts in and around the central city is acknowledged here to play major role in delivering high-quality, distinct and diverse neighbourhoods that offer a mix of uses.

154. Policy 4.3.1 seeks to integrate place-making practices into road-space management to ensure the design of streets encourages the use of active transport and facilitates a greater degree of and encounter and interaction between people and places.

155. Direction 5.1 outlines the ambition of creating a city of 20-minute neighbourhoods by encouraging the development of vibrant. mixed-use neighbourhoods linked by a network of activity centres. 'Walkability', 'housing diversity', 'ability to age in place' are identified here as key characteristics of 20-minute neighbourhoods.

156. Direction 5.3 notes the importance of social infrastructure in supporting strong communities.

Yarra Open Space Strategy 2020

157. The Yarra Open Space Strategy 2020 provides an overarching vision and direction for the future provision, planning, design and management of open space in Yarra to 2031. It considers the current challenges and pressures of and expanding population and inner-city life and how these can be addressed with an expanded and improved public open space network that contributes to a more liveable and sustainable Yarra in the future.

Melbourne Industrial and Commercial Land Use Plan (MICLUP)

158. The Melbourne Industrial and Commercial Land Use Plan builds on the relevant policies and actions of Plan Melbourne 2017-2050. It provides an overview of current and future needs for industrial and commercial land across metropolitan Melbourne and puts in place a planning framework to support state and local government to more effectively plan for future employment and industry needs, and better inform future strategic directions. Map 4 within the document shows the industrial land within the inner metro region, identifying the site and those within the C2Z as existing regionally significant industrial land.

Yarra Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy

159. This strategy was developed to assist Council to understand and capitalise on the municipality's economic strengths over the next 10 to 15 years. The Strategy seeks to provide guidance for the management of growth and change in employment and economic activity, recognising employment land within the municipality as a strategic resource.

160. Relevant strategies for this land include:

    (a) Strategy 1 – Support employment growth in Yarra's Activity Centres;

    (b) Strategy 2 – Retain and grow Yarra's major employment precincts;

    (c) Strategy 3 – Identify proposed locations for housing growth; and

    (d) Strategy 6 – Retain Yarra's existing industrial precincts for manufacturing and urban services.

161. The Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy (SEES) was adopted by Council in September 2018 and includes 6 directions which will inform future policy for the Scheme. The strategic direction contained within the SEES supersedes that contained within the Yarra Business and Industrial Land Strategy (BILS), adopted by Council in June 2012. In regards to the site, the Strategy 2 of the SEES aims to retain and grow Yarra's Major Employment Precincts, providing the following:

    > 'To accommodate projected demand for commercial floor space Yarra's two large consolidated employment precincts at Gipps Street, Collingwood and Cremorne/Church Street South, Richmond should be retained for employment activities. These areas have made a gradual transition from predominantly industrial uses to a wider mix of activities that include professional services, creative industries, medical-related activities and small-scale manufacture. Zoning should continue to exclude residential development to retain the core employment function of these precincts.'

162. Strategy 2 further identifies the key characteristics of the area, as follows:

    > 'The precincts are characterised by a variety of lot sizes, a diversity of building stock and building condition, and variable public realm quality. This physical diversity and urban character are important elements in attracting and supporting a diversity of economic activities. This older morphology - which includes many buildings that might be described as life-long-loose-fit - is conducive to attracting innovative businesses, a deeper mix of businesses, and a degree of informality that is lacking from other existing and emerging (and potential) employment precincts in inner Melbourne. Although the C2 zoning in these precincts prevents residential development, these areas will be subject to pressure for residential conversion.

This may have been exacerbated by their designation in earlier iterations of Plan Melbourne as 'Other Renewal Areas' with little guidance on the nature or type of renewal envisaged (see Figure 2). Precincts such as Cremorne/Church Street South are attracting major businesses and investment, which is evident by the recent surge in planning applications and approvals for office developments that has occurred. Compared to other Councils within the inner city region, Yarra has a large amount of *C2 zoned land (around 100 hectares) dispersed across most of the municipality which is being used for a variety of commercial and business purposes. The C2 zoning provide opportunities for a different range of uses and businesses than occurs in Yarra's activity centres which are predominantly based around retailing and services.*

…

Major employment areas, such as the Cremorne/Church Street South and the Gipps Street precinct, are highly sought after and highly valued as business locations due to their location and proximity to central Melbourne, access to transport, business synergies and the vibrancy of Yarra. They have proven particularly attractive to creative- and technology-oriented business that a non-but-near-CBD location.

163. The SEES identifies the subject site is located within a Major Mixed Employment Precinct:

Advertising

164. Before making a decision about whether to proceed with the draft amendment and draft permit, the Minister for Planning is undertaking consultation under section 20(5) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to understand the views of affected parties and to inform the drafting of both the amendment and permit.

165. Following the consultation period, the Minister may decide to refer this matter to the Priority Projects Standing Advisory Committee for further advice before making a decision about whether to prepare, adopt and approve the amendment and permit.

Referrals

166. The required external referrals (Head, Transport for Victoria & EPA) will be undertaken by DTP.

Internal Departments

167. The application was referred to the following units within Council:

(a) Open Space Unit;

(b) Urban Design Unit (on public realm works);

(c) Environmental Sustainable Development Advisor (ESD);

(d) Strategic Planning;

(e) Engineering Services Unit;

(f) Strategic Transport Unit; and

(g) City Works.

External Consultants

(h) Urban Design (MGS Architects)

(i) Heritage (GJM)

168. Referral comments have been included as attachments to this report.

OFFICER ASSESSMENT

169. The primary considerations for this application are as follows:

(a) Draft Amendment C319yara;

(i) Strategic justification;

(ii) Draft Amendment C319yara;

(iii) Draft Urban Design Framework

(b) The Incorporated document

(i) Design and Built form;

(ii) Public realm;

(iii) Open space and landscape design;

(iv) Environmental sustainability;

(v) Off-site amenity;

(vi) Car parking / traffic;

(vii) Bicycle facilities;

(viii) Waste; and

(ix) Other matters

Planning Scheme Amendment

Strategic justification

170. There is strong policy direction to support the development of the site to provide higher density commercial uses, with policy at Clauses 11, 17, 18 and 21.04 of the Scheme, together with Plan Melbourne, encouraging the accumulation of activities and the intensification of development in and around activity centres. In particular, clause 11.03-1S – Activity Centres encourages a diversity of housing types at higher densities in and around activity centres, with clause 11.02-1S – Supply of Urban Land highlighting that planning should consider opportunities for the consolidation, redevelopment and intensification of existing urban areas. The redevelopment of the Bryant and May site in fulfills this aim.

171. More intensive development of the site is further supported at State level, with clause 17.02-1S – Business – seeking adequate supply of commercial land in appropriate locations and to locate commercial facilities in existing or planning activity centres. The subject site provides the opportunity for these objectives to be achieved.

172. Council's Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) seeks to 'increase the number and diversity of local employment opportunities' (Objective 1), with Strategic Redevelopment Sites earmarked for more intense development and strategies seeking to support increased commercial and office uses in industrial areas.

173. The site has excellent access to shops, restaurants and community facilities, ensuring that the proposal will result in efficient use of existing infrastructure, consistent with the vision of Plan Melbourne which seeks to create 20-minute neighbourhoods where people can access most of their everyday needs (including employment) within a 20-minute walk, cycle or via public transport. The proposal seeks to increase the commercial and retail offerings within the area; this outcome is consistent with Clause 17.01 – Employment and Clause 21.04-3 Industry, office and commercial which seek to respectively 'encourage development that meets the communities' needs for retail, entertainment, office and other commercial services' and 'increase the number and diversity of local employment opportunities'. The proposal will support economic opportunities in a highly accessible, service-rich area. The uses proposed will increase employment opportunities and are considered complementary to the surrounding area. It is not anticipated that interface issues would arise from the mix of uses proposed.

174. Furthermore, overarching state policy at clause 15.01-1S - Urban design seeks to 'create urban environments that are safe, healthy, functional and enjoyable and that contribute to a sense of place and cultural identity'. This is reinforced at clause 15.01-2S – Building design which encourages '…building design outcomes that contribute positively to the local context and enhance the public realm.' These elements will be discussed in detail throughout this report.

175. Both State and local policy directives seek to promote the use of sustainable personal transport and increased development close to high-quality transport routes (Clauses 18.02-1S, 18.02-2S, 18.02-2R and 21.06). With regard to car parking, Objective 32 of Clause 21.06-3 seeks to reduce the reliance on the private motor car. The proposed development encourages the use of alternative transport modes to and from the site; this outcome is encouraged by Clause 18 – Transport, Clause 21.06 – Transport and Clause 21.07 – Environmental sustainability.

176. Council officers acknowledge that the site is well-positioned to accommodate more intensive development, with excellent accessibility to jobs, services and public transport, but this must be balanced against respecting the heritage of the site surrounding area.

177. Policy support for more intensive development must be balanced with built form and heritage guidance at Causes 15.03 – Heritage, 21.05 – Built form and Clause 22.02 – Development guidelines for sites subject to the heritage overlay. These policies call for development that responds to the surrounding context with regard to urban character and cultural heritage. It is highlighted that more intensive development must also consider off-site amenity impacts (i.e., overshadowing, wind) on surrounding private and public land. These aspects will be discussed in detail throughout this report.

178. The Bryant and May site is identified as a 'strategic site' in the Revised Cremorne UDF (September 2023). The UDF identifies seven strategic sites which are large and complex sites that present development opportunities. They also present opportunities to realise community benefits including through site links, new walking and cycling connections and opportunities for much needed open space. The UDF highlights there may be lower development opportunities for sites on the Victorian Heritage Register and that any redevelopment should showcase heritage buildings on the site.

179. Built form controls have not been developed for these sites as part of the draft/revised UDF. However, the UDF includes design objectives for each site which address important structural elements to guide the redevelopment of the site.

180. Additional design objectives and updates to existing objectives were added following consultation with the community and government agencies. These are reflected in proposed planning policy at Clause 11.03-6L – Regional and Local Places in Amendment C318yara. The design objectives of the site will be further analyses below.

181. Overall it is considered that the site generally complies with all the key objectives of the UDF and responds to the strategic context as described above. Furthermore, the development of the Bryant and May site will specifically provide the following community benefits consistent with the strategic vision for the site:

    (a) Vastly enhanced public realm including 3,100sqm (32 per cent of site area) dedicated to publicly accessible green space;

    (b) More than 15 per cent (1500sqm) of the site is to be covered in natural vegetation including the new private pocket park to Russell Street;

    (c) New and upgraded internal pedestrian dominated laneways and spaces to provide improved connectivity and numerous opportunities for enjoyment throughout the precinct;

    (d) The location of the Church Street entrances will revitalise the primary frontage;

    (e) The colonnade and additional landscaping (including vertical greening) and entrances along Adelaide Street will improve the interface of this streetscape;

(f) The re-imagining of Russell Street will create a showpiece link from Richmond through the site and east to Chestnut Street and other parts of Cremorne;

(g) Provide the second largest residential hotel in Cremorne; and

(h) Additional retail and employment opportunities will be provided to a currently underutilised site.

182. For all of the above reasons it is considered that there is strong strategic justification for the proposed redevelopment.

Draft amendment C319yara

183. A new Schedule 19 to the Specific Controls Overlay (SCO) has been prepared. This means the northern portion of the Bryant and May site is subject to the specific provisions within the Incorporated Document.

184. Council's Strategic Planning team reviewed the proposed changes to the planning scheme, raising a key concern with the changes being sought under the proposed C319yara amendment, as follows:

'Error

- The planning map shows the application of the Development Plan Overlay instead of the Specific Controls Overlay.

Use of the Specific Controls Overlay and an incorporated document

- It is unclear why a planning permit process has not been pursued in this case. The purpose of the Specific Controls Overlay is '*To apply specific controls designed to achieve a particular land use and development outcome in extraordinary circumstances*.' The development does not appear fit this criteria.
- Land affected by this overlay may be used or developed in accordance with a specific control contained in an incorporated document (as specified in the schedule to this overlay). It allows land to be used or developed in a manner that would otherwise be prohibited or restricted, prohibits or restricts the use or development of the land beyond the controls that may otherwise apply or can exclude any other control in the planning scheme. The uses and development in the proposal are either permitted as of right or require a planning permit under the Yarra Planning Scheme. The reason for the use of the SCO is therefore not clear.
- The use of an Incorporated Document switches off all provisions in the scheme. Therefore care must be taken to ensure there are no unintended consequences e.g. prohibited uses would not be enabled. Noting this would require the written consent of the Minister for Planning.

Amendments / changes to the plans

- The Incorporated Document allows for changes to the

  'And including any amendment of the plans that may be approved from time to time under the clauses of this document. Once approved, these plans will be the endorsed plans.

  For avoidance of doubt, any plans and reports endorsed by the Minister for Planning pursuant to any clause of this document may be amended with the written consent of the Minister for Planning.'

- There are no real checks and balances in place around the extent of these changes.
- A further feature of the Incorporated Document is that it allows for use and development that is '*generally in accordance with plans and reports as endorsed by the Minister for Planning*.' This provides more latitude than the planning permit process which requires changes to be addressed through an amendment to the permit or endorsed plans.

Clause 6.4 – Use

- Clause 6.4 Use states:

  Except with the prior written consent of the Minister for Planning, the residential hotel use authorised by this permit may only operate between the following hours:

  Monday to Sunday: 24 hours a day.

- Unclear why this clause is needed if the business will operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It is assumed a residential hotel would need to operate 24 hours a day.'

185. Planning officers agree with the concerns raised in regard to land uses and will strongly recommend that the Incorporated Document be revised to clearly state all that the only allowable uses on the land so as not to inadvertently allow for a wide array of prohibited uses.

186. The Strategic Planning team also queried the justification for utilising the SPO and not more typical planning permits via a Development Plan. Officers agree that a Development Plan Overlay is more suitable for the site and will include with the recommendation section of this report that this be raised with the DTP in our response.

187. Planning officers also share the same concerns as our Strategic Planning team with regards to the powers of the Minister to amend plans and reports, particularly if this results in consequential changes without third party notice. This too will be included in the recommendation section of this report to be raised with DTP.

Draft Cremorne Urban Design Framework

188. It is considered that the heights proposed are generally consistent with the strategic intent for the site as envisaged in the draft UDF. Council's Strategic Planners note that the subject site is a Strategic redevelopment site within the Draft UDF. The Draft UDF includes built form recommendations across Cremorne except for Strategic redevelopment sites which have their own vision and design objectives.

189. The vision for the Bryant and May Complex, which is inclusive of the southern portion not part of the subject application, is:

   'The Bryant & May Complex will host high quality contemporary buildings sited and designed to maintain the prominence of the State significant industrial complex and to create a visually interesting skyline and streetscape surrounding the complex. Views to the chimney, towers and prominent facades will be enhanced.

   Buildings are set within a network of publicly accessible links and public spaces that tie the site into the broader urban fabric of the Church Street Precinct and surrounds. Significant buildings are reused and sensitively redeveloped. The retention of the tennis courts and pavilion add to the sense of history of the site.

   Adelaide Street is reimagined as a green shared street connecting Church Street to the Railway Precinct to the west. A landscape setback along Balmain Street enhances the landscape setting of the heritage tennis pavilion and provides opportunities for seating along the streetscape.'

190. It is considered that the position, height and massing of the new buildings are generally aligned with the vision for the site subject to more thorough analysis below. Though some vantage points of heritage fabric will be changed, overall the new built form is designed in a way that is responsive to the existing buildings on site, with the analysis of this is through the Heritage Victoria process.

191. In regard to Adelaide Street, the response has evolved to include more public realm improvements, vertical greening to the hotel building as well as a café near the Chestnut Street corner, all of which are encouraging and are more aligned with the vision, but the two-way nature of Adelaide Street is not supported. In depth analysis of Adelaide Street is below including key recommendations.

192. The UDF includes design objectives for each strategic redevelopment site. The Design Objectives for the Bryant and May Complex are:

    (a) Building massing is carefully located to ensure that heritage features remain prominent within the site including decorative facades, parapets and taller elements including the chimney and clocktower;

    (b) Through site links create a publicly accessible and legible network that connects to the broader street network and frames the heritage forms;

    (c) A new small local open space is provided on the western portion of the site to support the retention of key views;

    (d) A landscaped setback (minimum 6m) is provided at the Balmain Street and Chestnut Street interface which to contribute to an expanded public realm and provide for integrated seating and landscaping;

    (e) Additional overshadowing of Church Street (eastern footpath), Balmain Street (southern footpath) and open space within the site is avoided;

    (f) Heritage buildings will be reused or sensitively redeveloped to retain the integrity of the building and a sense of history. (NOTE - Council and landowners will need to engage with Heritage Victoria on buildings/places which are on the Victorian Heritage Register); and

    (g) Adelaide Street is reimagined as a green shared street that connects Church Street to the site and adjacent Railway Precinct.

193. It is considered that the proposal generally aligns with these design objectives, but it is again worth noting that these objectives are in relation to the entirety of the Bryant and May Complex, meaning some are applicable to the southern portion not the subject application (northern portion). Nonetheless, applicable objective 2 (links) is met while other applicable objectives 1 (massing), 5 (shadow impact) and 7 (Adelaide Street) can be achieved subject to key recommendations that will be discussed below. The remaining objectives are applicable to the southern portion of the site or the concurrent Heritage Victoria application (objective 6).

194. Overall, it is considered that the overarching broader design of the site is very strong and provides significant benefits, as highlighted above. In addition key concepts such as scaling the height of the new buildings down towards Chestnut Street, the ‘wedge’ form moving mass and bulk away from the clocktower as well as breaking up mass with large spaces between buildings and varied street wall and parapet heights to Adelaide are well considered and highly responsive to context.

Proposed Incorporated document

Design and built form

195. The following is a detailed assessment of the buildings and works shown in the decision plans referenced in the Incorporated Document as well as the design objectives of Clause 15.01-1S, 21.05-2, 22.10 – Built Form design Policy as well as the provisions of Schedule 2 to Clause 43.02 (Main Roads and Boulevards). In the interests of providing a concise assessment and avoiding repetition between State and local design principles, the following assessment will group similar themes where applicable.

    Urban form, character and context

196. Built form in the surrounding area consists of a mixture of architectural styles and materials. Taller buildings are emerging within proximity to the site. The majority of these buildings are robust in design and constructed hard-edged to the street.

197. The area is undergoing significant change with regards to building heights and forms, with a clearly emerging character of dense development including developments to the east side of Church Street such as 510 and 600 Church Street. Other larger recently approved developments to the west side of Church Street such as 587-593 Church Street and 609-615 Church Street, 118-124 Balmain Street and 90, 99 and 60-88 Green Street.

198. As already outlined in this report, there is no dispute that strategically the subject site is appropriately located for a higher-density development, being within proximity to a MAC, located in a commercial cluster and within the C2Z, which provides excellent access to cycling networks and is near various forms of public transport.

199. Based on these attributes and the strategic work within the Draft UDF, it is a reasonable expectation that this site will experience intensification in the future, however, a detailed assessment against the appropriateness of the height and massing is necessary in determining the acceptability of the proposal from a built form perspective.

Height, massing and shadow impacts of the development

200. The proposed heights being sought in the precinct for the new buildings as part of the amendment, and which form part of the Incorporated Document, are outlined below;

    (a) Building B - 13 storeys, with a maximum building height of 51.425m;

    (b) Building C - ranging between 12 and 8 storeys, with a maximum building height of 58.03m; and

    (c) Building D - 8 storeys, with a maximum building height of 34.65m.

201. The street walls range in heights from three storeys (13.9m) to five storeys (18.25m). Upper-level built form is setback varying distances from each street wall.

202. The tallest built form, Buildings B and C, are located to the north-west and centre of the precinct. Building heights reduce in scale towards Chestnut Street, with the west wing of Building C lowering to 10 storeys and Building D reducing further to 8 storeys (insert height). These lower forms provide a good transition from Church Street to the sensitive Chestnut Street interface.

203. Furthermore, the new buildings also are massed to respect the existing buildings on site and maintain vantage points to heritage. Although this is assessed through the Heritage Victoria process, it is generally considered to be a responsive scheme that provides breathing space to key heritage including the chimney and clock tower while also reducing visual impacts to Russell Street and other key near and far vantage points. Key issues raised earlier in the process also resulted in the street walls being reduced to ensure that the heights of the heritage buildings were respected.

204. The location of the tallest buildings seeks to limit amenity impacts to other parts of the site such as Russell Street, but this does in turn result in substantial visual impacts to Adelaide Street and to a lesser extent Church Street.

Building B

205. Building B’s overall 13 storey height will be taller than nearby developments. Whilst there are recent approvals for higher developments in this area, with some having already been constructed or under construction, it is not to conclude that any increase is therefore acceptable.

206. This Tribunal decision Salta Properties Pty Ltd v Yarra CC [2019] found that a 10 storey commercial building on Church Street was considered an appropriate response to the strategic context of the area and that there is an expectation for higher forms along both sides of Church Street, as follows:

> *[33] We do not accept that buildings on opposite sides of Church Street should have a different form because of differing rear interfaces. Whilst the allotments within the commercial zone are somewhat deeper on the west, in this part of Church Street both east and west rear interfaces are fine grain residentially zoned properties, largely covered by heritage overlays.*
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> *[34] Based on our review of relevant policy and the existing physical context we find that:*
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> · *The potential for a 10 storey building on the east side of Church Street is commensurate with the emerging character of Church Street as an employment precinct and with the approvals of 8 and 10 storey development nearby.*

207. Considering the street's proximity to the Swan Street MAC, the Forest Hill renewal precinct and convenient access to East Richmond train station and tram routes combined it would be a reasonable expectation that this site and others along Church Street and within the C2Z would experience further intensification in use and development. The proposed overall height of Building B however, at 13 storeys, is a departure from the emerging character of development and is not responsive to its immediate interfaces, particularly when you consider the proximity to significant heritage buildings

208. Council's external Urban designer raised concerns with the height of Building B, providing the following analysis:

    (a) 'There is a critical need in my view to protect the Church St Corridor as the principal north south tram and bike and pedestrian network link between Swan Street and the River for the entire Cremorne East Precinct. To that end it is my view that the Hotel needs to be lowered to ensure there is no overshadowing of the eastern footpath from the kerb in Church Street before 2pm at the September Equinox.'

209. Furthermore, Council's Strategic Planning team provide the following:

    (a) 'The Draft UDF proposes heights of up to 40m (10 storeys) for sites fronting Church Street. While this height is not proposed to apply to the subject site, it provides some indication of the scale of development sought along the rest of Church Street.'

210. It is considered that based on all of the above, reducing the height of Building B by three levels would adequately address these issues and ensure that the built form is consistent with the emerging character as envisaged by the Draft Cremorne UDF and as highlighted by VCAT. This reduction would have the added benefit of reducing the height of Building B to being more commensurate with the iconic clocktower to the southern portion of the Bryant and May precinct and would also dramatically reduce morning shadow impacts to the Russell Street pedestrian link, which is seen as a vital component of the proposal.

211. Subject to this key change, the overshadowing impact to Church Street will also be generally acceptable and consistent with the design objective of the site within the Draft Cremorne UDF and consistent decision making along Church Street which seeks to prevent or overshadowing to the eastern footpath of Church Street before 2pm.

Building C

212. Building C is located centrally and is designed in a way that deliberately moves bulk away from the sensitive southern interface to the clocktower. This approach is considered to be successful in creating both an innovative and visually interesting form, while also responding to the heritage context of the site. This means that the visual impact to Adelaide Street will be substantial given the highest part of the building is set back just four metres from the northern frontage.

213. On balance, although the form will be highly visible and particularly visually impactful to Adelaide Street, it is considered most appropriate to locate the largest form centrally and the highest part of the building to Adelaide Street.

214. The 'wedge' nature of the form means from all key vantage points it can be appreciated as a recessive form as the design works hard not to compete with the clocktower or other heritage buildings. The splayed form provides sky views, enables light penetration and an openness for Russell Street, while also reducing shadow impacts.

215. Moreover, the west wing of Building C is reduced in height to 10 storeys, providing a transition towards Building D. The reduced height of the west wing in combination with the reduction in the street wall height, which is discussed more below, allows opportunity for key views to the heritage on site from the north such as in Figure 26 below.

Figure 26: View of the chimney from Adelaide Street
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

216. For these reasons, there are no built form reductions recommended for Building C, subject to in depth analysis of the quality of the architecture, ground plan and landscaping below.

Building D

217. Building D is located to the north-western corner of the site at the interface to Chestnut Street. The height transitions to 8 storeys to acknowledge the sensitiveness of this interface where low-scale residential is prevalent.

218. Council's external Urban designer raised concerns with the height of Building D, providing the following analysis:

    (a) *'I am similarly of the view that the overshadowing impacts in Chestnut Street are excessive given the reliance of both the subject site and the neighbourhood on Chestnut Street as one of only 2 streets interconnecting the East Richmond Station with East Cremorne's rapidly growing workplace neighbourhoods north and south of Balmain Street. The western footpath is particularly important for amenity given that the eastern side is largely dedicated to parking areas. That it is in shade until nearly 11am is disappointing given its importance. Chestnut corner and Russell Street are important pedestrian gateway and leisure zones within the site and the overshadowing of these areas arising from the scale of Building D is in my view excessive. An outcome that protected the western footpath of Chestnut Street from 10am through the lowering of Building D would have significant benefits also for the amenity and earlier access to sunlight of the south side of Russell Street and future northern facades and street interfaces that would logically develop therein to replace at grade parking. I suspect significant enhancement could be achieved with the removal of two levels of the building from an area of 3m south of the lift core to the south façade. It would also reveal more of the chimney when seen from the southwest an attribute that would be desirable at the gateway arrival from the southwest.'*

219. However, Council's Strategic Planning team provide the following:

    (a) *'The proposed scale generally appears in line with built form recommendations in the UDF for 28m/7 storey development which apply on the western side of Chestnut Street. A 5 storey height is proposed for the two lots on the south-west corner of Adelaide Street to provide a transition to the established residential area to the north. Suggest looking further at this corner of Chestnut and Adelaide Street.'*

220. It is considered that based on the above, reducing the height of Building D by one level is a reasonable balance that will assist in reducing bulk and shadow impacts to both Chestnut and Russell streets and to Cremorne Square. In addition this reduction in height would further respect the importance of the chimney stack and allow for greater visibility when viewing from west of the site.

221. Furthermore, the Strategic Planning units note that a 6 metre wide landscape setback is envisaged for Chestnut Street footpath to contribute to an expanded public realm and provide an integrated seating and landscape. For this reason, the streetwall will be recommended to not be built to the street edge, instead a 3m landscape setback to Chestnut Street be introduced as well as an additional 1 metre setback to the upper form to Chestnut Street so the building is not flush. This will provide space for substantial public realm improvements to Chestnut Street and also move the upper form further away to ensure the prominence of the streetwall is retained while also further reducing shadow impacts.

222. Councils Urban Design unit further reinforce this by indicating that 'Given role and connectivity of Chestnut Street, recommend that building is set back from the street (ground and upper levels) to provide a wider footpath and opportunities for tree planting.'

223. Subject to these key changes the height, massing and shadow impact of Building D is supported.

Streetwalls and upper level setbacks

224. Council's external Urban Design consultant did not raise concern with the setbacks or streetwall heights.

225. The Strategic Planning team did provide some direction in terms of streetwalls and setbacks for each building as discussed below.

Church Street

226. Council's Strategic planners noted that the Draft Cremorne UDF proposed 4 storey streetwalls and 5m setback for building along Church Street. Building B initially proposed a 4 storey street wall only to reduce to 3 storeys in response to Council concerns regarding heritage.

227. The now 3 storey street wall and 5.4 upper setback is therefore fully supported as it is consistent with the emerging character, heritage advice and strategic planning for the site.

Adelaide Street

228. The original scheme included 4 and 5 storey streetwalls to Building B and C and 3 storey to Building D, with Council's Strategic planners providing the following:

> *'Street wall on Adelaide Street is a tall 5 storeys / 6 storeys at the rear of the site. Question the relationship to the scale of Adelaide Street which is only 7m wide.*

229. The current scheme responded to these concerns by reducing the Building B streetwall to 3 storeys and Building C to 4 storeys as shown in the figure 27 and 28 below.

Figure 27: Current street wall and massing (north elevation)
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Figure 28: Original street wall and massing (north elevation)
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

230. This reduction to height and the greater above street wall northern setback to Building C of 3.89m ensures that Adelaide Street is not overwhelmed by built form. As will be discussed below, this massing in combination with the design quality ensures that the presentation to Adelaide Street results in a much improved outcome compared to existing conditions that will, subject to key conditions, generally align with the strategic planning for this public street.

231. In regard to Building B and Building D the 1 metre and 1435mm setback above the streetwalls are considered modest but acceptable. The setbacks in combination with the variation in materials between street wall and upper levels will ensure the prominence of the lower parts of the building while not causing unreasonable visual impacts at pedestrian level. Though Adelaide Street will be quite dramatically changed with higher forms, the more substantive setback to the largest upper form (Building C) is the right approach. The building separations of 9 and 10.6 metres will also provide important visual relief along this frontage to prevent a canyon effect.

232. In this instance, greater setbacks to the two corner buildings (Building B and D) are not required for the following reasons:

    (a) Building B, it is considered that subject to the significant three level reduction in height as recommended above, that the more robust character to Church and Adelaide street is acceptable. The proposal includes improvements to Adelaide Street and subject to the execution of the proposed street wall and ground plane works will provide an improved pedestrian experience. The architectural quality will be discussed in detail below, inclusive of additional recommendations; and

    (b) Building D it is considered that the 1435mm setback to Adelaide Street can be accommodated given the reduced scale of this building, in combination with the ornate quality of the streetwall materiality and ensuring the quality of the ground plane will deliver an acceptable outcome. The increased setback to Chestnut Street will also open up the corner to Adelaide Street.

Chestnut Street

233. The streetwall and setback response to Chestnut Street is not supported by Strategic Planning or Urban Planning as described above and requires changes that are consistent with the strategic vision for Chestnut Street. However, subject to the conditions described above to provide a landscape setback, reduction in height and an additional 1 metre setback to Chestnut Street above street wall, officers agree that the Chestnut Street response is supportable.

Russell Street

234. The streetwalls to Russell Street are considered to respond well to this highly amenable pedestrian link that will be a key feature of the whole site and important link between Richmond and Cremorne.

235. The refurbishment of the heritage buildings and the proposed greening of the private road (north side of Russell Street) will result in a highly inviting and pedestrian dominated link that will be a key attractor to the site. The refurbishment of Russell Street including the accompanying landscaping along the north side will be discussed in more detail below as well as the whole ground plan, other links through the site and overall pedestrian experience.

236. As you enter Russell Street from Church Street the green space in front of Brymay Hall will provide an openness that allows clear views of Building C. Figures 29 and 30 below show the improvement from the original scheme to the proposal which removed the port cochere and replaced it with a green lawn.

Figure 29: Original scheme in Russell street with larger street wall to Building C and port cochere to Brymay Hall
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Figure 30: Proposed scheme in Russell Street with reduced street wall to Building C and green space in lieu of port cochere to Brymay Hall
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

237. Moreover, the proposal now incorporates more landscaping within the increased 7.94 metre landscape setback (previously only 5.9m) to Building C and the street wall has also been reduced resulting in a much more responsive and respectful sized podium that does not compete with the existing heritage buildings or overwhelm the pedestrian experience.

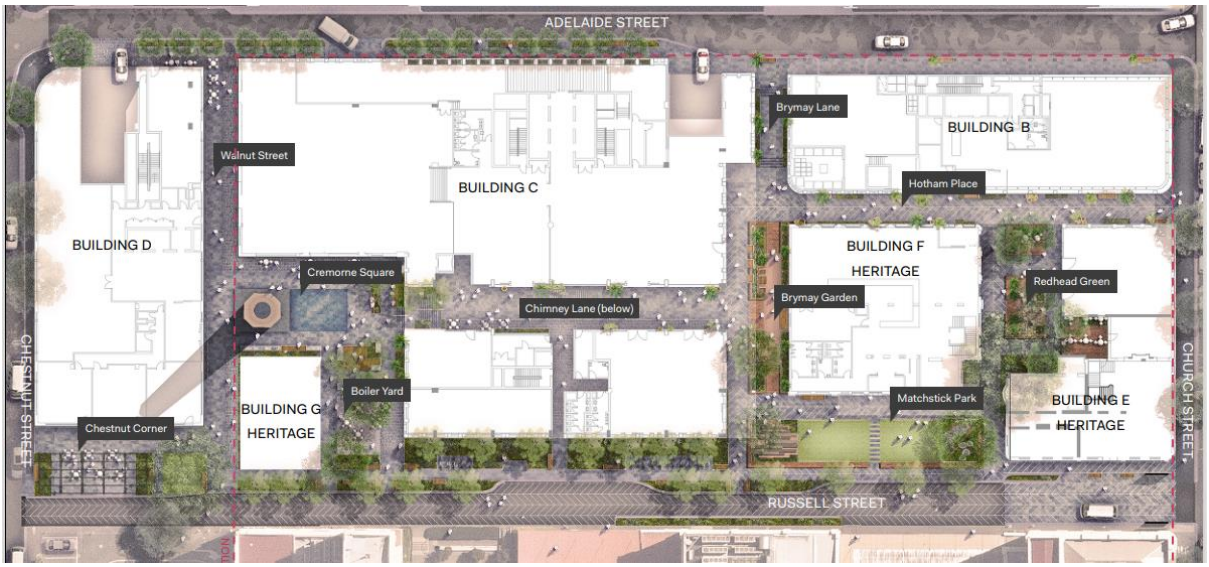

Figure 31: Key links and green spaces and landscaping of the site
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

238. Finally the street wall condition at the western end of Russell Street is fully supported with Boiler Yard providing relief and another opportunity for openness and sky views with the continuation of the landscaping to the strip in front of Boiler House and the 'Chestnut corner' landscaped space in front of Building D. The 10 metre setback and pergola provide area adjacent to Chestnut Street adds another space to be enjoyed by the pedestrian, allowing for an openness as you enter from the western end.

239. The street walls and upper level setbacks to all other links and spaces within the site are considered to be inextricably related to the architectural excellence of the design including the ground plane and landscaping which will be discussed in detail below. The setbacks to each of the open air links and spaces are sufficient to protect pedestrians from excessive visual bulk. Where there are no setbacks, such as to Hotham Place off Church Street, the atrium provides protection from any potential adverse impacts cause by the sheer wall.

240. Equally, the Building D sheer wall to Cremorne Square is acceptable given the comparable lower height of the building, which is recommended to be further reduced by one level as per above. Furthermore, the existing Boiler building and chimney stack provide a buffer to this sheer wall to ensure users of the Cremorne Square will not feel walled in as shown in Figure 32 below.

Figure 32: View of Cremorne Square from Russell Street
Source: Fenton Corker Marshall

Architectural quality

241. It is considered that the development for the most part presents extremely high architectural quality to both street wall and upper levels and responds to the design objectives of clause 15.01-2S of the Scheme and the specific design objectives of the site as outlined in the UDF.

242. Council's external Urban design was complimentary of the design including the design language, but critical of the response to Adelaide Street. Officers were also concerned with the back of house response to Adelaide Street which included a high volume of service blank frontage. The applicant has provided a much improved response to Adelaide Street in response to these initial concerns, introducing a colonnade, public realm improvements and more active frontage. These changes are encouraging but there is still further enhancements that could be achieved that will ensure the same level of thought and quality to Adelaide Street as the rest of the proposal.

Upper levels

243. The upper levels of each of the new buildings are considered to be of a very high quality. The materiality successfully differs from both the stronger base levels but also between each building, to provide lightweight upper levels that are all individually different but complementary to one another.

244. Building B includes depth and visual interest with a uniform language of pop-out windows to a light grey metallic spandrel façade. The light coloured glass façade will present lightweight and blend into the sky.

245. Building C provides an intricate double-skin glazed system to the innovative 'wedge' form on the east and west façades. The language is again very lightweight, with a highly transparent appearance that exposes the slab to create visual connection to the ground plane. The north façade continues the double skin but with photovoltaic cells integrated into the sleek glass frontage is an innovative addition as well as responding positively to the environmental factors.

246. To the western end Building C's western wing breaks away from the 'wedge' in a rectilinear form expressed in a very simple lightweight charcoal glass grid. This expression complements but also contrasts to the thicker expressed metal grid to Building D, which provides a textured industrial language.

247. The southern façade is splayed away from Russell Street incorporating 4m wide terraces with landscaping to each level that extend the full length of the façade. The terraces will provide visual connectiveness and interest while also softening the appearance of upper levels as viewed from the south.

248. Overall it is considered that the upper levels are successfully lightweight, nuanced and visually interesting as well as recessive to the stronger bases, utilising subtle variations between buildings that results in individual quality but also a collection of buildings that complement one another.

Lower levels

249. Similar to the upper levels the lower levels incorporate high quality materials and design language but in stronger tactile and more robust textured red pigmented concrete, providing a strong base that engages the pedestrian while referencing the redbrick heritage of the site. Again the materiality successfully differs between each building, to provide lower levels that are all individually different but complementary to one another.

250. The contemporary design to Church Street is appropriate and responds well to this part of Cremorne with the design offering a modern built form that revitalizes the street frontage through the use of ornate cladding, landscaping, the colonnade that widens the footpath to Adelaide Street and a high degree of activation.

251. To Building B, the fine grain grid with inset windows in pigmented red concrete provides a visually engaging, tactile and interesting lower level to Church Street that will draw pedestrians to the site. The landscaping to the top of the streetwall and the vertical greening to Adelaide Street further enhance the appearance of the lower levels. Furthermore, the key changes form the original scheme including the lowering of the street wall height to 3 storeys, the extension of the atrium to Hotham Place and the introduction of the colonnade to Adelaide street are crucial further improvements that further enhance the pedestrian experience. The lowering of the streetwall ensures a human scale that does not compete with the heritage buildings, while the atrium and colonnade further engage pedestrians and provide interesting, weather protected links into the site and down Adelaide Street respectively.

252. However, there are still further improvements needed to ensure the most prominent of the new buildings achieves design excellence, as follows:

(a) The blank wall fronting the colonnade to Adelaide Street needs to incorporate more visual interest through a combination of any or all of additional activate frontage, vertical greening, art or light display (refer to Figure 33 below); and

(b) The colonnade must be a minimum 1.8m wide to ensure universal access.

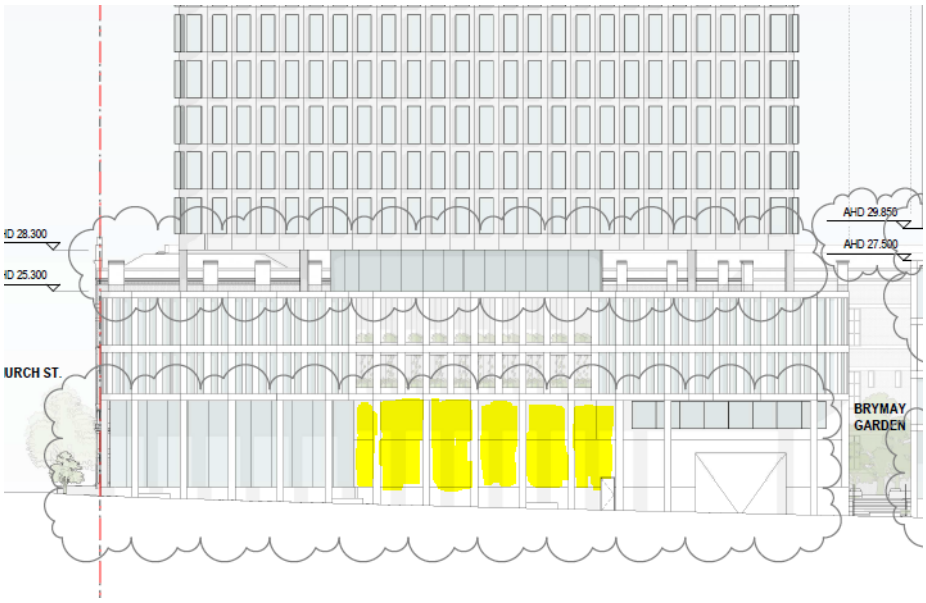

Figure 33: Highlighted section that must incorporate activation, vertical greening, art or light display.

Source: Denton Corker Marshall

253. Subject to these key changes the Building B lower level design quality is fully supported.

254. The Building C street wall incorporates similar fine grain grid pattern with inset windows but with subtle differences in expression. The streetwall is a continuation of the coloured GRC grid but there is a secondary layer that is slightly lighter in colour along with the same red colour as Building B. Also unlike the hotel grid, which has uniform proportions, there is variation in the sizes of the rectangular openings as well as winter gardens to the northern façade. To Walnut Street there is a decorative vertical textured streetwall to acknowledge this more intimate environment as shown in Figure 34 below

Figure 34: Walnut Street end of trip entrance to western Building C streetwall
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

255. These features will ensure very tactile and engaging lower levels within the site, but Adelaide Street presents challenges due to the volume of service frontage. The winter gardens and activation above ground level provide visual connection and interesting upper levels of the Adelaide Street streetwall, but the lack of activation to the eastern end upper / lower ground level requires refinement. The tree lining of the streetscape and commitment to public realm improvements are commendable, in particular when compared to the original scheme which was lacking these details, but the following recommendations must be incorporated to achieve design excellence:

    (a) A public realm improvement plan to all the public streets fronting the site, with the intention that Adelaide Street in particular results in a fully re-surfaced, fully tree-lined streetscape and high quality public realm to council satisfaction;

    (b) Active frontage at upper / lower ground level introduced to the blank Adelaide Street facing frontage to corner of Walnut Street as shown in Figure 35 below;

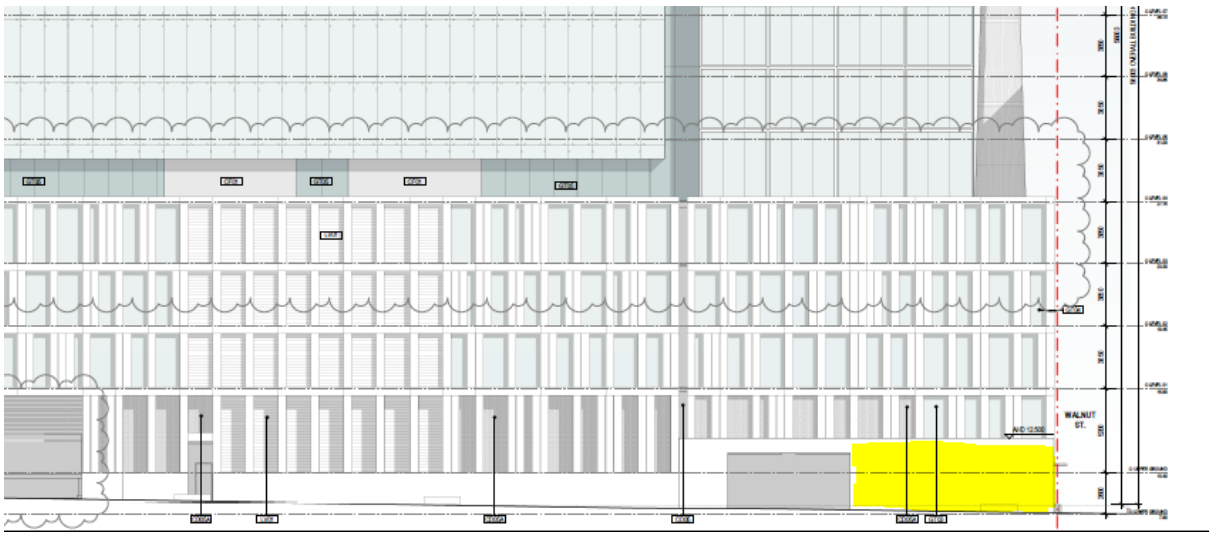

Figure 35: Highlighted section that must incorporate activation, vertical greening, art or light display. Source: Denton Corker Marshall

(c) More activation introduced to the eastern end of the upper / lower ground floor frontage of Building C in blank wall and a wider entry off Adelaide Street; and

(d) Greater scale drawings of services to Adelaide Street to demonstrate how services are integrated with the design. Providing activation above services should be explored.

256. Finally, it is noted that the two-way nature of Adelaide Street is not supported by Council's Engineers or Strategic Planners for a number of reasons that are expanded on below. Retention of the one-way nature of Adelaide Street will allow for greater opportunities for public realm improvements and a pedestrian dominant environment.

257. Building D incorporates vertically textured red coloured precast concrete. The texture of fine vertical lines is a subtle variation that provides a warmer, textured character to the western end that is complemented by the large gridded windows which give an industrial character. To Russell Street the landscaped pergola provides an inviting space at the entry point to the stie from Chestnut Street. This response, subject to the key condition above to provide a 3m landscape setback to Chestnut Street.

258. Overall the lower levels of the building are considered to be of high quality and will achieve design excellence subject to the key conditions discussed above.

Street and public space quality

259. This principle requires the design of interfaces between buildings and public spaces to enhance the visual and social experience of the user. In this respect, the proposal represents a significant improvement in streetscape, public space quality and perceived safety to both the public streets as well as the publicly assessable links and spaces through the site.

260. Officers are supportive of many aspects of the proposed development such as the high level activation to all the links within the site, the landscaping and greening throughout the site including many high quality spaces for pedestrians to both move through and dwell in, the colonnade to Adelaide Street and the re-imagining of Russell Street.

261. The quality materials incorporating tactility, depth, texture and interest to the ground level, as well as the utilisation of integrated plinths for sitting, visual connections to upper levels as well as inviting and nuanced ground surfaces, all combine to create a ground plane with potential to achieve design excellence.

262. Officers also recognise the potential for pedestrians to move and sit in the many public offerings of the site in a variety of ways as well as be drawn further into the site through view lines through to key fabric such as the view to the chimney in Figure 36 below.

Figure 36: Looking west down Russell Street

Source: Denton Corker Marshall

263. All of these features will create an engaging, inviting and high quality ground plane to this precinct that has the potential to transform an underutilised, hard surface site into a high amenity experience for the pedestrian. The re-imaging of Russell Street will be a key attractor to the site and has the potential to be a showpiece pedestrian dominant link.

Figure 37: Looking west down Russell Street
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

Figure 38: Looking west down Hotham Place towards Building C (Building B to the right and redhead green to the left)
Source: Denton Corker Marshall

264. As has been discussed above, Adelaide Street is encouraging and a vast improvement on existing conditions but still requires further refinement via conditions requiring a full-scale public realm improvement plan as well as getting the building program to provide more activation at ground level.

265. Council's internal Urban Design Unit also raised concerns about Adelaide Street. Overall, it is considered that the proposal does not yet satisfy public realm, pedestrian spaces and street and public space policies at Clauses 15.01-2S and 22.10-3.4.

266. Overall, and subject to key conditions, the ground plane, with all of the pedestrian links, landscaping and public spaces will result in a precinct of high quality publicly assessable open space. Despite some concerns raised by the Urban Design unit in regard to the amenity of the links and spaces, Planning Officers are satisfied the links will be intimate and inviting, flanked by retail and activate space, while the spaces will provide moments to be enjoyed in a variety of ways. Russell Street has the potential to be a showpiece pedestrian link flanked by trees and providing access from Richmond to Cremorne.

267. The recommendation by Councill's Urban design unit to consider a landscape setback to Adelaide Street is not supported by officers however. The retention of one-way traffic in Adelaide Street and the full refurbishment will ensure a highly amendable space without the need for further widening. The conditions requiring a fully re-surfaced, tree-lined Adelaide Street to Council satisfaction in addition to the colonnade, vertical greening and high quality tactile materiality to will ensure a high quality response to Adelaide Street

268. Recommendations by the Urban Design unit to include additional seating options and to require assessments of safety (CPTED), accessibility and lighting are deemed reasonable and appropriate to require via condition.

Site Coverage

269. The level of site coverage proposed is well below the maximum of 80 percent as directed by clause 22.10-3.6.

Church Street

270. Council's Urban Design unit did recommend a small park or green space to the corner of Church and Adelaide Street to drawn people into the site but this is not supported by officers as the double height ground floor allows visibility and connectiveness into the site.

Landscape architecture

271. A detailed landscape plan and report accompanied the application. The proposed landscape plan is generally acceptable subject to additional changes requested by Council's Open Space Design team and changes require by of additional conditions.

272. A revised landscape plan can be required if a permit were to issue.

Landmarks, Views and Vistas

273. It is policy at clause 15.01-2S of the Scheme that important landmarks, views and vistas be protected or enhanced. The impact on long range views and vistas are only relevant where they form part of an identified character of an area (within planning policy) and typically apply to landscapes or natural features.

274. Within Clause 22.03-4, the Ball Tower of Dimmeys (Swan Street), the spire of St Ignatius Cathedral (Church Street, Richmond) and the Nylex Sign are identified as landmarks. These landmarks are not in proximity to the site and thus will not be affected.

275. The proposed development does not compete with any identified landmarks given its location and is considered to be an acceptable response to the local policy direction under clause 22.03-4 of the Scheme.

276. In regard to the views to particular features of the site including the clocktower and the chimney, it is considered that the reductions to the street walls to Building B and Building C greatly reduce the impacts of the new built form. The further reduction of Building B by three levels and Building D by one level as recommended above will further ensure that the aspects of the site remain prominent.

Use

277. The subject site is considered an appropriate location for commercial uses based on its proximity to key activity centres and employment precincts.

278. In respect to the appropriateness of the retail there is support subject to conditions (such as operating hours) that ensure the operation would not result in unreasonable impacts to the surrounding area. The following objective of the Commercial 2 Zone is considered relevant: *to encourage commercial areas for offices, appropriate manufacturing and industries, bulky goods retailing, other retail uses, and associated business and commercial services.*

279. The Commercial 2 Zone also requires consideration of the following matters (as relevant) at clause 34.02-7, each with a response provided below:

    (a) The effect of existing uses on the proposed use – existing uses are a mixture of commercial in the immediate surrounds with residential uses to the east and are not expected to have an adverse impact on the proposed uses. These existing uses will most likely provide customer/patrons for the proposed businesses;

    (b) The drainage of the land – the land is not located in an area with any specific drainage requirement under the Scheme and would have adequate ability to connect to relevant drainage networks;

    (c) The availability and connection to services – the site is in an existing built up urban area with easy connection to all necessary services; and

    (d) The effect of traffic to be generated – this is discussed in detail later in this report.

280. In respect of amenity impacts, Clause 22.05 seeks to ensure that new non-residential uses do not unreasonably impact dwellings including through noise, light spill, emissions and rubbish.

281. The retail is all throughout the site including near to dwellings on Chestnut Street. The nature of the retail uses, which would not include loud music, means the potential for impacts is limited. It is considered that the use of the as retail tenancies will generally support the function of the commercial precinct however the applicant is required to submit further details regarding the exact operating hours which could then form conditions on any Incorporated Document along with standard amenity type conditions.

282. In respect to the appropriateness of the uses there is support for them where it can be demonstrated that the scale of operation would not result in unreasonable impacts to the surrounding area or erosion of the primary purpose of the Commercial 2 Zone. This consideration is relevant in terms of the objective of the Commercial 2 Zone: to encourage commercial areas for offices, appropriate manufacturing and industries, bulky goods retailing, other retail uses, and associated business and commercial services.

283. On this basis, it is considered that the establishment of the Residential Hotel and retail within the development is consistent with the purpose of the C2Z, and is therefore supported, subject to confirmation of operating hours of the retail that would form condition of the Incorporated Document as well as standard delivery and waste conditions, a hotel management plan and other standard conditions.

Off-site amenity and waste

284. The policy framework for amenity considerations is contained within clause 22.05 (Interface uses policy) and 22.10-3.8 (Built form and Design Policy). This application must consider the off-site amenity impacts for residential land.

285. Design objectives at clause 22.10-3.8 aim to limit the impact of new development on the amenity of surrounding land, particularly residential land, by ensuring that development does not prejudice the rights of adjoining land users. These objectives are largely designed to reduce off-site amenity impacts to land within a residential zone where they interface with commercial zones.

286. Having regard to amenity impacts on nearby existing residences, policy within clause 22.05 acknowledges that in order to maintain the viability of industrial and business areas, residences which abut business areas should not have unrealistic expectations of the level of amenity which can be achieved.

Overshadowing

287. In regard to overshadow, Council's external Urban Design consultant has identified that reducing shadow impacts to Church Street and to a lesser extent Chestnut Street and Russell Street is required. The reductions in Buildings B and D are therefore crucial to achieving this as discussed above. Subject to these changes the shadow impacts of the proposal are considered acceptable.

Wind

288. Objective 2.10 of the DSE Guidelines seeks to ensure that new buildings do not create adverse wind effects including for pedestrians. As recommended by Council officers for the formal application the applicant supplied a wind tunnel study prepared by MEL Consultants, dated May 2023. The wind tunnel study concluded as follows:

(a) ‘For the Proposed Configuration, the wind conditions for all Test Locations in the streetscapes and the immediate surroundings of the development have been shown to satisfy the walking comfort criterion at a minimum, with many locations satisfying the sitting and standing comfort criteria. The wind conditions for the Proposed Configuration at the building entrances have been shown to satisfy the recommended standing criterion or better.

For the Proposed Configuration, the wind conditions on the Upper Levels Terraces have been shown to satisfy the standing or walking criteria at the western building (Workplace Chestnut), the sitting criterion at the central building (Workplace Central), and the walking criterion at the eastern building (Hotel).

All Test Locations investigated by this study on the ground and upper levels have been shown to satisfy the pedestrian safety criterion.

No modifications to the development have been recommended.’

289. As such, officers are satisfied that the wind conditions for the site will be appropriate, with all built form changes recommended reducing height there are no unforeseen impacts anticipated.

Noise

290. Policy at Clause 22.05 of the Scheme seeks to ensure new commercial development is adequately managed having regard to its proximity to residential uses. The proposal is unlikely to result in unacceptable noise emissions, subject to key conditions such as the hotel management plan, to the nearby residential properties given the majority of the site would be used for commercial purposes during day time hours. Due to the context and separation from sensitive uses there will be minimal noise impacts generated and it is not considered to be detrimental to the amenity of the adjacent properties.

291. The proposed retail tenancies will also be located mostly indoors though it is noted that the applicant has not indicated the operating hours. Nonetheless, retail is a controlled environment that does not include loud music. If alcohol consumption is sought that would require planning permission.

292. As such, subject to the hours of the all the retail within Building D operating no earlier than 7am or later than 10pm, and the remainder of the site no later than 1am, the proposal is supported.

293. Given the specific use of the different retail spaces are not yet finalised and no liquor is proposed as part of the Incorporated Document application, an acoustic peer review of the findings within the Acoustic Logic report dated 5 April 2023 was not deemed necessary subject to standard noise and delivery conditions being included to ensure no reasonable impacts to the nearby dwellings.

294. Furthermore, a condition will be recommended to review all acoustically significant mechanical plant, including the car park entrance doors, prior to the occupation of the development. This will ensure there is a further mechanism to ensure that the development complies with the relevant criteria.

295. Subject to conditions, it is considered that noise can appropriately be addressed.

Overlooking

296. Due to the site specific circumstances of the site, there are no opportunities for overlooking. The only windows that face sensitive residential land are those to Building D. Given these windows are road fronting, there is no overlooking and as such no screening is necessary.

Fumes and air emissions, light spillage

297. The majority of the development is enclosed and the use conducted indoors with the exception of the outdoor terraces associated with the office. The proposed uses are not considered to result in unreasonable air emissions, with light spill from the building

limited due to the nature of the use and operating hours of the roof-terrace. There would be no fumes associated with the residential hotel use nor any that are considered unreasonable concerning the retail within the commercial context.

Equitable Development

298. The sites to the east, across Church Street, will not be impacted by the proposal from an equitable development consideration as they are separated by the width of the street which provides a reasonable buffer. Similarly, for the sites to the north, west and south equitable development is not directly relevant as these sites are separated by Adelaide and Russel streets.

Waste management

299. The applicant submitted a Waste Management Plan (WMP) prepared by Leigh Design and dated 17 August 2023 that included the following key features:

(a) Bin stores and loading bay at upper ground level in Building B and lower ground in Building C. there is a total 200sqm of bin storage across the site; and

(b) All waste removal will be undertaken by a private contractor (medium trucks for Building B and smaller trucks for Building C.

300. Council's City Works Unit reviewed the submitted WMP, concluding the waste was satisfied.

City Link Exhaust Stacks

301. The Design and Development Overlay Schedule 5, City Link Exhaust Stack Environs (DDO5) requires that notice of a development be given to the Transurban City Link Limited and the Roads Corporation (Transport for Victoria) as previously identified. The design objectives of

302. Transurban City Link, EPA and the Road Corporation (Transport for Victoria) must be notified of the proposal by the Responsible Authority.

Environmentally Sustainable Design

303. Policy at clauses 15.01-2S, 21.07, 22.16 and 22.17 of the Scheme encourage ecologically sustainable development, with regard to water and energy efficiency, building construction and ongoing management. Council's ESD Advisor confirmed that the proposal was close to meeting Council's Best Practice ESD standards.

304. Further, the redevelopment of the site located in an existing built-up area makes efficient use of existing infrastructure and services, and the proximity of the subject site to numerous public transport modes reduces reliance on private vehicles.

305. Councill's ESD Officer reviewed the original Sustainability Management Plan (SMP) prepared by ADP dated 5 May 2023 and then the revised SMP prepared by ADP dated 14 August 2023. As identified by Council's ESD Advisor, the proposal makes a number ESD commitments as well as one outstanding item that justification be provided for removal of solar PV's.

306. It is considered that the item can be addressed by conditions as these items request further detailed analysis of the ESD measures.

307. In addressing the outstanding concerns the development would meet Council's ESD best practice standard and achieve Australian excellence with the proposed Green Star 5 Star Rating targeted. This is considered an appropriate response for a development of this size.

308. As such, Council will be requiring its standard condition which requires an implementation report to confirm all measures specified in the SMP have been implemented in accordance with the approved plan. Subject to conditions, the proposal provides an innovative and exemplary ESD response as required by policy.

Car parking and traffic

309. Under clause 52.06 of the Scheme, the applicant is seeking a car parking reduction of 570 spaces associated with the development as outlined within the table included in the *Particular Provisions* section earlier in this report.

Parking Availability

310. Council's Traffic Engineers confirmed although demand for on-street parking is very high in the area, the waiver of parking for the Office, Hotel and Retail uses is considered appropriate in the context of the development and surrounding area. Employees who do not have access to onsite parking would make other travel arrangements to commute to and from the site, such as take public transport or ride a bicycle.

311. As such, the Engineering unit has no objection to the reduction in the car parking requirement for this site.

Car Parking Demand Assessment

312. The application is proposing to provide 209 on-site car parking for the Office (180 spaces) and Residential hotel (29 spaces) on site. This represents a reduction of 570 spaces.

313. Clause 52.06 is a state-wide provision and the rates are not always relevant to inner city locations such as Yarra. Clause 52.06 therefore requires that an assessment of the actual number of car spaces which are likely to be generated by the uses be undertaken.

Parking Demand Assessment

314. A total of 180 car spaces are allocated for the Office use, this would equate to an on-site parking rate for the office of 0.76 spaces per 100sqm of floor area.

315. Throughout the municipality, a number of developments have been approved with reduced or comparable office rates, as shown in the following table:

Development Site	Approved Office Parking Rate
60-88 Cremorne Street Cremorne	0.72 spaces per 100sqm
71-93 Gipps Street, Collingwood	0.96 spaces per 100sqm
2-16 Northumberland Street, Collingwood	0.89 paces per 100sqm

316. In addition to those outlined above, Planning Permit PLN19/0664 for No.19 Cubitt Street, Cremorne was issued on 13 March 2020. This 7-storey office development was permitted with no on-site car parking spaces, with an overall reduction of 50 spaces approved. Further to this, a 9-storey development at No.65-81 Dover Street, Cremorne was approved, also in 2020, with on-site parking at a rate of 0.90 spaces per 100sqm of floor area and more recently, in 2021, 609-615 Church street, with on-site parking rate of 0.67 spaces per 100sqm.

317. Although slightly lower than some of the above examples, the proposed on-site office parking rate of 0.76 per 100sqm of floor area represents a comparable office floor area to car parking ratio compared to the above rates and is considered appropriate, having regard to the site's accessibility to public transport services and seeks to encourage more sustainable forms of transport.

Parking Demand for Retail Use.

318. To assess the car parking demand of the shop use, a staff parking rate of 1.0 space per 100 square metres of floor area could be adopted; this would equate to an on-site parking demand of 5 spaces. For the same reasons as outlined above this reduction is deemed acceptable.

319. Specifically in relation to the particular benefits of the site location, the reduction being sought by the proposal is further supported by the following:

(a) The site is well serviced by public transport, with tram services on both Church and Swan Streets as well as East Richmond Railway Station located 230 metres to the north, Richmond Railway Station located 800 metres to the north west and South Yarra Railway Station located about 1km to the south-west;

(b) The surrounding area has a good bicycle network and the development includes employee bicycle parking spaces and end of trip facilities in excess of rates specified within the Scheme to encourage staff to ride to work;

(c) There is limited on-street parking in the area, with restrictive parking controls acting as a disincentive for employees to travel to work by car. Employee parking permits will not be issued for the development and building tenants would be entering leases aware of the on-site parking availability. Therefore businesses with a high reliance on car parking are unlikely to take up a lease at the site;

(d) Visitors would likely be aware of the car parking constraints in the area or otherwise be made aware by the tenants of the building, thus also encouraging use of alternative modes such as public transport, cycling or taxis;

(e) Council's Engineering Unit are supportive of the application on the basis that it is in line with the objectives of Council's *Strategic Transport Statement* noting that the site is ideally located with regard to sustainable transport alternatives and the reduced provision of on-site parking would discourage private motor vehicle use; and

(f) In addition, Council's Engineer's note *The Future Growth and Development of an Activity Centre*. Practice Note 22 – Using the Car Parking Provisions indicates that car parking should be considered on a centre-basis rather than on a site/individual basis. This is applicable to activity centres, such as the Church Street retail precinct, where spare on-street car parking capacity would be shared amongst sites within the activity centre.

320. The Engineering Referral team has no objection to the reduction in the car parking requirement for this site.

321. For these reasons, the proposed provision of 60 on-site spaces is considered appropriate.

Access and layout of car parking

322. Clause 52.06-9 (Design standards for car parking) of the Scheme relates to the design of car parking areas and contains 7 standards and requirements relating to access way, car parking spaces, gradients, mechanical parking, urban design, safety and landscaping.

323. These details, along with the proposed waste collection movements, vehicle entry and exit movements to the basement and ramp designs and the layout of the car spaces have been reviewed by Council's Engineering Unit and deemed satisfactory subject to additional details being provided.

324. Several engineering conditions in regards to civil works, road asset protection, and construction management, impacts of assets on the proposed development, reinstatement of redundant vehicle crossings and modification to car parking signage have been recommended.

325. These conditions are considered standard and should also be included on any permit issued.

326. Overall, the proposed design and configuration of access and car parking areas are considered to achieve a satisfactory outcome and will be further improved with the above conditions.

Loading

327. In accordance with clause 65.01, before deciding on an application or approval of a plan, the responsible authority must consider *the adequacy of loading and unloading facilities and any associated amenity traffic flow and road safety impacts.*

328. Council's Engineering Unit reviewed the loading and were generally providing the following comments:

(a) The internal dimensions of the two on-site loading bays have not been provided. There is no objection to the layout of the loading bays, as demonstrated in the swept path assessment;

(b) Vehicle crossings must be provided for the entrances to the basement car park and the loading docks; and

(c) A vehicle crossing ground clearance check is to be undertaken for each new vehicle crossing by the applicant's designer to confirm that a B99 design vehicle can enter and exit the property without scraping out.

329. Subject to these conditions the provision for on-site loading is therefore considered acceptable.

330. In addition, a condition can require deliveries and waste collections to be undertaken in accordance with the times prescribed by Council's Local Law.

Adelaide Street

331. In relation Adelaide Street the Engineering team provided the following comments:

'The proposed Shared Zone and colonnade design for the two-way section is a substandard design for vulnerable road users and will result in operational issues for Council. Specifically:

(a) The design does not provide any priority for pedestrians. Pedestrians will use the narrow spaces allocated behind bollards. The effective path widths would be below 1.0m, would not provide space for passing pedestrians and will be a substandard outcome for community members with mobility issues. The street will not operate as a Shared Zone;

(b) The design does not take into consideration road infrastructure including signage and overland road drains which will further reduce widths;

(c) The road space allocation does not appear to be able to accommodate trucks passing other vehicles within the space allocated. Larger vehicles will have insufficient space to safely turn around, while the need for smaller vehicles to undertake 3-point turns is a poor design outcome;

(d) The use of bollards is a poor design outcome. They will be a maintenance issue particularly with larger vehicles using this street;

(e) There is very limited activation on the boundary of the site to activate the street which is required to have a successful and operational Shared Zone;

(f) Adelaide Street has been identified as an important link in the road network in accommodate the current and future people movement needs for the wider Cremorne area. It provides the most direct connection between Church Street and Green Street which in turn provides links to the wider internal street network in Cremorne. The two-way access proposal for part of Adelaide Street effectively turns this public road into a driveway for the development for this section of the street. It is a very poor outcome for the wider community particularly in terms of pedestrian and cyclist safety and amenity and is not supported;

(g) There is opportunity to minimise traffic impacts resulting from redevelopment on the local road network by accommodating more development traffic on Russell Street. Russell Street currently accommodates two way flows and carries 1,200 vpd. The TIA does not assess the impact of any changes to Russell Street on vehicles using the street;

(h) An access strategy for this development needs to be approved by Council, prior to any further assessment;

(i) The TIA needs to confirm whether vehicle queues on Church Street (i.e. from Balmain Street) impact on access and should therefore be included in any modelling exercise;

(j) The TIA does not assess the impact of the removal of parking on Adelaide Street for weekdays or weekends, noting the high current occupancy rates (97%) and the need to accommodate overflow demand from the development. The removal of parking (a community asset) only to facilitate the desired vehicle movements of one development is a poor community outcome;

(k) As per the Cremorne UDF, there are plans to remove parking on the west side of Church Street to accommodate bicycle and parking lanes. Parking associated with the hotel drop off / pick up needs to be reallocated from Church Street; and

(l) The proponent needs to consult with the Department of Transport and Planning to assess where accessible tram stops are to be located on Church Street and assess how this will impact on access to the site.'

332. The Urban Design team also provided comments on Adelaide Street, raising concerns with the amenity, accessibility and alignment of the footpath along the southern side as well as the need to increase the colonnade width to 1.8 metres. They note that the where the road transitions between one and two-way traffic the footpath alignment is awkward.

333. Planning officers agree that many of the concerns raised by the Engineering, Urban Design and Strategic Planning unit are valid and can be addressed in the requirement for retention of the one-way nature of Adelaide Street and through the process of requiring a full refurbishment of Adelaide Street as has been recommended above.

334. The Strategic Planning team also provided comment on Adelaide Street as follows:

(a) 'The draft UDF identifies Adelaide Street as a potential shared street. It provides an important link from Church Street to Green Street – a key north south bike route and connection; and

(b) The proposed development focusses its servicing off this street. While it is acknowledged that some servicing could be accommodated, we do not support this frontage becoming the 'back of house' with poor streetscape outcomes.'

335. Retention of the one way traffic of Adelaide Street will allow for flexibility in the design of the public realm and for additional public realm improvements that meet the strategic vision for this public road per Design Objective 7 for the Bryant and May site which states 'Adelaide Street is reimagined as a green shared street that connects Church Street to the site and adjacent Railway Precinct.'

Bicycle facilities and strategic transport

Bicycle parking and facilities

336. The proposal provides a total of 264 bicycle parking spaces on-site. The 64 visitor spaces are proposed to be provided in public assessable areas outside the buildings, with the Strategic Transport team supporting the number and location.

337. Council's Strategic Transport team have indicated that the number and location of the 200 employee bicycle parking spaces at lower ground with access via Walnut Street is acceptable.

338. End-of-trip facilities (21 showers and change rooms) are conveniently located next to the bicycle parking.

339. Strategic Transport have recommended that the following should be shown on the plans before endorsement:

    1. 'Confirmation of dimensions of on-street bicycle parking on Church Street and Russell Street
    2. Details of the bicycle stacker model and its dimensions
    3. Pedestrian-vehicle visibility splays at the various car park and loading area access points are to be provided in accordance with Clause 52.06 of the Planning Scheme (car parking) and AS 2890.2 (loading vehicles).
    4. Suitable notation to identify that all car parking areas will be electrically wired to be 'EV ready' with a minimum 40A single phase electrical sub circuit.'

    It is also recommended that:

    - The green travel plan targets should be increased to 80% of travel by sustainable modes and that the monitoring period should be once a year for 10yrs after opening.
    - The number of car parking spaces required as part of this development should not be specified on the permit to allow for future precinct parking opportunities should they arise.'

340. All of the above can be required via condition.

Electric vehicles

341. The SMP submitted by the applicant states that Electric Vehicle (EV) parking spaces will be provided within the development. Council's ESD Officer reviewed the submitted SMP and did not offer any objections.

Conclusion

342. It is recommended that Council advise the Minister for Planning of the concerns embodied within this report, and outlined within the recommendation section below, and recommend conditions should they be of the mind to issue the Incorporated Document.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council:

(a) note the officer report and the application material;

(b) write to the Minister of Planning and the Department of Transport and Planning outlining the following:

Concerns with Draft Amendment C319yara:

(a) concern with the use of the 'Specific Control Overlay' as a mechanism for approval of the development as the proposal does not fit the criteria as being eligible;

(b) council does not support changing Adelaide Street into two way. Adelaide Street is to remain a one-way street and therefore all material referenced within the Incorporated Document must be revised to be depict Adelaide Street as a one-way street;

(c) that the allowable uses for the site being clearly described within the Incorporated Document so as not allow an array of prohibited uses; and

(d) the planning Map to correctly show the application of the Specific Controls Overlay.

Drafting of conditions

Key recommended revised conditions to be included in Incorporated Document:

1. Condition added requiring amended plans showing:
   - (a) Three level reduction of Building B;
   - (b) One level reduction of Building D;
   - (c) Three metre landscape setback to Building D (whole of building) to Chestnut Street;
   - (d) Additional one metre above streetwall setback of Building D to Chestnut Street;
   - (e) Additional activation to Building C upper / lower ground level fronting Adelaide Street at westernmost blank façade;
   - (f) The pedestrian entry point to Building C at the eastern end fronting Adelaide Street to be widened and further activated to create a connection to the lobby;
   - (g) All services and fire boosters integrated with the building;
   - (h) Dimension the width of the ramp abutting Church Street and the southern frontage of the Administrative Building;
   - (i) Widen the width of the colonnade footpath to a minimum of 1.8m from inside edge of the pillars to the building edge; and
   - (j) Clearly show Adelaide Street as one-way traffic only.
2. Prior to development (except for site preparation works) an indicative public realm plan for Adelaide Street showing general layout of all public realm improvements.
3. Prior to completion a detailed public realm plan.
4. Amend condition 6.4 to include restriction on the retail hours allowed to Building D so as not to allow before 7am or after 10pm.
5. Add a Section 173 requirement to ensure all open air publicly assessable spaces are 24 hour activation and maintained by owner.
6. Add condition to assess the potential glare of Buildings B, C and D to ensure there are no unreasonable impacts.

Full revised conditions:

All new wording is shown **bold** and underlined
All deleted wording is shown ~~strikethrough~~

Architectural Plans

6.1A Before the use and development commences, amended plans to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the plans will be endorsed and will then form part of this Incorporated Document. The plans must be drawn to scale with dimensions, and must be generally in accordance with the decision plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall and dated 11 August 2023 but modified to show:

Built form

(a) Three level reduction of Building B to be a maximum of AHD51.19 metres to the top of the plant / services;

(b) One level reduction of Building D to be a maximum AHD38.6 metres to the top to the plant / services;

(c) The whole of Building D set back minimum three metres to Chestnut Street;

(d) The above streetwall setback to Building D increased to Chestnut Street to minimum of 4 metres;

(e) Additional activation to Building C upper and lower ground level westernmost blank wall fronting Adelaide Street. The new additional active frontage is to be a minimum 3 metres long in lieu of blank wall;

(f) The pedestrian entry point to Building C at the eastern end fronting Adelaide Street to be widened and further activated;

(g) All services and fire boosters integrated with the building;

(h) Dimension the width of the ramp abutting Church Street and the southern frontage of the Administrative Building;

(i) Widen the width of the colonnade footpath area to Building B to a minimum of 1.8m from inside edge of the pillars to the building edge as it presents to Adelaide Street;

(j) The blank wall fronting the colonnade to Adelaide Street must incorporate more visual interest through a combination of any or all of additional activate frontage, vertical greening, art or light display;

Details

(k) Clearly show Adelaide Street as one-way traffic only;

(l) An annotation stating 'Specular light reflectance must be less than 15 per cent for all external building glazing and cladding materials and finishes when measured at an angle of 90 degrees to the surface of the material (normal incidence)';

(m) Confirmation of dimensions of on-street bicycle parking on Church Street and Russell Street;

(n) Details of the bicycle stacker model and its dimensions;

(o) Pedestrian-vehicle visibility splays at the various car park and loading area access points are to be provided in accordance with Clause 52.06 of the Planning Scheme (car parking) and AS 2890.2 (loading vehicles);

(p) **Suitable notation to identify that all car parking areas will be electrically wired to be 'EV ready' with a minimum 40A single phase electrical sub circuit.';**

Car parking and services

(q) **Provide convex mirrors at the vehicle entrances;**

(r) **Dimension the headroom clearances at all vehicular doorways;**

(s) **The accessible parking spaces and shared areas are to be dimensioned and must comply with the Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2890.1:2004;**

(t) **Dimension ramp grade lengths and transition grades;**

(u) **Provide the internal dimensions of the loading docks;**

(v) **Depict vehicle crossings for all vehicular entrances (including loading docks);**

(w) **Provide cross sectional drawings for all vehicle crossings and assess the ground clearance for each crossing using the B99 design vehicle. Please refer to Council's *Vehicle Crossing Information Sheet* appended to this memo;**

(x) **All existing infrastructure items (within the public realm) on the proposed plans. All service pit lids are to be flush with the pavement level;**

Reports and Plans

(y) **Any requirement of the endorsed Landscape Plan (where relevant to show on plans);**

(z) **Any requirement of the endorsed Sustainable Management Plan (where relevant to show on plans); and**

(aa) **Any requirement of the endorsed Wind Tunnel Study (where relevant to show on plans).**

The use and development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered or modified unless with the prior written consent of the Minister of Planning.

Ongoing architect involvement

6.2 As part of the ongoing progress and development of the site, Denton Corker Marshall, or another architectural firm to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be engaged to:

(a) Oversee design and construction of the development; and

(b) Ensure the design quality and appearance of the development is realised as shown in the endorsed plans or otherwise to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

Façade Strategy and Materials and Finishes Plan

6.3 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a Façade Strategy and Materials and Finishes Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning. When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will form part of this document. This must detail:

(a) Elevations at a scale of 1:20 or 1:50 illustrating typical podium details, entries and doors, **integrated services** and utilities and typical town façade details;

(b) Section drawings to demonstrate façade systems, including fixing details and joints between materials or changes in form;

(c) Information about how the façade will be maintained;

(d) **detailed design renders of all buildings;**

(e) **detailed design drawings and renders of all laneways and building entrances;**

(f) A materials schedule and coloured drawings and renders outlining colours, materials and finishes and measures to limit (to the extent possible) graffiti adhesion on walls to the street, including doors, perforations, and upper levels (where necessary).

Use

6.4 Except with the prior written consent of the Minister for Planning, the residential hotel use authorised by this ~~permit~~ **Incorporated Document** may only operate between the following hours:

(a) Monday to Sunday: 24 hours a day.

6.4B Except with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority, the retail premises authorised by this Incorporated Document may only operate between the hours of 7am and 10pm.

6.4C Speakers external to the development must not be erected or used.

6.4D Unless with the prior written consent of the Minister for Planning, the provision of music and entertainment on the land must be at a background noise level.

Ongoing Landscape Plan Requirement

6.5A In conjunction with the submission of development plans under Condition 1, an amended Landscape Plan must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning, and to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council. When approved, the amended Landscape Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Landscape Plan must be generally in accordance with the Landscape Plans prepared by Oculus (Rev D – 17/09/2023), but amended to show:

(a) The depth of the water features to consider public safety around water bodies and the visibility and height of the lip edge that would be created when there is no water in this area;

(b) Clarify that all 'Indigenous' plant selection is within the EVC – 55: Plains Grassy Woodland plant list and/or plant stock is sourced from local provenance seed stock;

(c) Tree Schedule Table 3.7 – The column headings need to be adjusted in relation information included;

(d) Section 15: Adelaide Street – The elevation showing façade planting facing Adelaide street does not reflect the proposed planting for the roof terraces and facades;

(e) Level 2 & 3 façade planting for the hotel building (B);

(f) Details for planter boxes and other furniture;

(g) Show details of the landscape setback to Chestnut Street as required by condition 6.1Ac);

(h) Additional seating options; and

(i) Assessments of safety (CPTED), accessibility and lighting.

6.5 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date is approved in writing by the Minister for Planning, the landscaping works shown on the endorsed Landscape Plan must be carried out and completed to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council. The landscaping shown on the endorsed Landscape Plan must be maintained by:

(a) implementing and complying with the provisions, recommendations, and requirements of the endorsed Landscape Plan;

(b) not using the areas set aside on the endorsed Landscape Plan for landscaping for any other purpose;

(c) replacing any dead, diseased, dying, or damaged plants; and

(d) to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning, in consultation with the Yarra City Council.

Tree Protection Arborist Report

6.6 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, an amended Arborist Report to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the amended Arborist Report will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Arborist Report must be generally in accordance with the Arborist Report prepared and authored by Howell Arboriculture Consultants dated January 2023 but modified to:

(a) make reference to the endorsed architectural plans ~~prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled "560 Church Street", all dated 11 August 2023~~.

6.7 All tree protection measures must be carried out in accordance with the endorsed arborist report to the satisfaction of Yarra City Council.

Tree Protection Fencing

6.8 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, temporary fencing must be erected around any tree shown for retention on the endorsed plans to define a Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) that is to satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Street Tree Protection

6.9 The retained street trees must not be removed or damaged to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.10 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a security bond of $5,000 (total) for the street trees must be paid to the Yarra City Council. The security bond:

(a) must be provided in a manner, and on terms, to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council;

(b) may be held by the Yarra City Council until the works are completed to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council;

(c) in accordance with the requirements of this Incorporated Document;

(d) otherwise to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

The bond is not to be released until Yarra City Council's Arborist has inspected the trees at the completion of the development.

Tree Protection and Management Plan

6.11 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a Tree Protection and Management Plan (TPMP) must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. The TPMP must be prepared to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning by an arborist with a minimum AQF level 5 qualification and must detail tree protection and management actions prior to, during, and post works (including demolition). The TPMP is required:

(a) To maintain and protect the condition of all retained trees; and

(b) To comply with AS 4970–2009 Protection of trees on a development sites (Australian Standard AS 4970–2009).

6.12 The TPMP must include all tree related requirements conditioned in this Incorporated Document. All works in the TPMP affecting trees must be implemented and/or monitored by an arborist with a minimum AQF level 5 qualification to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council. The TPMP must be certified as complete by the Project Arborist and this certification must be submitted to Yarra City Council at the completion of works.

Prior to occupation Sustainable Management Plan Requirement

6.13A In conjunction with the submission of development plans under Condition 1, an amended Sustainable Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning. When approved, the amended Sustainable Management Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Sustainable Management Plan must be generally in accordance with the Sustainable Management Plan prepared by ADP dated 14 August 2023, but modified to include or show:

(a) Reinstate all solar PVs to all buildings as committed to in original SMP dated 4 April 2023 prepared ADP unless with satisfactory justification agreed by Council.

6.13 Prior to the occupation of the development allowed under this Incorporated Document, a report from the author of the sustainable management plan, allowed pursuant to this Incorporated Document, or similarly qualified person or company, must be submitted to the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. The report must be to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning and must confirm that all measures specified in the sustainable management plan have been implemented in accordance with the approved plan.

Ongoing Sustainable Management Plan Requirement

6.14 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Sustainable Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Amended Wind Impact Assessment Required

6.15 **Concurrent with the submission of development plans under Condition 6.1A** ~~Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document~~, an amended Wind Assessment Report to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the amended Wind Impact Assessment will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Wind Impact Assessment must be generally in accordance with the Wind Impact Assessment prepared and authored by MEL Consultants titled Environmental Wind Speed Measurements on a Wind Tunnel Model of the 560 Church Street Development, Richmond dated May 2023, but modified to:

(a) **Wind Tunnel modelling assessing the proposal as referenced and amended pursuant to Condition 6.1A** ~~Make reference to the endorsed architectural plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled "560 Church Street", all dated 11 August 2023~~.

Ongoing Wind Assessment Requirement

6.16 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Wind Assessment Report must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Amended Acoustic Report

6.17 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, an amended Acoustic Report to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be prepared by a suitably qualified acoustic engineer and must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the amended Acoustic Report will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Acoustic Report must be generally in accordance with the acoustic report prepared by Acoustic Logic dated 5 April 2023 but modified to assess the following:

(a) Assess the proposal as amended under the endorsed architectural plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled “560 Church Street”, all dated 11 August 2023 and provide noise attenuation techniques to enhance the amenity of the development from external noise source.

Ongoing Acoustic Report Requirement

6.18 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Acoustic Report must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Ongoing Waste Management Plan Requirement

6.18A Following completion of the development, and prior to its occupation, an Acoustic Report to the satisfaction of the responsible authority must be submitted to, and be approved by, the responsible authority. The Acoustic Report must be prepared by a suitably qualified acoustic engineer and must demonstrate:

(a) Compliance of the mechanical plant and car park entrance door with the Environment Protection Regulations under the Environment Protection Act 2017, the incorporated Noise Protocol (Publication 1826.4, Environment Protection Authority, May 2021) as may be amended from time to time and sleep disturbance targets at existing dwellings.

When approved, the Acoustic Report will be endorsed and will then form part of this Incorporated Document.

The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Acoustic Report must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

6.19 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Waste Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Public Lighting Plan Required

6.20 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a Public Lighting Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. The Public Lighting Plan must address lighting along the curtilage of the building and the entrances and the internal pedestrian laneway within the site. When approved, the Public Lighting Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document.

The Public Lighting Plan must provide for:

(a) all pedestrian access to the proposed development must be lit by public lighting installations as specified in the Australian Standard AS 1158.3.1:2020 Lighting for roads and public spaces;

(b) new poles and luminaires must be sourced from the relevant power authority's standard energy efficient luminaires list and comply with relevant CitiPower technical requirements;

(c) consultation with affected property owners to be undertaken by the developer with respect to the location of any new pole/s and light/s (if required);

(d) light spillage into the windows of existing and proposed residences must be avoided or minimised and should comply with the requirements of Australian Standard AS 4282 - 2019 Control of the obtrusive effects of outdoor lighting;

(e) the locations of any new light poles must not obstruct vehicular access into private properties;

(f) A maintenance regime for the lighting scheme within the curtilage of the property; and

(g) The use of energy efficient luminaries and/or solar lighting technologies to reduce carbon emission if possible.

Ongoing Public Lighting Plan Requirement

6.21 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Public Lighting Plan must be implemented and complied with at no cost to Yarra City Council and to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Amended Green Travel Plan

6.22 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, an amended Green Travel Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the Green Travel Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Green Travel Plan must be generally in accordance with the Green Travel Plan prepared by Traffix Group and dated April 2023 but modified to:

(a) Make reference to the endorsed architectural plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled "560 Church Street", all dated 11 August 2023.

6.23 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Green Travel Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Car Parking

6.24 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council, the area set aside on the endorsed plans for the car parking spaces, access lanes, driveways and associated works must be:

(a) Constructed and available for use in accordance with the endorsed plans;

(b) Formed to such levels and drained so that they can be used in accordance with the endorsed plans;

(c) Treated with an all-weather seal or some other durable surface; and

(d) Line-marked or provided with some adequate means of showing the car parking spaces; all to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

6.25 Before the building is occupied, a Car Park Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the Car Park Management Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The Car Park Management Plan must address, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) the number and location of car parking spaces, including DDA spaces;

(b) the management of car parking spaces and security arrangements for employees of the development;

(c) details of way-finding, cleaning and security of end of trip bicycle facilities;

(d) policing arrangements and formal agreements;

(e) a schedule of all proposed signage including directional arrows and signage, informative signs indicating location of disabled bays and bicycle parking, exits, restrictions, pay parking system etc;

(f) details regarding the management of loading and unloading of goods and materials; and

(g) Instructions to employees and patrons that they must only use the car parking facilities provided on site or which are otherwise available to the public.

6.26 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Car Park Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

6.27 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Minister for Planning, a notice showing the location of car parking must be placed in a clearly visible position near the entry to the land. The notice must be maintained thereafter to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Transport for Victoria Conditions

6.28 The permit holder must avoid disruption to tram operation along Church Street during the construction of the development. Any planned disruptions to tram operation during construction and mitigation measures must be communicated to and approved by the Head, Transport for Victoria and Yarra Trams, a minimum of thirty-five days (35) prior.

6.29 The permit holder must ensure that all track, tram, and overhead infrastructure is not damaged. Any damage to public transport infrastructure must be rectified to the satisfaction of the Head, Transport for Victoria, at the full cost of the permit holder.

General

6.30 The amenity of the area must not be detrimentally affected by the use or development, including through:

(a) the transport of materials, goods, or commodities to or from land;

(b) the appearance of any buildings, works or materials;

(c) the emission of noise, artificial light, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, wastewater, waste products, grit, or oil;

(d) the presence of vermin;

to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.31 The loading and unloading of vehicles and the delivery of goods to and from the land must be conducted entirely within the land to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.32 Except with the prior written consent of the Yarra City Council, delivery, and collection of goods to and from the land may only occur between 7am and 10pm Monday to Saturday, or after 9am on a Sunday or public holiday except for those allowed under any relevant local law.

6.33 The **use and** development must comply at all times with the noise limits specified in the Environment Protection Regulations under the Environment Protection Act 2017 and the incorporated Noise Protocol (Publication 1826.4, Environment Protection Authority, May 2021).

6.34 Finished floor levels shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered or modified without the prior written consent of the Minister for Planning.

6.35 Before the building is occupied, any wall located on a boundary facing public property must be treated with a graffiti proof finish to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.36 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Minister for Planning, all new on-boundary walls must be cleaned and finished to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.37 All buildings and works must be maintained in good order and appearance to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.38 All pipes, fixtures, fittings, and vents servicing any building on the land must be concealed in service ducts or otherwise hidden from view to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

6.39 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Minister for Planning, external lighting capable of illuminating access to the pedestrian and vehicular entrances must be provided on the subject site. Lighting must be:

(a) Located;

(b) Directed;

(c) Shielded;

(d) Of appropriate intensity;

(e) to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

Development Contributions

6.40 Prior to the~~ issue of a building permit,~~ commencement of the development~~, or issue of a Statement of Compliance (whichever occurs first)~~ the Development Infrastructure Levy must be paid to Yarra City Council in accordance with the approved Development Contributions Plan, or the Owner must enter into an agreement with Yarra City Council to pay the amount of the levy within a time specified in the agreement.

Public space contributions

6.40A Prior to the completion of the development, or issue of a Statement of Compliance, an Open Space Contribution must be paid to the City of Yarra under clause 53.01 if applicable.

Construction Management Plan

6.41 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a Construction Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The plan must provide for:

(a) a pre-conditions survey (dilapidation report) of the land and all adjacent Yarra City Council roads frontages and nearby road infrastructure;

(b) works necessary to protect road and other infrastructure;

(c) remediation of any damage to road and other infrastructure;

(d) containment of dust, dirt and mud within the land and method and frequency of clean up procedures to prevent the accumulation of dust, dirt, and mud outside the land;

(e) facilities for vehicle washing, which must be located on the land;

(f) the location of loading zones, site sheds, materials, cranes and crane/hoisting zones, gantries and any other construction related items or equipment to be located in any street;

(g) site security;

(h) management of any environmental hazards including, but not limited to,:

    (i) contaminated soil;

    (ii) materials and waste;

    (iii) dust;

    (iv) stormwater contamination from run-off and wash-waters;

    (v) sediment from the land on roads;

    (vi) washing of concrete trucks and other vehicles and machinery;

    (vii) spillage from refuelling cranes and other vehicles and machinery;

(i) the construction program;

(j) preferred arrangements for trucks delivering to the land, including delivery, and unloading points and expected duration and frequency;

(k) parking facilities for construction workers;

(l) measures to ensure that all work on the land will be carried out in accordance with the Construction Management Plan;

(m) an outline of requests to occupy public footpaths or roads, or anticipated disruptions to local services;

(n) an emergency contact that is available for 24 hours per day for residents and the Minister for Planning in the event of relevant queries or problems experienced;

(o) the provision of a traffic management plan to comply with provisions of AS 1742.3-2002 Manual of uniform traffic control devices - Part 3: Traffic control devices for works on roads;

(p) A Noise and Vibration Management Plan showing methods to minimise noise and vibration impacts on nearby properties and to demonstrate compliance with Noise Control Guideline 12 for Construction (Publication 1254) as issued by the Environment Protection Authority in October 2008. The Noise and Vibration Management Plan must be prepared to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning. In preparing the Noise and Vibration Management Plan, consideration must be given to:

    (i) using lower noise work practice and equipment;

    (ii) the suitability of the land for the use of an electric crane;

    (iii) silencing all mechanical plant by the best practical means using current technology;

(iv) fitting pneumatic tools with an effective silencer; (q) other relevant considerations;

(v) any site-specific requirements;

(q) During the construction:

(i) any stormwater discharged into the stormwater drainage system must be in compliance with Environment Protection Authority guidelines;

(ii) stormwater drainage system protection measures must be installed as required to ensure that no solid waste, sediment, sand, soil, clay, or stones from the land enters the stormwater drainage system;

(iii) vehicle borne material must not accumulate on the roads abutting the land;

(iv) the cleaning of machinery and equipment must take place on the land and not on adjacent footpaths or roads;

(v) all litter (including items such as cement bags, food packaging and plastic strapping) must be disposed of responsibly.

Ongoing Construction Management Plan Requirement

6.42 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Construction Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Construction Times

6.43 Except with the prior written consent of the Minister for Planning, demolition or construction works must not be carried out:

(a) Monday-Friday (excluding public holidays) before 7 am or after 6 pm;

(b) Saturdays and public holidays (other than ANZAC Day, Christmas Day, and Good Friday) before 9 am or after 3 pm;

(c) Sundays, ANZAC Day, Christmas Day, and Good Friday at any time.

6.44 Any plans and reports endorsed by the Minister for Planning pursuant to any condition of this Incorporated Document may be amended with the written consent of the Minister for Planning.

Engineering and Adelaide Street

6.45 The Adelaide Street pavement must be reconstructed in accordance with the Council's standards, across the full width, together with any pedestrian enhancement improvements and adequate road drainage.

6.45 The existing footpath, kerb and channel fronting the site shall be re-constructed in accordance with the Department of Transport's requirements and shall meet the Council's engineering standards

Public Realm

6.46 Prior to the endorsement of the Condition 1 plans, a Public Realm Plan (Church Street, Adelaide Street, Chestnut Street) must be prepared to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council and approved by the Minister for Planning. The Public Realm Plan must be submitted for approval by the Minister for Planning. When approved, the Public Realm Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The Public Realm Plan must include, but not limited to:

(a) The full re-surfacing of the full extent of Adelaide Street where it fronts the site;

(b) Street Trees extending along the full extent of Adelaide Street where they front the site;

(c) All existing and proposed infrastructure improvements and changes within the public space;

(d) All existing and proposed streetscape infrastructure including (but not limited to) light poles, drains and street signs;

(e) Clear dimensions of all footpath widths, setback area widths, and length;

(f) Demonstration of a seamless / DDA accessible transition from the public realm into the development entry areas;

(g) All existing and proposed surface materials including kerbs and channels;

(h) Demonstration of a seamless / DDA compliant levels transition across all proposed footpaths pavements; and

(i) Surface materials within title boundaries visually distinguishable from the surface materials used outside title boundaries.

Detail of the shared zone improvement works as required, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Detailed Design (*Church Street, Adelaide Street, Chestnut Street*)

6.47 Prior to the commencement of construction of the development or by such later date as is approved by the Yarra City Council, Detailed Design Plans (*Civil and Landscape*) associated with the development must be prepared, submitted and approved by the Minister for Planning to the satisfaction of Yarra City Council. When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will then form part of the Incorporated Document. The Detailed Design plans must include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) Detailed layout plan indicating all existing and proposed features and surface levels;

(b) Adelaide Street:

(i) Road cross sections from property boundary to property boundary at 5 metre intervals indicating existing and proposed levels at changes in grade;

(ii) Longitudinal sections along the property boundaries, existing and design building lines, lip of kerb, back of kerb and invert of the channel;

(iii) All surfaces must be designed in accordance with DDA requirements;

(iv) Existing and proposed service pits within the road pavement must be adjusted to match the reconstructed footpath grades;

(c) Church Street Frontage:

(i) Road cross sections from property boundary to road centreline at 5 metre intervals indicating existing and proposed levels at changes in grade;

(ii) Longitudinal sections along the property boundary, existing and design building lines, lip of kerb, back of kerb, invert of the channel, existing Church Street pavement level;

(iii) **All surfaces must be designed in accordance with DDA requirements;**

(iv) **Distinct delineation between public and private land along all interfaces;**

(v) **Existing and proposed service pits within the footpath area must be adjusted to match the reconstructed footpath grades;**

(d) **Chestnut Street Frontage:**

(i) **Road cross sections from property boundary to road centreline at 5 metre intervals indicating existing and proposed levels at changes in grade;**

(ii) **Longitudinal sections along the property boundary, existing and design building lines, lip of kerb, back of kerb, invert of the channel, existing Chestnut Street pavement level;**

(iii) **All surfaces must be designed in accordance with DDA requirements;**

(iv) **Distinct delineation between public and private land along all interfaces;**

(v) **Existing and proposed service pits within the footpath area must be adjusted to match the reconstructed footpath grades;**

(e) **Stormwater drainage in accordance with the Council approved stormwater strategy, including design computations, longitudinal sections, pit schedule and details;**

(f) **Detailed layout (size, depth, location) of existing and proposed service utilities, including private property connections to each type;**

(g) **Public lighting plan, including proposals for any temporary lighting;**

(h) **Signage & line marking plans indicating the existing and proposed changes;**

(i) **All streetscape details in accordance with the Urban Design and Open Space departments within Council;**

(j) **All private aspects / infrastructure must be located within the private property boundary and not protrude into the public road reserve; and**

(k) **Existing surface levels must not be altered unless approved by the Responsible Authority. To obtain DDA compliant surface grades the finished surface levels within the private property must be adjusted.**

6.48 **Before the development commences, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Yarra City Council, a vehicle crossing design for each new vehicle crossing must be submitted to Council's Engineering department for approval, and:**

(a) **Demonstrate satisfactory access into and out of the site with a vehicle ground clearance check using the B99 design vehicle; and**

(b) **Be fully dimensioned with actual reduced levels (to three decimal places) and comply with design requirements set out in Yarra City Council's Vehicle Crossing Information Sheet.**

6.49 **Prior to the occupation of the development, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Yarra City Council, any new vehicle crossing(s) must be constructed:**

(a) **In accordance with any requirements or conditions imposed by Council; and**

(b) **At the permit / Incorporated document holder's cost,**

To the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Section 173

6.50 Prior to the commencement of the use/development authorised by this Incorporated Document, the owner (or another person in anticipation of becoming the owner) must enter into an agreement with the Yarra City Council under section 173 of the *Planning and Environment Act* 1987, which provides for the following:

(a) The Owner must provide unfettered 24 hour public access over all publicly assessable open-air links and spaces including Russell Street;

(b) The owner is responsible for maintaining at all times the areas that are private land open to the public at the cost of the owners of the site and to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council;

(c) All paving must be compliant with Australian Standards for slip resistance and DDA; and

(d) The owner(s) must obtain and maintain insurance, approved by Yarra City Council, for the public liability and to indemnify Yarra City Council against all claims resulting from any damage, loss, death or injury in connection with the public accessing the land.

6.51 The owner, or other person in anticipation of becoming the owner, must meet all of the expenses of the preparation and registration of the agreement, including the reasonable costs borne by the Responsible Authority.

The owner, or other person in anticipation of becoming the owner, must meet all of the expenses of the preparation and registration of the agreement, including the Responsible Authority's costs and expenses (including legal expenses) incidental to the preparation, registration and enforcement of the agreement.

Glare

6.52 Prior to the commencement of buildings and works, or at another time as agreed to by the Minister for Planning, a reflected glare assessment of external building materials and finishes, utilising an appropriate methodology prepared by a suitably qualified person, must be prepared and submitted to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Glare Report must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

Hotel Management Plan

6.53 Before the uses commence, a Hotel Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning. When approved, the Hotel Management Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The Hotel Management Plan must include or show, but is not limited to, the following:

(a) **Sign in and management procedures for the use of the facilities by the public, including:**

(i) Management procedures for hotel guests and patrons of the bar, gym and restaurant during permitted operating hours including safety and security arrangements;

(b) **Hours of operation for the restaurant, bar;**

(c) **Reception operating hours;**

(d) **Staffing/Management arrangements;**

(e) **Provisions for late night arrivals and departures;**

(f) **Security arrangements;**

(g) **Procedures, and standards for guests to minimise amenity and parking problems in the neighbourhood;**

(h) **Ongoing measures to be taken to ensure residential hotel guests and visitors do not cause any unreasonable amenity impact to persons beyond the land;**

(i) **Establishment of a line of communication with adjoining owners and occupiers aimed at identifying and addressing amenity concerns;**

(j) **An outline of all house rules intended to be used to manage residents and guests including:**

(i) guest behaviour;

(ii) noise;

(iii) use of private terraces; and

(iv) methods of eviction if house rules are broken;

(k) **Details of eviction process in the event house rules are broken;**

(l) **Standards for property maintenance, health and cleanliness; and**

(m) **Security against thefts and break-ins, including security of guests' belongings; and Initiatives provided to direct hotel guests to the wider area from Church Street and not the residential areas to the east, with a strategy provided outlining how this will be communicated to guests.**

6.54 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Hotel Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

7.0 EXPIRY OF THIS SPECIFIC CONTROL

7.1 The development of the land permitted under this Incorporated Document must:

(a) Commence within two years of the gazettal date of Amendment C319yara to the planning scheme; and

(b) Be completed within six years of the gazettal date of Amendment C319yara to the planning scheme.

7.2 The uses permitted under this Incorporated Document must commence within six years of the gazettal date of Amendment C319yara to the planning scheme.

7.3 The Minister for Planning may extend the period for commencement if a request is made in writing before the time for commencement expires or within six months afterwards.

7.4 The Minister for Planning may extend the date for the completion of the development if a request is made in writing before the time for completion expires or within 12 months after the time for completion expires and the development is started lawfully before the approval expired.

7.5 This Incorporated Document will expire twelve months after the date of the issuing of the Certificate of Occupancy for the last stage of the development or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Minister for Planning.

7.6 Upon expiry of the specific control, the land may be used and developed only in accordance with the provisions of the planning scheme in operation at that time.

City Link Notes

- The development authorised by this Incorporated Document is on or in proximity to Coode Island Silt (CIS).

- A reduction in the water levels contained in CIS may lead to ground settlement and potential structural movement of buildings and other infrastructure. Any works authorised by this Incorporated Document should ensure that they do not reduce the water levels of CIS.

NOTES:

- **This application was not assessed against Clause 43.01 of the Yarra Planning Scheme (Heritage Overlay) as heritage matters are considered by Heritage Victoria.**

- **The applicant must apply for a Legal Point of Discharge under Regulation 133 – Stormwater Drainage of the *Building Regulations* 2018 from Yarra Building Services unit. Any storm water drainage within the property must be provided and be connected to the nearest Council pit of adequate depth and capacity (legal point of discharge), or to Council's satisfaction under Section 200 of the *Local Government Act* 1989 and Regulation 133.**

- **Any damaged roads and other road related infrastructure adjacent to the development site as a result of the construction works, including trenching and excavation for utility service connections, must be reconstructed to Council's satisfaction and at the developer's expense.**

- **Any services poles, structures or pits that interfere with the proposal must be adjusted, removed or relocated at the owner's expense after seeking approval from the relevant authority.**

- **Areas must be provided inside the property line and adjacent to the footpath to accommodate pits and meters. No private pits, boundary traps, valves or meters on Council property will be accepted.**

- **Only roof runoff, surface water and clean groundwater seepage from above the water table can be discharged into Council drains.**

- **Council will not permit clean groundwater from below the groundwater table to be discharged into Council's drainage system. Basements that extend into the groundwater table must be waterproofed/tanked.**

- **No parking restriction signs or line-marked on-street parking bays are to be removed, adjusted, changed or relocated without approval or authorisation from Council's Parking Management unit and Construction Management branch.**

- **Any on-street parking reinstated as a result of development works must be approved by Council's Parking Management unit.**

- **The removal of any kerbside parking sensors and any reinstatement of parking sensors will require the Permit / Incorporated Document Holder to pay Council the cost of each parking sensor taken out from the kerb/footpath/roadway. Any costs associated with the reinstatement of road infrastructure due to the removal of the parking sensors must also be borne by the Permit Holder.**

- **All redundant property drain outlets are to be demolished and reinstated to Council's satisfaction and at the Permit / Incorporated Document Holder's cost.**

- **All redundant vehicle crossings are to be demolished and reinstated to Council's satisfaction and at the Permit/ Incorporated Document Holder's cost.**

- **The applicant must submit detailed engineering design drawings of all infrastructure works associated with the development to Council for assessment and approval. All on-road line markings, traffic management treatments, and traffic and parking signs (existing and proposed) are to be depicted on the detailed design. The design must also show the stormwater drainage discharge point(s).**

Adelaide Street

- **The proposed pavement levels and channel inverts shall allow for a smooth tie-in at the limits of work, and ensure smooth grade is achieved for effective stormwater capture and flow.**

- **The properties access point levels, interface and boundary conditions at the northern boundary of Adelaide Street must be maintained and shall not be altered.**

- **The design and location of the upgraded road channel shall take into account the Accessibility (DDA) Guidelines/requirements and ensure the road crossfalls are no steeper than 1:33 (for asphalt finish).**

- **The finished building access points shall also satisfy the Accessibility (DDA) Guidelines.**

- **The footpaths, kerb and channel at the junction of Adelaide Street and Chestnut Street shall be reconstructed and smoothly finished.**

- **Consultation with the Council's Parking Services Department will be required for removal of existing on-street parking provisions.**

- **At the time of detail design, any adverse effect impeding smooth stormwater flow will need to be addressed in detail, and design adjusted if required.**

- **Conduct an analysis on the potential flooding path encroaching the western portion of Adelaide Street and determine the critical depth and the corresponding finished floor level of the proposed development based on the results.**

Attachments

1⇩ Attachment 1 - PHRF23/0004 - 560 Church Street, Cremorne - Draft Amendment Architectural Drawings August 2023

2⇩ Attachment 2 - Draft Amendment 319yara - Draft Incorporated Document

3⇩ Attachment 3 - Draft Amendment C319yara - Draft Explanatory Report

4⇩ Attachment 4 - PHRF23/0208 - 560 Church Street, Cremorne - Councils Response to Heritage VIC Referral

5⇩ Attachment 5 - IREF23/00672 - internal Referral Response - City Strategy - Open Space Design

6⇩ Attachment 6 - IREF23/00671 - Internal Referral Response - Urban Design

7⇩ Attachment 7 - IREF23/00670 - Internal Referral Response - Strategic Transport

8⇩ Attachment 8 - IREF23/00669 - Internal Referral Response - Strategic Planning

9⇩ Attachment 9 - IREF23/00667 - Internal Referral Response - City Works Waste Management

10⇩ Attachment 10 - IREF23/00665 - Internal Referral Response - Development Engineering

11⇩ Attachment 11 - PHRF0004 - 560 Church Street Cremorne 3121 - Internal Referral Response ESD

12⇩ Attachment 12 - PHRF23/0004 - 560 Church Street, Cremorne - Urban Design MGS Comments

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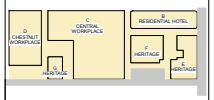

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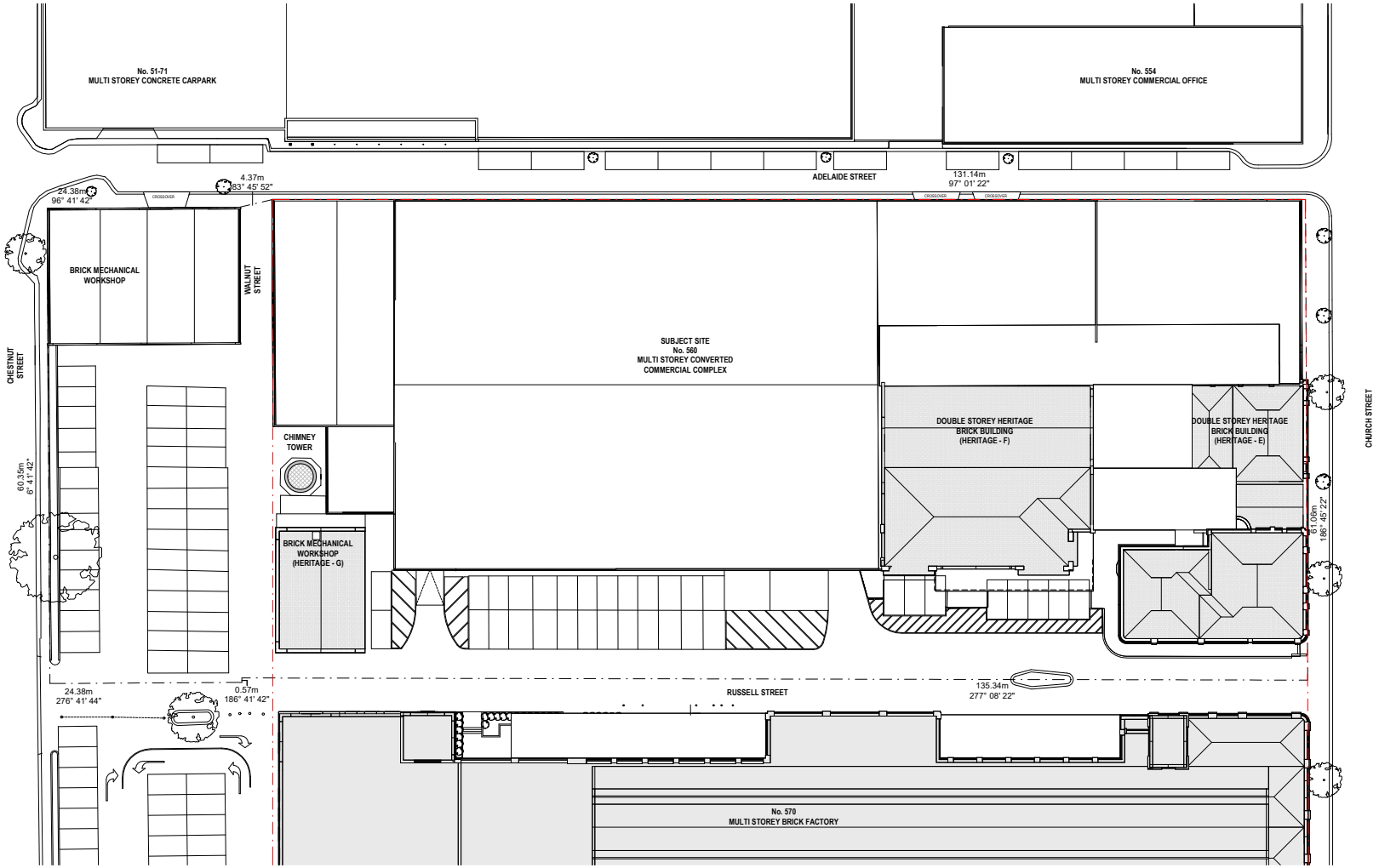

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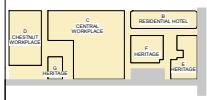

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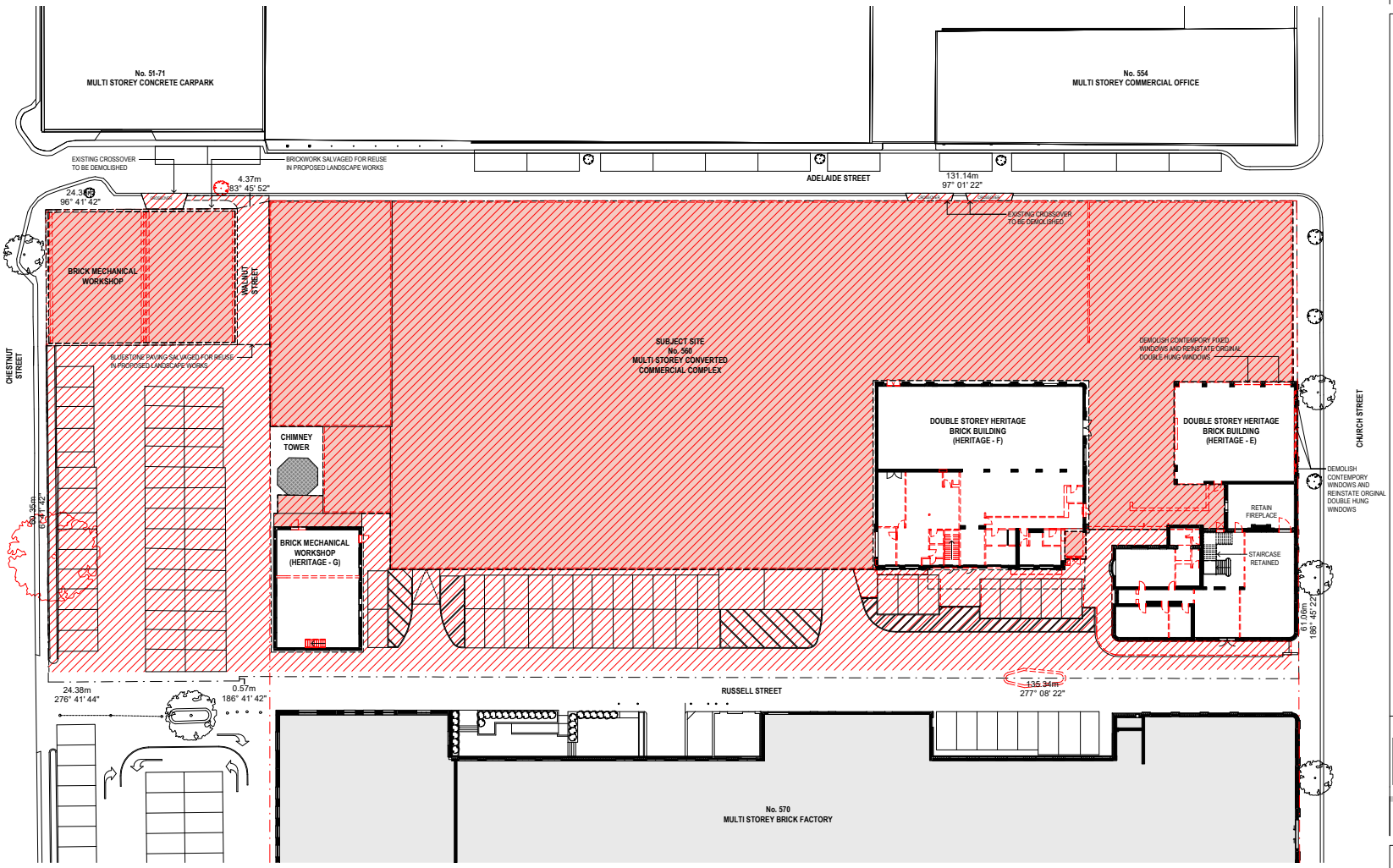

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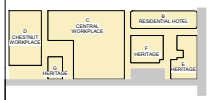

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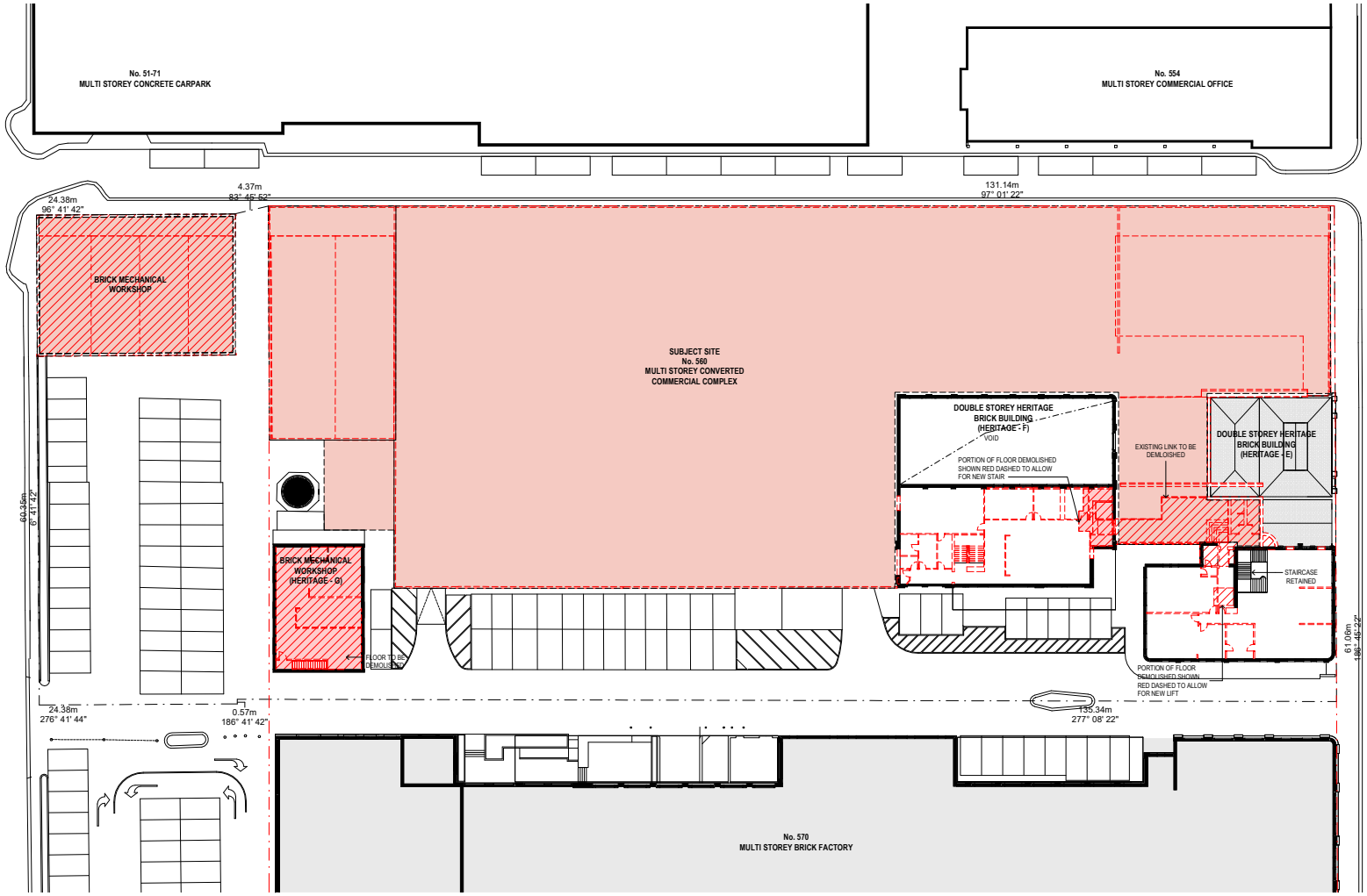

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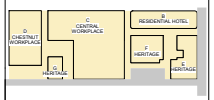

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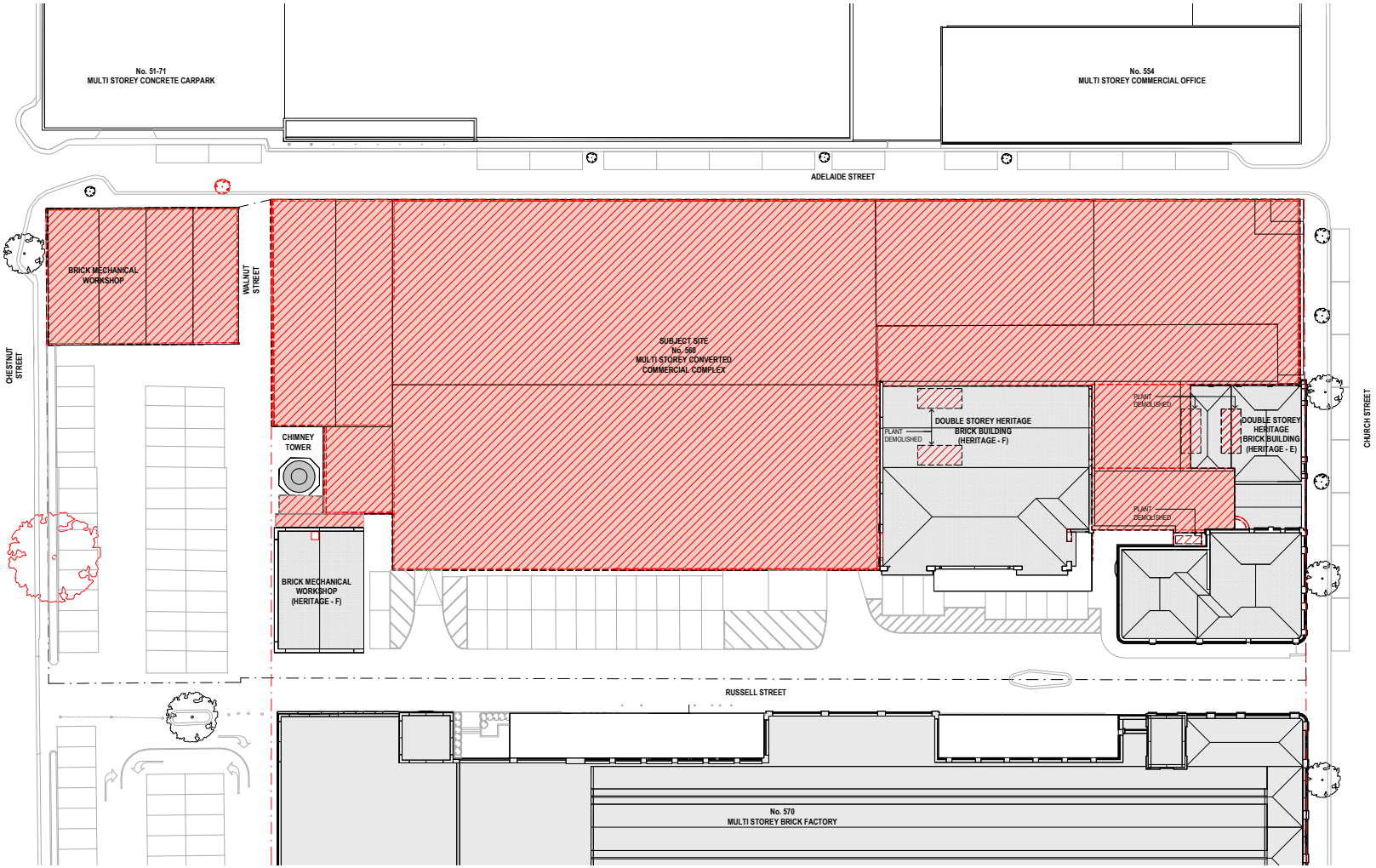

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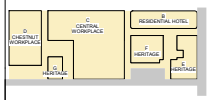

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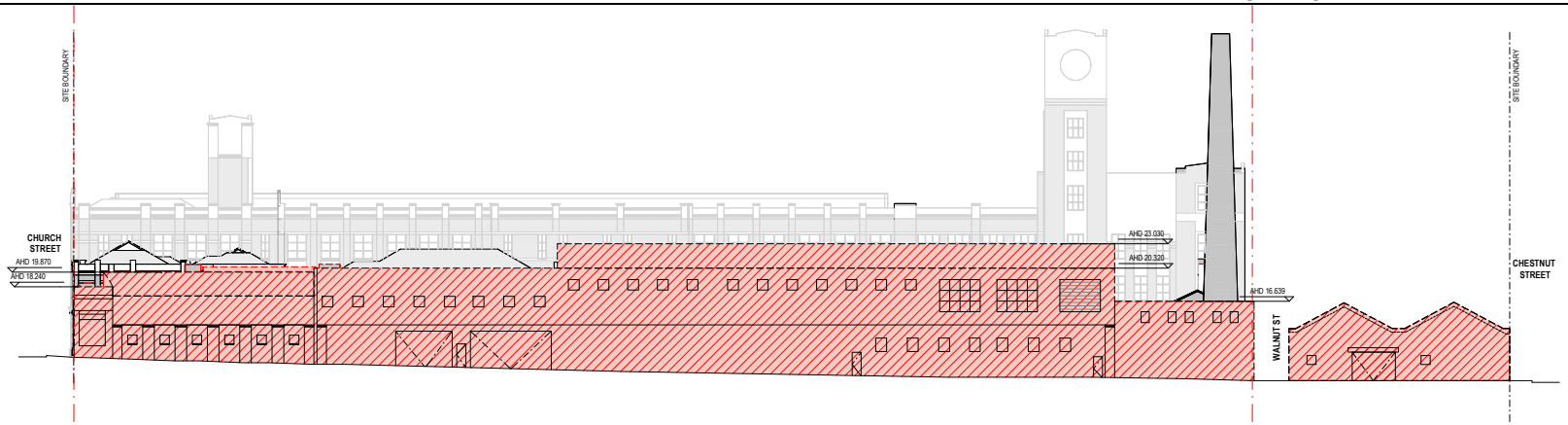

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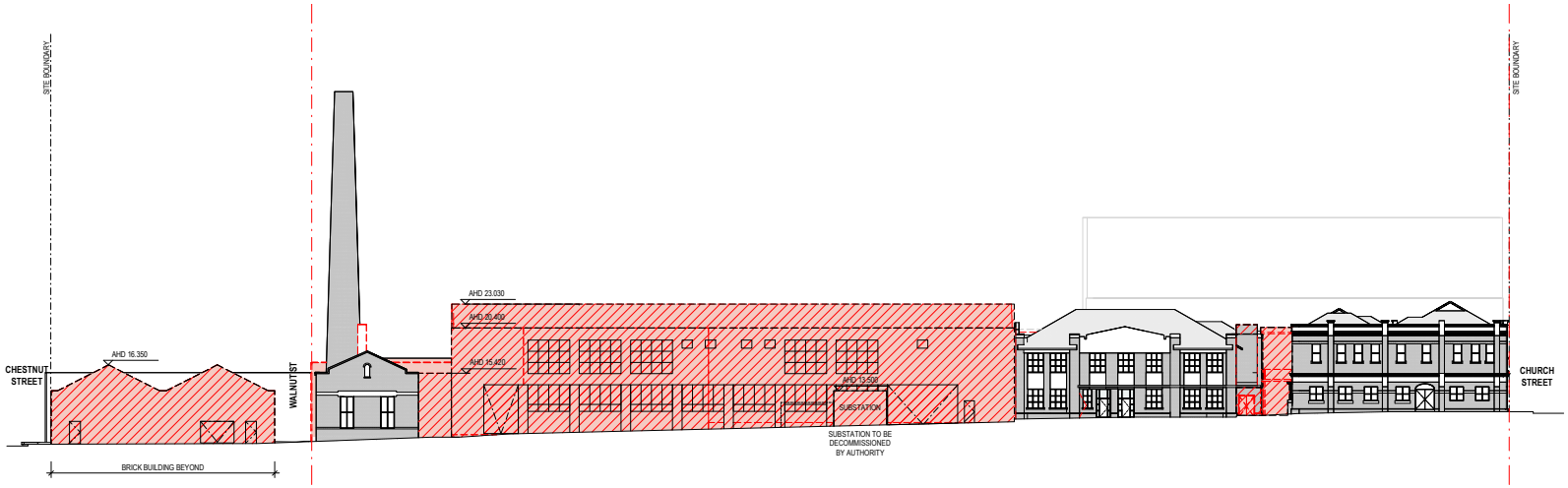

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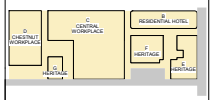

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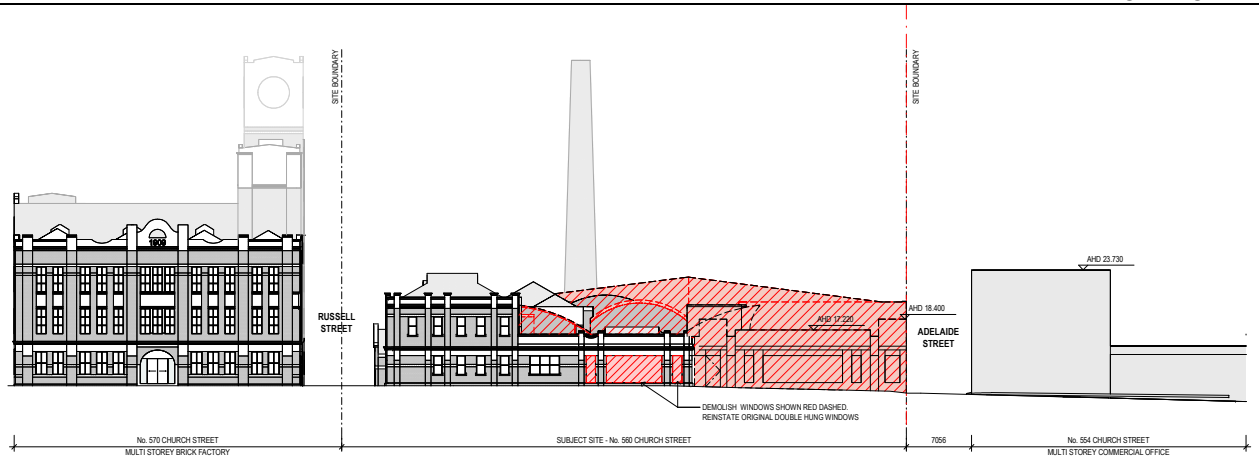

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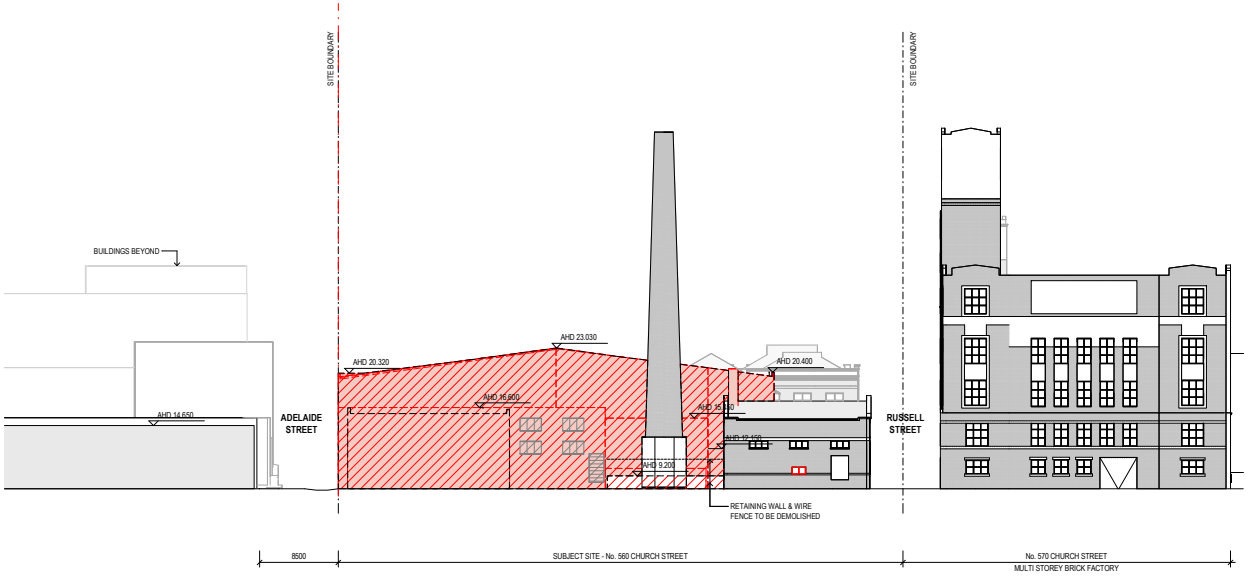

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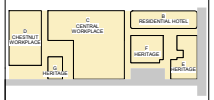

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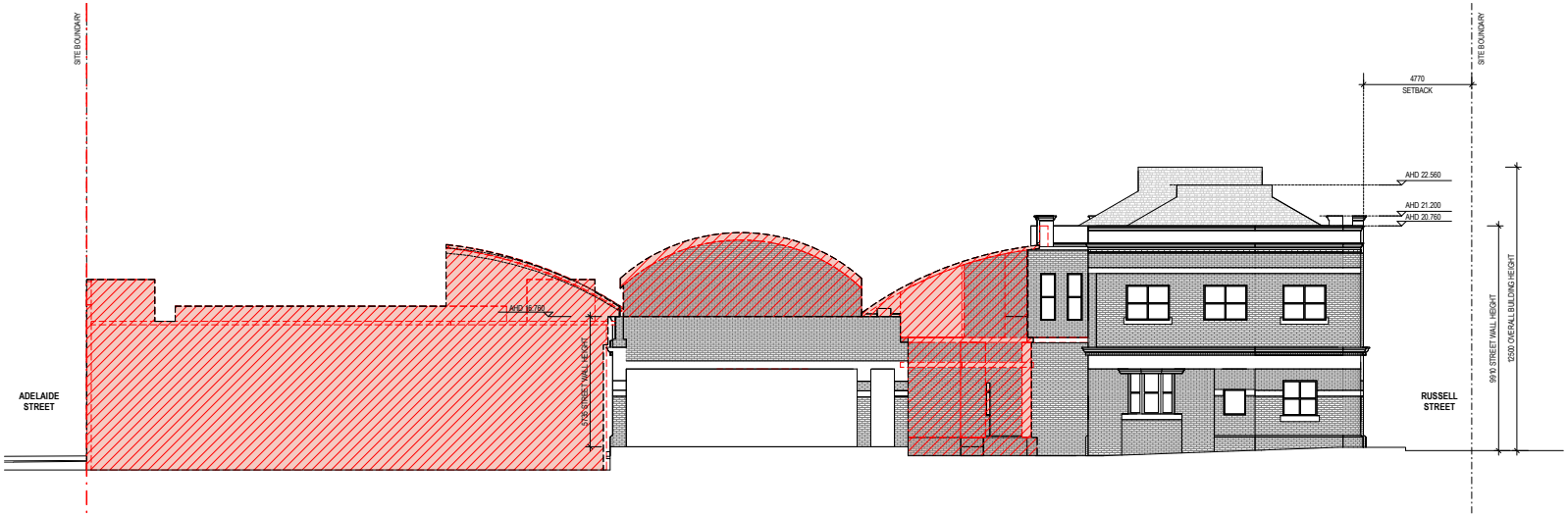

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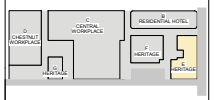

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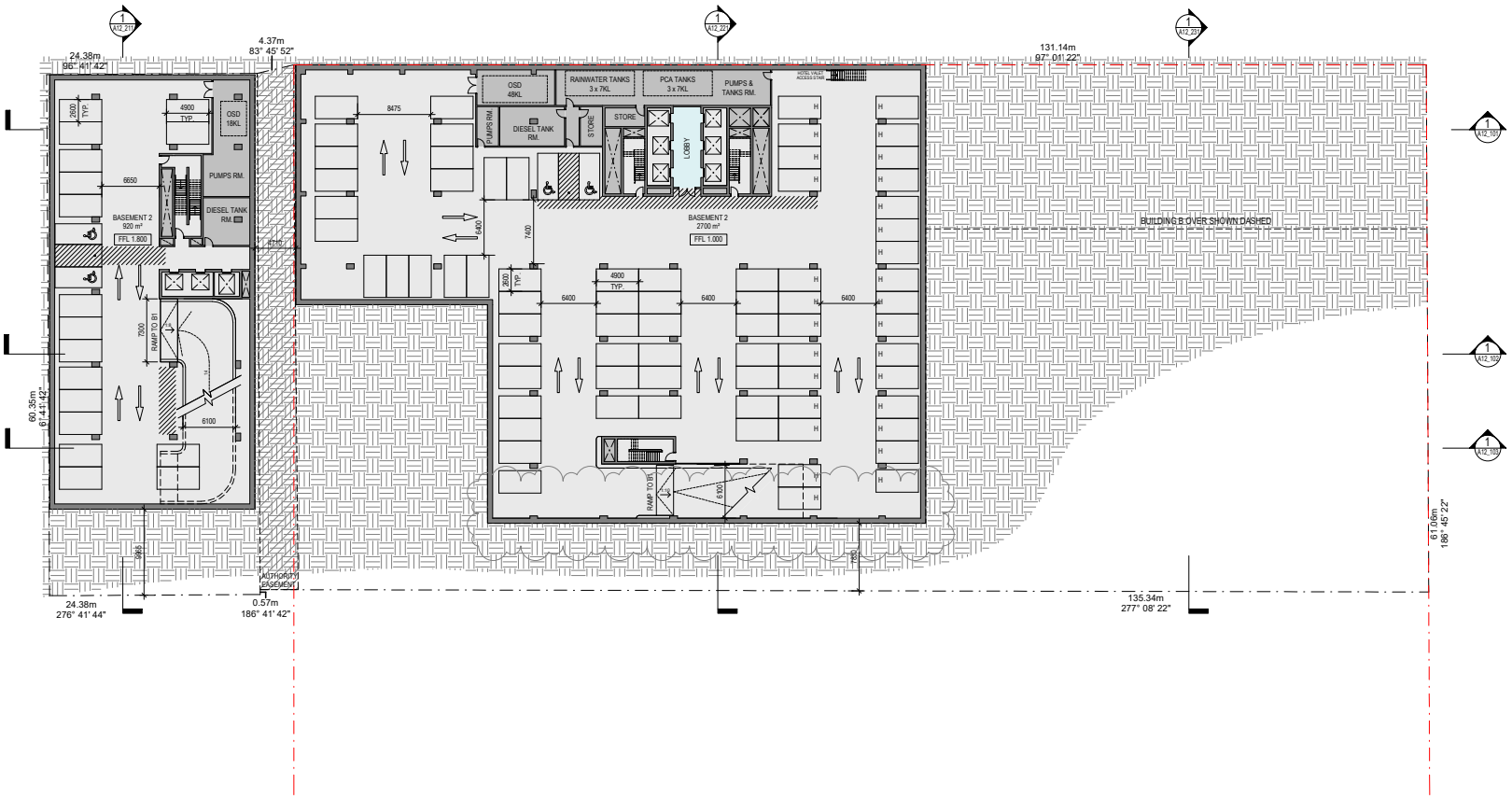

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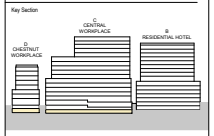

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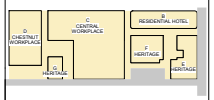

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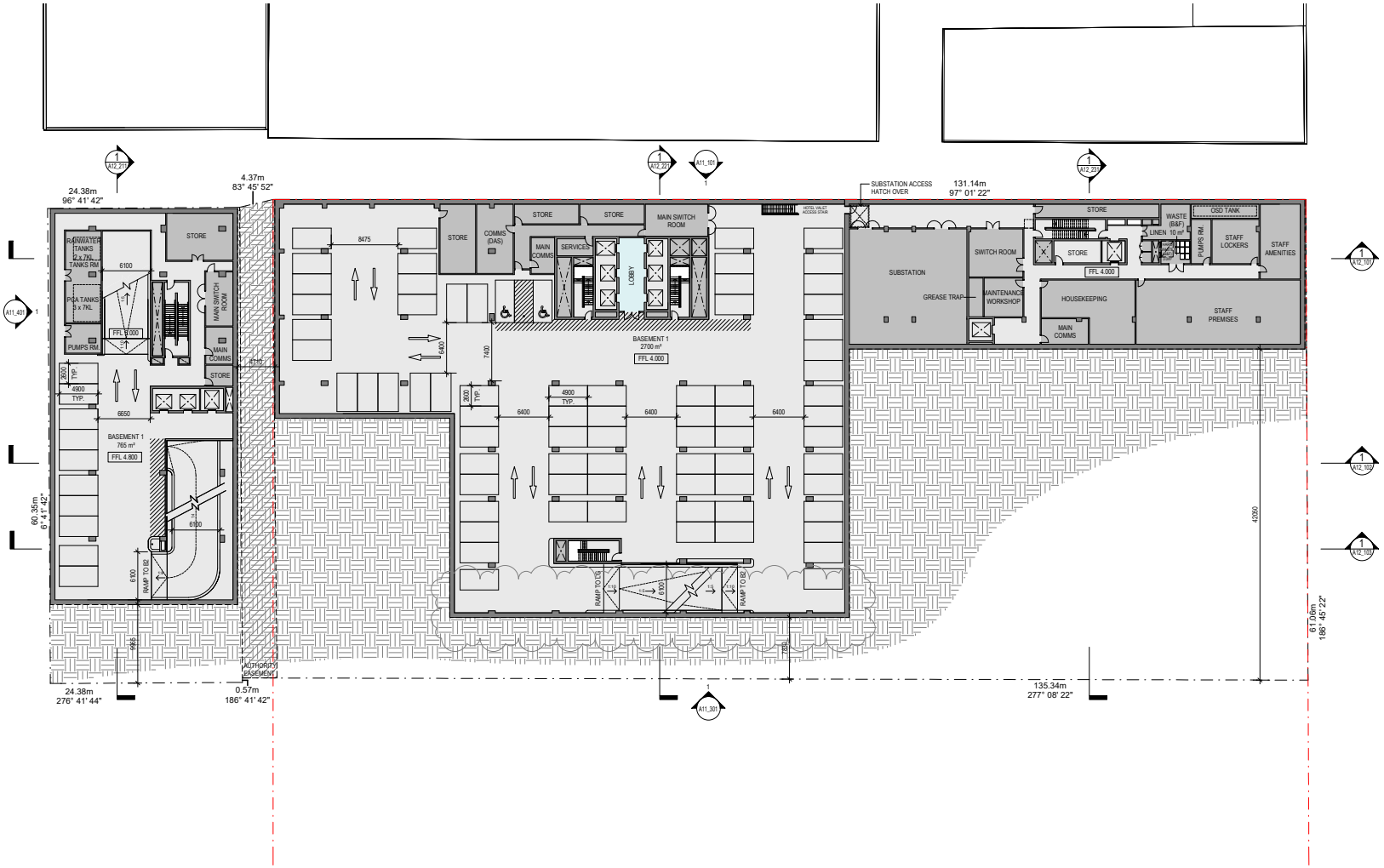

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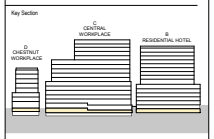

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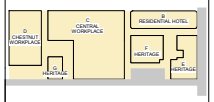

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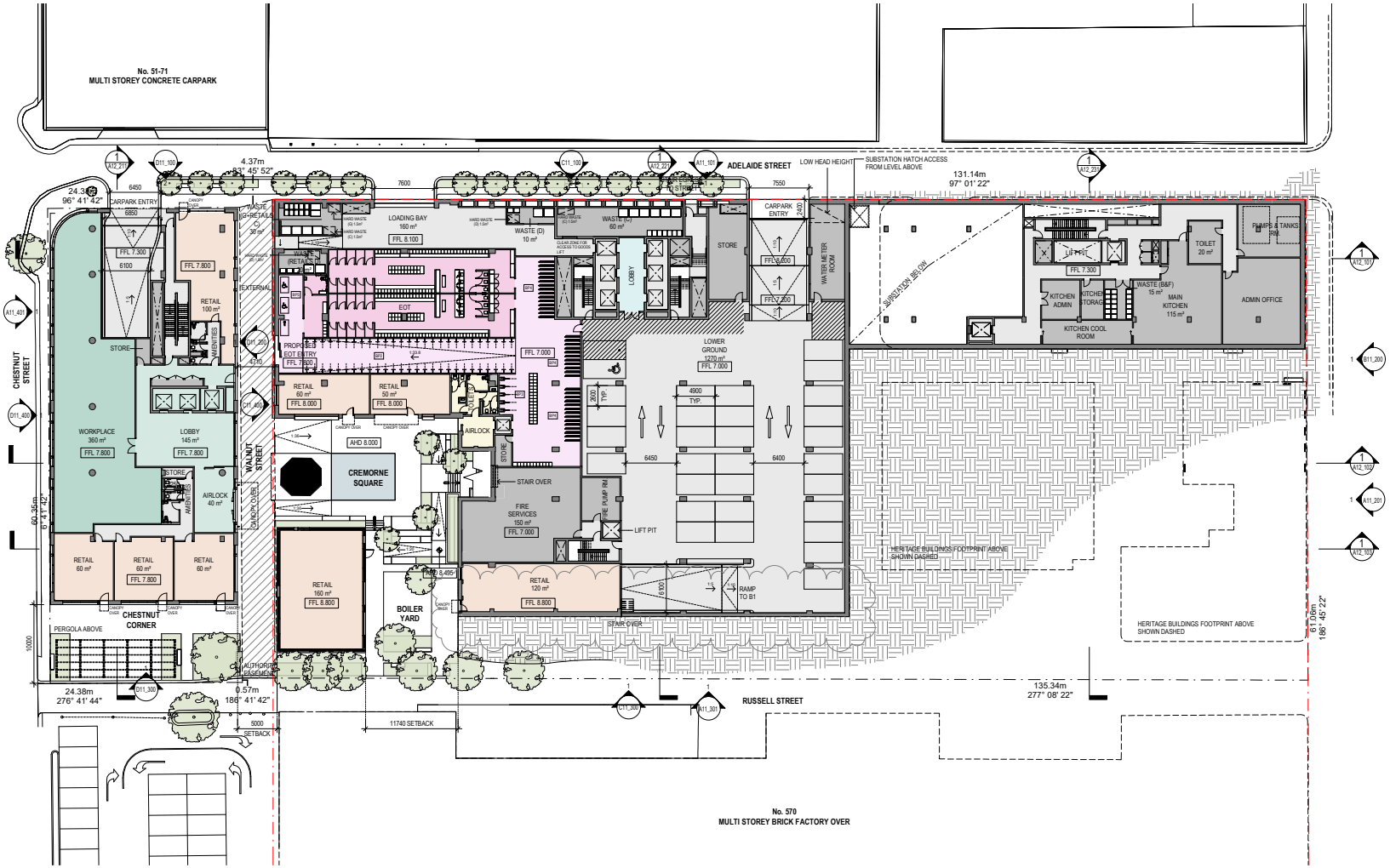

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BP2 - STAFF VERTICAL
BP3 - STAFF HORIZONTAL
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BP5 - STAFF HANDICAP

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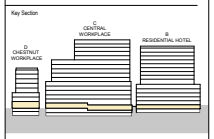

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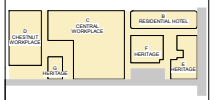

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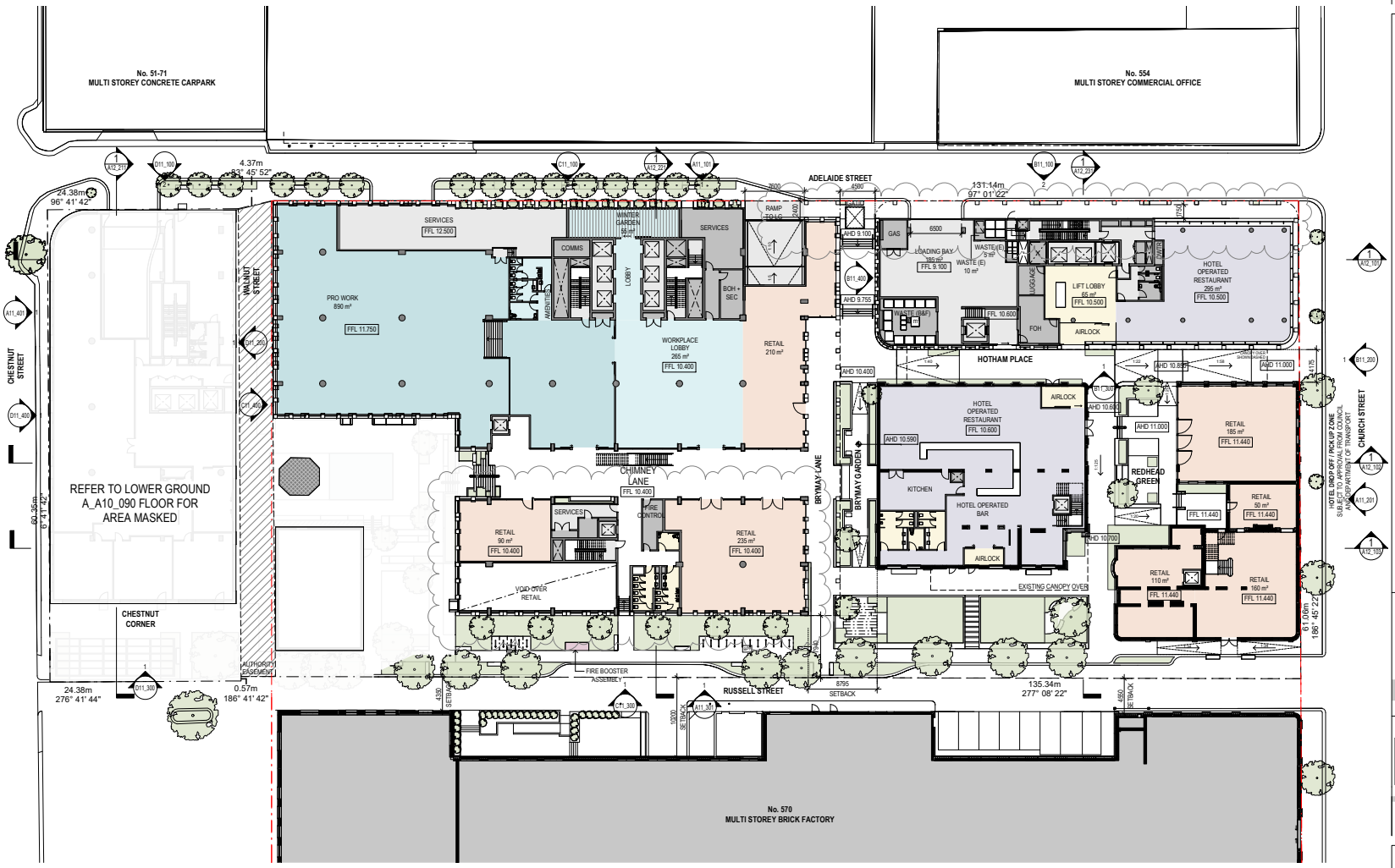

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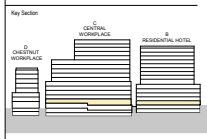

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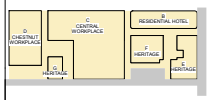

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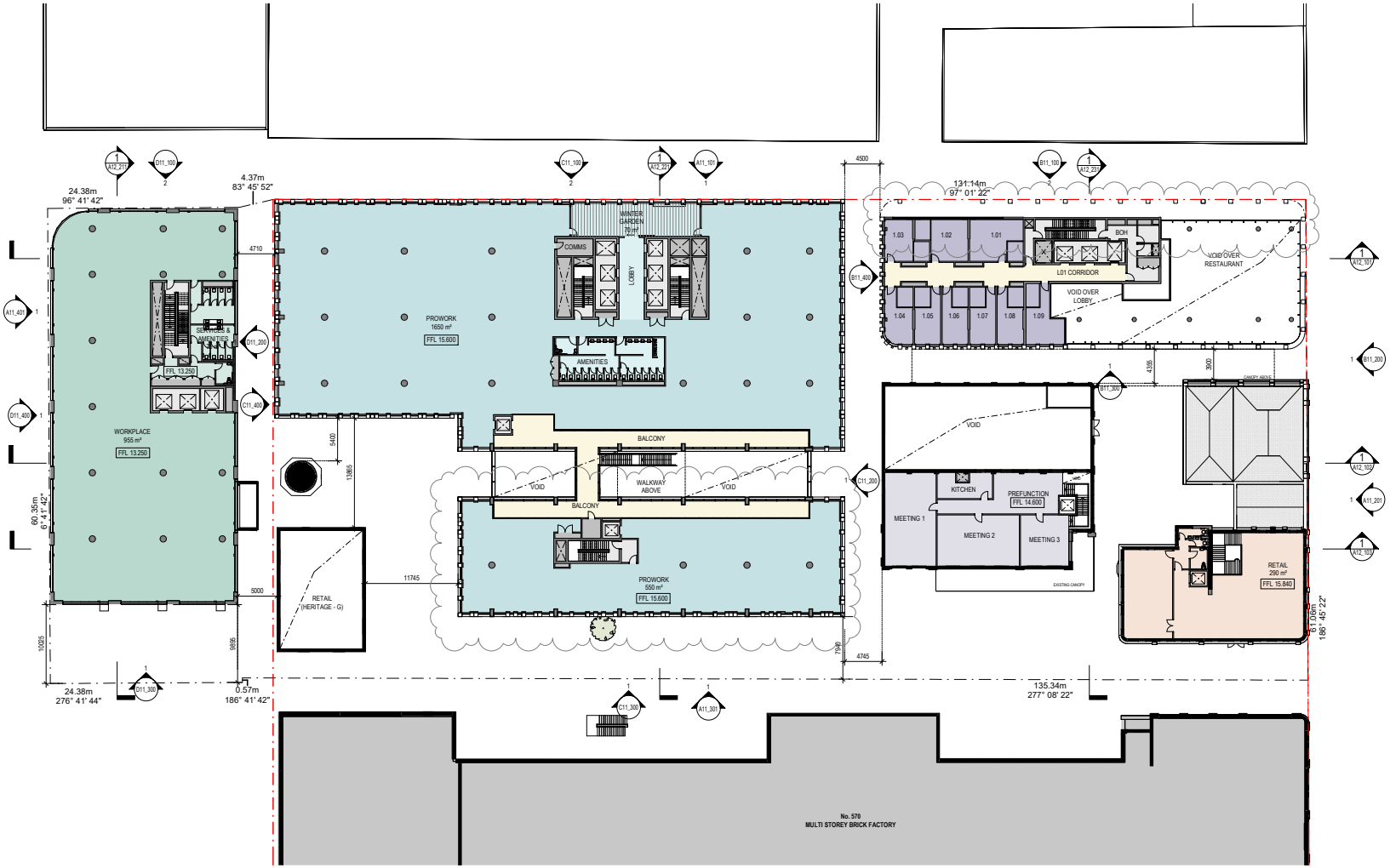

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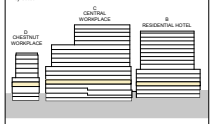

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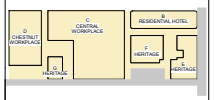

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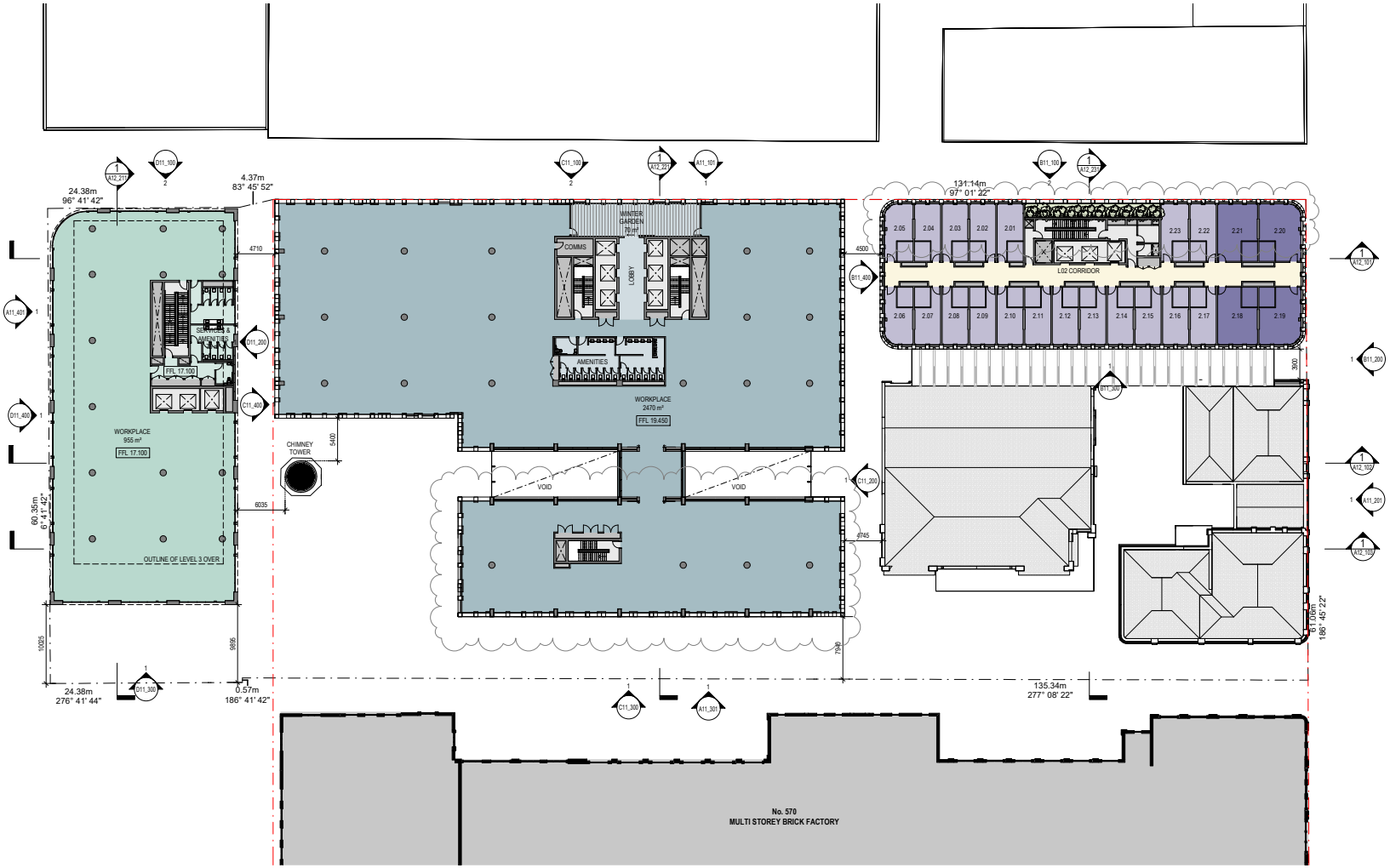

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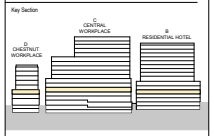

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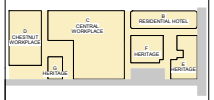

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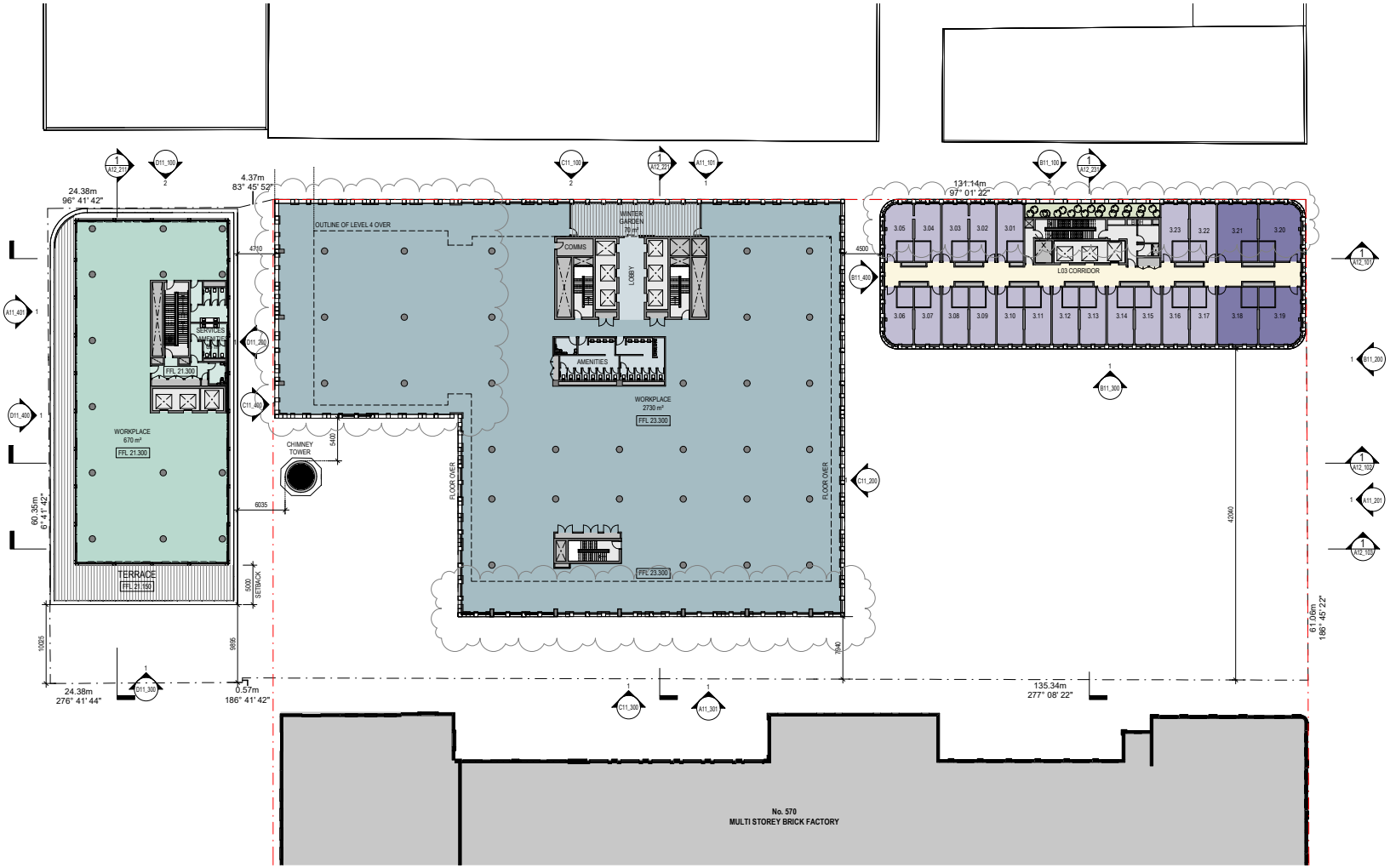

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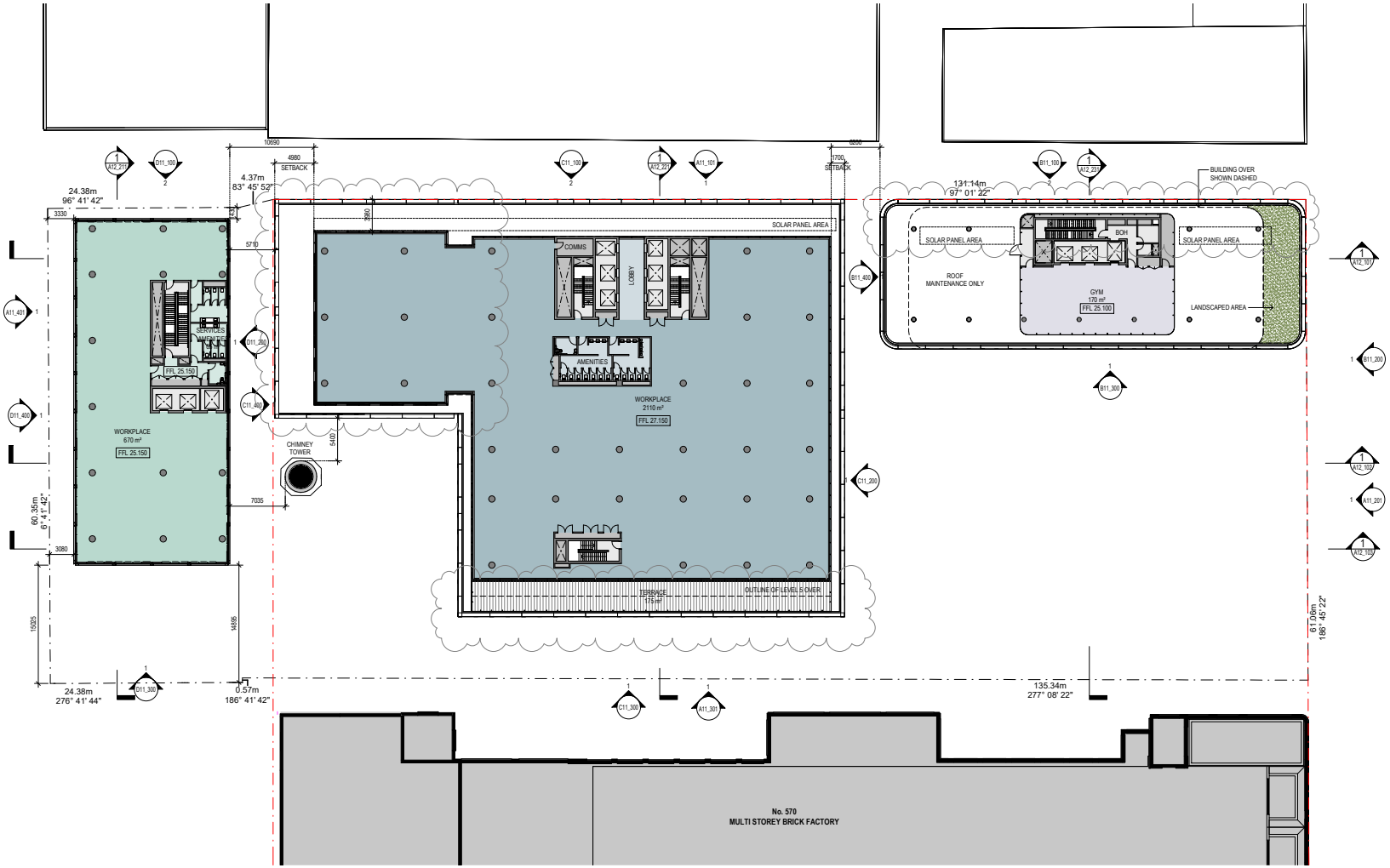

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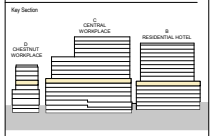

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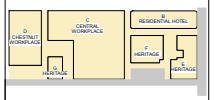

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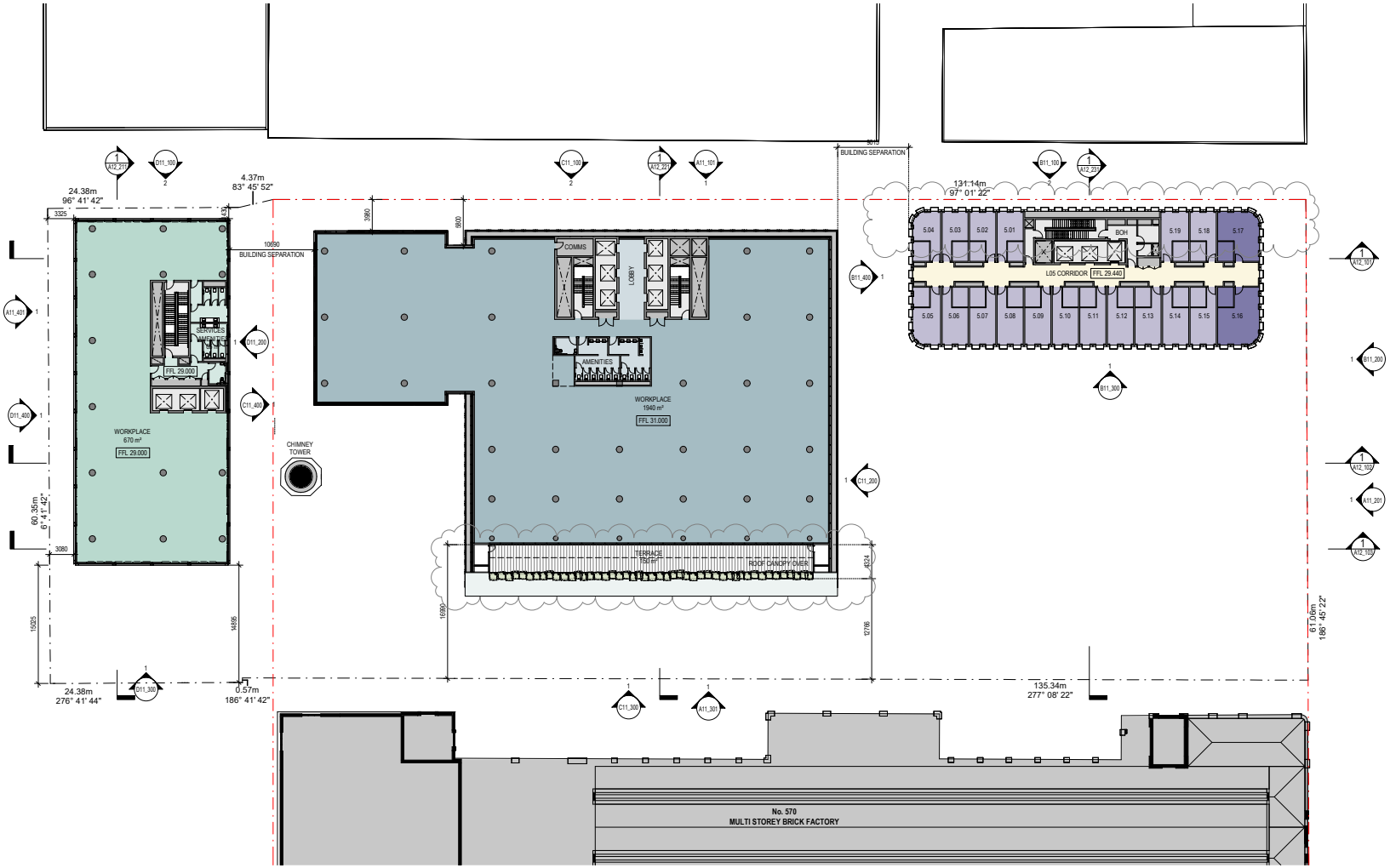

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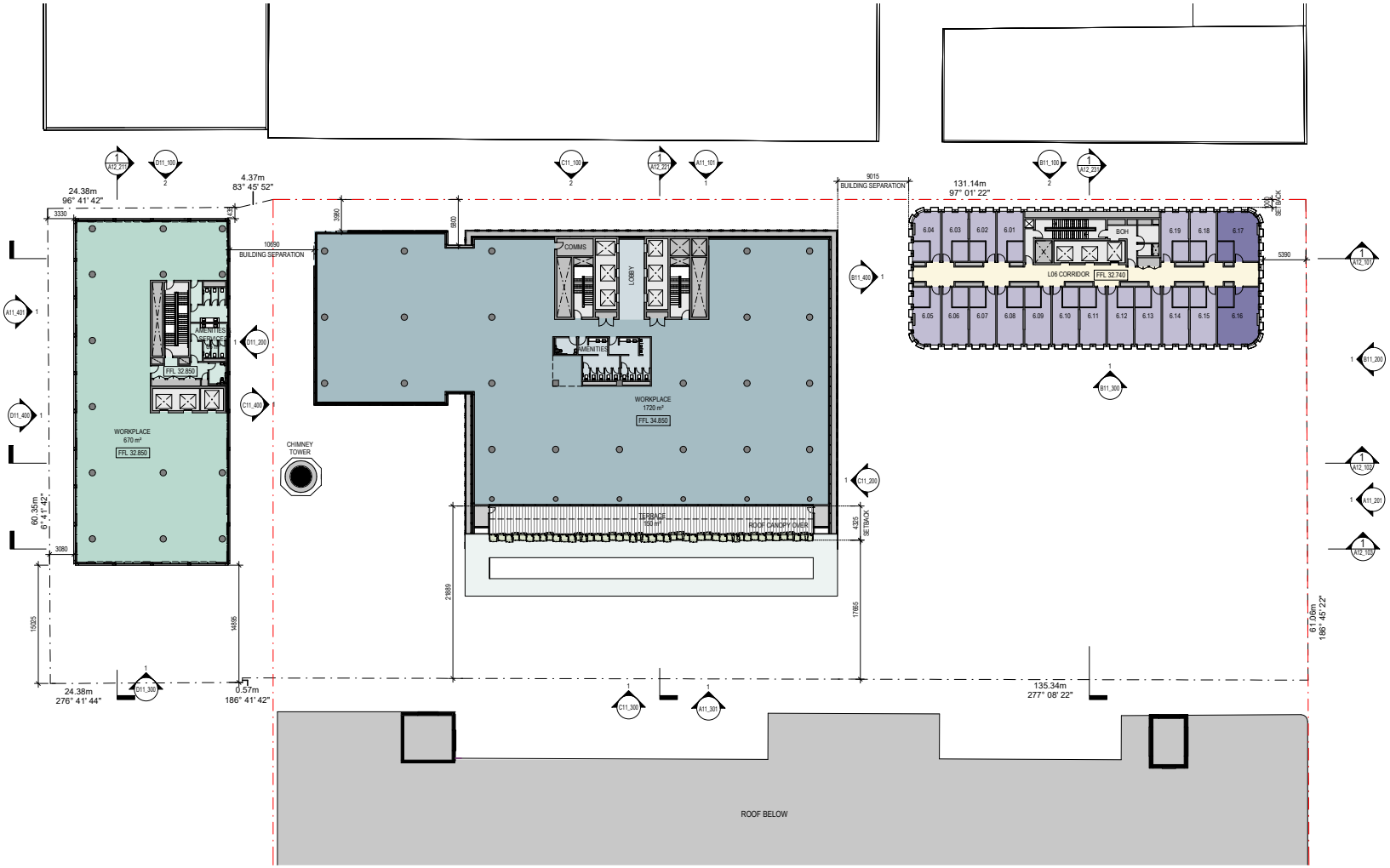

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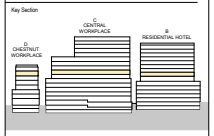

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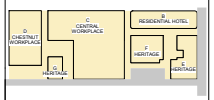

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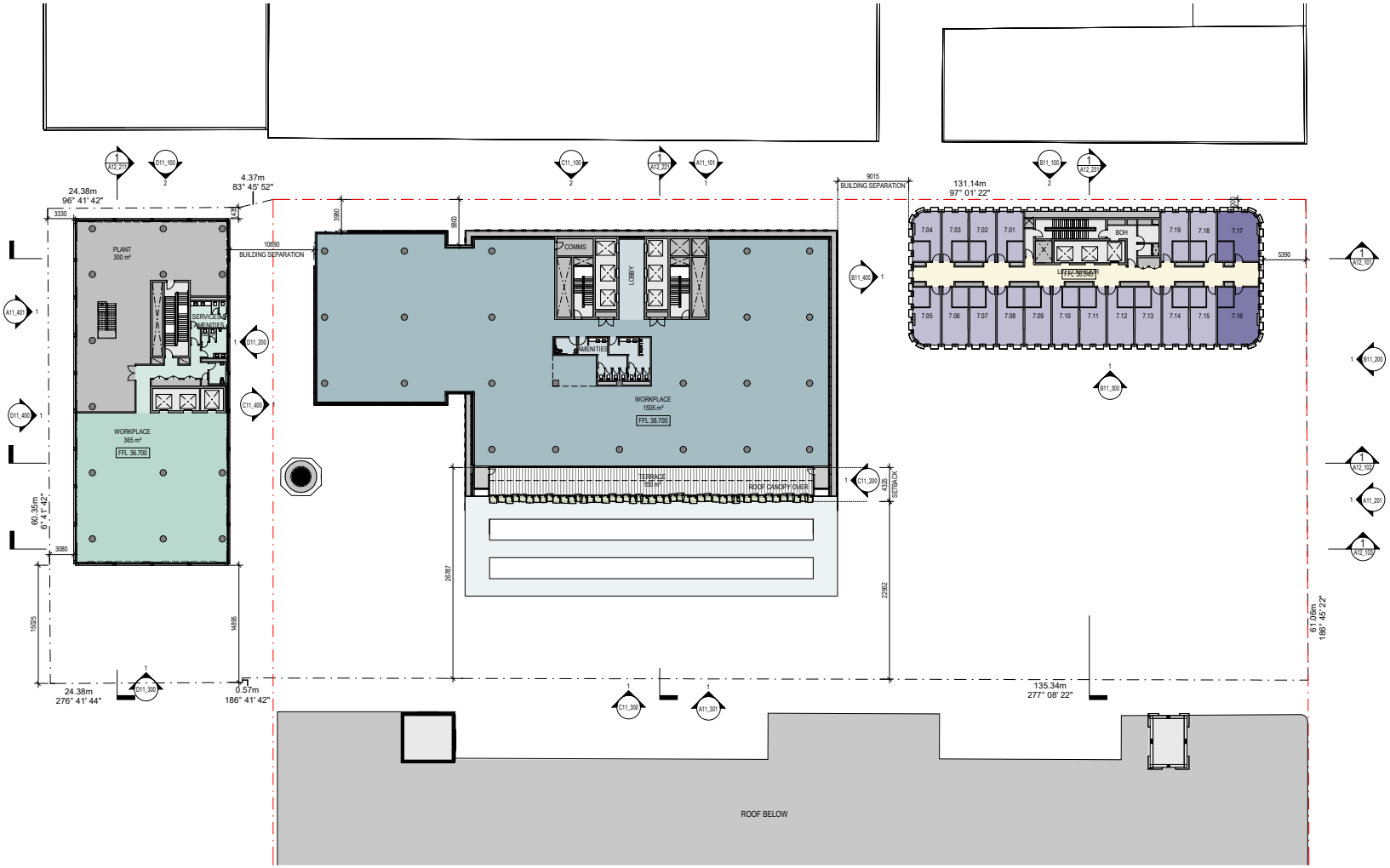

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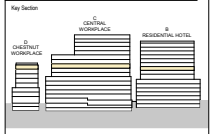

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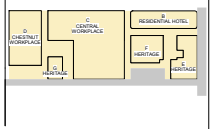

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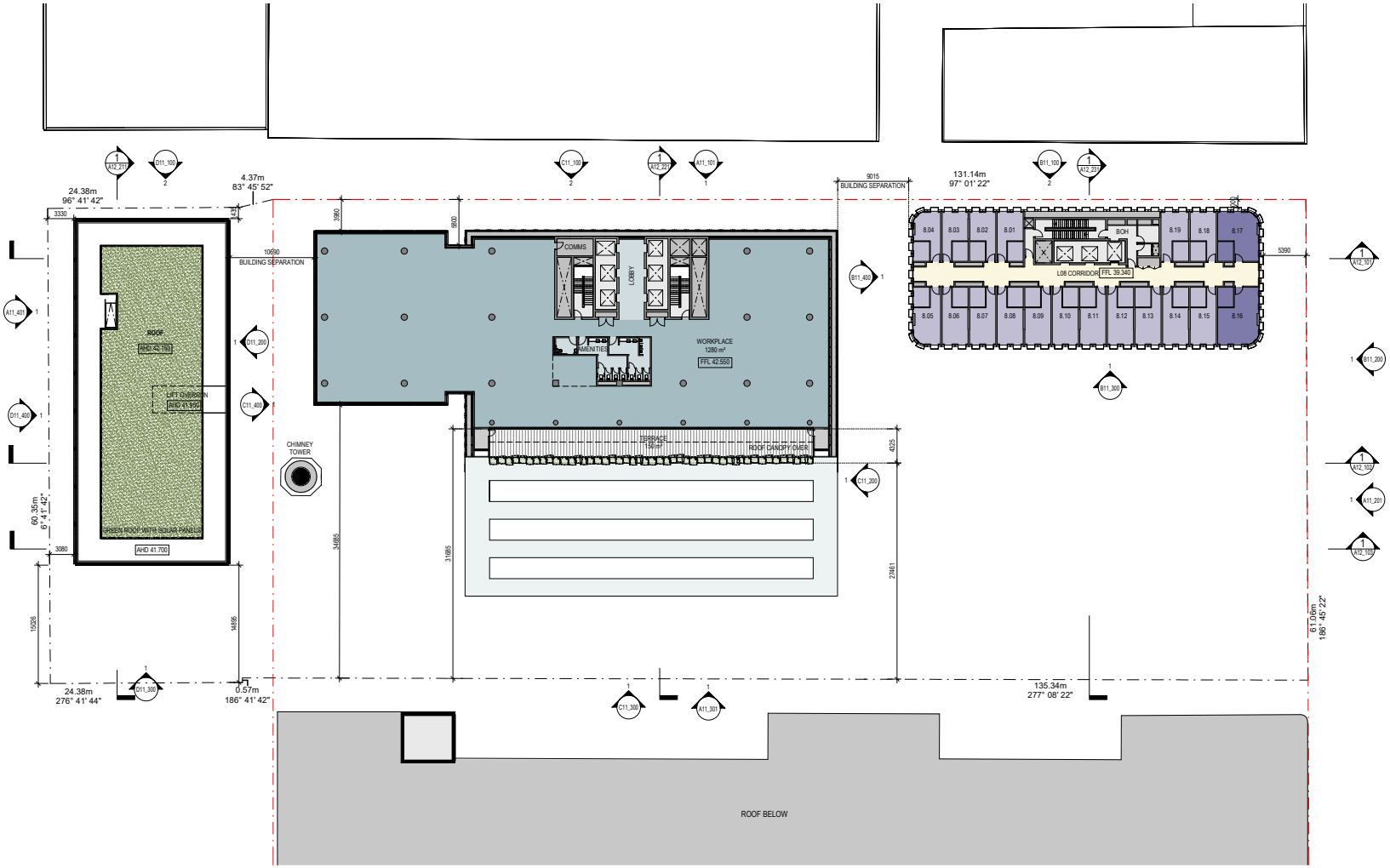

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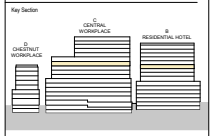

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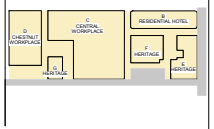

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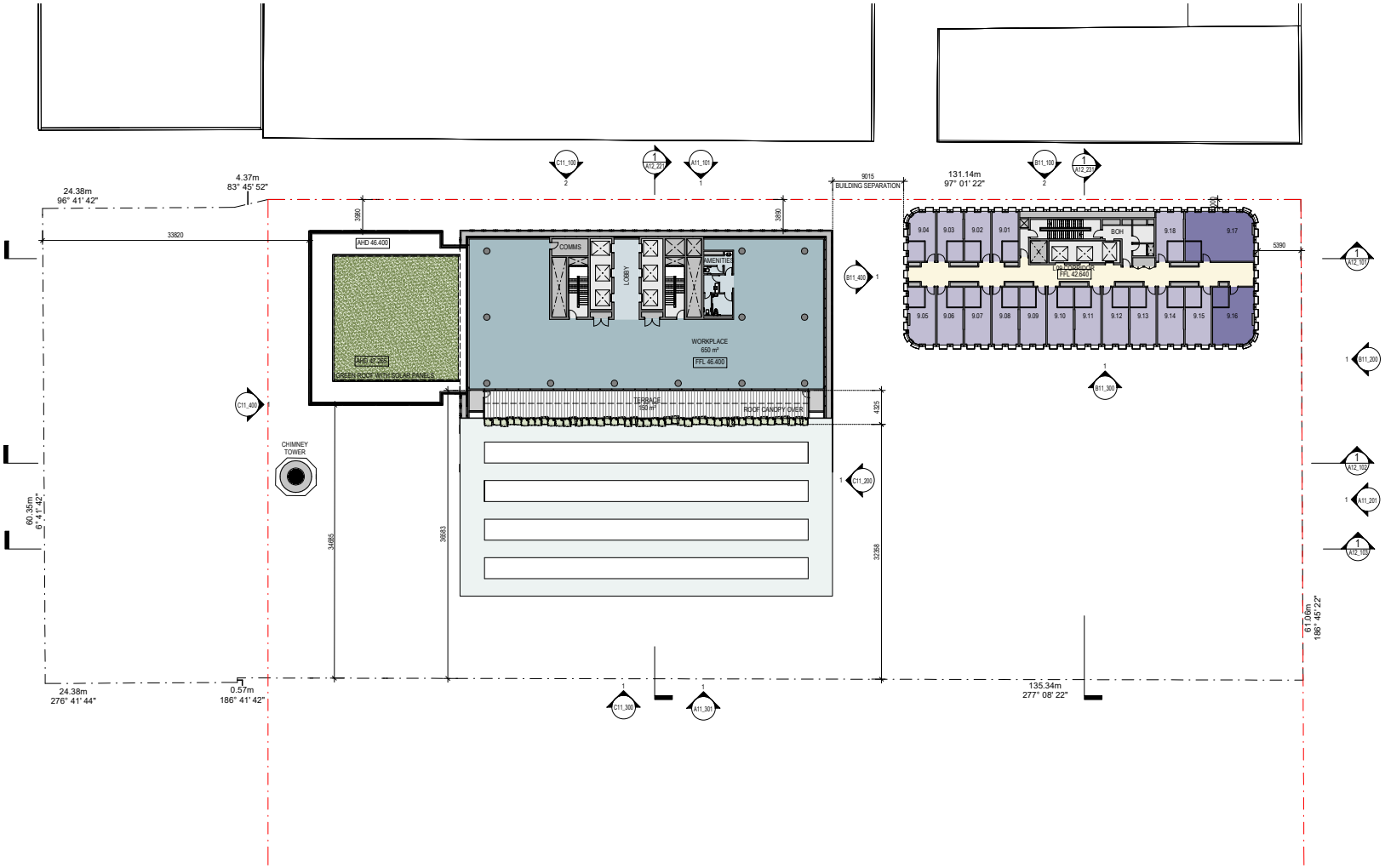

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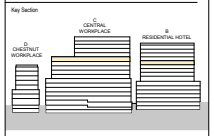

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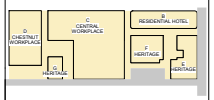

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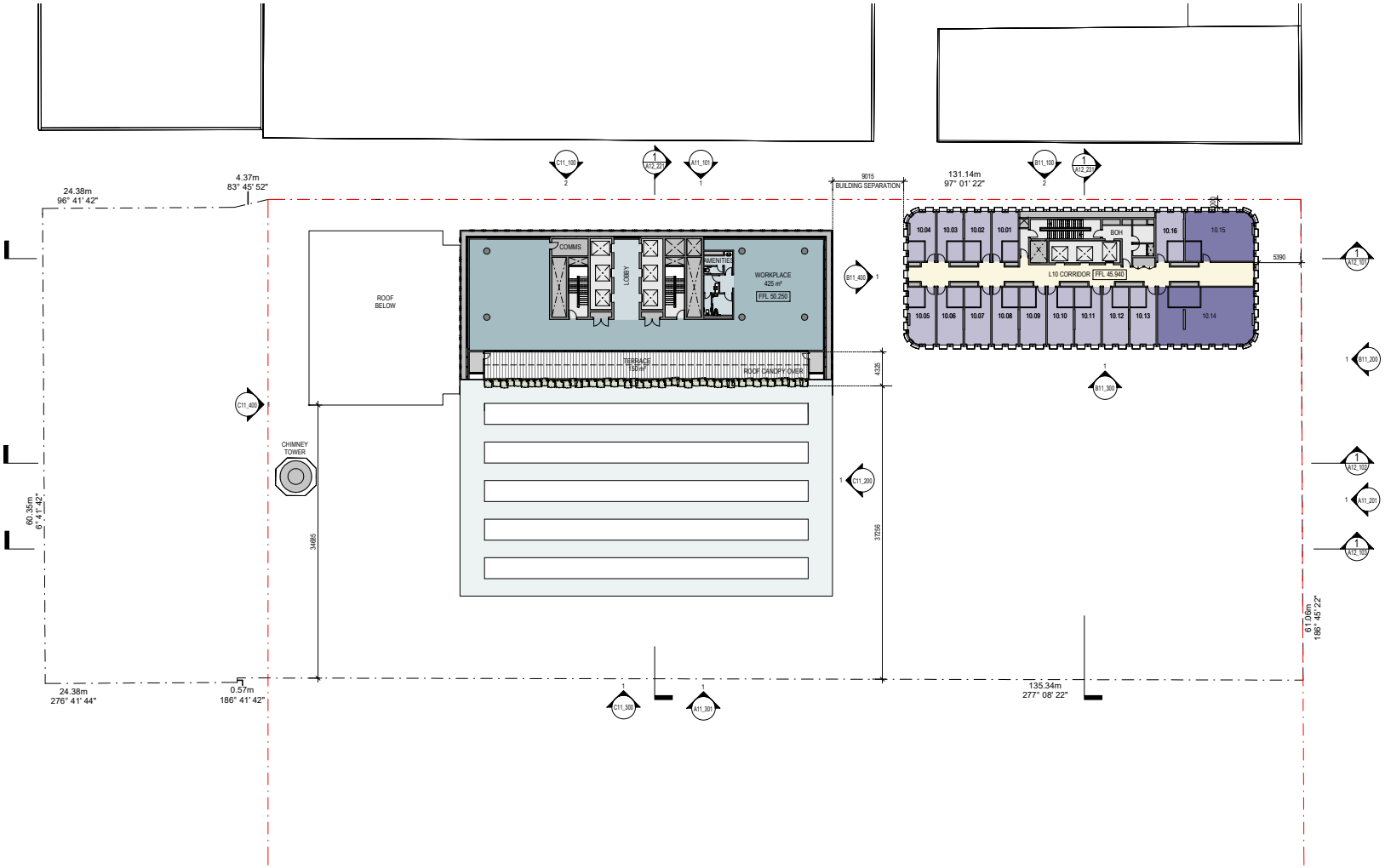

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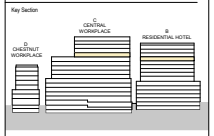

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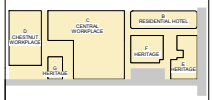

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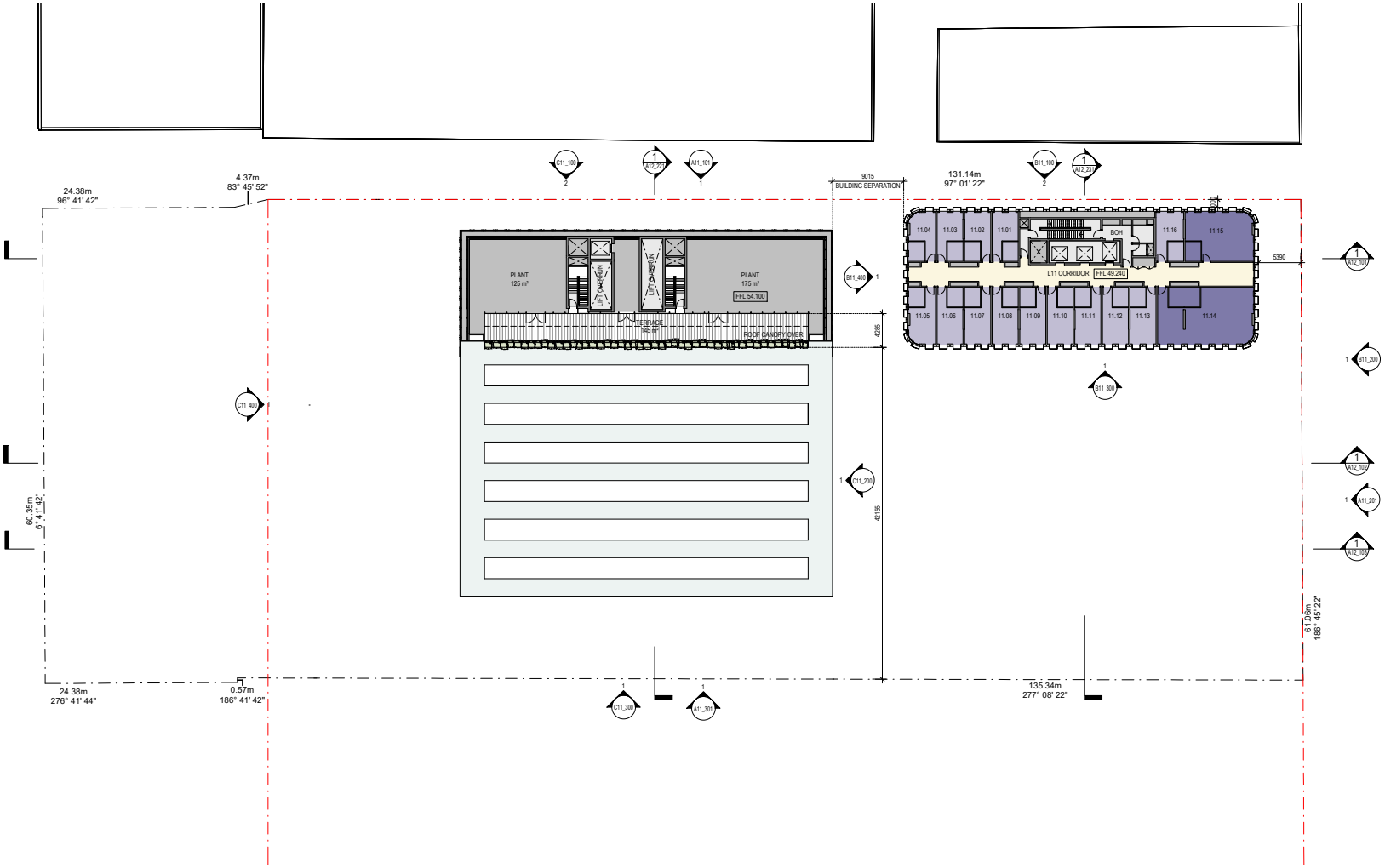

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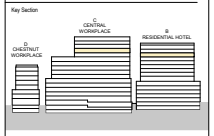

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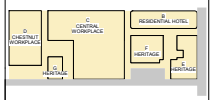

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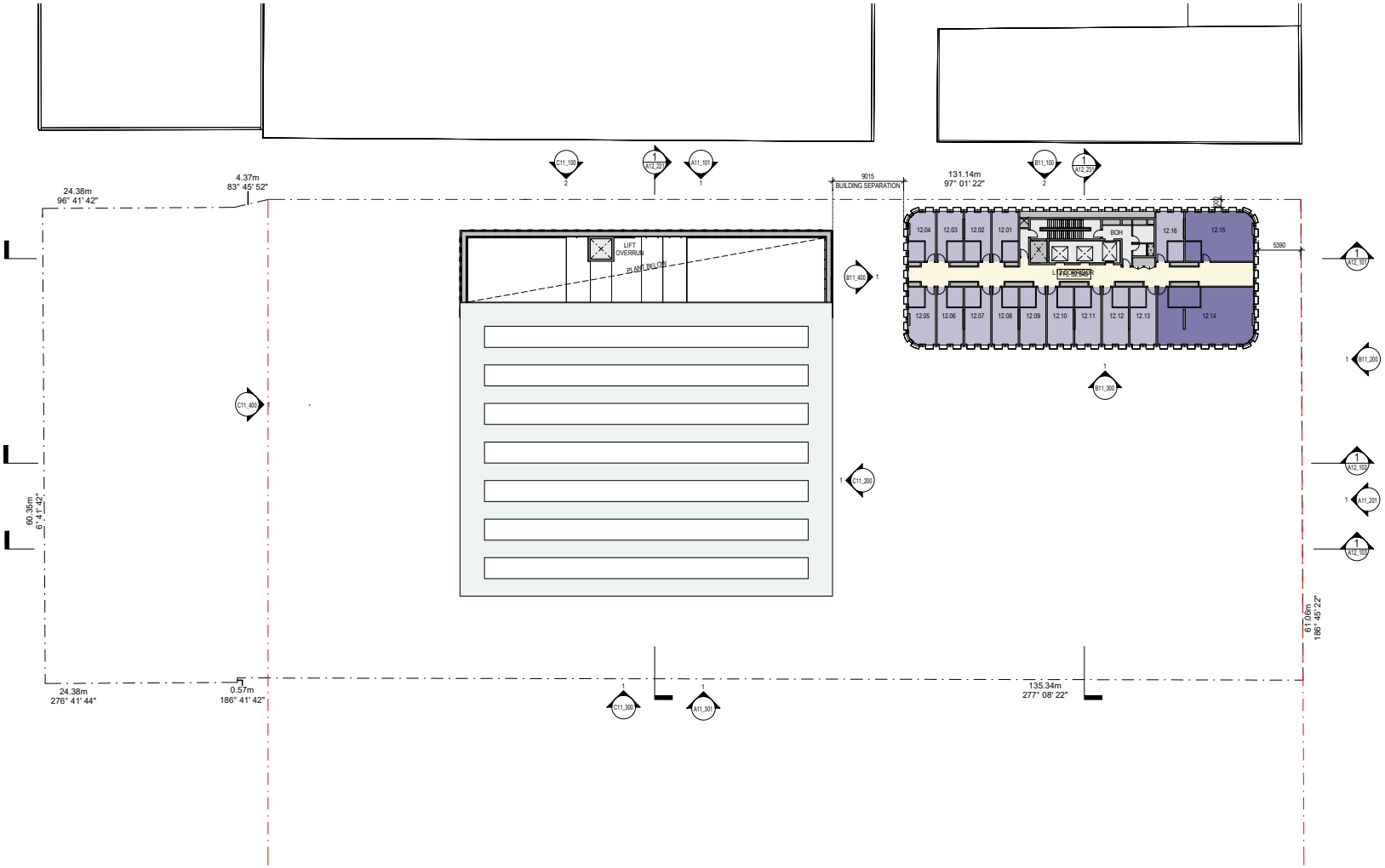

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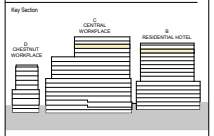

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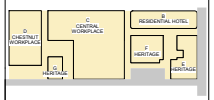

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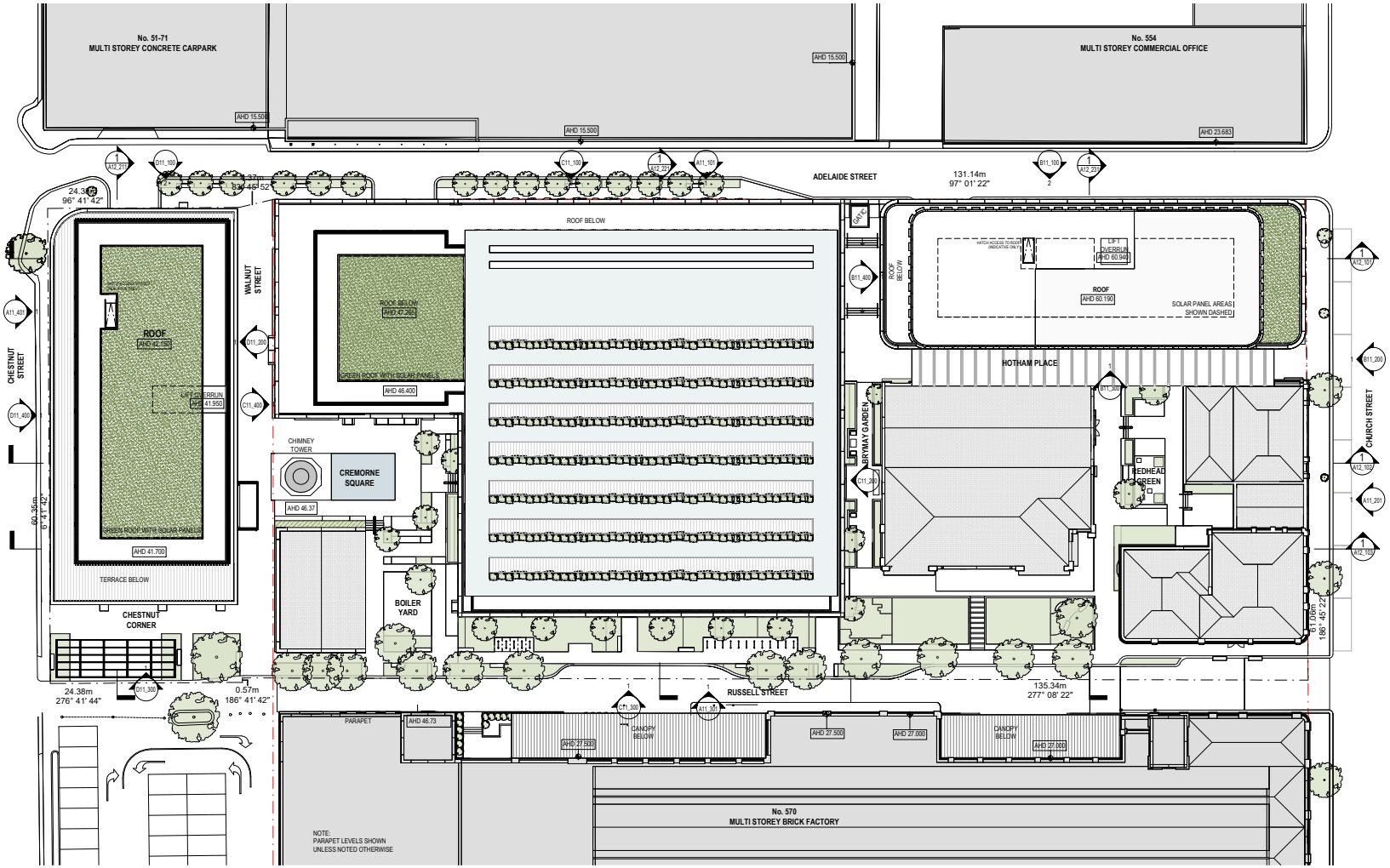

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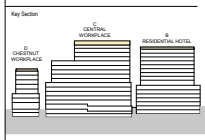

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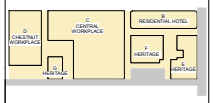

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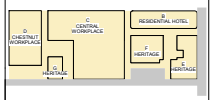

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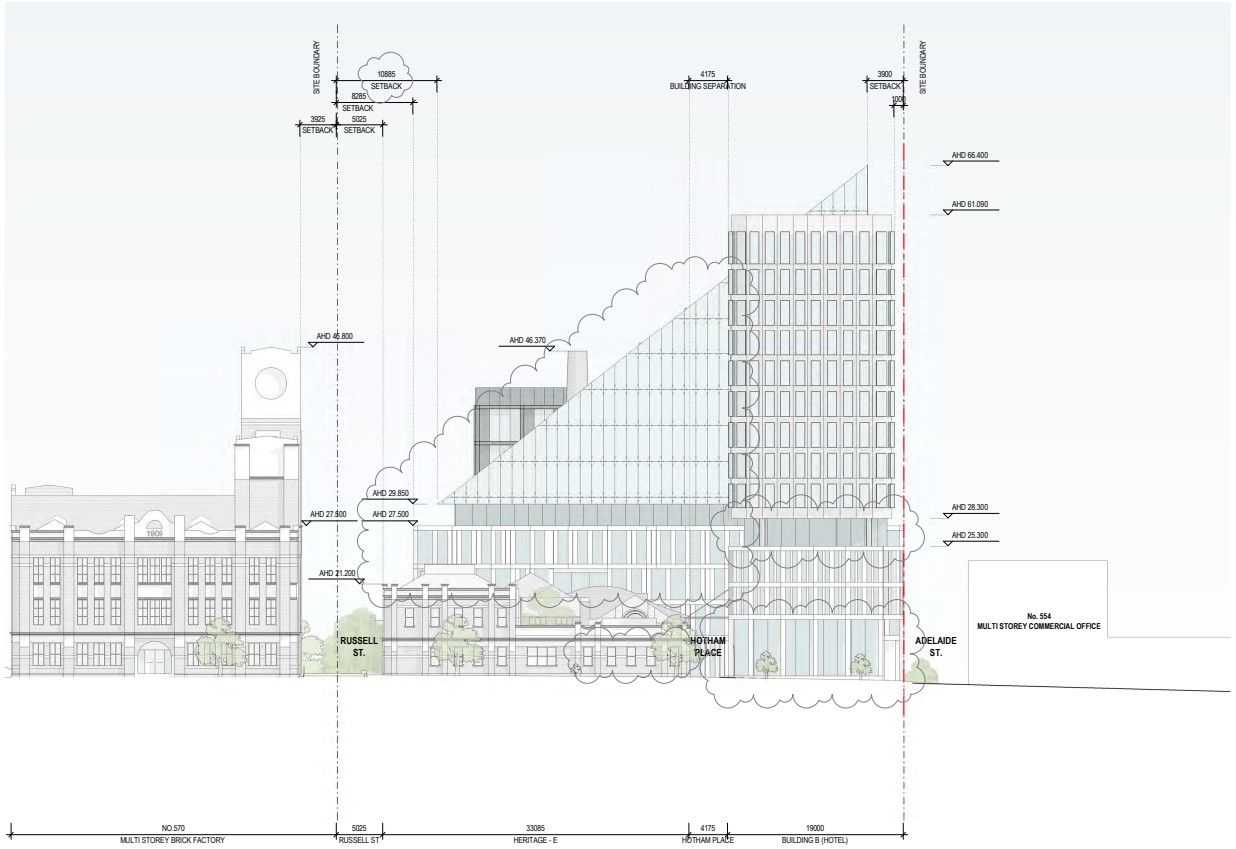

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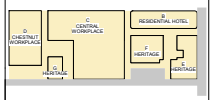

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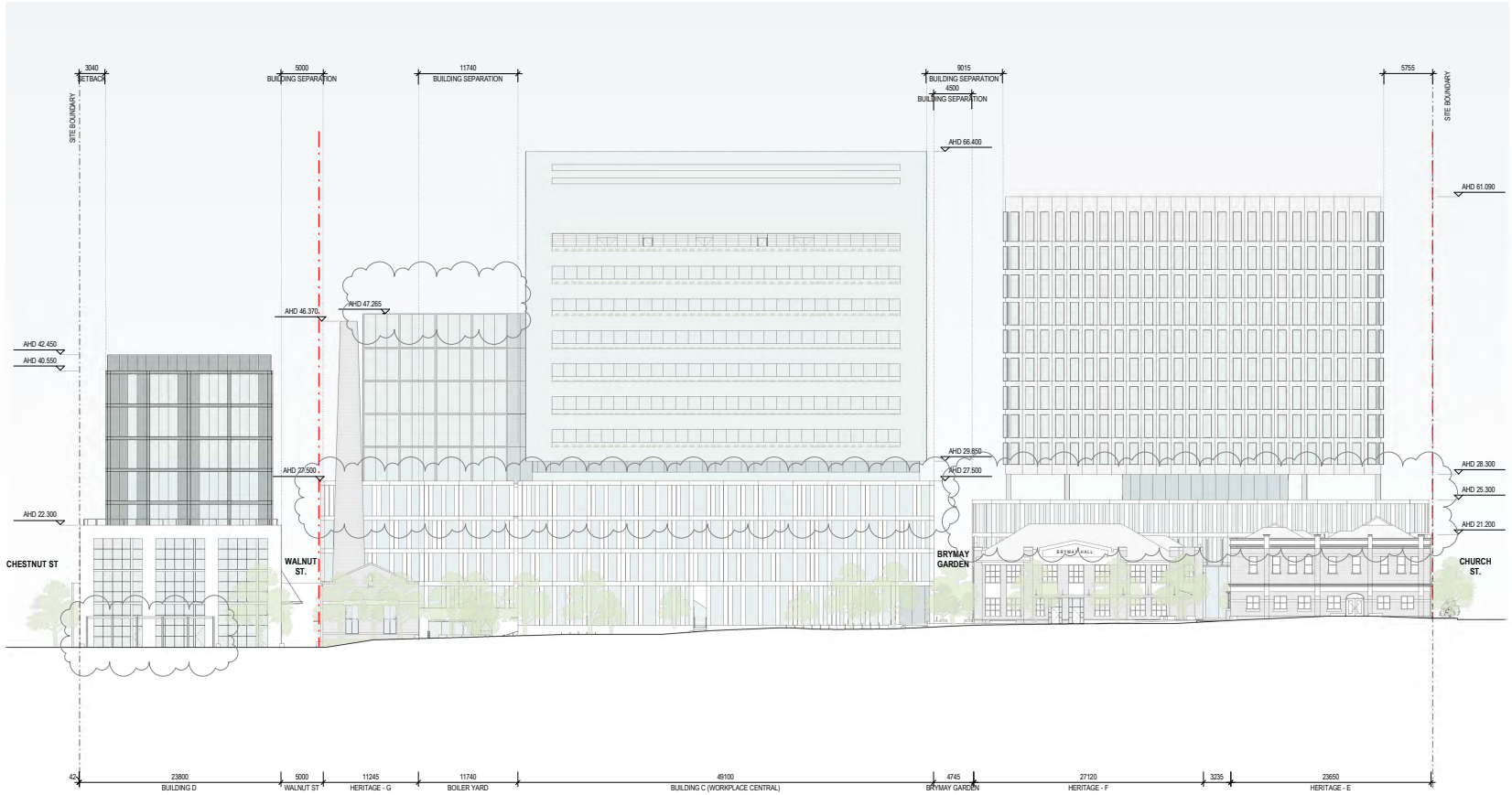

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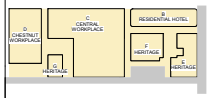

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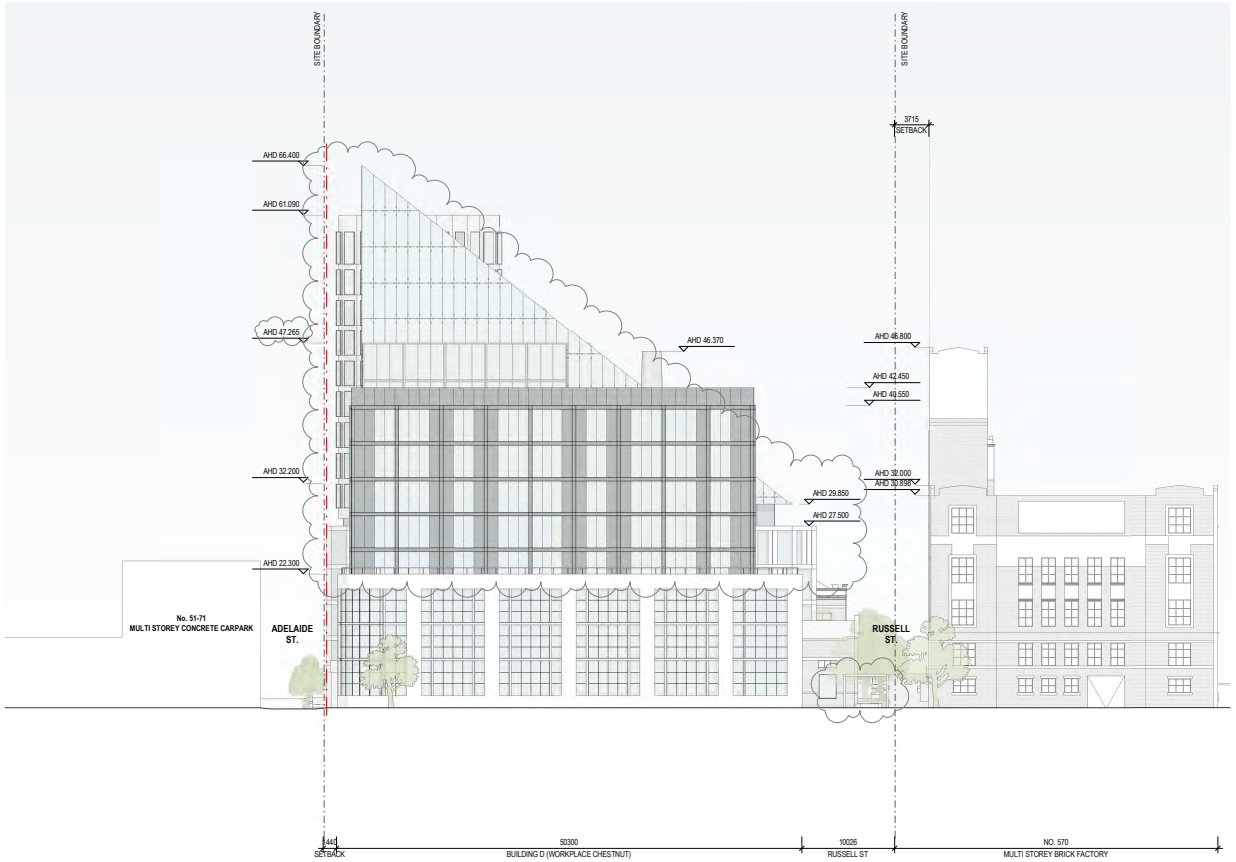

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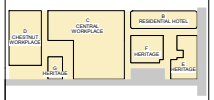

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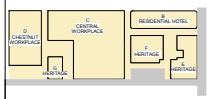

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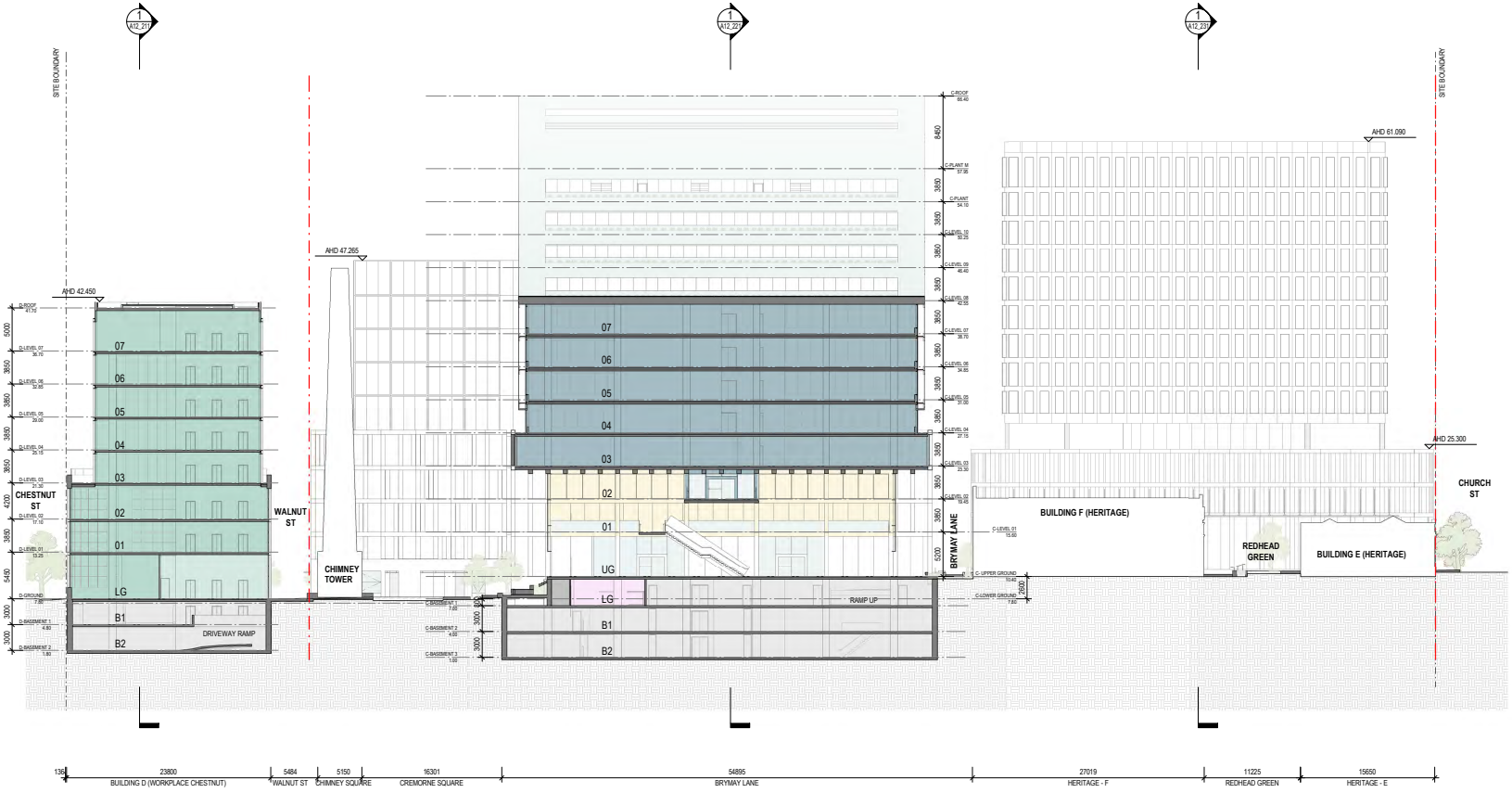

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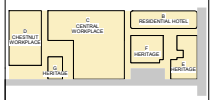

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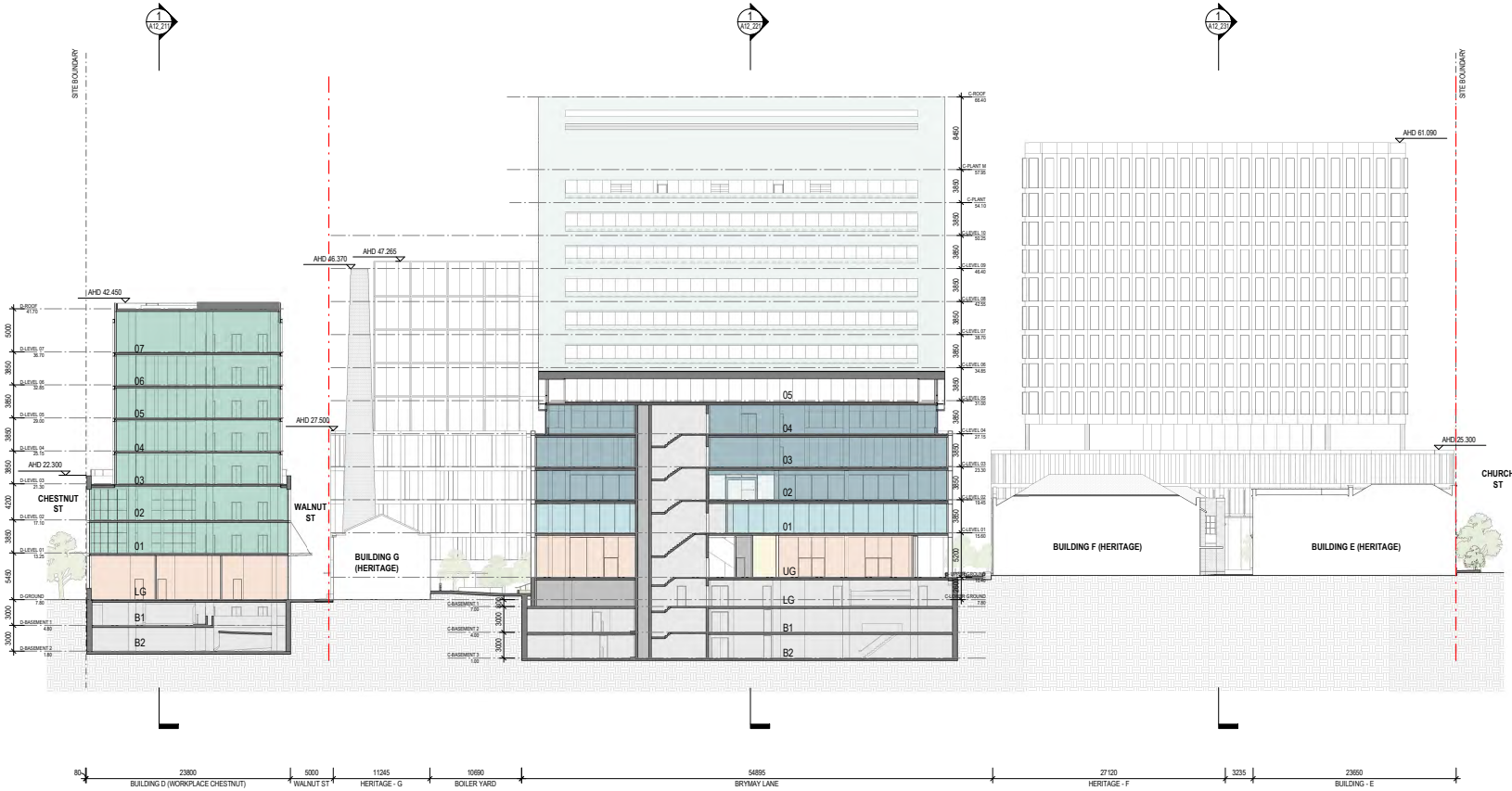

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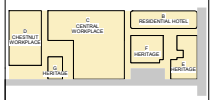

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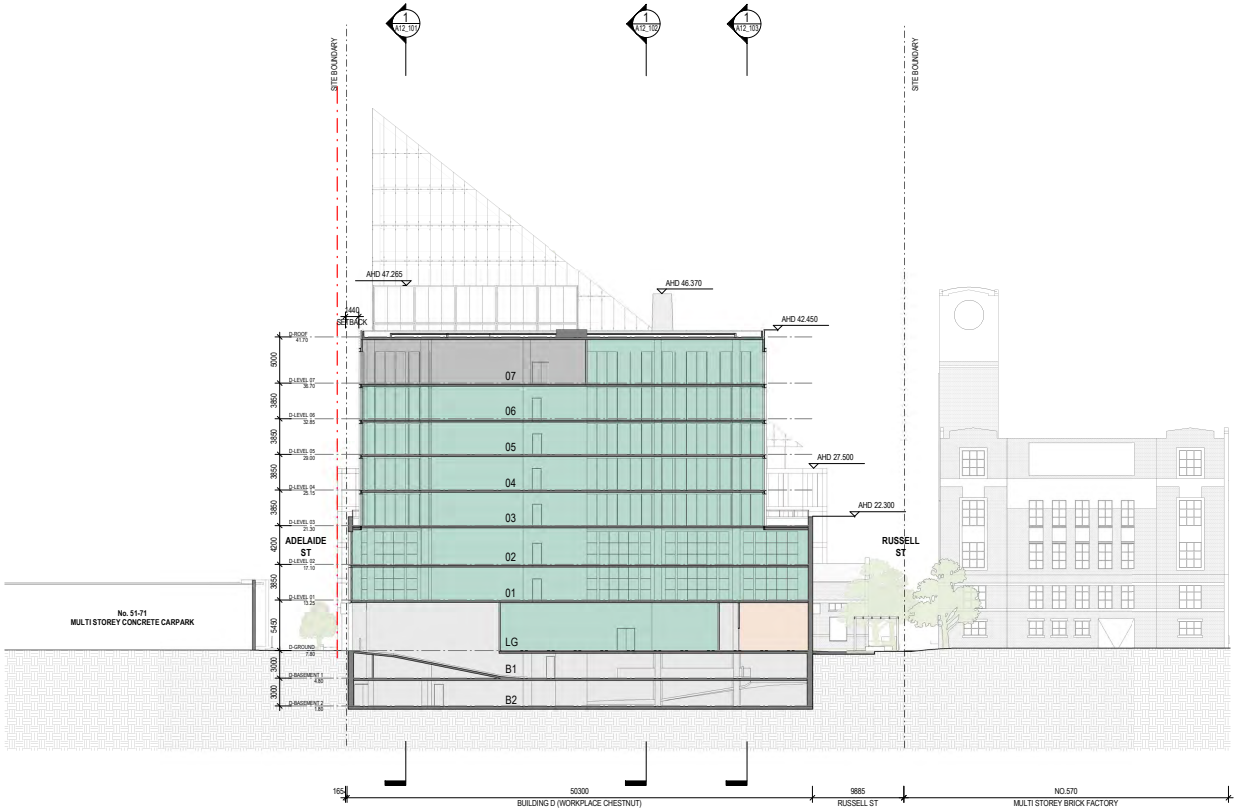

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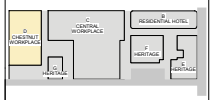

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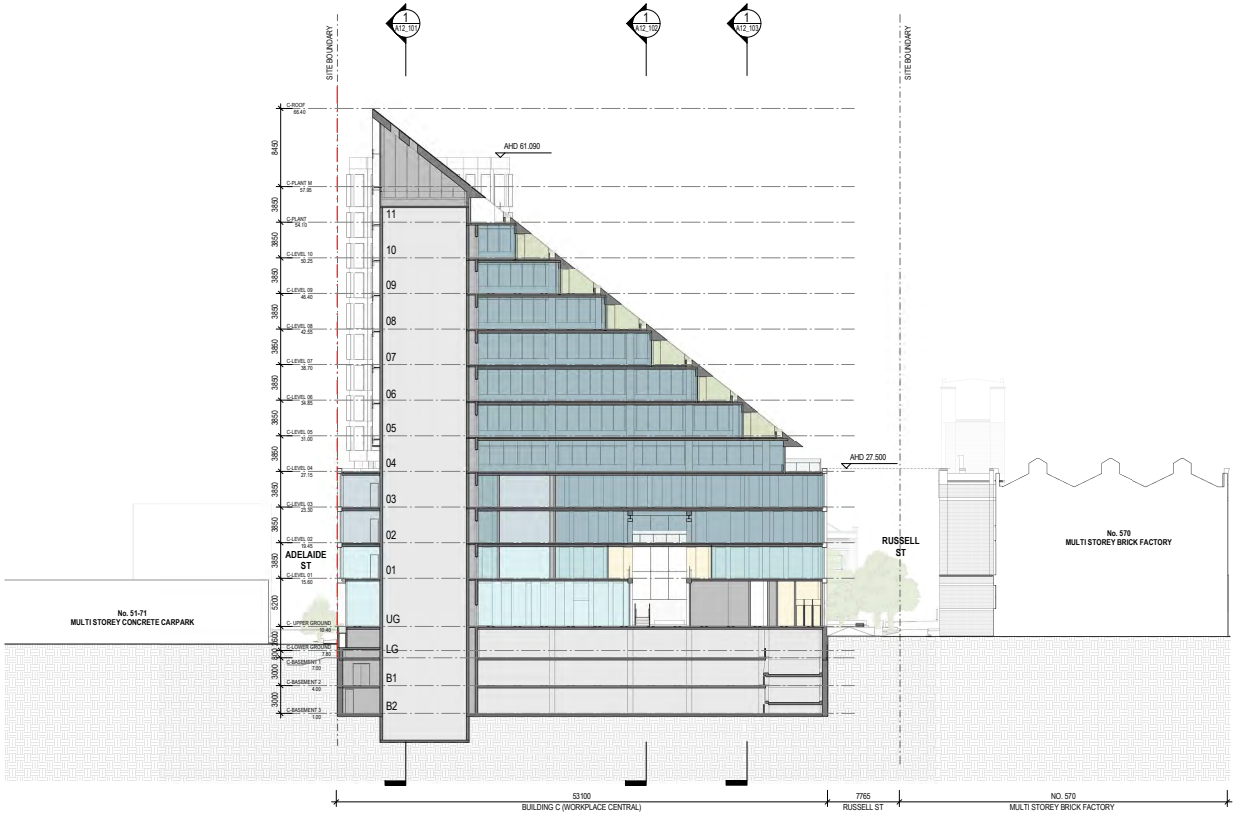

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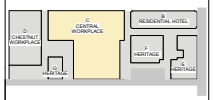

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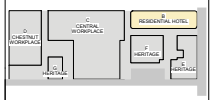

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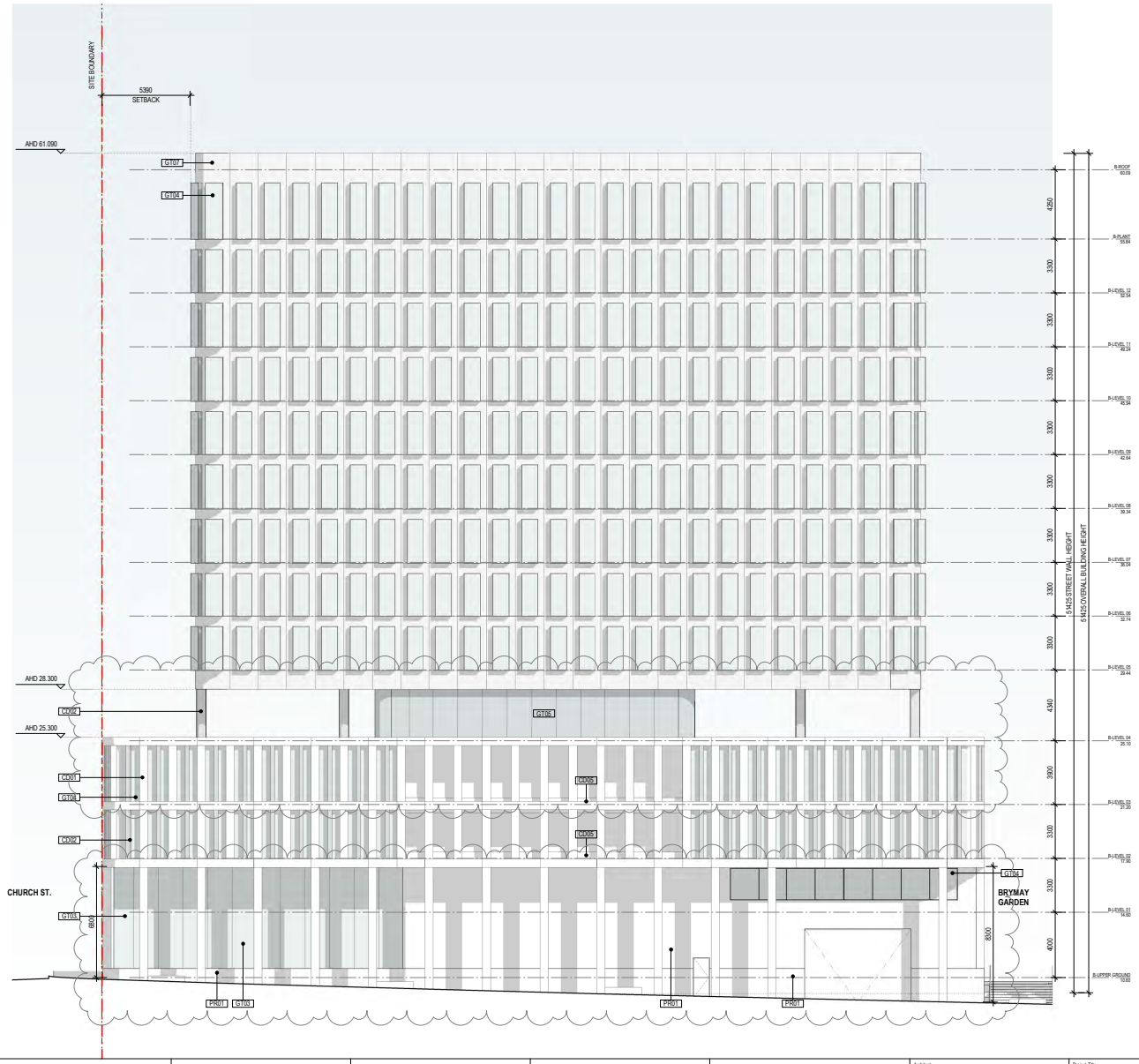

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CD02	Polished Metal Cladding
CD03	Grey Metal Cladding
CD04	Matte Grey Metal Cladding with expressed fixings
CD05	Charcoal Metal Cladding
CD05A	Charcoal Metal Cladding - perforated
CF01	Charcoal Painted Concrete
GT01	Clear Glass Single Laminated
GT02	Clear Glass Single laminated + integrated PV cells
GT02A	Clear Glass Single laminated + integrated PV cells + ceramic frit to full extent
GT03	Clear Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT04	Light Grey Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT05	Grey Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT06	Acid Etched Clear Glass
GT07	Metallic Spandrel Glass
LV01	Clear Glass Operable Louvres
LV02	Grey Service Louvres
PR01	Textured Clay/Red Pigmented Precast Type 1
PR02	Textured Clay/Red Pigmented Precast Type 2
PR03	Textured Clay/Red Pigmented Precast Type 3

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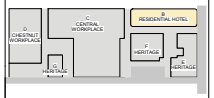

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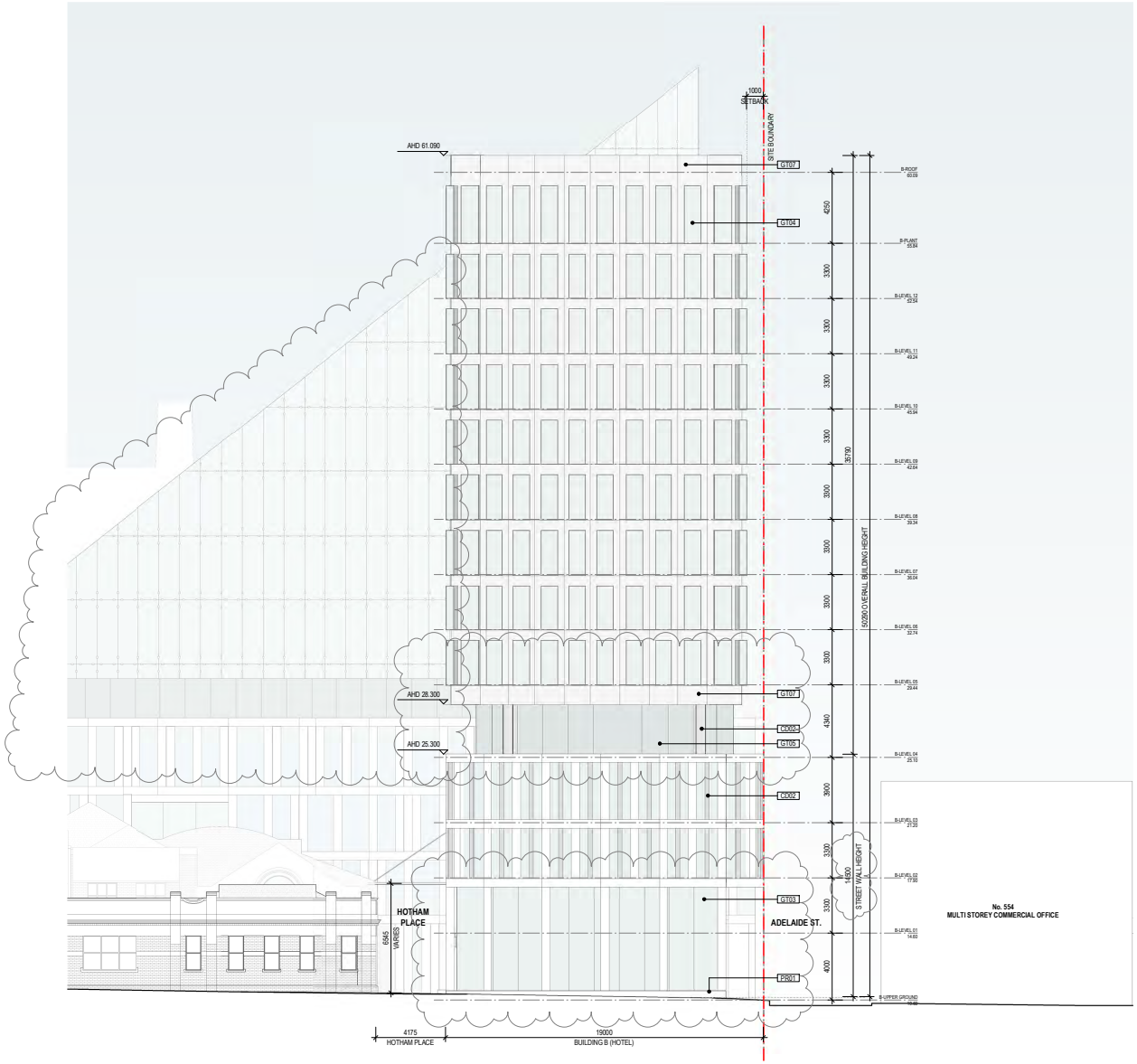

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GT02	Clear Glass Single laminated + integrated PV cells
GT02A	Clear Glass Single laminated + integrated PV cells + ceramic frit to full extent
GT03	Clear Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT04	Light Grey Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT05	Grey Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT06	Acid Etched Clear Glass
GT07	Metallic Spandrel Glass
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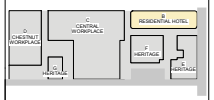

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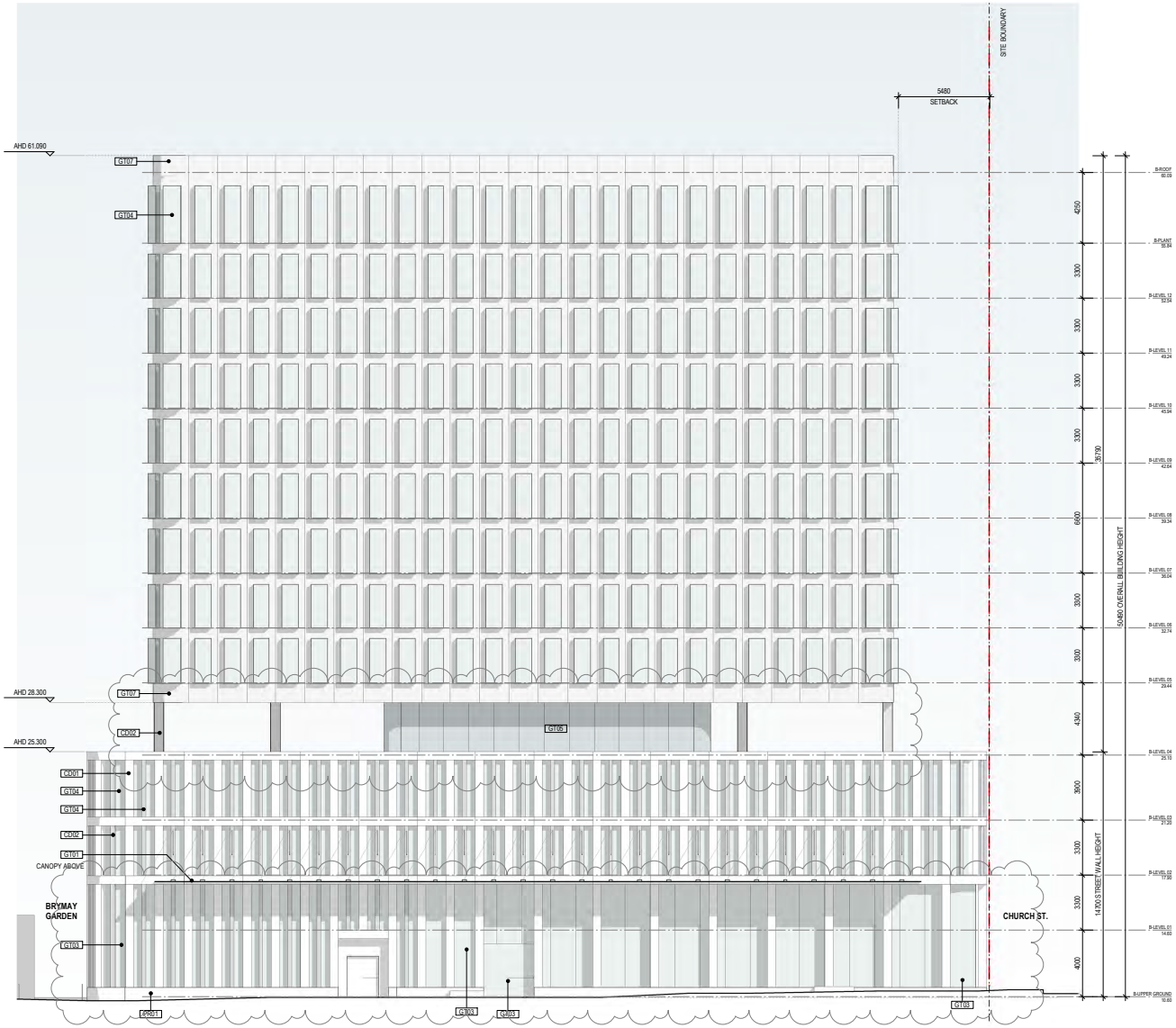

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CF01	Charcoal Painted Concrete
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GT03	Clear Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
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GT06	Acid Etched Clear Glass
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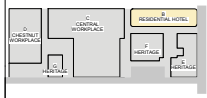

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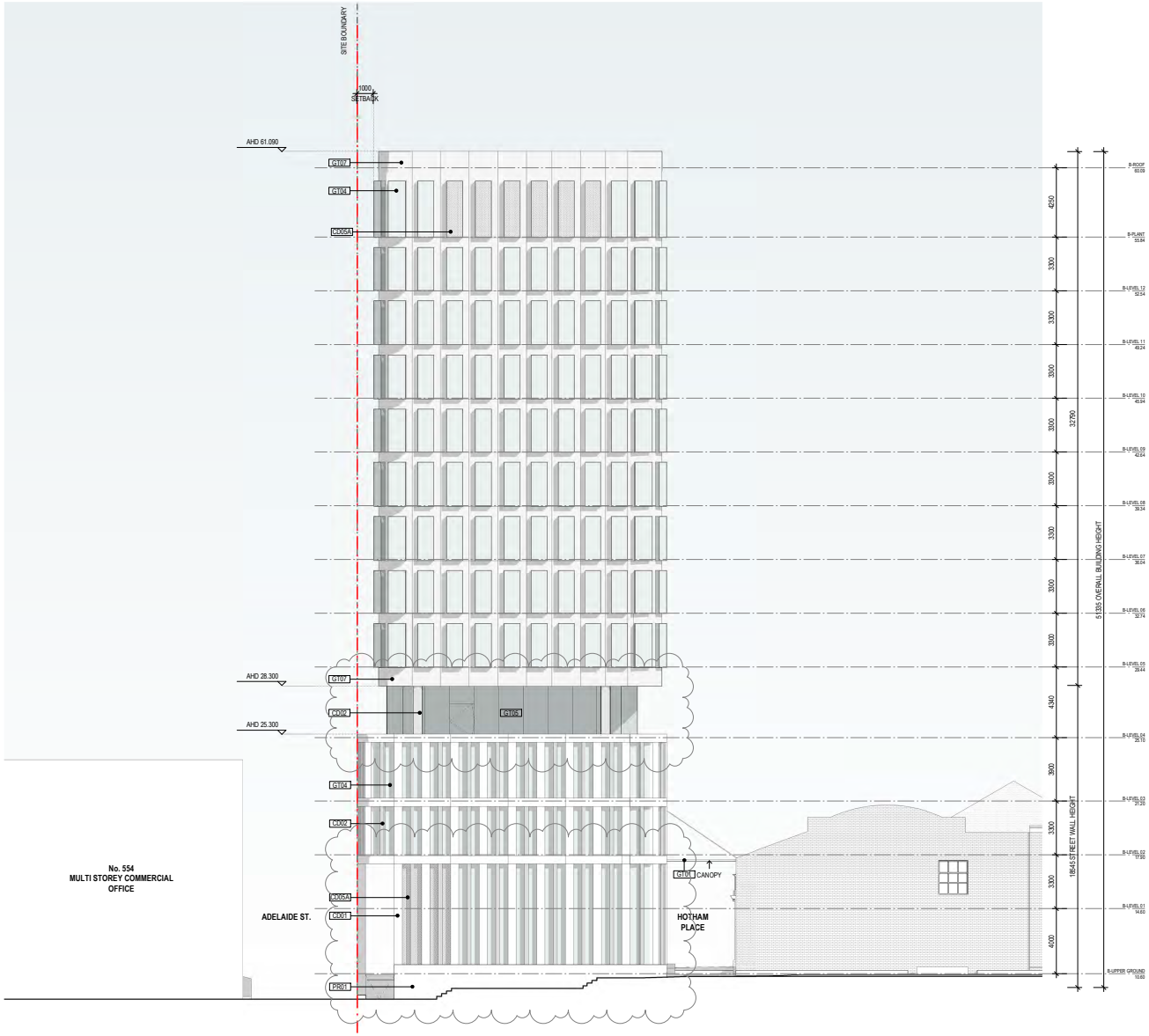

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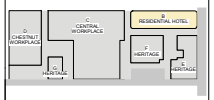

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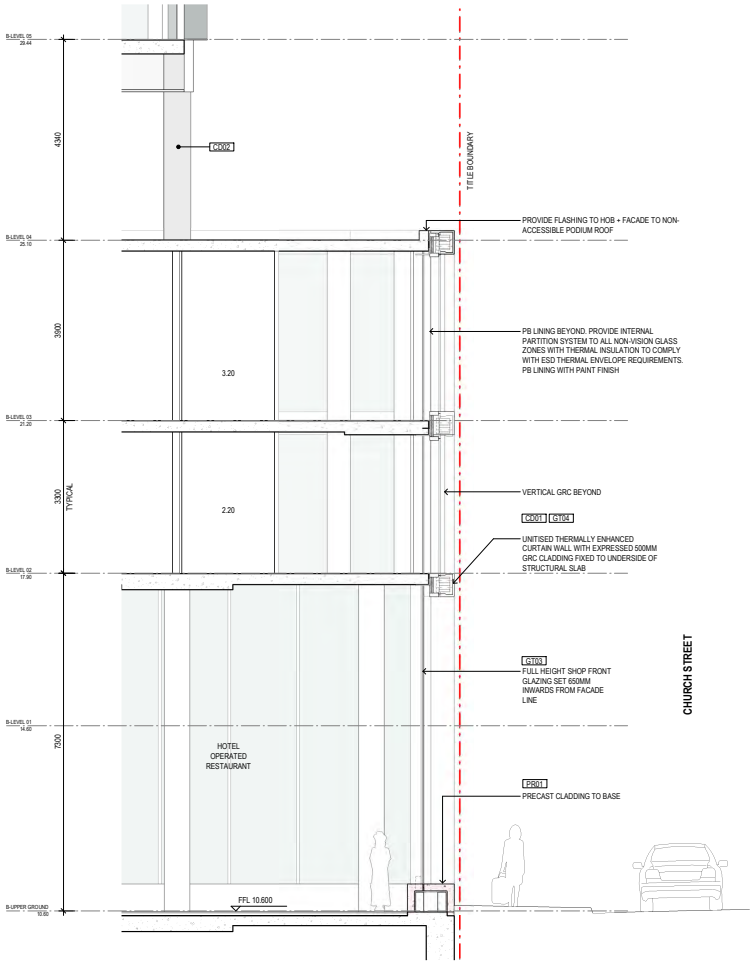

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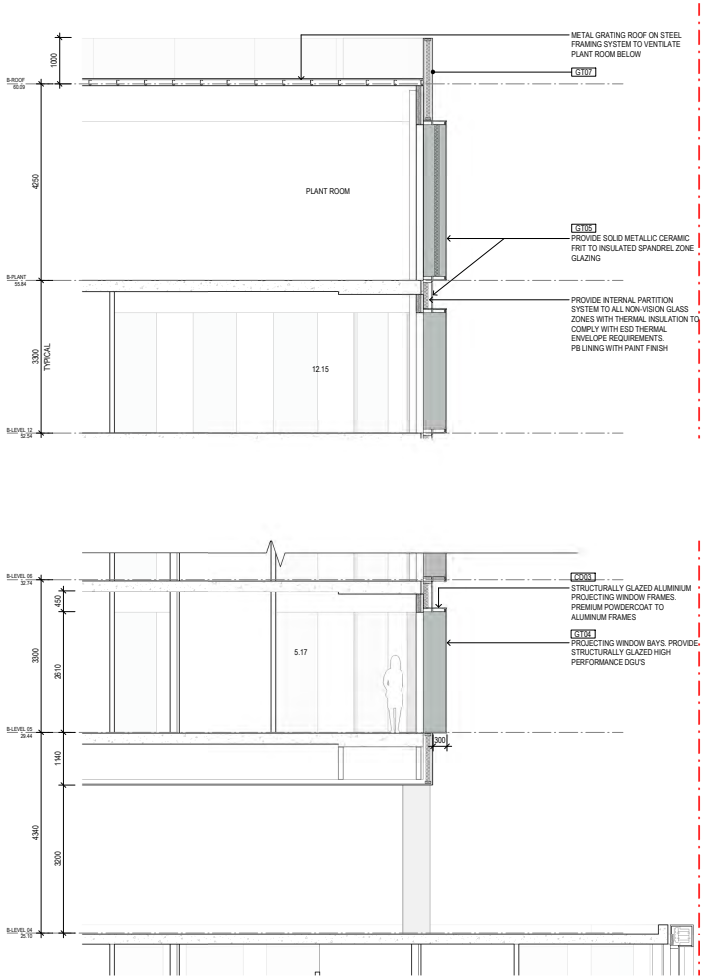

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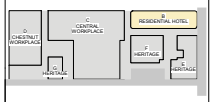

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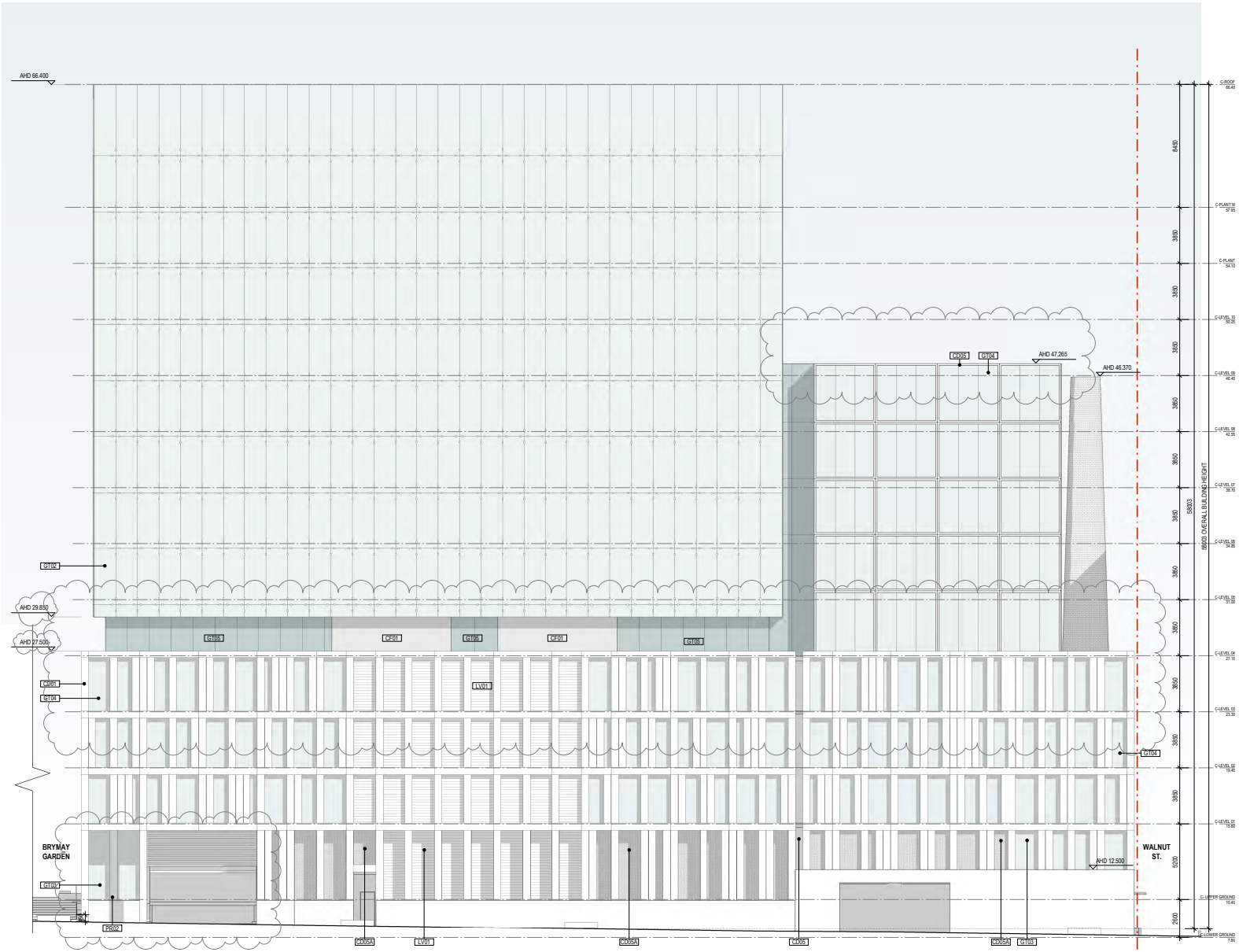

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GT06	Acid Etched Clear Glass
GT07	Metallic Spandrel Glass
LV01	Clear Glass Operable Louvres
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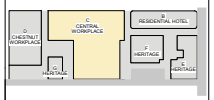

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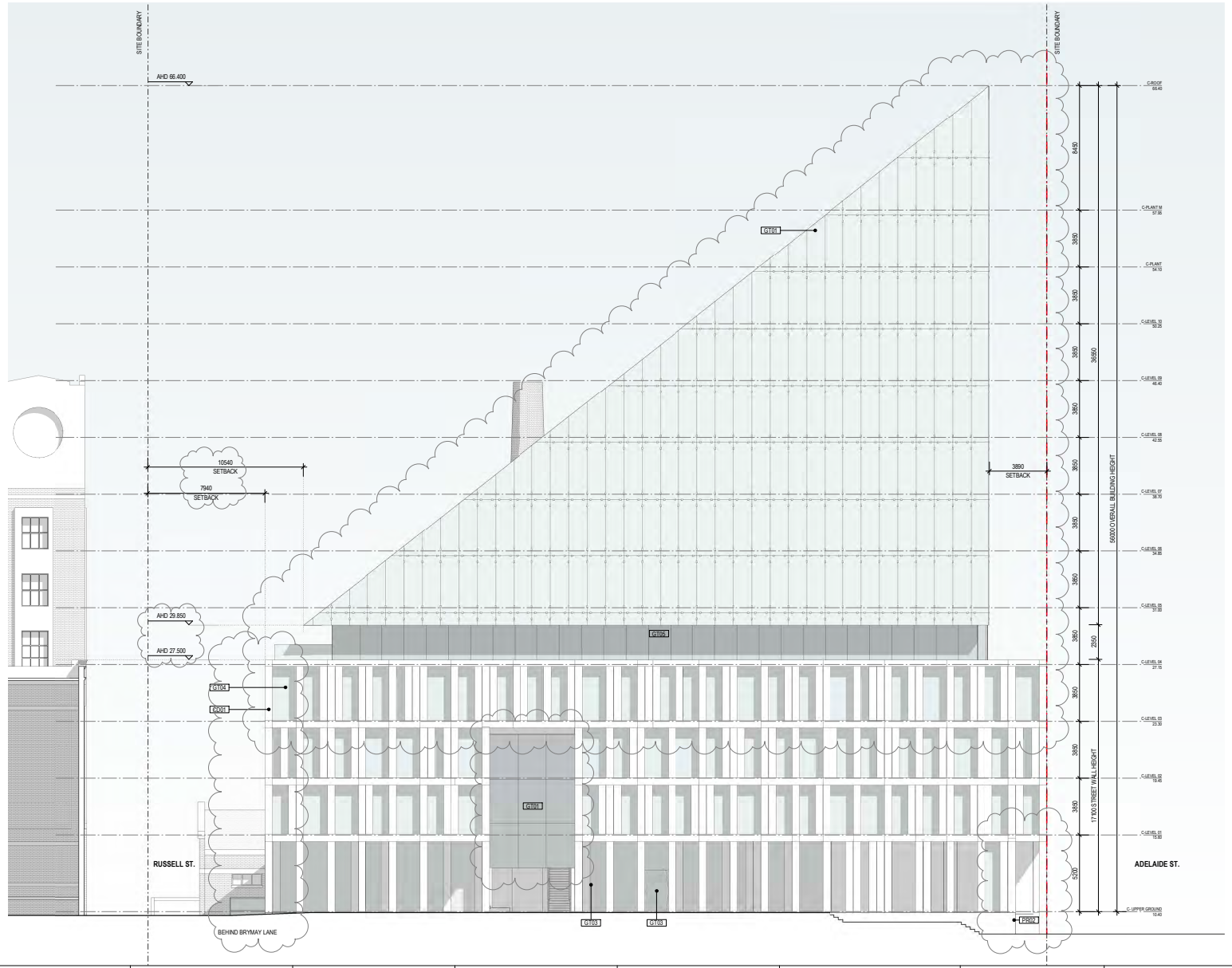

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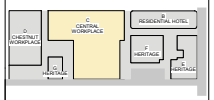

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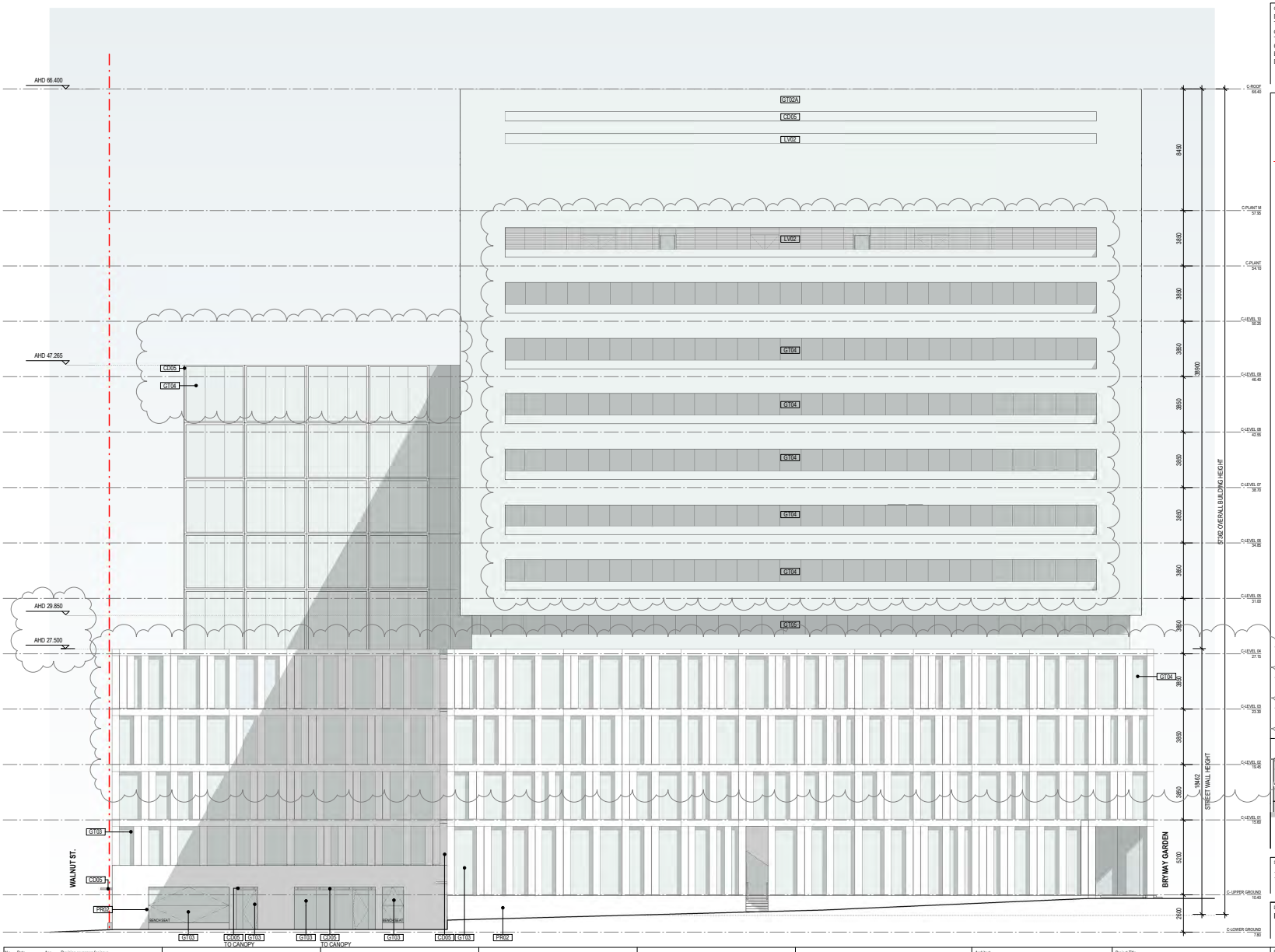

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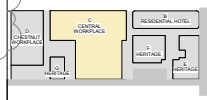

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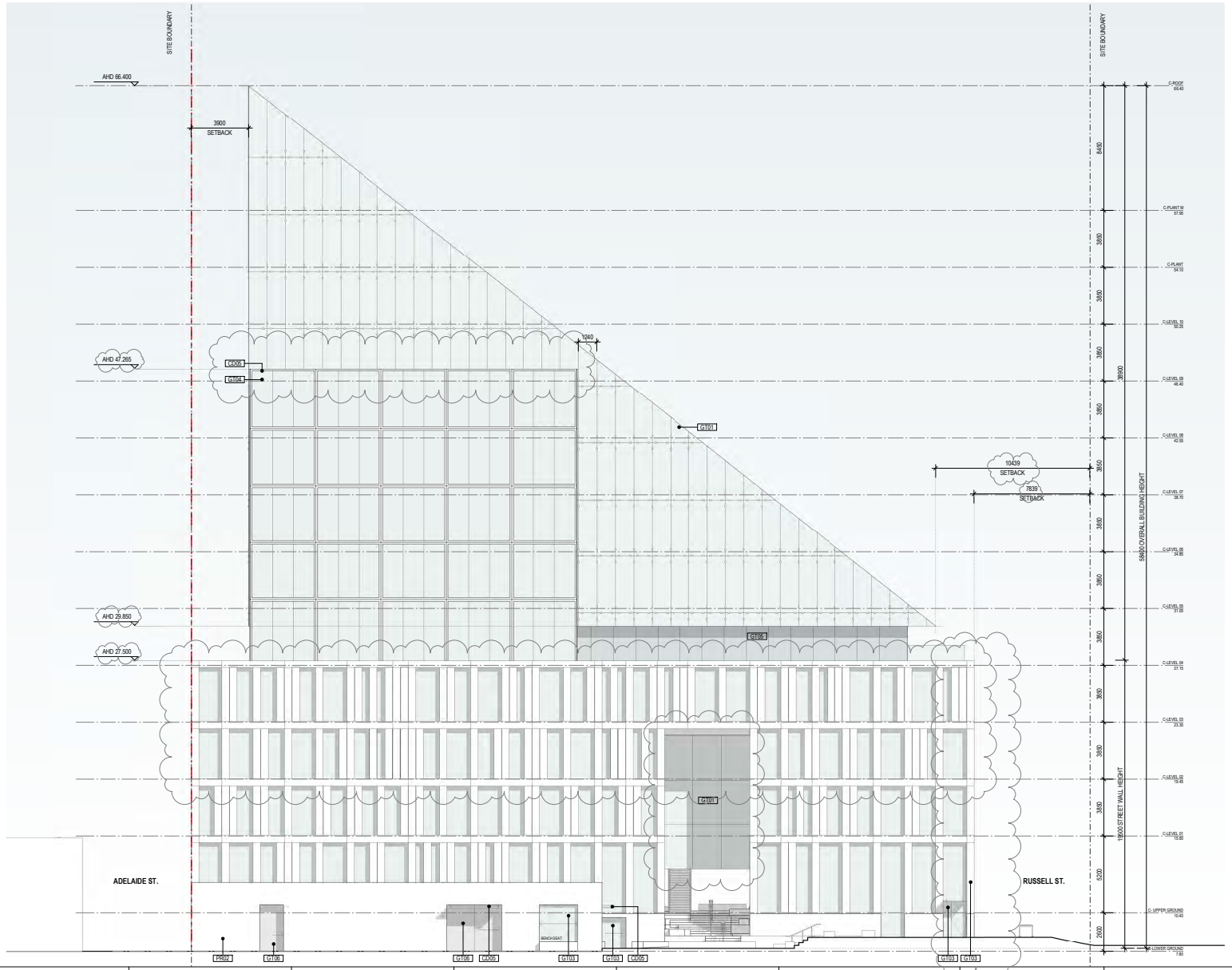

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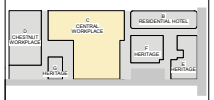

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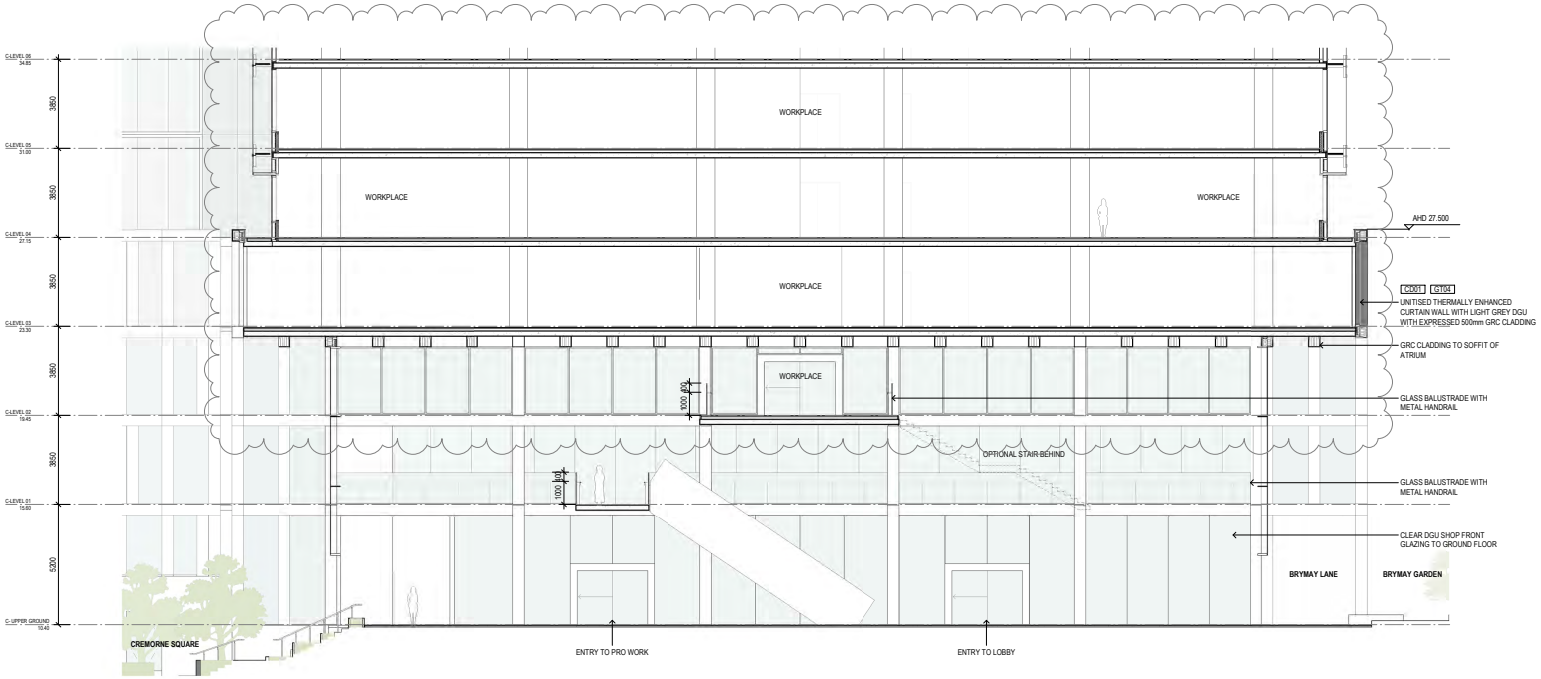

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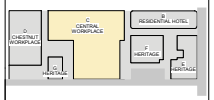

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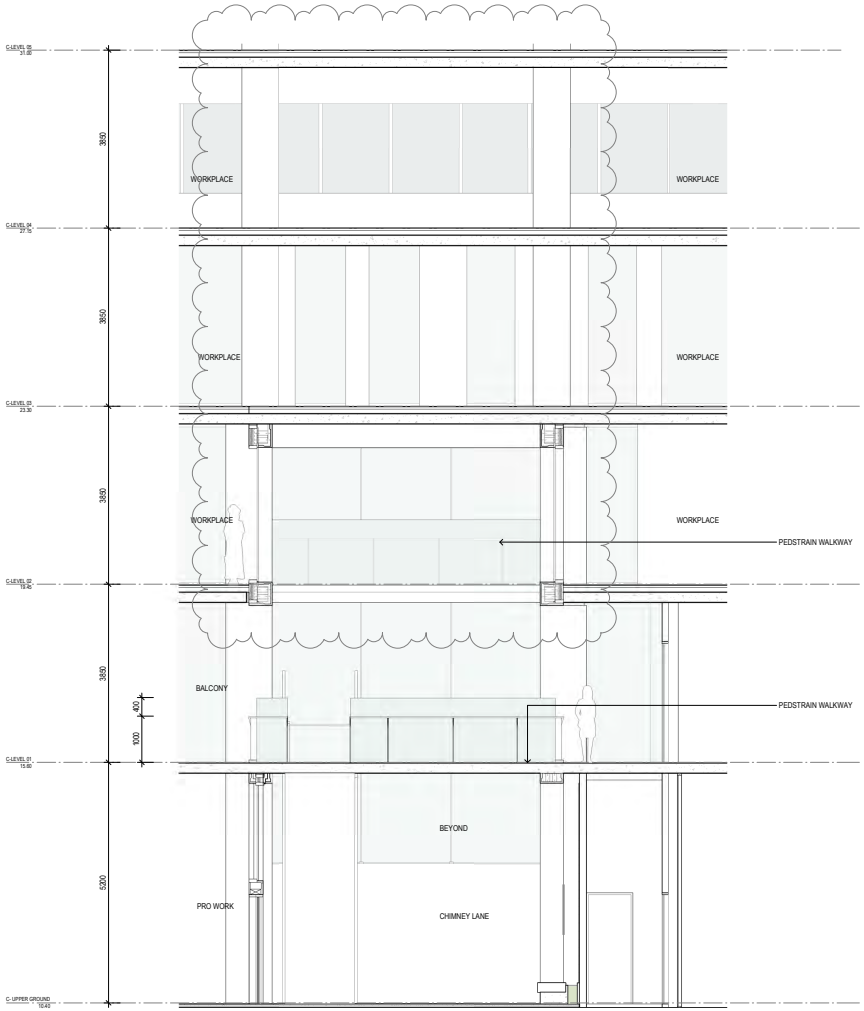

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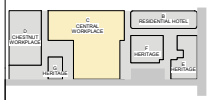

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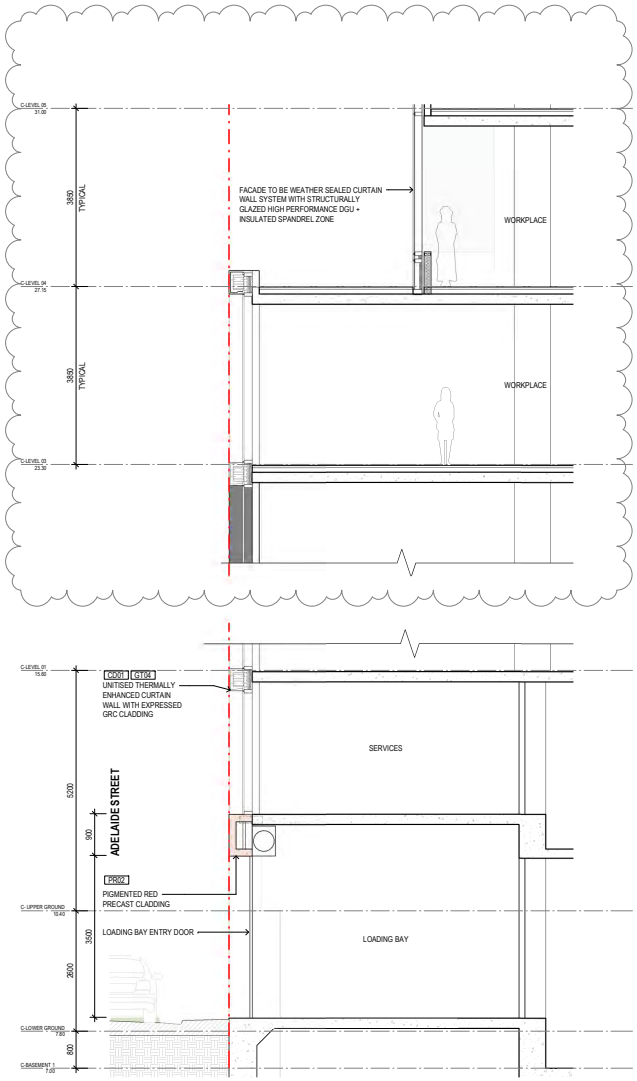

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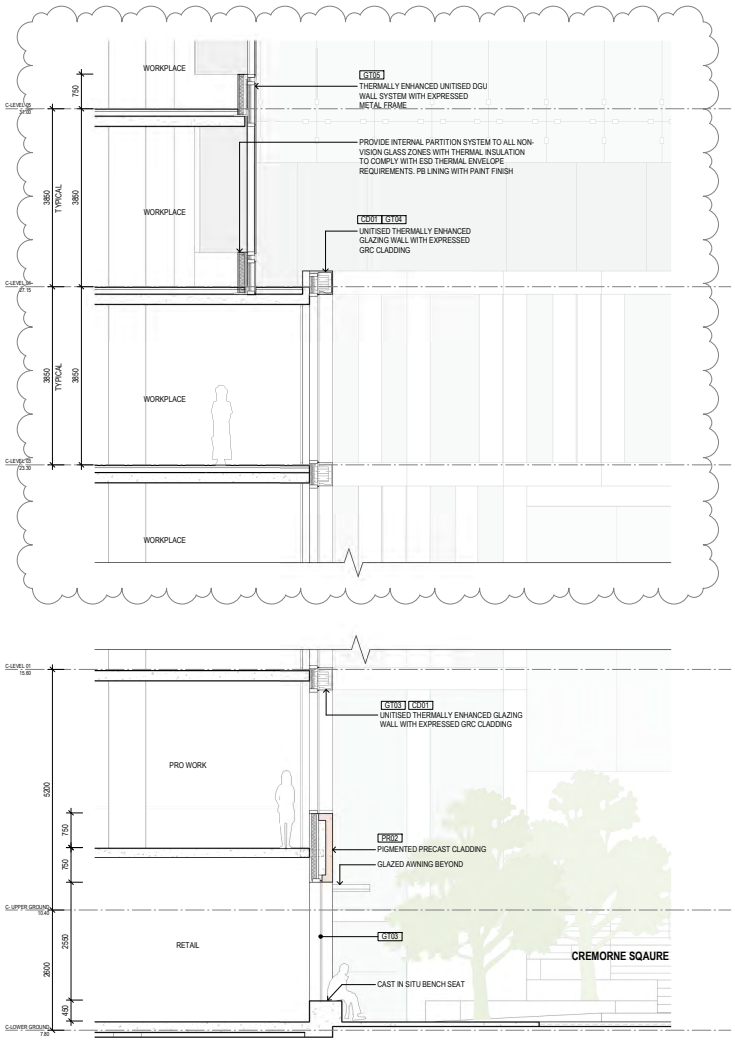

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LV01	Clear Glass Operable Louvres
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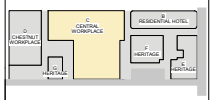

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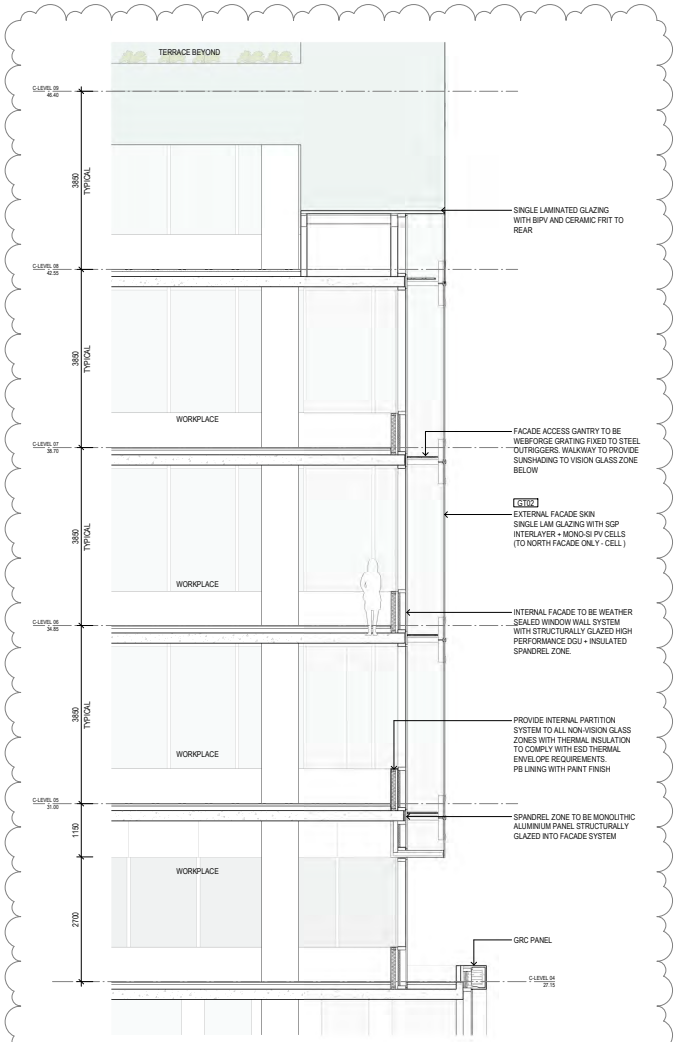

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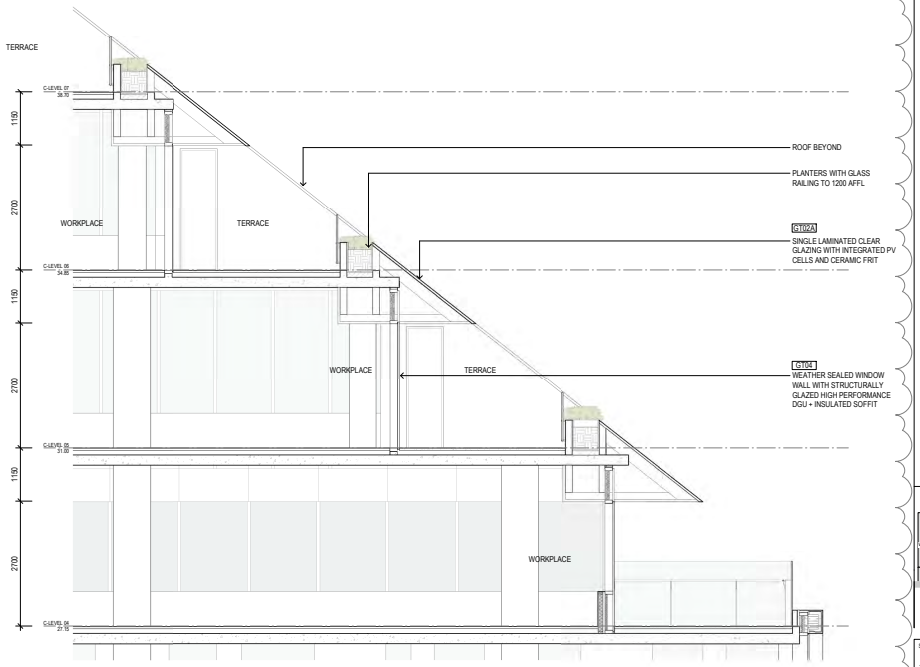

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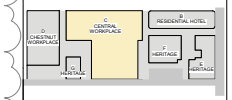

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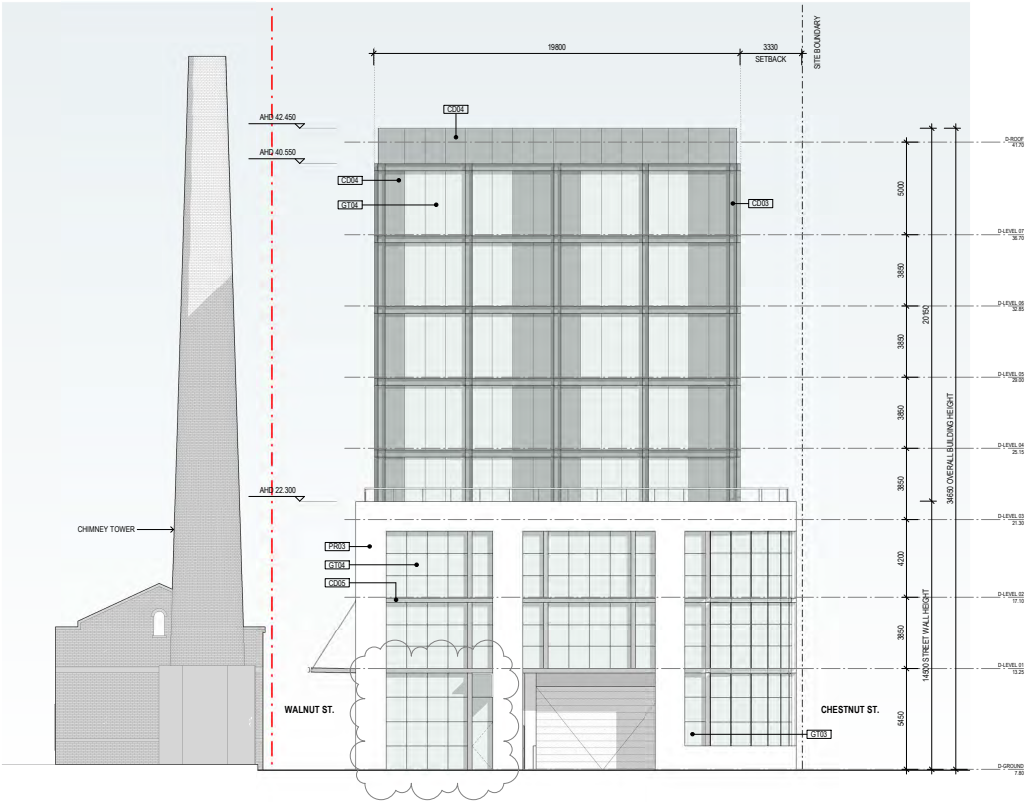

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CF01	Charcoal Painted Concrete
GT01	Clear Glass Single Laminated
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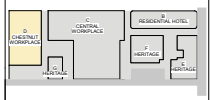

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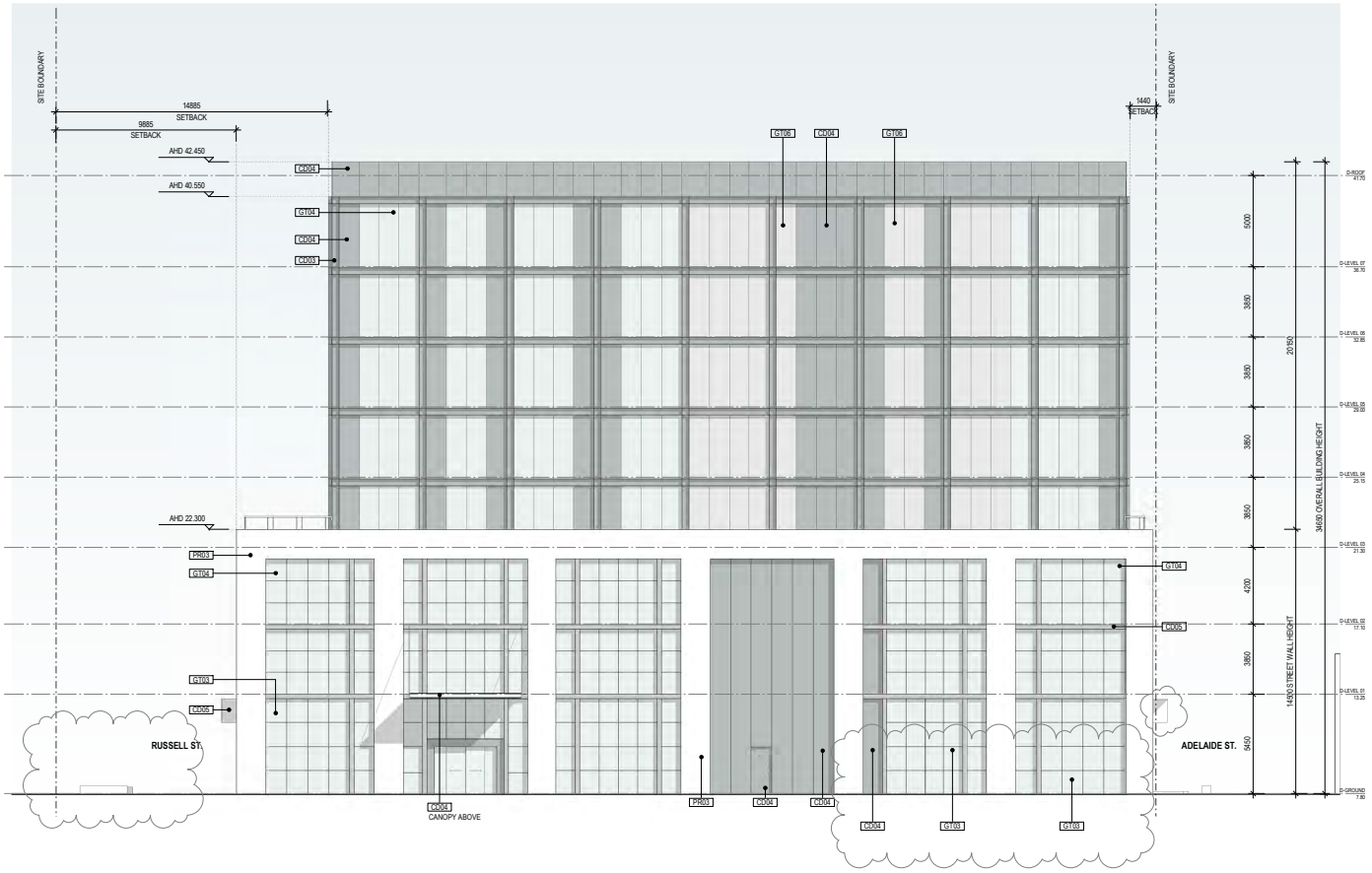

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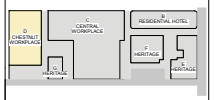

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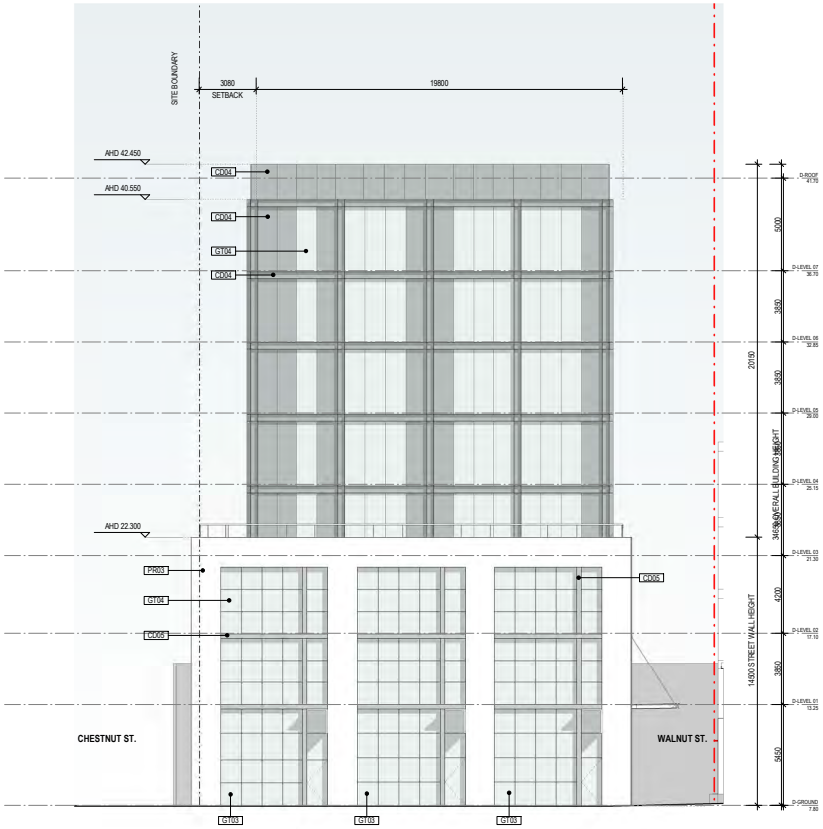

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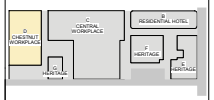

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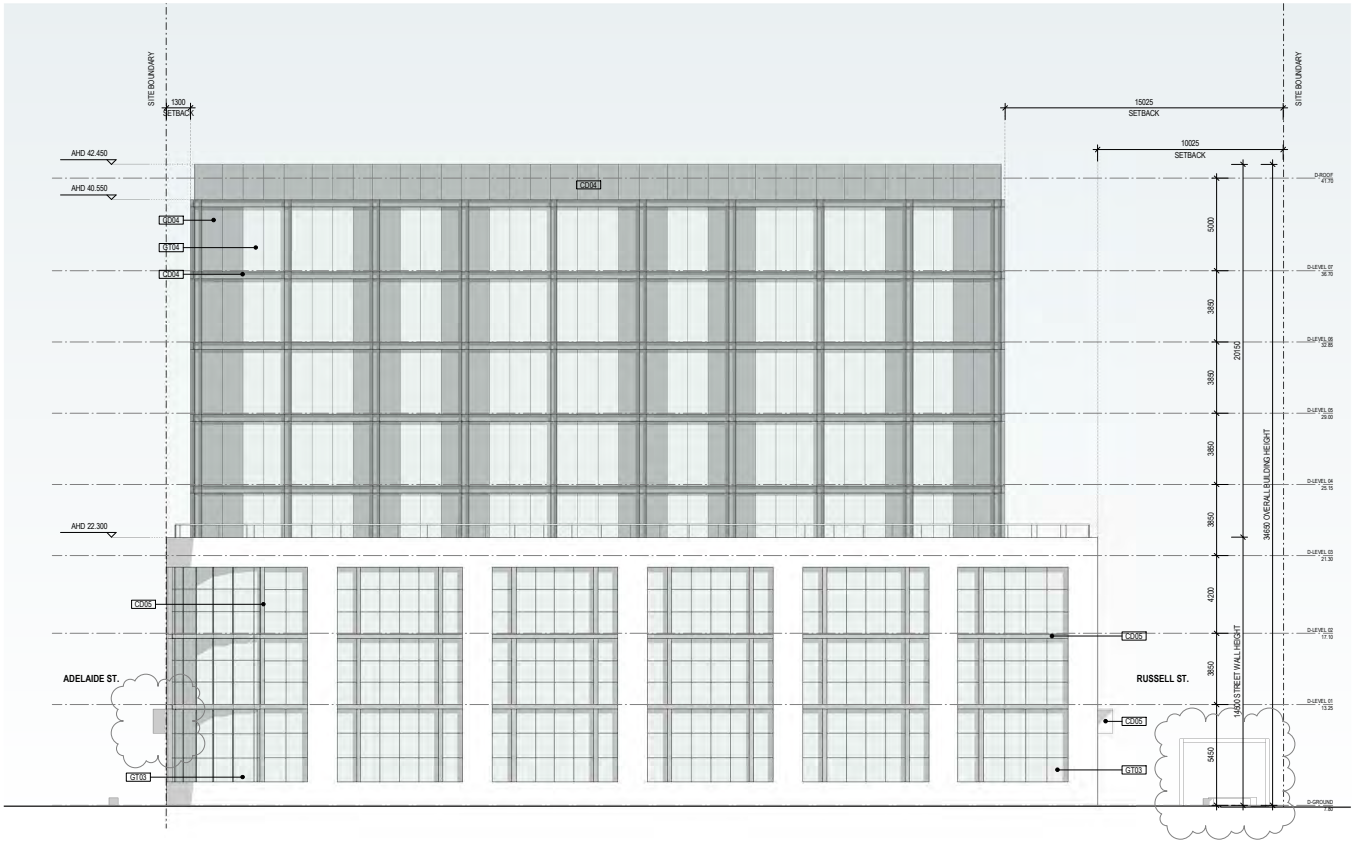

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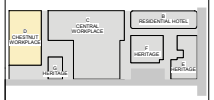

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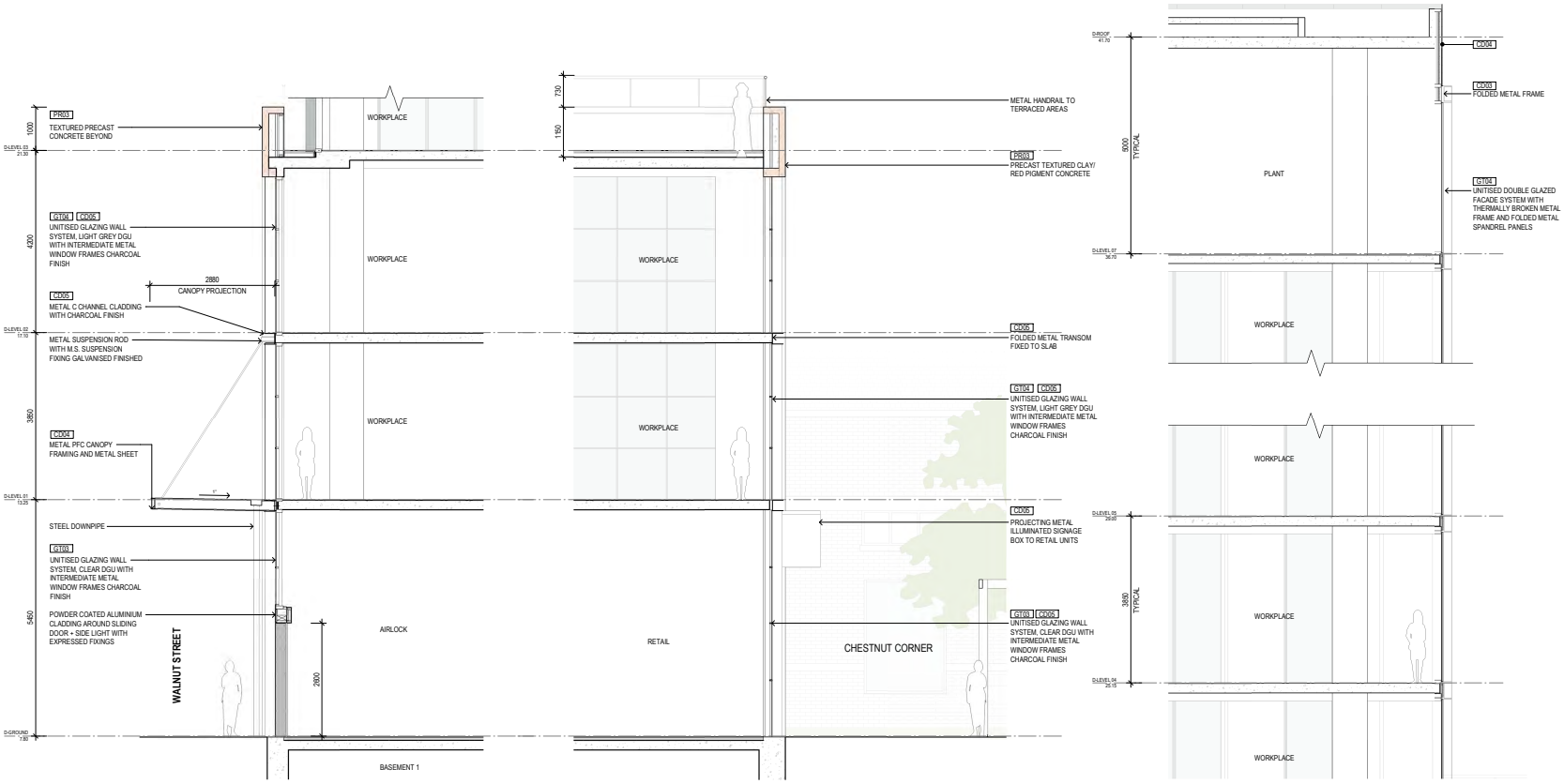

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Materials Legend

Code	Description
CD01	Clay/Red GRC Cladding - varied finishes
CD02	Polished Metal Cladding
CD03	Grey Metal Cladding
CD04	Matte Grey Metal Cladding with expressed fixings
CD05	Charcoal Metal Cladding
CD05A	Charcoal Metal Cladding - perforated
CF01	Charcoal Painted Concrete
GT01	Clear Glass Single Laminated
GT02	Clear Glass Single laminated + integrated PV cells
GT02A	Clear Glass Single laminated + integrated PV cells + ceramic frit to full extent
GT03	Clear Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT04	Light Grey Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT05	Grey Glass DGU + ceramic frit to spandrel zone
GT06	Acid Etched Clear Glass
GT07	Metallic Spandrel Glass
LV01	Clear Glass Operable Louvres
LV02	Grey Service Louvres
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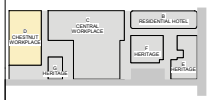

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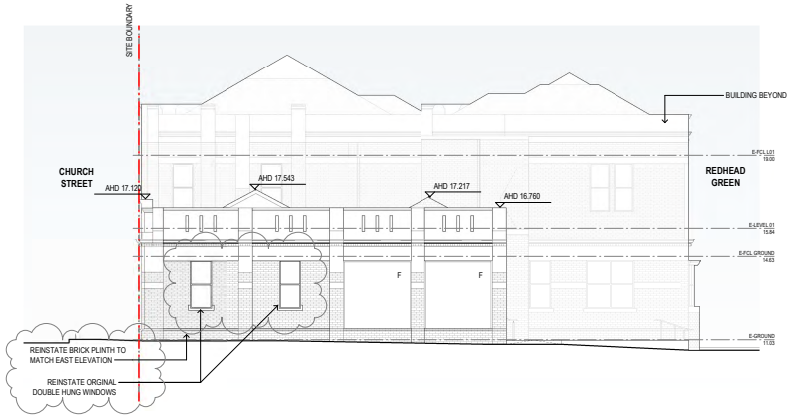

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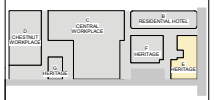

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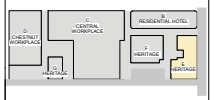

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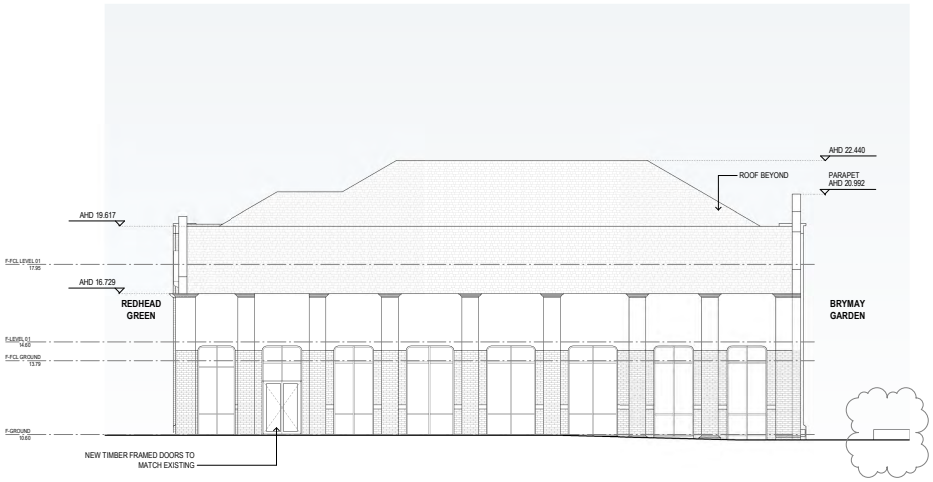

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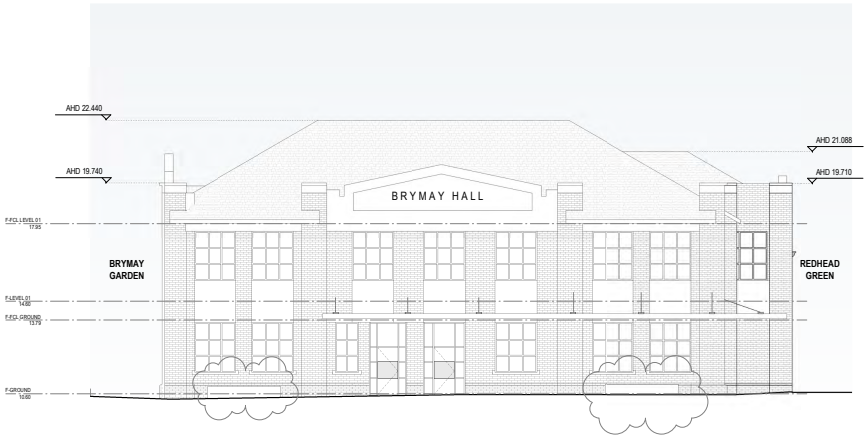

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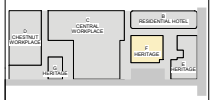

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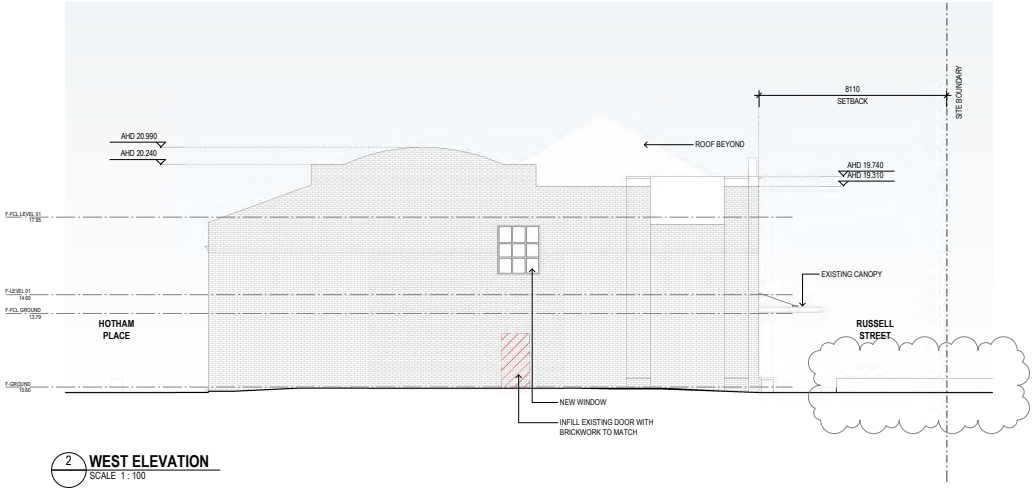

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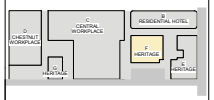

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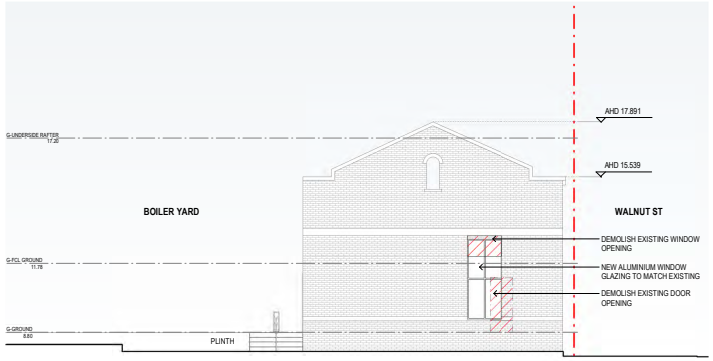

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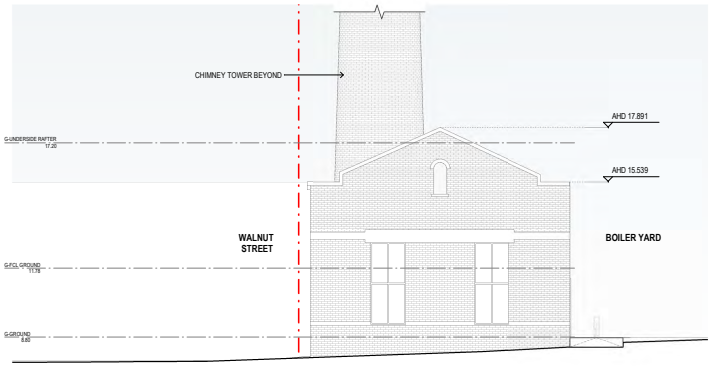

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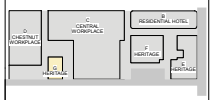

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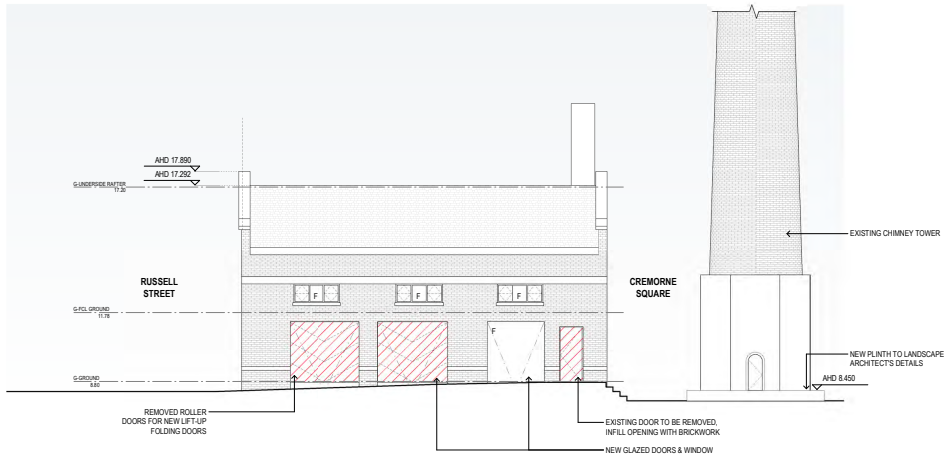

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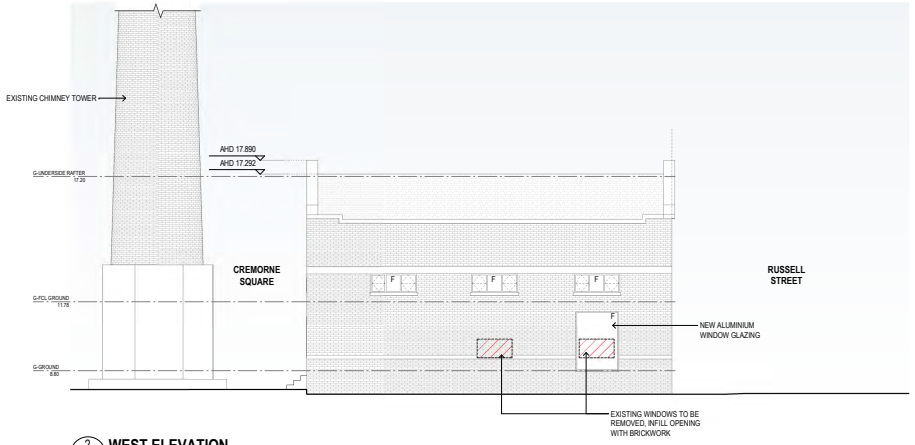

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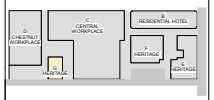

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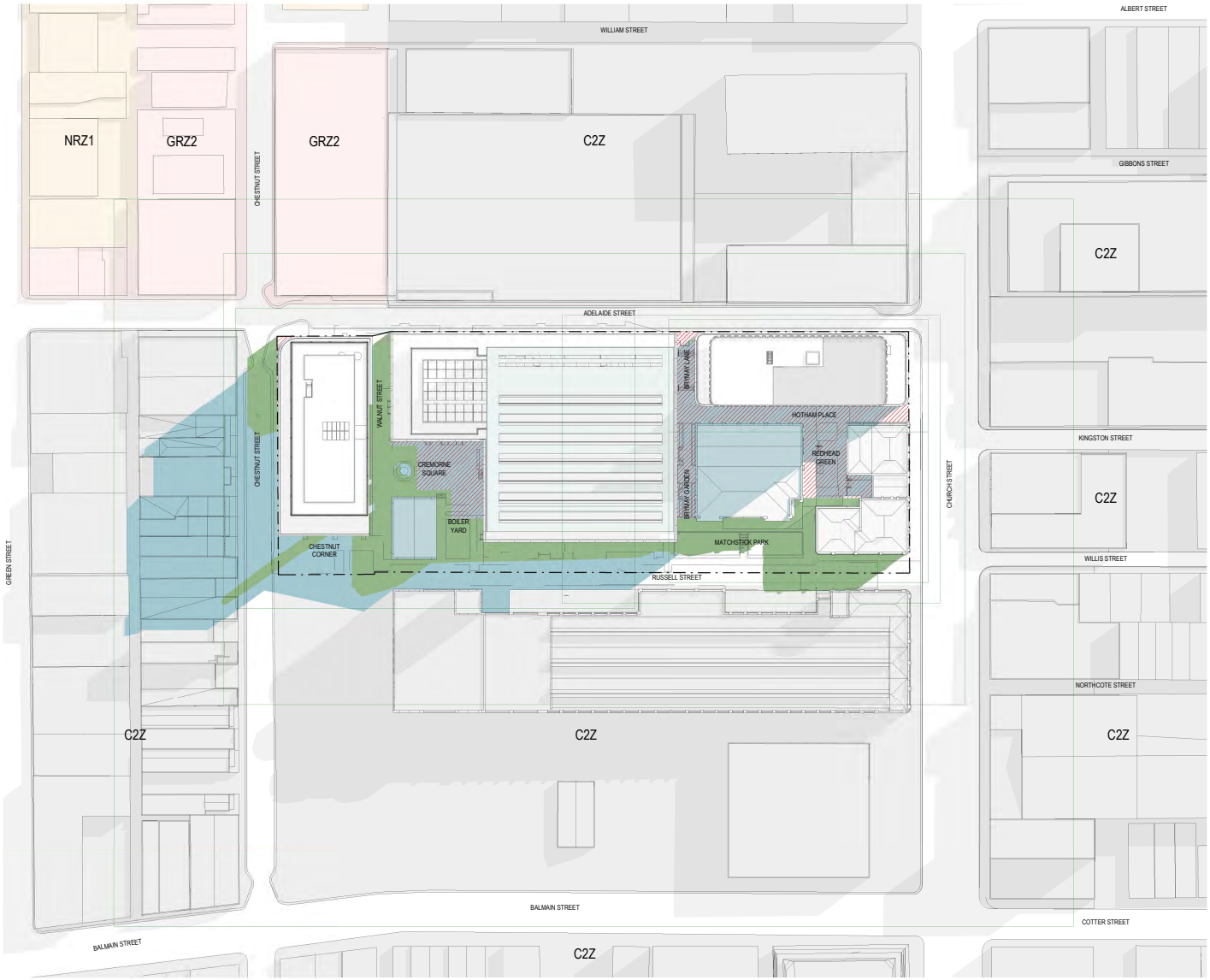

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DEMOLISHED BUILDING FOOTPRINTS PREVIOUSLY COVERING GROUND PLANE

NRZ1

GRZ2

C2Z

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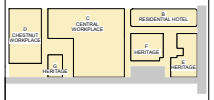

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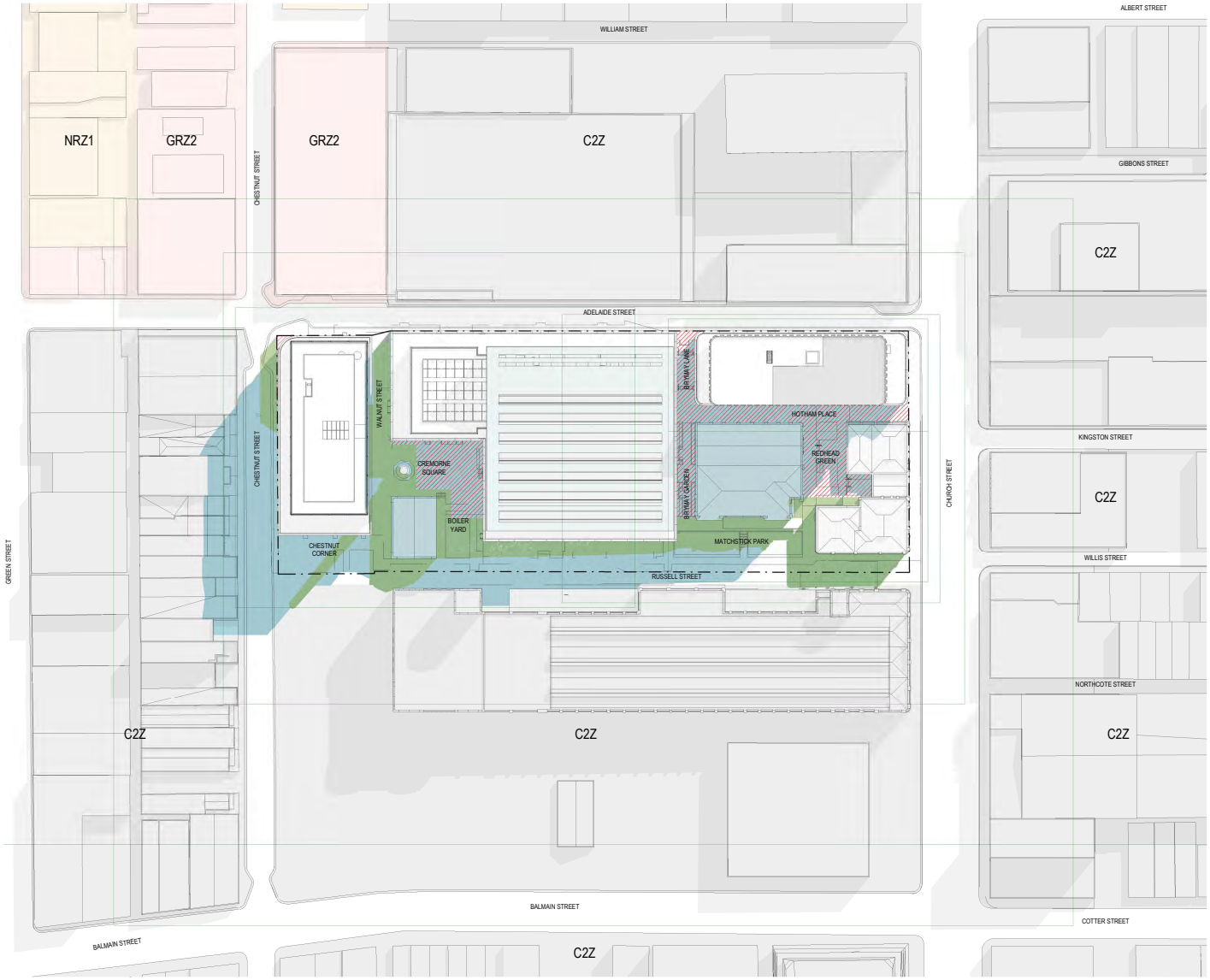

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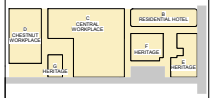

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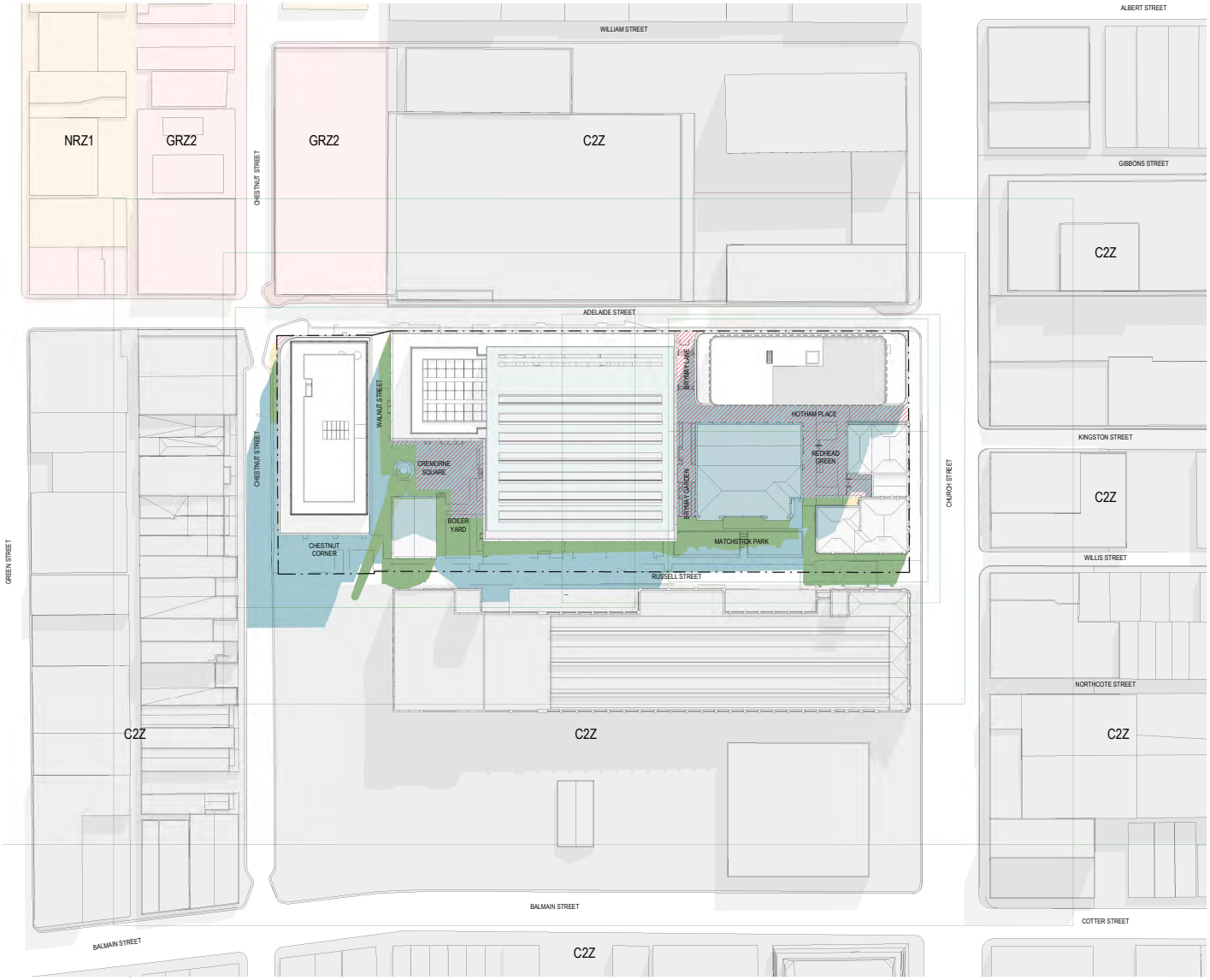

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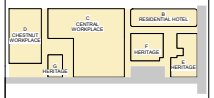

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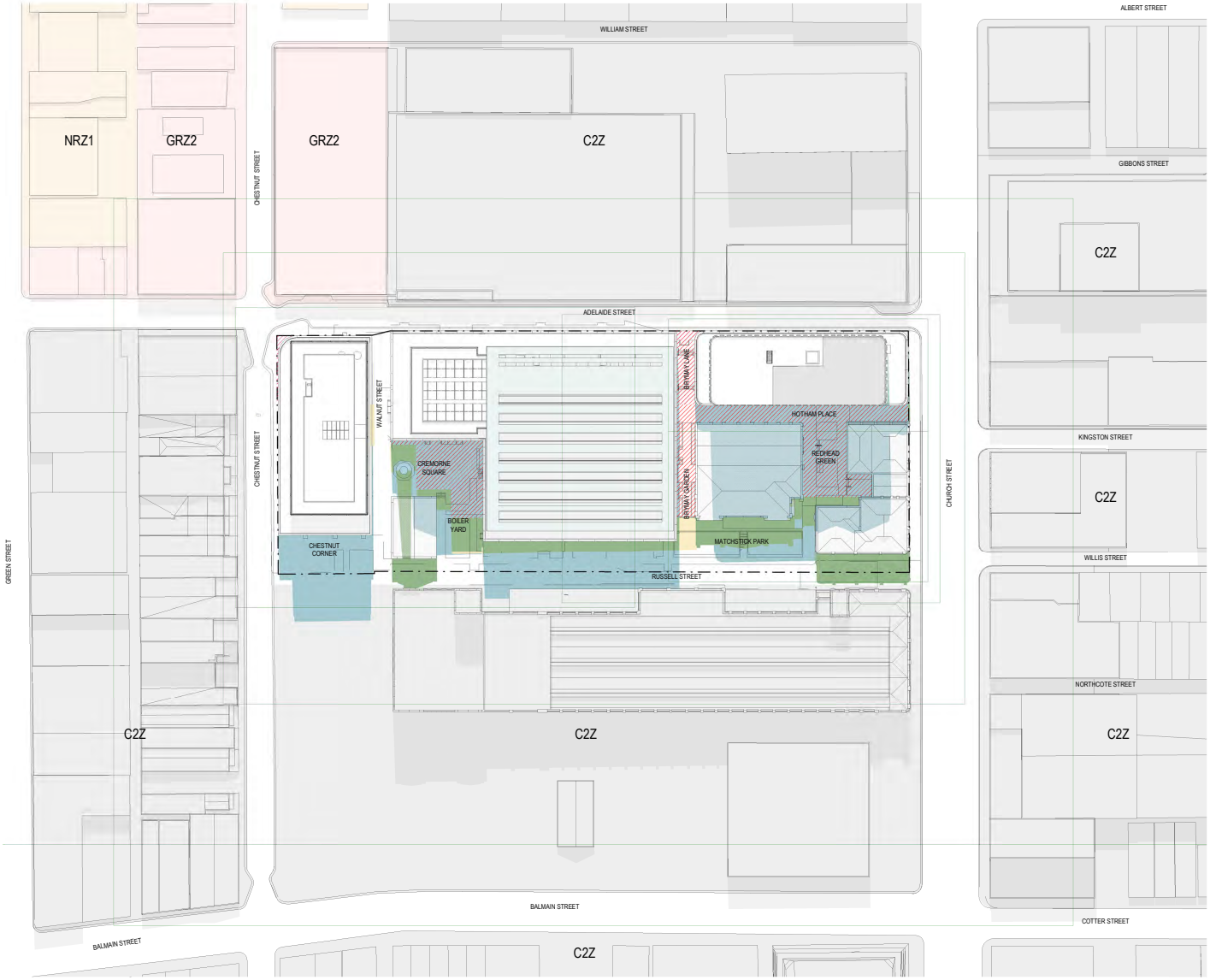

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NRZ1

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C2Z

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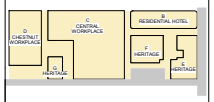

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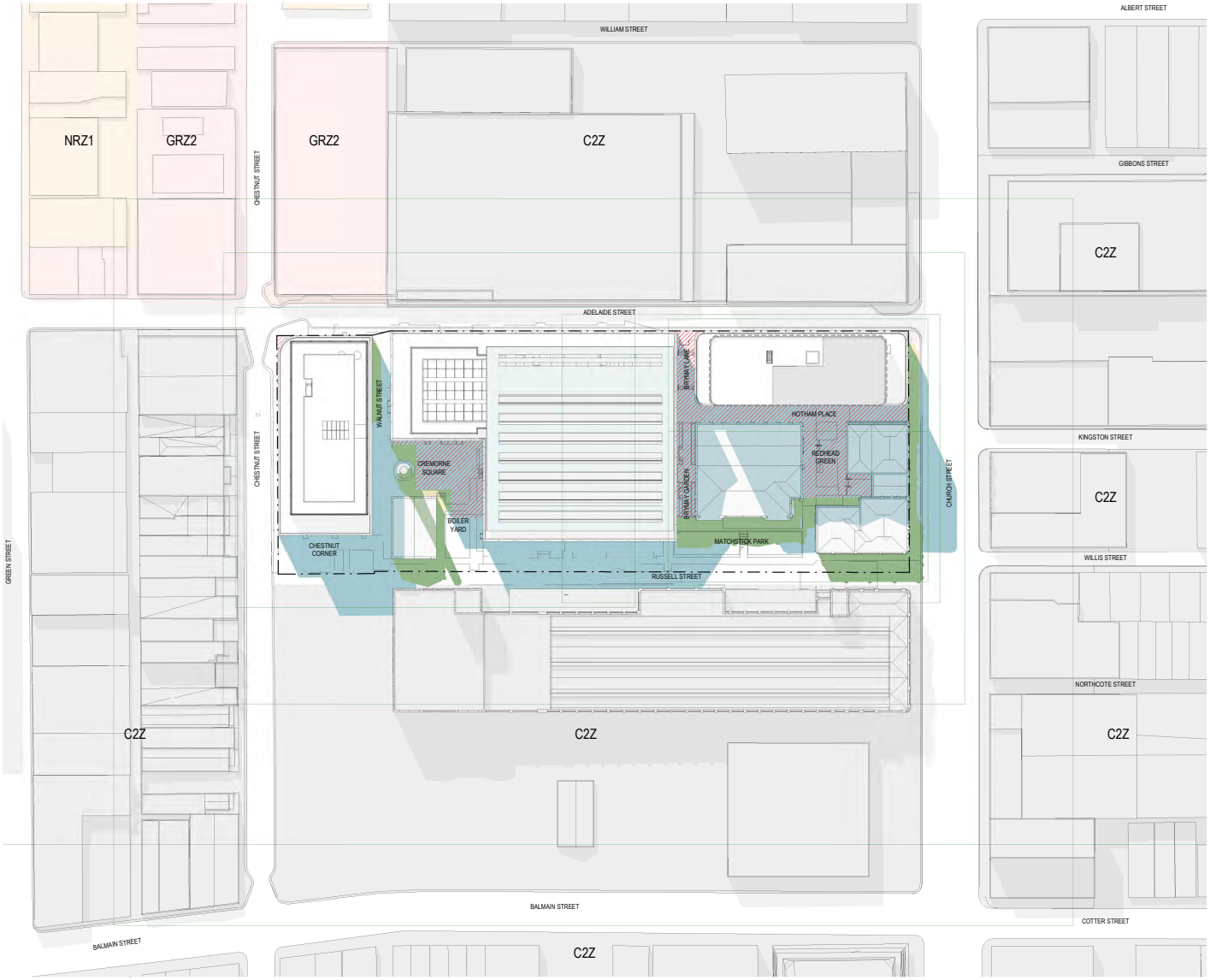

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NRZ1

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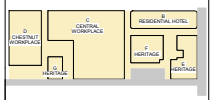

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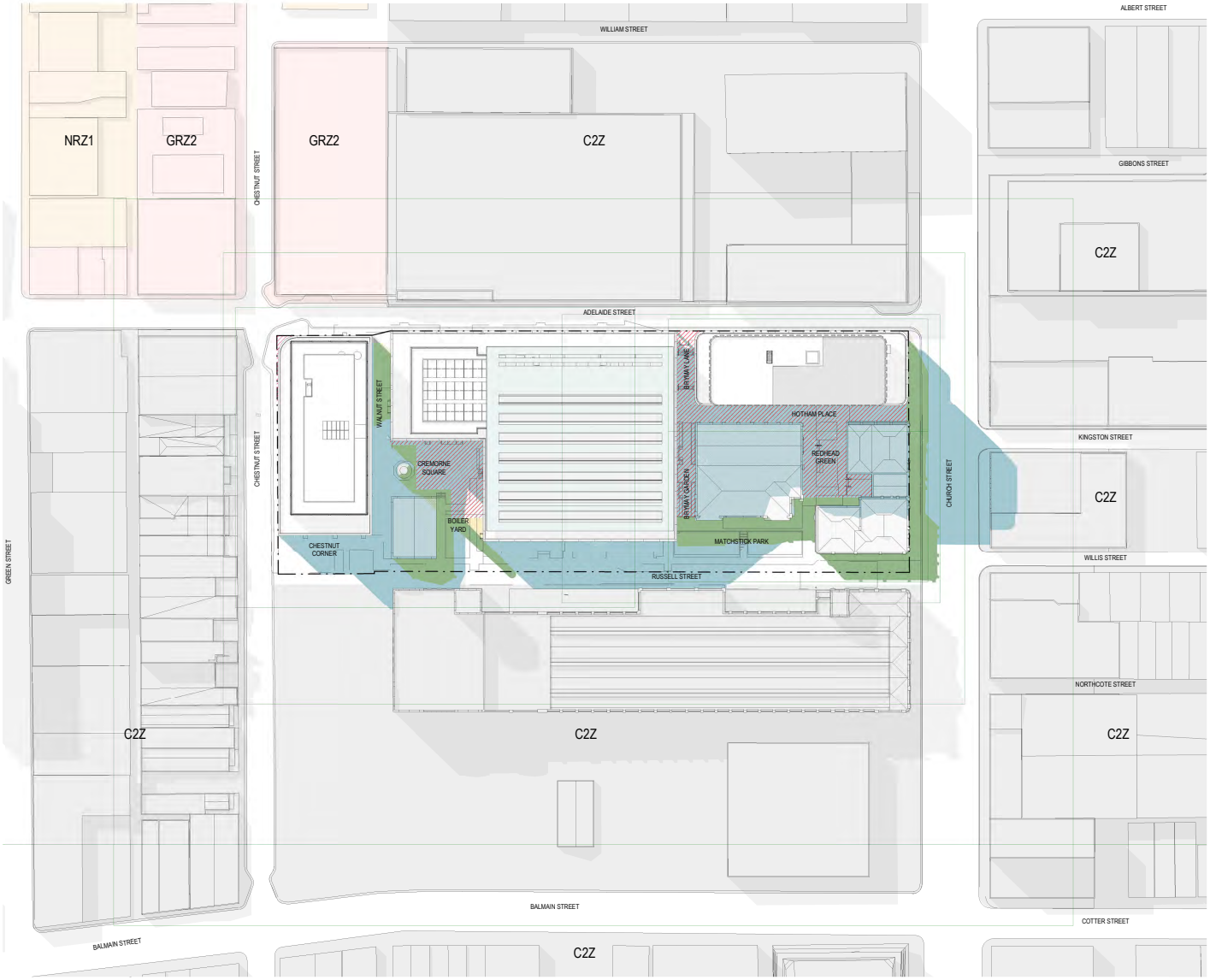

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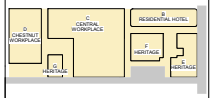

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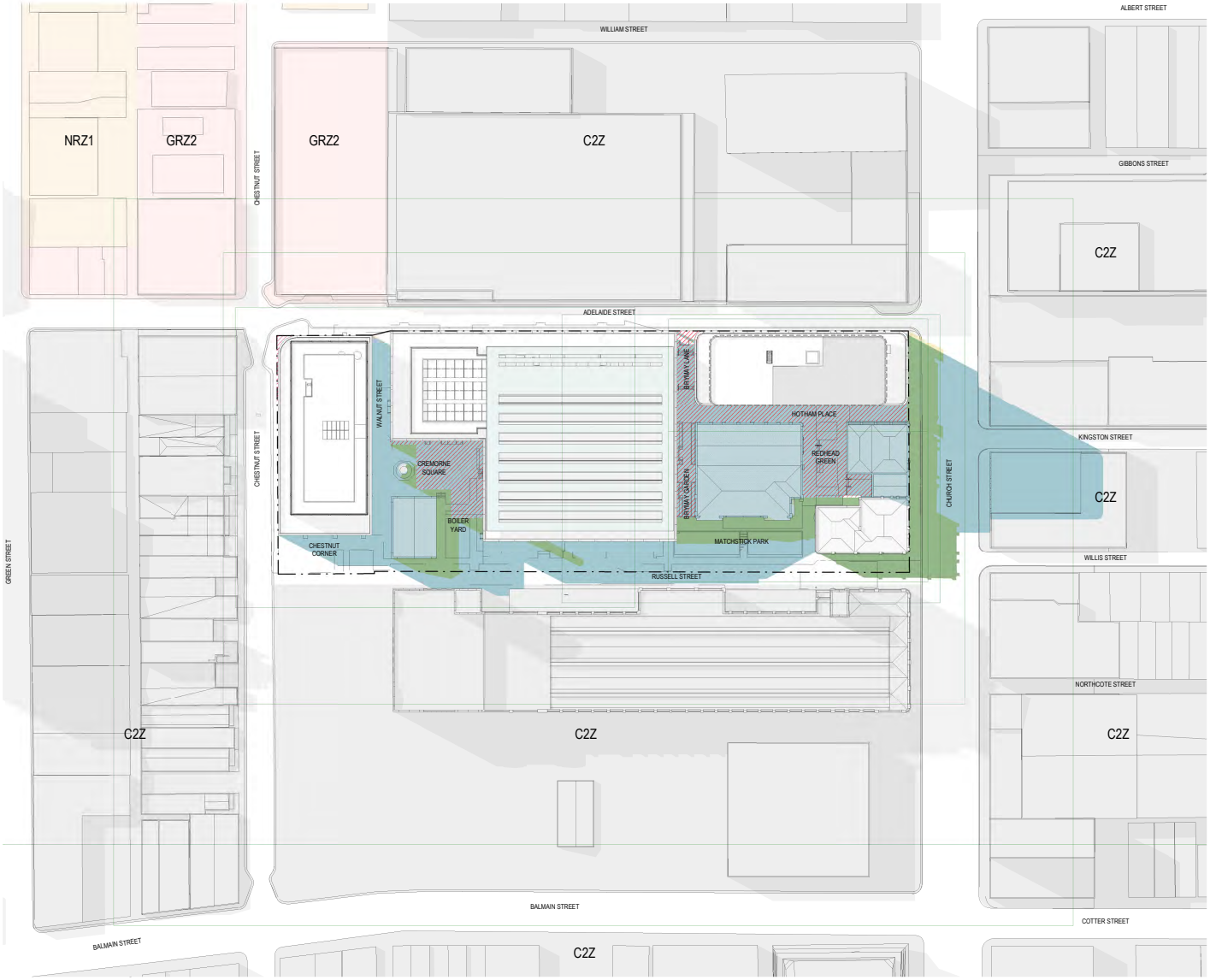

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NRZ1

GRZ2

C2Z

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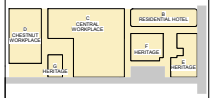

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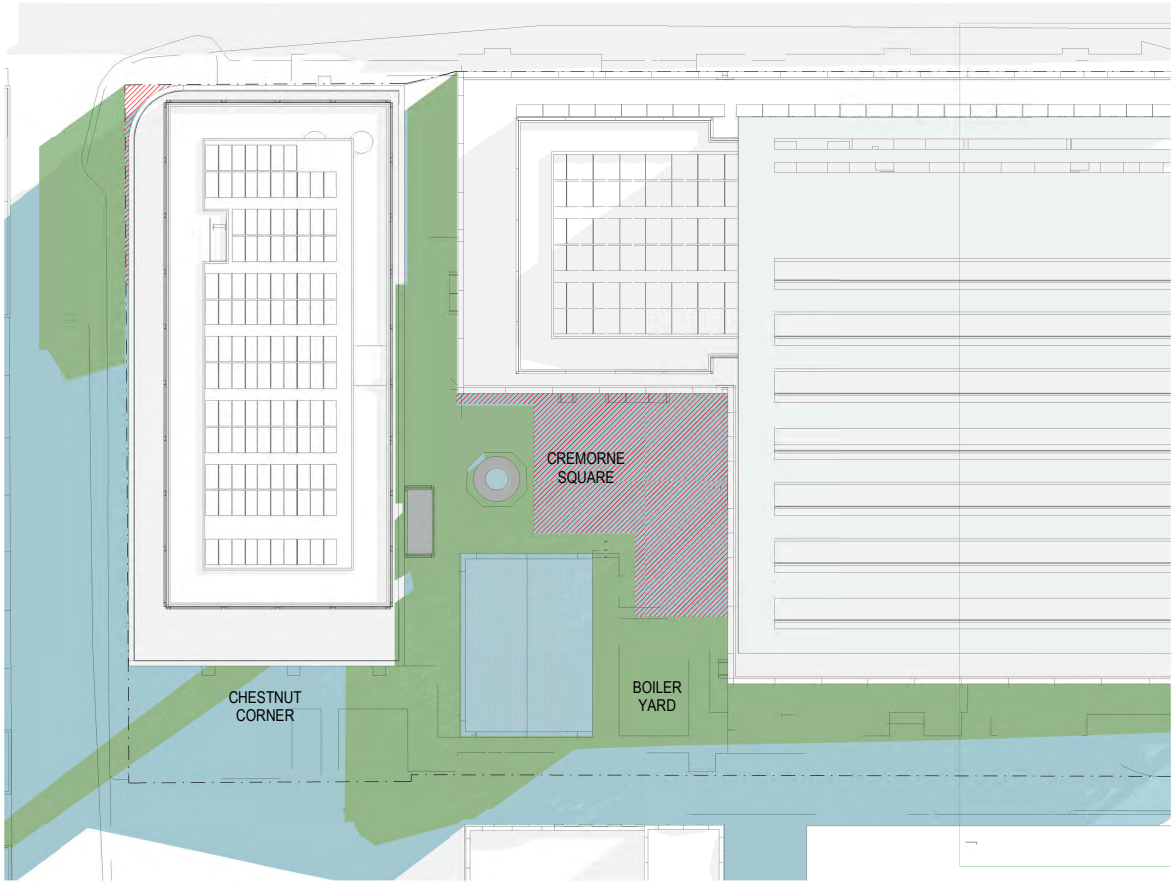

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NRZ1

GRZ2

C2Z

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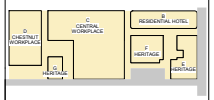

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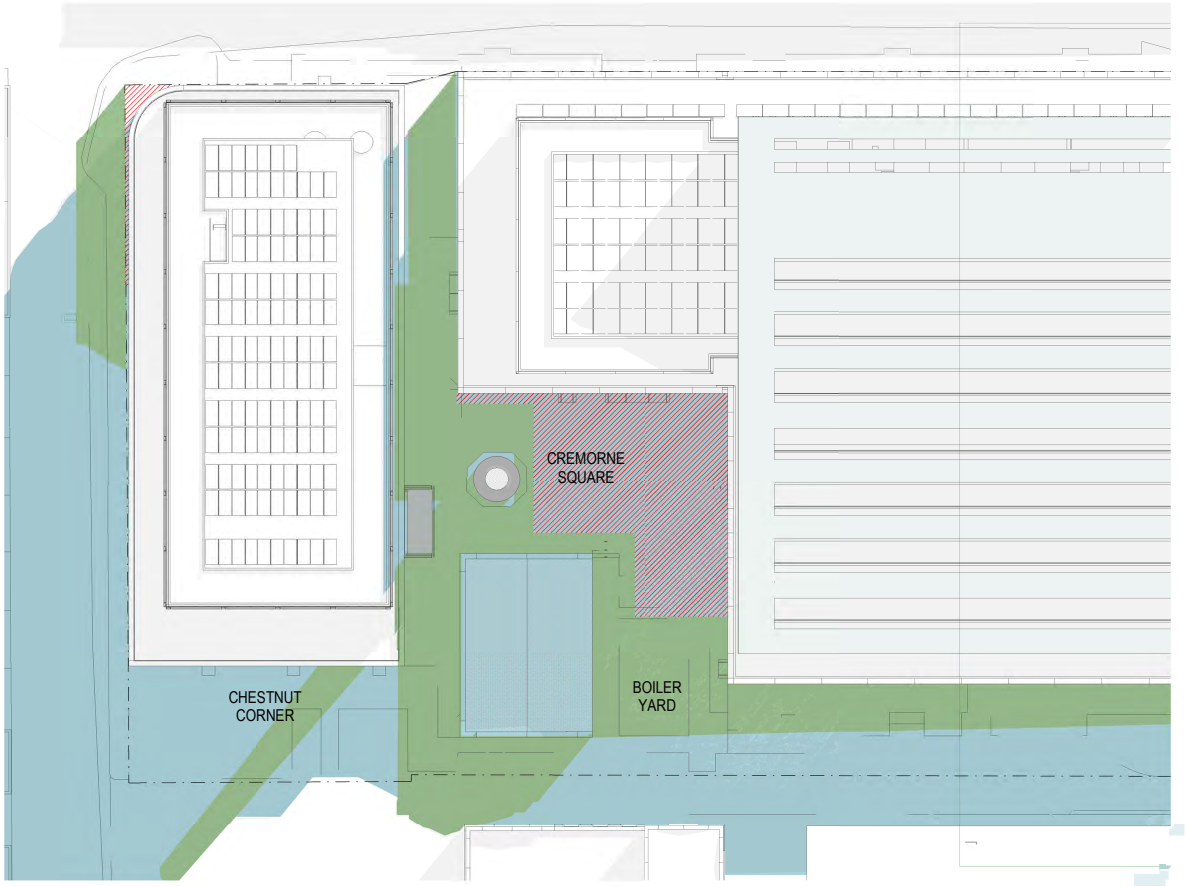

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NRZ1

GRZ2

C2Z

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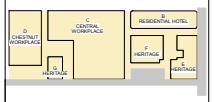

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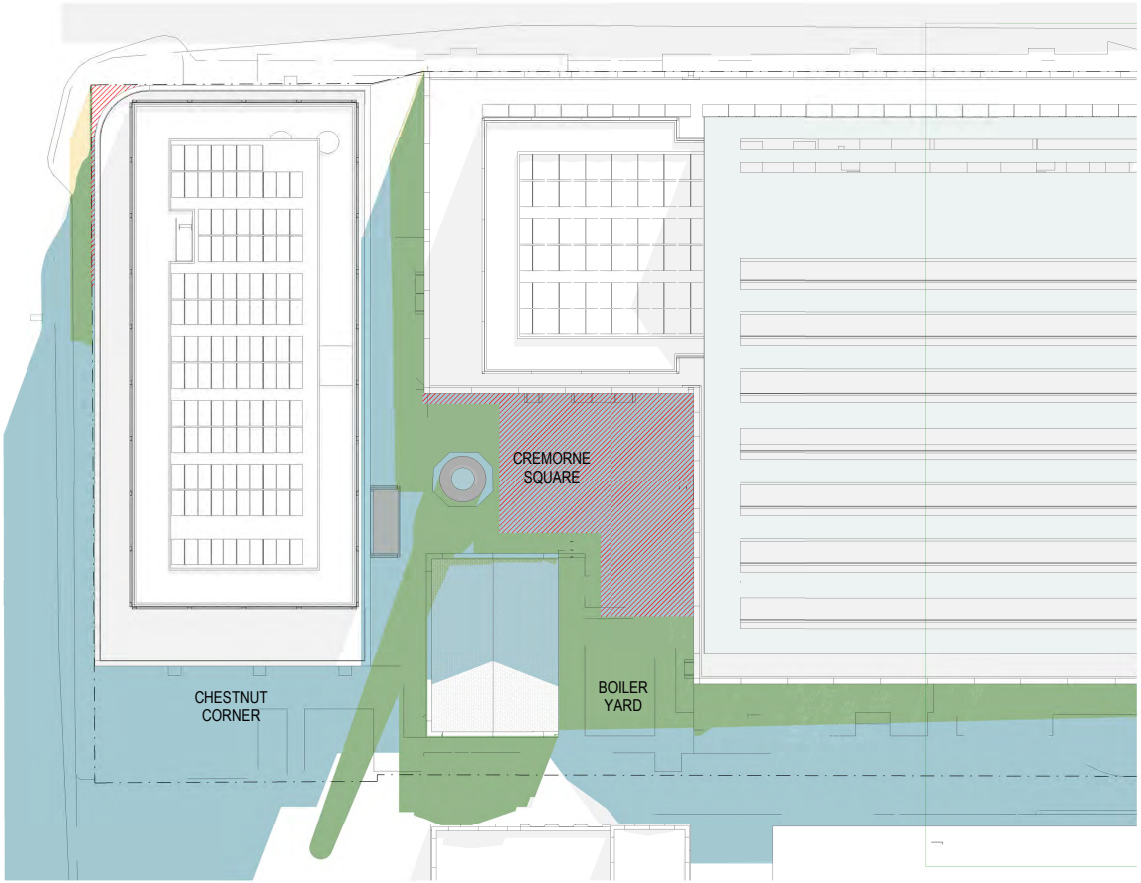

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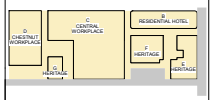

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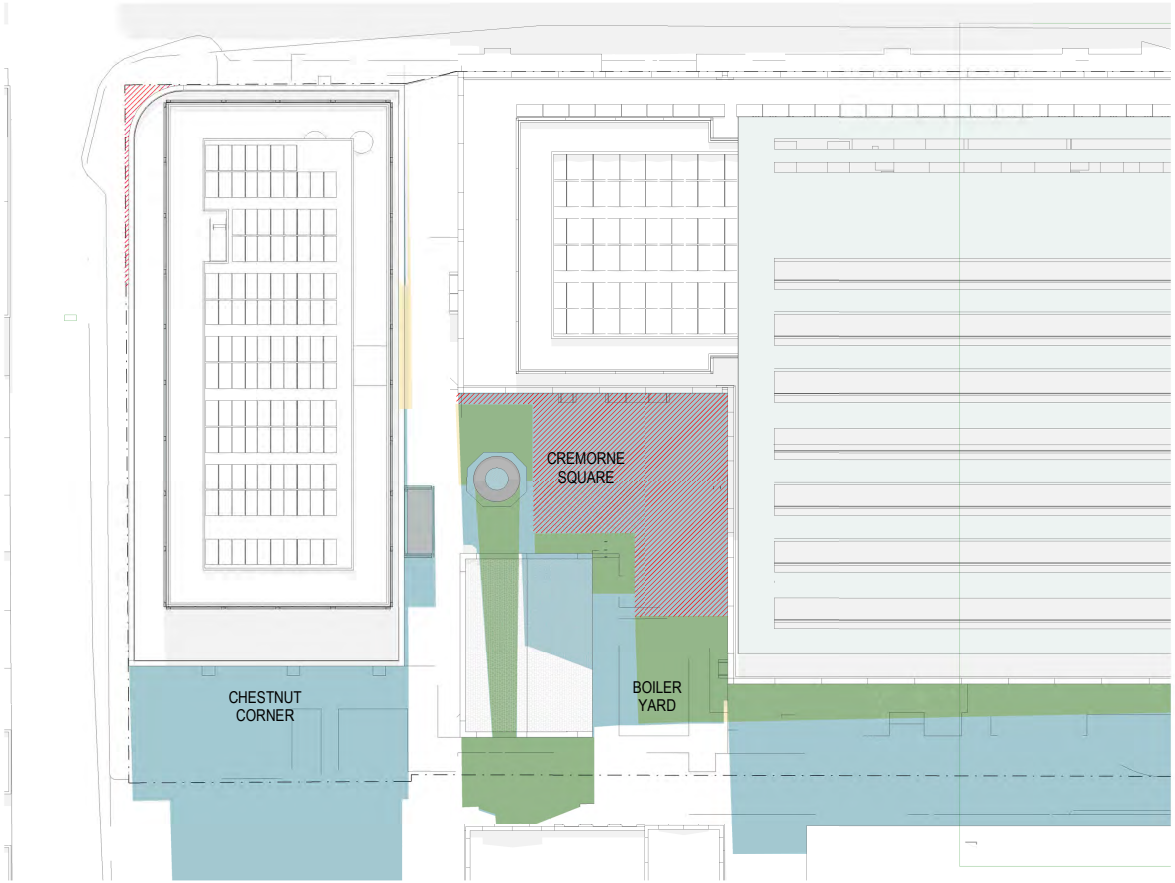

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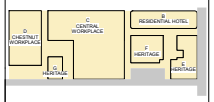

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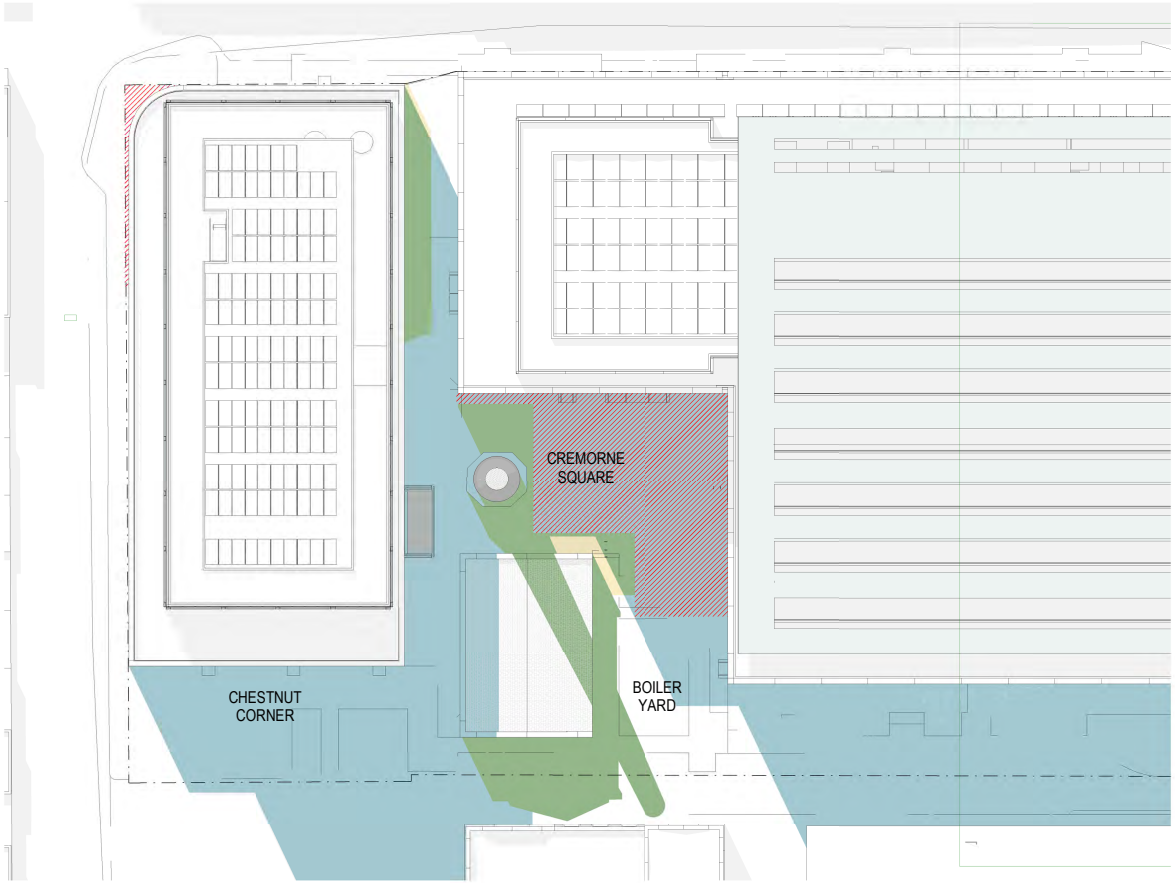

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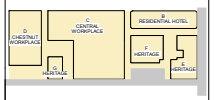

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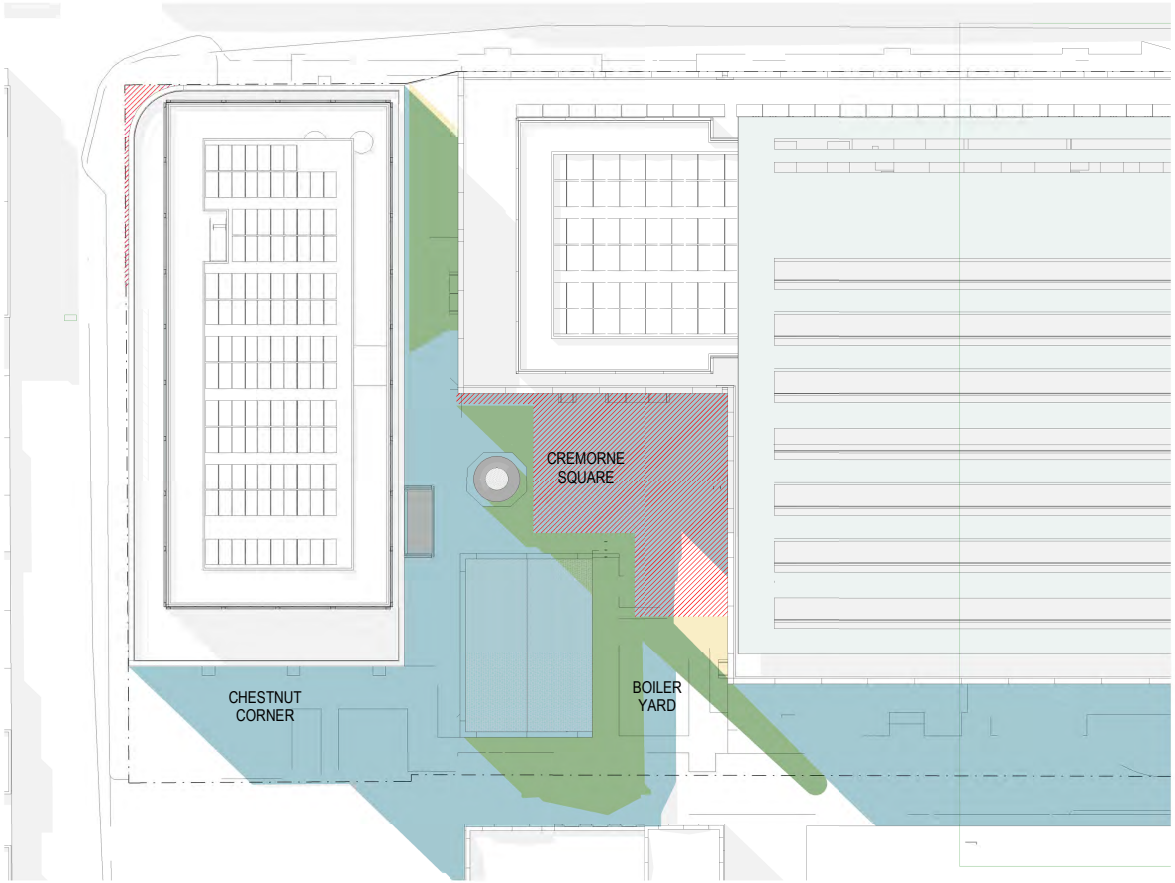

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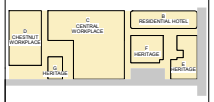

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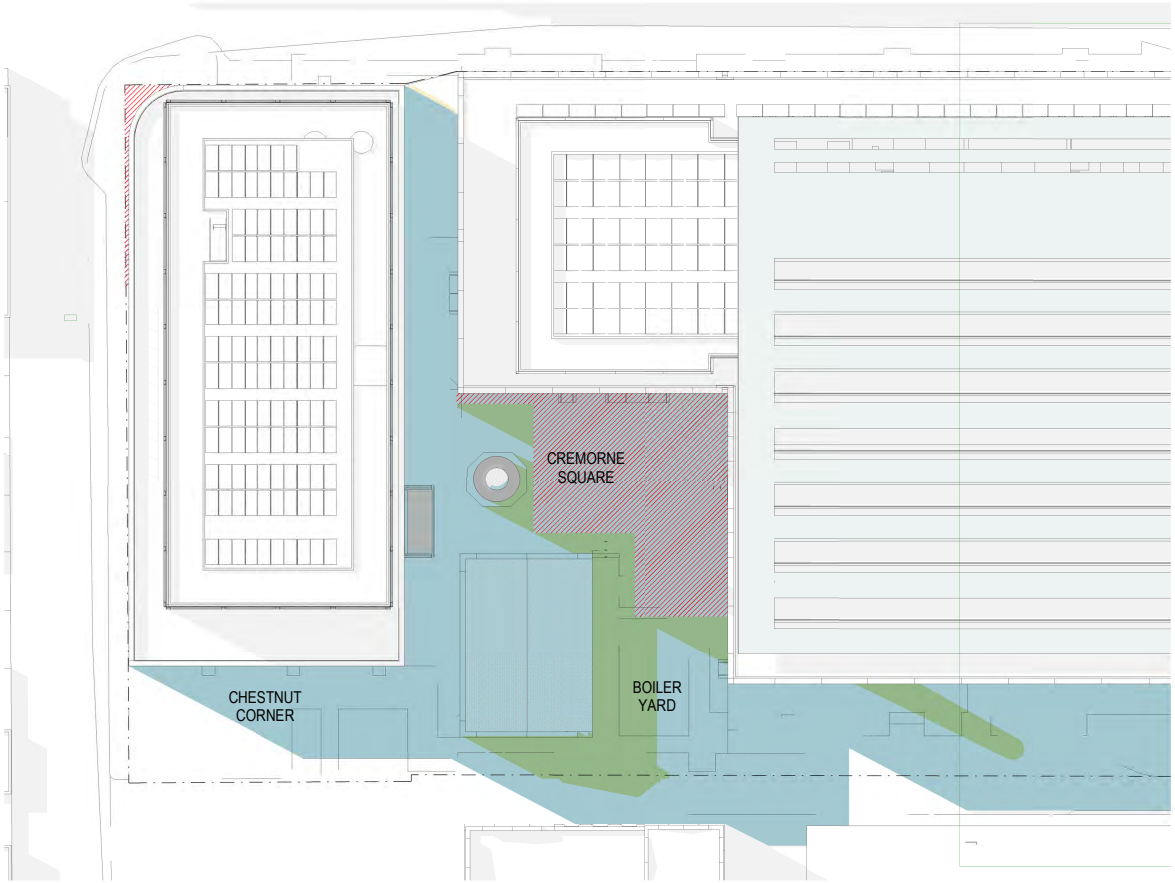

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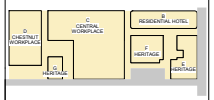

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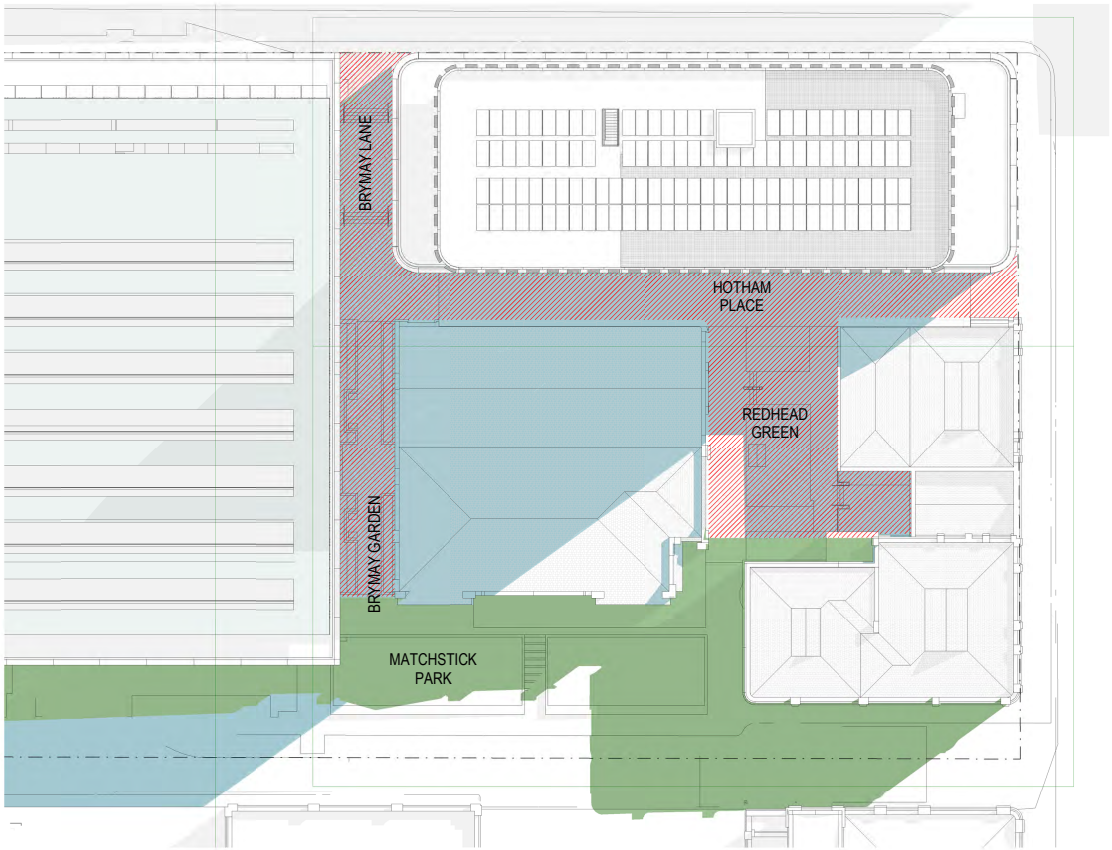

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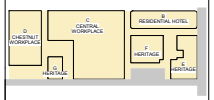

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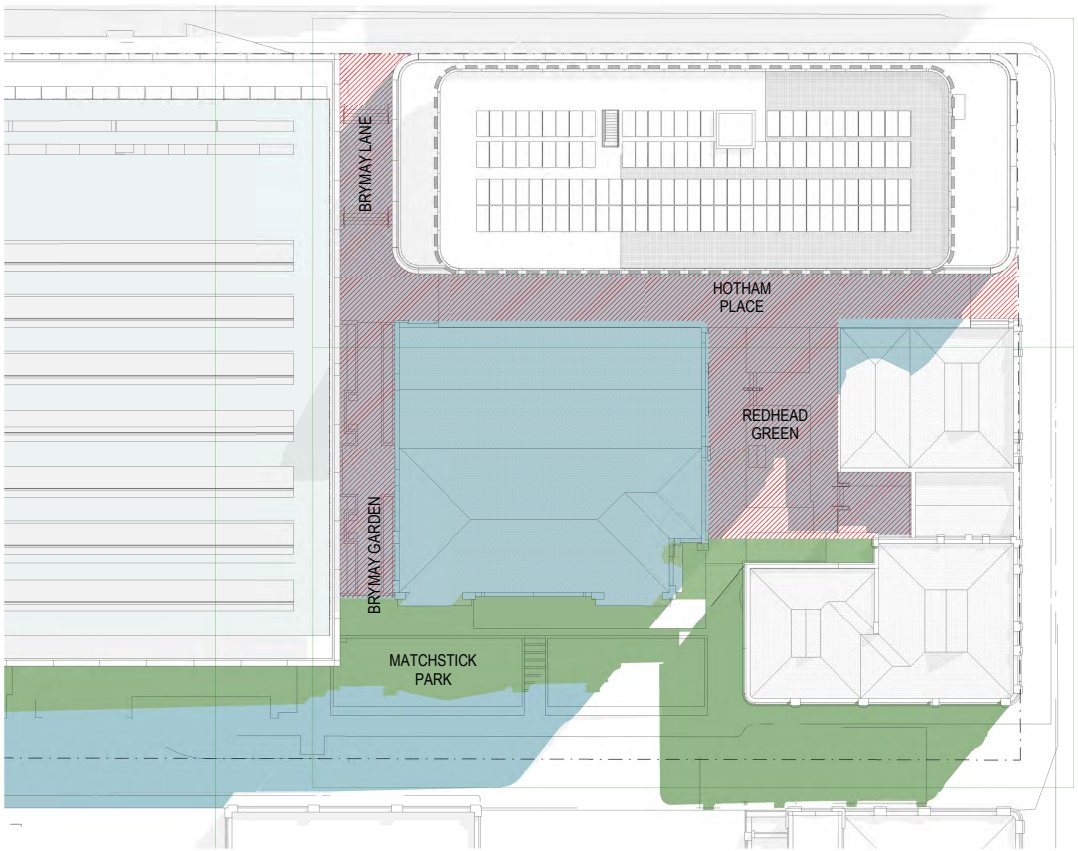

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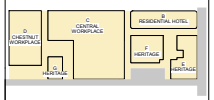

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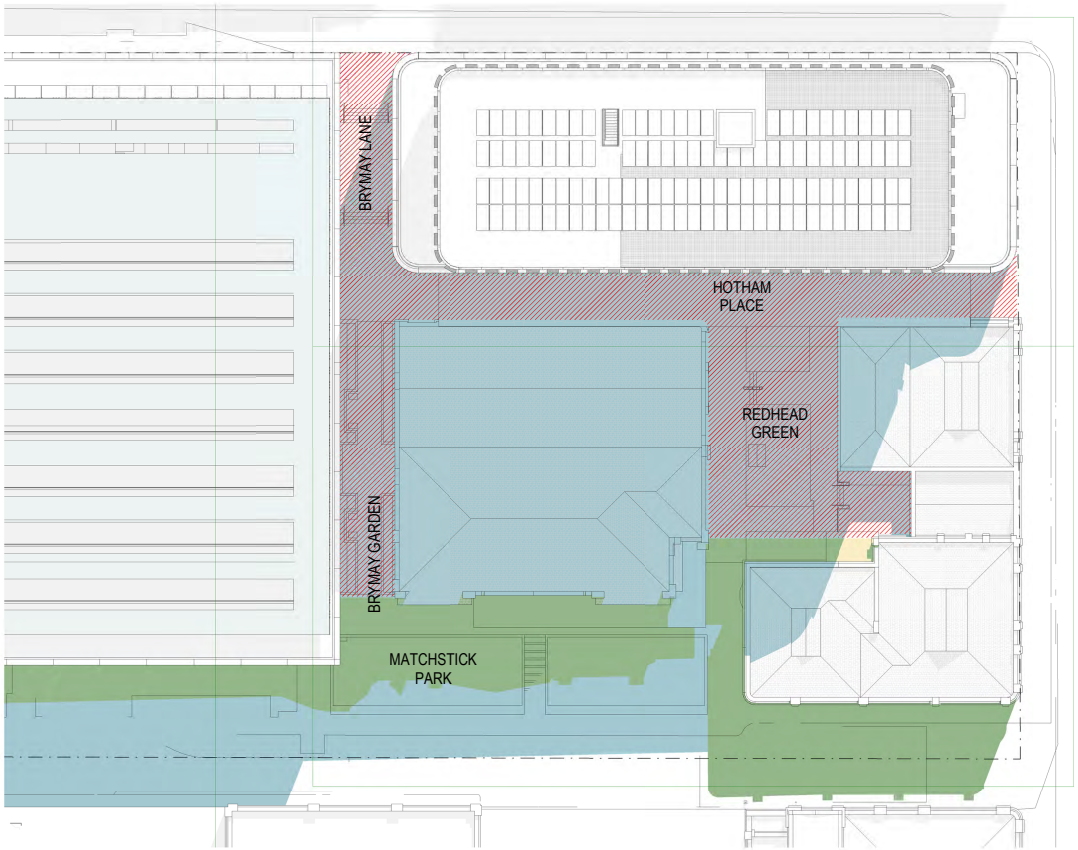

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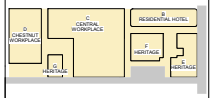

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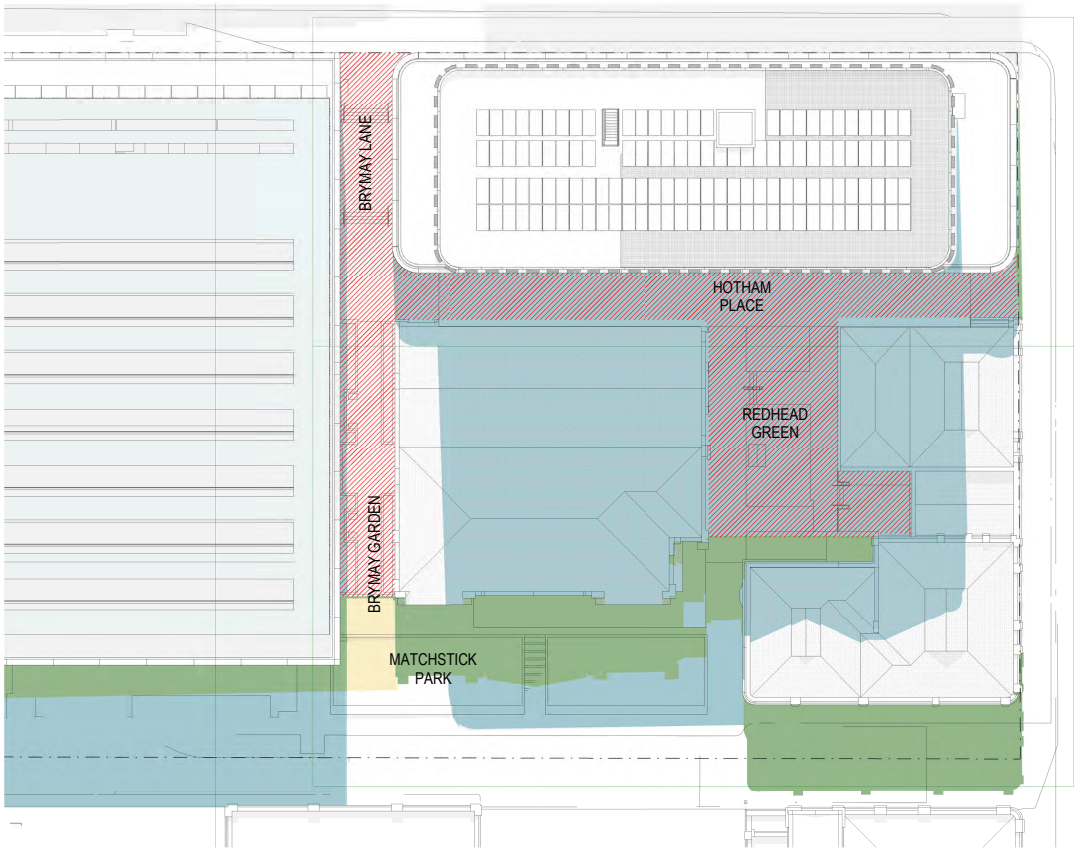

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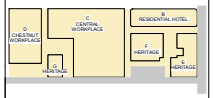

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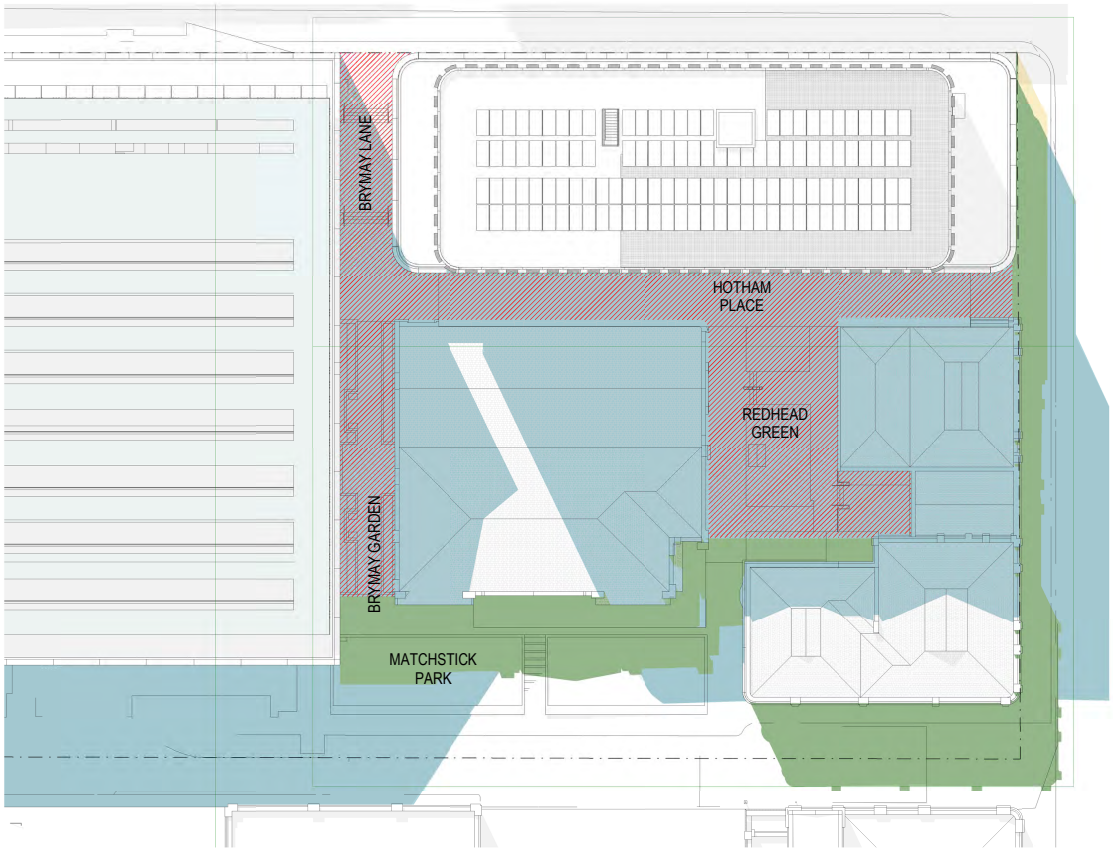

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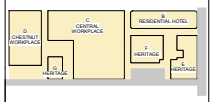

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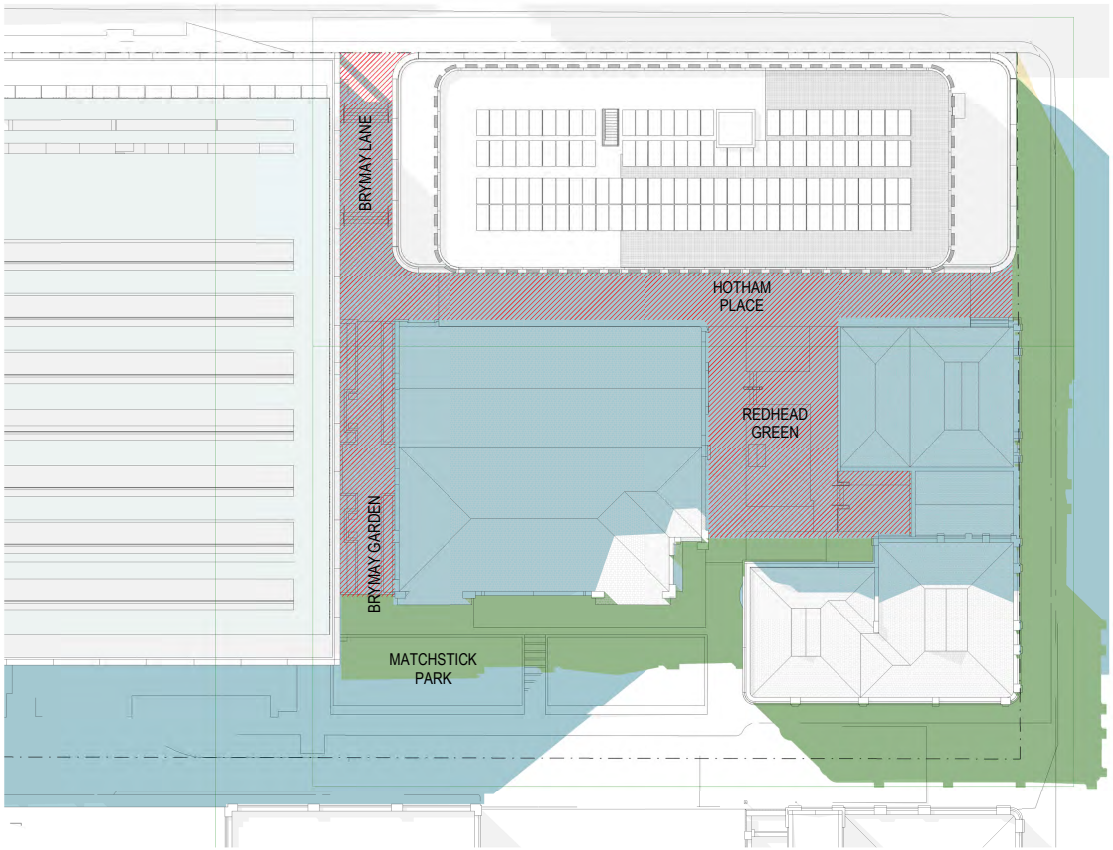

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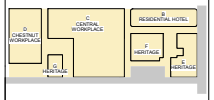

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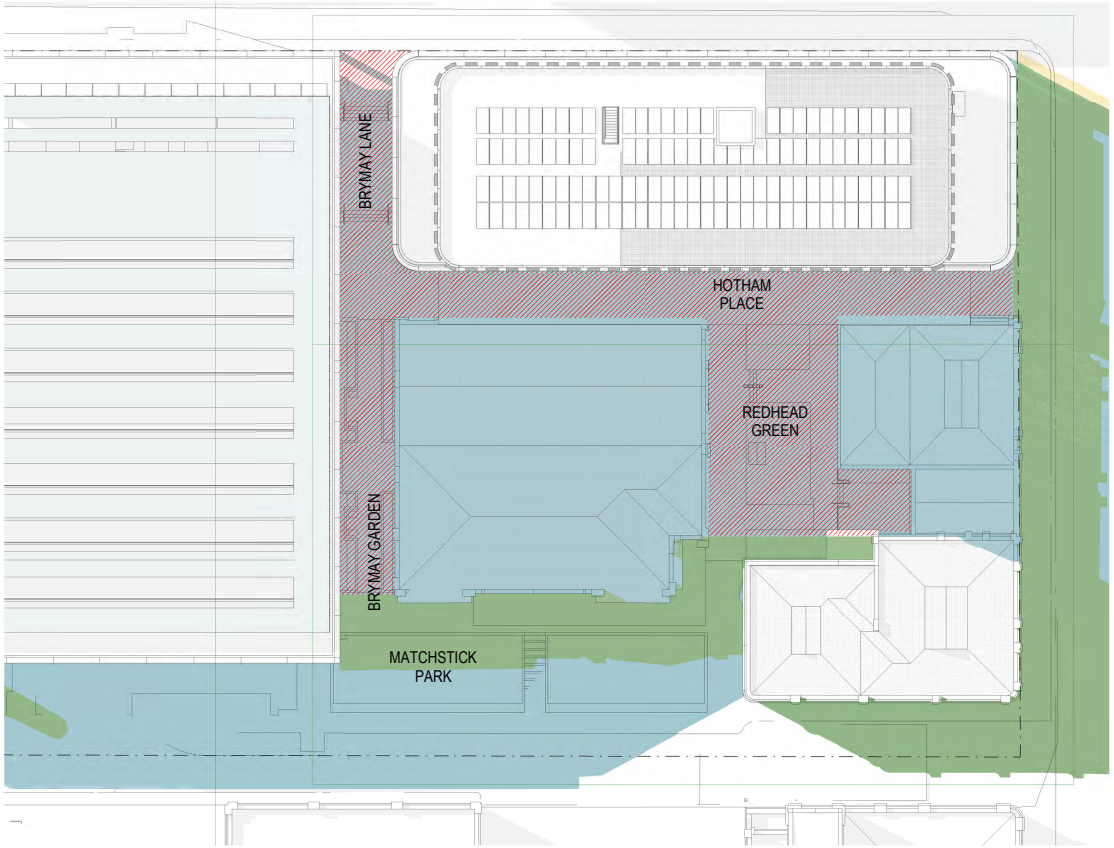

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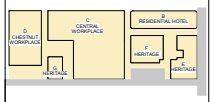

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[August 2023]

YARRA PLANNING SCHEME

Incorporated Document

This document is an incorporated document in the Yarra Planning Scheme pursuant to section 6(2)(j) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987

OFFICIAL

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This document is an Incorporated Document in the schedules to Clause 45.12 - Specific Controls Overlay (SCO) and Clause 72.04 - Incorporated Documents of the Yarra Planning Scheme (the Planning Scheme).

The land identified in Clause 3.0 of this document may be used and developed in accordance with the specific controls contained in Clauses 6.0 and 7.0 of this document.

The Minister for Planning is the Responsible Authority for administering Clause 45.12 of the Planning Scheme with respect to this Incorporated Document, except that:

(a) Yarra City Council is the Responsible Authority for the enforcement of the Incorporated Document.

(b) Yarra City Council is the Responsible Authority for matters under Division 2 of Part 9 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987.*

2.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this incorporated document is to permit the use and development of the land identified at Clause 3.0 of this document for a commercial development comprising office, residential hotel and retail premises, a reduction in car parking and removal of native vegetation, generally in accordance with the plans approved at Clause 5.0 of this document and subject to the conditions contained at Clause 6.0 of this document.

3.0 LAND DESCRIPTION

This document applies to the land at 560 Church Street, Cremorne which is affected by Specific Controls Overlay Schedule 19 (SCO19) as shown on Planning Scheme Map No 8SCO in the Yarra Planning Scheme and identified in Figure 1 below.

The land is formally described as:

- Lot 1 on Title Plan 128114J.
- Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 214127X.
- Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 214128V.
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 128218V (formerly known as part of Portion 6 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1on Title Plan 613126W (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 593353Q (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 376361D (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 of Title Plan 390363T (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
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- Lot 1 on Title Plan 694570T (formerly known as part of Portion 5 AT RICHMOND Parish of Jika Jika).
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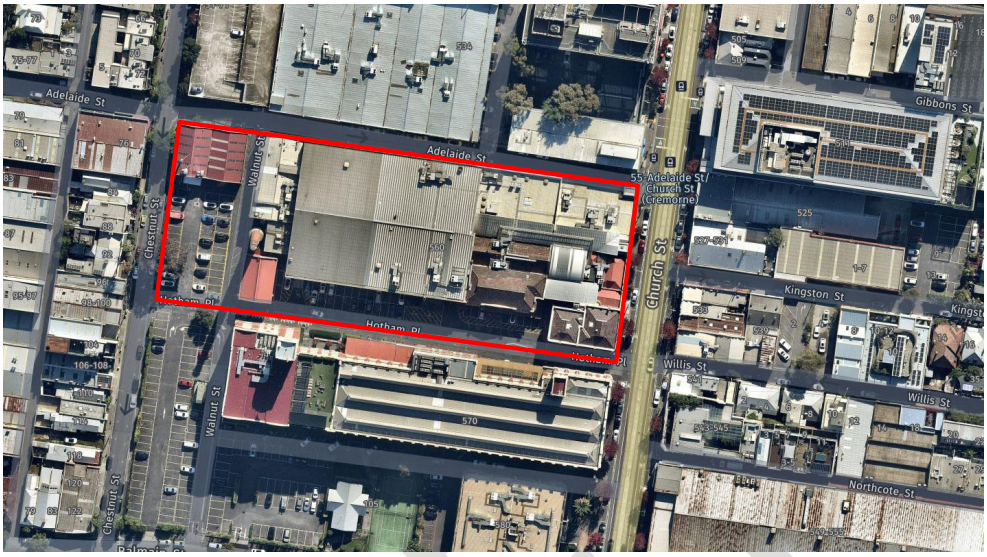

Figure 1 – Map of land subject to this Incorporated Document, outlined in red

4.0 EXEMPTION FROM PLANNING SCHEME REQUIREMENTS

Despite any provision to the contrary or any inconsistent provision in the scheme, no planning permit is required for, and no planning provision in the planning scheme operates to prohibit, restrict, or regulate the use and development of land for the purposes of the project as described in Clause 5.0 of this document.

5.0 THIS DOCUMENT ALLOWS:

This Incorporated Document allows the use and development of the land for a commercial development comprising office, residential hotel and retail premises and a reduction in car parking and removal of native vegetation.

The use and development must be generally in accordance with the following plans and reports as endorsed by the Minister for Planning, and modified to include any changes required by Clause 6.0 of this incorporated document:

(a) Architectural Plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled “560 Church Street”, all dated 11 August 2023.

(b) Landscape Design Report prepared by Oculus dated August 2023.

(c) Sustainable Management Plan prepared by ADP Consulting Engineering and dated 14 August 2023.

(d) Traffic Engineering Assessment prepared by Traffix Group dated August 2023.

(e) Green Travel Plan prepared by Traffix Group dated April 2023.

(f) Waste Management Plan prepared by Leigh Design and dated 17 August 2023.

(g) Acoustic Report prepared by Acoustic Logic dated 5 April 2023.

(h) Memorandum dated 2 May 2023 and Wind Tunnel Model Report prepared by MEL Consultants dated May 2023.

(i) Building Services Report and Fire Safety Engineering Statement prepared by ADP Consulting and dated 15 August 2023.

And including any amendment of the plans that may be approved from time to time under the clauses of this document. Once approved, these plans will be the endorsed plans.

For avoidance of doubt, any plans and reports endorsed by the Minister for Planning pursuant to any clause of this document may be amended with the written consent of the Minister for Planning.

6.0 THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO THIS DOCUMENT

Architectural Plans

6.1 The use and development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered or modified unless with the prior written consent of the Minister of Planning.

Ongoing architect involvement

6.2 As part of the ongoing progress and development of the site, Denton Corker Marshall, or another architectural firm to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be engaged to:

(a) Oversee design and construction of the development; and

(b) Ensure the design quality and appearance of the development is realised as shown in the endorsed plans or otherwise to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

Façade Strategy and Materials and Finishes Plan

6.3 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a Façade Strategy and Materials and Finishes Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning. When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will form part of this document. This must detail:

(a) Elevations at a scale of 1:20 or 1:50 illustrating typical podium details, entries and doors, and utilities and typical town façade details;

(b) Section drawings to demonstrate façade systems, including fixing details and joints between materials or changes in form;

(c) Information about how the façade will be maintained;

(d) A materials schedule and coloured drawings and renders outlining colours, materials and finishes and measures to limit (to the extent possible) graffiti adhesion on walls to the street, including doors, perforations, and upper levels (where necessary).

Use

6.4 Except with the prior written consent of the Minister for Planning, the residential hotel use authorised by this permit may only operate between the following hours:

(a) Monday to Sunday: 24 hours a day.

Ongoing Landscape Plan Requirement

6.5 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date is approved in writing by the Minister for Planning, the landscaping works shown on the endorsed Landscape Plan must be carried out and completed to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council. The landscaping shown on the endorsed Landscape Plan must be maintained by:

(a) implementing and complying with the provisions, recommendations, and requirements of the endorsed Landscape Plan;

(b) not using the areas set aside on the endorsed Landscape Plan for landscaping for any other purpose;

(c) replacing any dead, diseased, dying, or damaged plants.

to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning, in consultation with the Yarra City Council.

Tree Protection Arborist Report

6.6 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, an amended Arborist Report to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the amended Arborist Report will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Arborist Report must be generally in accordance with the Arborist Report prepared and authored by Howell Arboriculture Consultants dated January 2023 but modified to:

(a) make reference to the endorsed architectural plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled "560 Church Street", all dated 11 August 2023.

6.7 All tree protection measures must be carried out in accordance with the endorsed arborist report to the satisfaction of Yarra City Council.

Tree Protection Fencing

6.8 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, temporary fencing must be erected around any tree shown for retention on the endorsed plans to define a Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) that is to satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Street Tree Protection

6.9 The retained street trees must not be removed or damaged to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.10 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a security bond of $5,000 (total) for the street trees must be paid to the Yarra City Council. The security bond:

(a) must be provided in a manner, and on terms, to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council;

(b) may be held by the Yarra City Council until the works are completed to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council;

(c) in accordance with the requirements of this Incorporated Document;

(d) otherwise to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

The bond is not to be released until Yarra City Council's Arborist has inspected the trees at the completion of the development.

Tree Protection and Management Plan

6.11 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a Tree Protection and Management Plan (TPMP) must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. The TPMP must be prepared to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning by an arborist with a minimum AQF level 5 qualification and must detail tree protection and management actions prior to, during, and post works (including demolition). The TPMP is required:

(a) To maintain and protect the condition of all retained trees;

(b) To comply with AS 4970–2009 Protection of trees on a development sites (Australian Standard AS 4970–2009).

6.12 The TPMP must include all tree related requirements conditioned in this Incorporated Document. All works in the TPMP affecting trees must be implemented and/or monitored by an arborist with a minimum AQF level 5 qualification to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council. The TPMP must be certified as complete by the Project Arborist and this certification must be submitted to Yarra City Council at the completion of works.

Prior to occupation Sustainable Management Plan Requirement

6.13 Prior to the occupation of the development allowed under this Incorporated Document, a report from the author of the sustainable management plan, allowed pursuant to this Incorporated Document, or similarly qualified person or company, must be submitted to the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. The report must be to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning and must confirm that all measures specified in the sustainable management plan have been implemented in accordance with the approved plan.

Ongoing Sustainable Management Plan Requirement

6.14 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Sustainable Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Amended Wind Impact Assessment Required

6.15 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, an amended Wind Assessment Report to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the amended Wind Impact Assessment will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Wind Impact Assessment must be generally in accordance with the Wind Impact Assessment prepared and authored by MEL Consultants titled Environmental Wind Speed Measurements on a Wind Tunnel Model of the 560 Church Street Development, Richmond dated May 2023, but modified to:

(a) Make reference to the endorsed architectural plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled “560 Church Street”, all dated 11 August 2023.

Ongoing Wind Assessment Requirement

6.16 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Wind Assessment Report must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Amended Acoustic Report

6.17 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, an amended Acoustic Report to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be prepared by a suitably qualified acoustic engineer and must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the amended Acoustic Report will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Acoustic Report must be generally in accordance with the acoustic report prepared by Acoustic Logic dated 5 April 2023 but modified to assess the following:

(a) Assess the proposal as amended under the endorsed architectural plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled "560 Church Street", all dated 11 August 2023 and provide noise attenuation techniques to enhance the amenity of the development from external noise source.

Ongoing Acoustic Report Requirement

6.18 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Acoustic Report must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Ongoing Waste Management Plan Requirement

6.19 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Waste Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Public Lighting Plan Required

6.20 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a Public Lighting Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. The Public Lighting Plan must address lighting along the curtilage of the building and the entrances and the internal pedestrian laneway within the site. When approved, the Public Lighting Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document.

The Public Lighting Plan must provide for:

(a) all pedestrian access to the proposed development must be lit by public lighting installations as specified in the Australian Standard AS 1158.3.1:2020 Lighting for roads and public spaces.

(b) new poles and luminaires must be sourced from the relevant power authority's standard energy efficient luminaires list and comply with relevant CitiPower technical requirements;

(c) consultation with affected property owners to be undertaken by the developer with respect to the location of any new pole/s and light/s (if required);

(d) light spillage into the windows of existing and proposed residences must be avoided or minimised and should comply with the requirements of Australian Standard AS 4282 - 2019 Control of the obtrusive effects of outdoor lighting;

(e) the locations of any new light poles must not obstruct vehicular access into private properties;

(f) A maintenance regime for the lighting scheme within the curtilage of the property;

(g) The use of energy efficient luminaries and/or solar lighting technologies to reduce carbon emission if possible.

Ongoing Public Lighting Plan Requirement

6.21 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Public Lighting Plan must be implemented and complied with at no cost to Yarra City Council and to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Amended Green Travel Plan

6.22 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, an amended Green Travel Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the Green Travel Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The amended Green Travel Plan must be generally in accordance with the Green Travel Plan prepared by Traffix Group and dated April 2023 but modified to:

(a) Make reference to the endorsed architectural plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall, titled “560 Church Street”, all dated 11 August 2023.

6.23 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Green Travel Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Car Parking

6.24 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council, the area set aside on the endorsed plans for the car parking spaces, access lanes, driveways and associated works must be:

(a) Constructed and available for use in accordance with the endorsed plans;

(b) Formed to such levels and drained so that they can be used in accordance with the endorsed plans;

(c) Treated with an all-weather seal or some other durable surface;

(d) Line-marked or provided with some adequate means of showing the car parking spaces; all to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

6.25 Before the building is occupied, a Car Park Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the Car Park Management Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The Car Park Management Plan must address, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) the number and location of car parking spaces, including DDA spaces;

(b) the management of car parking spaces and security arrangements for employees of the development;

(c) details of way-finding, cleaning and security of end of trip bicycle facilities;

(d) policing arrangements and formal agreements;

(e) a schedule of all proposed signage including directional arrows and signage, informative signs indicating location of disabled bays and bicycle parking, exits, restrictions, pay parking system etc;

(f) details regarding the management of loading and unloading of goods and materials; (g) Instructions to employees and patrons that they must only use the car parking facilities provided on site or which are otherwise available to the public.

6.26 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Car Park Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

6.27 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Minister for Planning, a notice showing the location of car parking must be placed in a clearly visible position near the entry to the land. The notice must be maintained thereafter to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Transport for Victoria Conditions

6.28 The permit holder must avoid disruption to tram operation along Church Street during the construction of the development. Any planned disruptions to tram operation during construction and mitigation measures must be communicated to and approved by the Head, Transport for Victoria and Yarra Trams, a minimum of thirty-five days (35) prior.

6.29 The permit holder must ensure that all track, tram, and overhead infrastructure is not damaged. Any damage to public transport infrastructure must be rectified to the satisfaction of the Head, Transport for Victoria, at the full cost of the permit holder.

General

6.30 The amenity of the area must not be detrimentally affected by the use or development, including through:

(a) the transport of materials, goods, or commodities to or from land;

(b) the appearance of any buildings, works or materials;

(c) the emission of noise, artificial light, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, wastewater, waste products, grit, or oil;

(d) the presence of vermin;

to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.31 The loading and unloading of vehicles and the delivery of goods to and from the land must be conducted entirely within the land to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.32 Except with the prior written consent of the Yarra City Council, delivery, and collection of goods to and from the land may only occur between 7am and 10pm Monday to Saturday, or after 9am on a Sunday or public holiday except for those allowed under any relevant local law.

6.33 The development must comply at all times with the noise limits specified in the Environment Protection Regulations under the Environment Protection Act 2017 and the incorporated Noise Protocol (Publication 1826.4, Environment Protection Authority, May 2021).

6.34 Finished floor levels shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered or modified without the prior written consent of the Minister for Planning.

6.35 Before the building is occupied, any wall located on a boundary facing public property must be treated with a graffiti proof finish to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.36 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Minister for Planning, all new on-boundary walls must be cleaned and finished to the

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satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.37 All buildings and works must be maintained in good order and appearance to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

6.38 All pipes, fixtures, fittings, and vents servicing any building on the land must be concealed in service ducts or otherwise hidden from view to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

6.39 Before the building is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Minister for Planning, external lighting capable of illuminating access to the pedestrian and vehicular entrances must be provided on the subject site. Lighting must be:

(a) Located;

(b) Directed;

(c) Shielded;

(d) Of appropriate intensity;

(e) to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning.

Development Contributions

6.40 Prior to the issue of a building permit, commencement of the development, or issue of a Statement of Compliance (whichever occurs first) the Development Infrastructure Levy must be paid to Yarra City Council in accordance with the approved Development Contributions Plan, or the Owner must enter into an agreement with Yarra City Council to pay the amount of the levy within a time specified in the agreement.

Construction Management Plan

6.41 Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works (excluding preliminary site works and remediation works) approved by this Incorporated Document, a Construction Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning must be submitted to and approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with Yarra City Council. When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will form part of this Incorporated Document. The plan must provide for:

(a) a pre-conditions survey (dilapidation report) of the land and all adjacent Yarra City Council roads frontages and nearby road infrastructure;

(b) works necessary to protect road and other infrastructure;

(c) remediation of any damage to road and other infrastructure;

(d) containment of dust, dirt and mud within the land and method and frequency of clean up procedures to prevent the accumulation of dust, dirt, and mud outside the land;

(e) facilities for vehicle washing, which must be located on the land;

(f) the location of loading zones, site sheds, materials, cranes and crane/hoisting zones, gantries and any other construction related items or equipment to be located in any street;

(g) site security;

(h) management of any environmental hazards including, but not limited to,:

(i) contaminated soil;

(ii) materials and waste;

(iii) dust;

(iv) stormwater contamination from run-off and wash-waters;

(v) sediment from the land on roads;

(vi) washing of concrete trucks and other vehicles and machinery;

(vii) spillage from refueling cranes and other vehicles and machinery;

(i) the construction program;

(j) preferred arrangements for trucks delivering to the land, including delivery, and unloading points and expected duration and frequency;

(k) parking facilities for construction workers;

(l) measures to ensure that all work on the land will be carried out in accordance with the Construction Management Plan;

(m) an outline of requests to occupy public footpaths or roads, or anticipated disruptions to local services;

(n) an emergency contact that is available for 24 hours per day for residents and the Minister for Planning in the event of relevant queries or problems experienced;

(o) The provision of a traffic management plan to comply with provisions of AS 1742.3-2002 Manual of uniform traffic control devices - Part 3: Traffic control devices for works on roads;

(p) A Noise and Vibration Management Plan showing methods to minimise noise and vibration impacts on nearby properties and to demonstrate compliance with Noise Control Guideline 12 for Construction (Publication 1254) as issued by the Environment Protection Authority in October 2008. The Noise and Vibration Management Plan must be prepared to the satisfaction of the Minister for Planning. In preparing the Noise and Vibration Management Plan, consideration must be given to:

(i) using lower noise work practice and equipment;

(ii) the suitability of the land for the use of an electric crane;

(iii) silencing all mechanical plant by the best practical means using current technology;

(iv) fitting pneumatic tools with an effective silencer; (q) other relevant considerations;

(v) any site-specific requirements;

(q) During the construction:

(i) any stormwater discharged into the stormwater drainage system must be in compliance with Environment Protection Authority guidelines;

(ii) stormwater drainage system protection measures must be installed as required to ensure that no solid waste, sediment, sand, soil, clay, or stones from the land enters the stormwater drainage system;

(iii) vehicle borne material must not accumulate on the roads abutting the land;

(iv) the cleaning of machinery and equipment must take place on the land and not on adjacent footpaths or roads;

(v) all litter (including items such as cement bags, food packaging and

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plastic strapping) must be disposed of responsibly.

Ongoing Construction Management Plan Requirement

6.42 The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Construction Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Yarra City Council.

Construction Times

6.43 Except with the prior written consent of the Minister for Planning, demolition or construction works must not be carried out:

(a) Monday-Friday (excluding public holidays) before 7 am or after 6 pm;
(b) Saturdays and public holidays (other than ANZAC Day, Christmas Day, and Good Friday) before 9 am or after 3 pm;
(c) Sundays, ANZAC Day, Christmas Day, and Good Friday at any time.

6.44 Any plans and reports endorsed by the Minister for Planning pursuant to any condition of this Incorporated Document may be amended with the written consent of the Minister for Planning.

7.0 EXPIRY OF THIS SPECIFIC CONTROL

7.1 The development of the land permitted under this Incorporated Document must:

(a) Commence within two years of the gazettal date of Amendment C319yara to the planning scheme.

(b) Be completed within six years of the gazettal date of Amendment C319yara to the planning scheme.

7.2 The uses permitted under this Incorporated Document must commence within six years of the gazettal date of Amendment C319yara to the planning scheme.

7.3 The Minister for Planning may extend the period for commencement if a request is made in writing before the time for commencement expires or within six months afterwards.

7.4 The Minister for Planning may extend the date for the completion of the development if a request is made in writing before the time for completion expires or within 12 months after the time for completion expires and the development is started lawfully before the approval expired.

7.5 This Incorporated Document will expire twelve months after the date of the issuing of the Certificate of Occupancy for the last stage of the development or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Minister for Planning.

7.6 Upon expiry of the specific control, the land may be used and developed only in accordance with the provisions of the planning scheme in operation at that time.

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City Link Notes

- The development authorised by this Incorporated Document is on or in proximity to Coode Island Silt (CIS).
- A reduction in the water levels contained in CIS may lead to ground settlement and potential structural movement of buildings and other infrastructure. Any works authorised by this Incorporated Document should ensure that they do not reduce the water levels of CIS.

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Planning and Environment Act 1987

YARRA PLANNING SCHEME

AMENDMENT C319yara

EXPLANATORY REPORT

Who is the planning authority?

The Minister for Planning is the planning authority for the Amendment.

The Amendment has been made at the request of the Alfasi Property Development Pty Ltd c/- Contour Consultants Aust (the Applicant).

Land affected by the amendment

The Amendment applies to the land at 560 Church Street, Cremorne (shown below). The land is formally described as:

- Lot 1 on Title Plan 128114J
- Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 214127X
- Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 214128V
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 128218V (formerly known as part of Portion 6 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 613126W (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 593353Q (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 376361D (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 of Title Plan 390363T (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 694793W (formerly known as part of Portion 5 Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 694570T (formerly known as part of Portion 5 AT RICHMOND Parish of Jika Jika).
- Lot 1 on Title Plan 692646W (formerly known as part of Portion 5 AT RICHMOND Parish of Jika Jika).

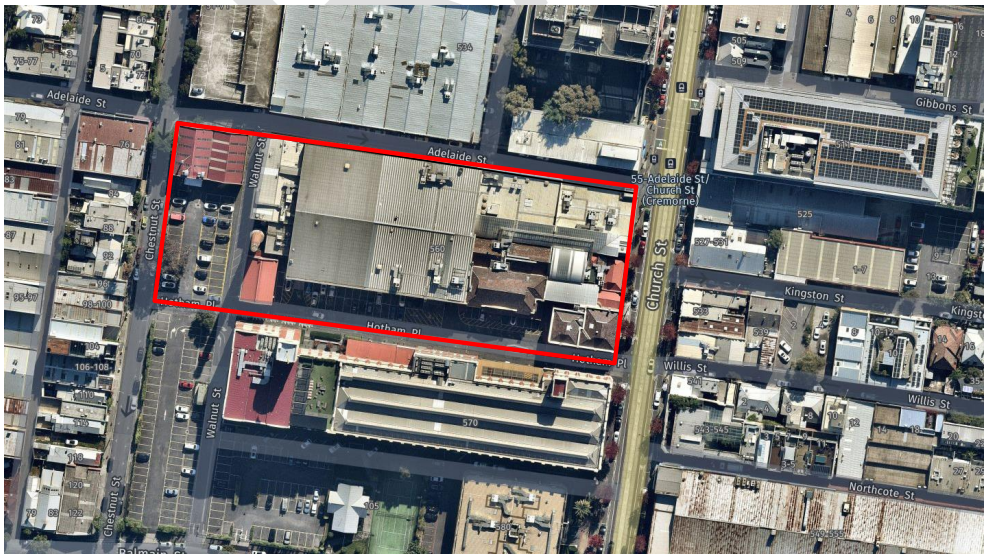

Figure 1: Aerial photograph of the subject land at 560 Church Street, Cremorne

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What the amendment does

The Amendment applies a Specific Controls Overlay (SCO) to the land at 560 Church Street Cremorne and introduces an incorporated document into the planning scheme titled '560 Church Street, Cremorne, Incorporated Document, August 2023'.

The amendment facilitates a commercial development comprising office, residential hotel and retail premises, a reduction in the statutory car parking requirements and removal of native vegetation.

Specifically, the amendment:

- Applies the Specific Controls Overlay Schedule 19 (SCO19) to land at 560 Church Street, Cremorne, Cremorne (the subject land).
- Amends the Schedule to Clause 45.12 'Specific Controls Overlay' to apply SCO19 and the Incorporated Document titled '560 Church Street, Cremorne Incorporated Document, August 2023' to the subject land.
- Inserts an Incorporated Document titled '560 Church Street, Cremorne, Incorporated Document, August 2023'.
- Amends the Schedule to Clause 72.04 'Documents Incorporated in this Planning Scheme.'
- Inserts Planning Scheme Map No. 8SCO to apply SCO19 to the subject land.

Strategic assessment of the Amendment

Why is the Amendment required?

The Amendment is required to facilitate the use and development of the subject land to provide immediate benefits to Victoria's economy.

The Amendment will fast track the development on the basis that it will assist in stimulating the economy and create jobs. The project involves an estimated capital expenditure of approximately $500 million and generation of 2000 jobs (direct and indirect) during construction and 3000 ongoing jobs.

The proposal was recommended for accelerated assessment and determination as part of the Development Facilitation Program (DFP) on the basis that it will deliver significant short to medium term economic outcomes and public benefits, aligns with government policy and priorities, is shovel ready and has sufficiently addressed probity considerations. The DFP has been established by the Minister to speed up the assessment and determination of identified priority projects that deliver investment into the Victorian economy, keep people in jobs and provide a substantial public benefit.

How does the amendment implement the objectives of planning in Victoria?

The amendment implements the objectives of planning in Victoria under Section 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987 (*the Act*)* as follows:

a) to provide for the fair, orderly, economic, and sustainable use, and development of land;
b) to secure a pleasant, efficient, and safe working, living and recreational environment for all Victorians and visitors to Victoria,
c) to conserve and enhance those buildings, areas or other places which are of scientific, aesthetic architectural or historical interest, or otherwise of special cultural value'
d) to facilitate development in accordance with the objectives, and
e) to balance the present and future interests of all Victorians.

The Amendment will facilitate the use and development of 560 Church Street, Cremorne which comprises over 23,500 sqm of commercial office floor space, 7,275 sqm of residential hotel floor space and 2,015 sqm of retail (including food and drink) premises and significant improvements to the public realm through improved pedestrian and cycling links, landscaping and activated public spaces. Furthermore, the proposed removal of existing non-significant additions will restore the legibility of the historical buildings. Being with a designated employment precinct, the proposal is considered to represent a fair, orderly, economic, and sustainable use and development of land. The project will enable a significant volume of employment in a location with good access to public transport and services, contributing towards the 20-minute city concept. In this regard, the project results in good

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economic development, employment, and transport outcomes, and is considered to balance the present and future interests of all Victorians and achieve a net community benefit.

How does the amendment address any environmental, social, and economic effects?

The Amendment includes an incorporated document that facilitates a major transit-oriented development, reduces reliance on single vehicular use, promotes public transport and bicycle use, creates new public pedestrian links, and includes numerous ESD measures.

The amendment involves the private provision of new public open spaces, with a significant extent of new and accessible public spaces, including pedestrian and cycling and landscaped garden areas.

The amendment facilitates economic benefits by providing for a development with up to 3000 additional jobs, close to where people live and thus reducing commuting times. The additional commercial offering including retail and food and drinks services for on-site works but also the local area.

The Amendment will facilitate the delivery of a development that will stimulate the Victorian economy, by facilitating an increase in employment activities, including flexible and diverse commercial floorspace, a residential hotel and retail opportunities in a location where people live and benefit from good access to transport and services. The development will foster economic growth and contribute towards strengthening and diversifying the economy.

The economic and social benefits to Victorians that flow from the project, both presently and in the future, are in the interest of Victorians and achieves a net community benefit.

Does the amendment address relevant bushfire risk?

The Amendment will not increase the risk to life, property, community infrastructure and the natural environment from bushfire. The land is not within or near a designated bushfire risk area.

Does the amendment comply with the requirements of any Minister's Direction applicable to the amendment?

The Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Ministerial Direction – The Form and Content of Planning Schemes under section 7(5) of the Act.

The Amendment complies with Ministerial Direction No. 9 Metropolitan Planning Strategy as it facilitates the development of the subject land in accordance with the directions contained within Plan Melbourne: 2017 – 2050. Specifically, the Amendment supports:

- Outcome 1 by facilitating a productive city that attracts investment, supports innovation, and creates job, noting the subject site is positioned within a designated employment precinct.
- Outcome 3 by optimising development alongside Melbourne's integrated transport system that connects people to jobs and services and goods.
- Outcome 4 by facilitating a development with quality design and amenity outcomes and contributing towards Melbourne's distinctiveness and liveability.
- Outcome 5 through the delivery of development that will contribute to an inclusive, vibrant, and healthy neighbourhood.
- Outcome 6 by promoting Melbourne as a sustainable and resilient city.

Further, the Amendment addresses the required strategic assessment guidelines in accordance with *Ministerial Direction No. 11 Strategic Assessment of Amendments and Ministerial Direction No. 15 The Planning Scheme Amendment Process.*

How does the amendment support or implement the Planning Policy Framework and any adopted State policy?

The Amendment implements the objectives of Plan Melbourne 2017 – 2050 by providing for employment growth including office, retail premises and a residential hotel close to established public transport networks, bicycle, and pedestrian infrastructure and where people work and live.

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Clause 11 Settlement

The project associated with the Amendment responds to the needs of existing and future communities by creating employment and a high-quality urban design outcome. The project is in the designated employment precinct of Cremorne and follows existing settlement patterns where good infrastructure (including established transport networks) is available, capitalising on opportunities for urban renewal. In this manner, sustainable development is promoted, and full advantage is taken of investment in infrastructure and services. Overall, the project contributes to a compact urban area, as it provides convenient access to jobs where good transport and services are available.

Clause 13 Environmental Risks and Amenity

The project associated with the Amendment minimises amenity conflicts and protects community wellbeing by ensuring there are acceptable off-site impacts as well as compatibility with adjoining and nearby land uses. Further, the project has been designed to respond to the impacts of climate change and achieve a high level of sustainability and are targeting 5 Star Green Star certified buildings rating to the whole precinct and 5.5 NABERS base building energy rating for the workplace building.

Clause 15 Built Environment and Heritage

The project associated with the Amendment will provide a high-quality urban design and heritage outcome that responds appropriately to the context. The proposed building height is consistent with the evolving character of the area. The scale and massing are acceptable in the circumstances, including the proposed setbacks, as are the form and appearance, which includes suitable materials and finishes. The project delivers high-quality employment floorspace that is functional and accessible and enhances the function and amenity of the public realm, including safe and efficient walking and cycling environments. Finally, it promotes environmentally sustainable outcomes.

Clause 17 Economic Development

The Amendment encourages development that meets the community's needs for office, retail, and other commercial uses, with capital expenditure of approximately $500 million. The project strengthens and diversifies the economy providing additional employment, with 2000 jobs (direct and indirect) during construction and 3000 ongoing jobs. The project is in a designated within Cremorne – a major employment precinct according to the '*Yarra Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy (2018)'* and will enable a large volume of employment in a location close to where people live, with good access to transport and services. In addition, the site is located within the precinct of Cremorne, which has been identified as an Enterprise Precinct according to '*Unlocking Enterprise in a Changing Economy (2018)*', is nominated as a key industrial and commercial area according to the '*Melbourne Industrial and Commercial Land Use Plan (2020')* and '*Cremorne Place Implementation Plan (2020)'.*

Clause 18 Transport

The project associated with the Amendment maximises the density of development in a location near to the Principal Public Transport Network and promotes integrated transport. The project provides safe and attractive walking and cycling opportunities, which contributes to environmental sustainability. This includes cycle parking and end-of-trip facilities. While the level of car parking provision represents a reduction against the expectations of the scheme, the project provides an adequate number of car parking spaces in the circumstances, and these are appropriately designed and located.

How does the amendment support or implement the Local Planning Policy Framework, and specifically the Municipal Strategic Statement?

The Amendment aligns with relevant Clauses of the Local Planning Policy Framework and specifically the Municipal Strategic Statement by:

- Satisfying the vision for Yarra, including land use, built form, transport and environmental sustainability (Clause 21.03)
- Contributing to the sustainable economy, with new and diverse local employment opportunities including office and retail premises to foster a diverse and viable economic base (Clause 21.04-3)

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- Protecting Yarra's heritage places (Clause 21.05-1).
- Reinforcing the existing urban framework of Yarra and ensuring that new development contributes positively to Yarra's urban fabric (Clause 21.05-2).
- Providing a public environment that encourages community interaction and activity (Clause 21.05- 4).
- Providing safe and convenient pedestrian and bicycle environments (Clause 21.06-1).
- Reducing the reliance on the private motor car (Clause 21.06-3).
- Promoting environmentally sustainable development (Clause 21.07-1).
- Ensuring that new development positively responds to the context of the development and respects the scale and form of surrounding development where this is a valued feature of the neighbourhood character; ensuring that new development makes a positive contribution to the streetscape through high standards in architecture and urban design; limiting the impact of new development on the amenity of surrounding land; designing buildings to increase the safety, convenience, attractiveness, inclusiveness, accessibility and 'walkability' of the City's streets and public spaces; creating a positive interface between the private domain and public spaces; and encouraging environmentally sustainable development (Clause 22.10-2)
- Ensuring that development achieves best practice in environmentally sustainable development from the design stage through to construction and operation (Clause 22.17-2).

Does the amendment make proper use of the Victoria Planning Provisions?

The amendment makes proper use of the Victoria Planning Provisions to facilitate the project, specifically Clause 45.12 and Clause 72.04 of the Yarra Planning Scheme.

The purpose of Clause 45.12 is to apply specific controls to achieve a particular use and development. The specific controls in this amendment are set out in the incorporated document and allow the use and development of the relevant land for the project, in accordance with the clauses specified in the incorporated document.

The use of this provision in this case is appropriate because the project will have significant economic and social benefits that are urgently required, and the incorporated document will allow the project to be delivered in a coordinated, consistent, and timely manner under a single planning control.

How does the amendment address the views of any relevant agency?

The views of relevant agencies, including Yarra City Council, the Environment Protection Authority, Transurban City Link Limited and the Roads Corporation will be considered in the preparation of this amendment following consultation under section 20(5) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

Does the amendment address relevant requirements of the Transport Integration Act 2010?

The Amendment will be consistent with the vision for an integrated and sustainable transport system that contributes to an inclusive, prosperous, and environmentally responsible state.

Resource and administrative costs

It is not anticipated that the Amendment will give rise to any unreasonable resource or administrative costs for the Minister for Planning.

What impact will the new planning provisions have on the resource and administrative costs of the responsible authority?

It is not anticipated the Amendment will have a significant administrative impact on the responsible authority. The Minster for Planning will be the responsible authority for matters under Divisions 1, 1A, 2, 3 and 5 of Part 4 and Division 2 of Part 9 of the Act and any matters required by the scheme to be endorsed, approved, or done to the satisfaction of the responsible authority, in relation to the land at 560 Church Street and part 570 Church Street, Cremorne.

Where you may inspect this amendment

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The amendment can be inspected free of charge at the Department of Transport and Planning website at https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/planning-approvals/current-consultations or by contacting 1800 789 386 to arrange a time to view the amendment documentation.

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ATTACHMENT 1 - Mapping reference table

Location	Land /Area Affected	Mapping Reference
560 Church Street Cremorne	560 Church Street, Cremorne	SCO19 on Map8SCO

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Dear Heritage Victoria - DELWP

Council Reference: PHRF23/0208
HV Reference: P37853
Address: 560 Church St Cremorne VIC 3121

I refer to your correspondence received by Council on 26/06/2023 regarding the above property and notifying Council of application number P37853 at 560 Church St Cremorne VIC 3121 pursuant to Section 100 of the *Heritage Act 2017*.

The application was referred externally to Council's contracted heritage advisor (GJM Heritage) to undertake a formal review of the proposal. Click here to view their comments in full:

- Heritage Advice

Based on the information provided, I write to advise that Council believes the development should not be supported in its current form due to issues identified with the proposal by Council's Heritage Consultant (GJM Heritage), with which Council is in agreement.

Further details of key concerns are as follows:

New Built Form

- The dominance of the proposed new Buildings B & C on the heritage place and lack of a sensitive transition to lower scale heritage buildings and obstruction of views to the Bryant and May Clocktower to the north-west.
- The massing and "wedge" form of building C does not relate to the massing form of scale of heritage fabric and will visually compete with heritage fabric.
- Projecting windows of Building B tower will compete with detailing of heritage buildings.
- Building C setbacks will have an adverse impact on the prominence of the significant heritage chimney.

Insufficient detail

- Internal demolition and alterations to heritage buildings is not sufficiently detailed.

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- Insufficient detail on the economic use of the place has been provided to justify the level of impact to the heritage place.
- Alternative designs considered that reduce impact form new built form have not been included in the proposal.
- Clarifications/detail about conservation works to any historic signs are required.
- Detail of proposed works to rainwater goods to heritage buildings is required.

There is no need for you to contact Council in response to this correspondence.

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Yours sincerely,

Statutory Planning Branch

Referral Response
City Strategy – Open Space Design

Application Information:

Referral Officer:	Kevin Ayrey
Officer:	Julian Larkins
Council Reference:	PHRF23/0004
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Proposal:	DFP-258 560 CHURCH STREET
Comments Sought:	Click here to view referral memo: D23/327808 - IREF23/00672 - Referral Request
Disclaimer:	Council's City Strategy - Open Space Plan & Design Unit – Open Space Planner, provides the following referral advice based on the information provided in the referral request memo referenced above.
Prev. Responses:	D23/150941 (DICKSONK 27/04/2023) Note: This file has been added to the application as an attachment named 'Referral No. eRIRCStrat 18665542.PDF' (ESERVICES 28/08/2023)

Council's Open Space Design (City Strategy) are requested to make comment on the following:

- Landscaping Plan (which shows landscaping proposed within the development's property boundary)
- Landscaping Plan and plant schedules
- Details for planter boxes and other furniture
- Irrigation and maintenance
- Clause 58.03-5 landscaping objectives (soil volumes, deep soil planting).

Comments and Recommendations:

The comments below relate to the Landscape Plans provided by Oculus (Rev D – 17/09/2023).

<u>Landscaping Plan and Plant Schedules</u>

Shallow water features – the depth of these needs to consider public safety around water bodies and the visibility and height of the lip edge that would be created when there is no water in this area.

Indigenous plant selection – the indigenous plant selection includes a number of cultivars of indigenous plants - *Lomandra 'Tanika', Dianella 'Tas Red'* – and plants indigenous to Victoria but not within the EVC – 55: Plains Grassy Woodland plant list. There is also no indication in relation to plant stock being sourced from local provenance seed stock. This

may meet the criteria for Greenstar accreditation, but as I was unable to find a definition for what Greenstar consider 'indigenous' I can't make an assessment of this. Council's Environmental Sustainable Development Advisor may be able to provide guidance on the requirements for indigenous.

Tree Schedule Table 3.7 – The column headings need to be adjusted in relation information included. A number of trees are proposed for Adelaide Street – refer to the feedback from Urban Design.

Section 15: Adelaide Street – The elevation showing façade planting facing Adelaide street does not reflect the proposed planting for the roof terraces and facades.

Planting Plan - Level 2 & 3 façade planting for the hotel building (B) is not shown in the planting plans.

Details for Planter boxes and other furniture

Details for planter boxes and other furniture have not been included in this drawing package.

Clause 58.03-5

This clause covers apartment design guidelines, where as this development appears to be a combination of office buildings and a hotel.

City Works
NA

Open Space Designer: Kevin Ayrey
Date: 13 September 2023

Urban Design
Formal Referral Response

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Prev. Responses:	D23/151732 (MCNICOLH 28/04/2023) Note: This file has been added to the application as an attachment named 'Referral No. eRIRResUrb 18667678.PDF' (ESERVICES 28/08/2023)

Recommendation

- Changes are required to make the proposal acceptable from an Urban Design perspective.

Comment Summary

General layout

1. The principle of providing new laneways and public spaces throughout the site is supported. However, the development is internally focused and does not integrate or seek to improve the surrounding street network. For example:
    - Adelaide Street is an important connecting route for pedestrians, but is treated as a back of house for the development.
    - Although the Chestnut Corner is anchored to Chestnut Street, there are limited improvements along Chestnut Street (e.g. providing a wider footpath by setting the building back).
    - The public space provision could be better connected to the Church Street corridor to provide improved surveillance and use of the space. Redhead Green could be more accessible by opening up the space the heritage and new buildings facing Church Street, and the new building on Church Street (NE corner) could be set back to provide a new public space facing Church Street.

Adjacent Council streets - general

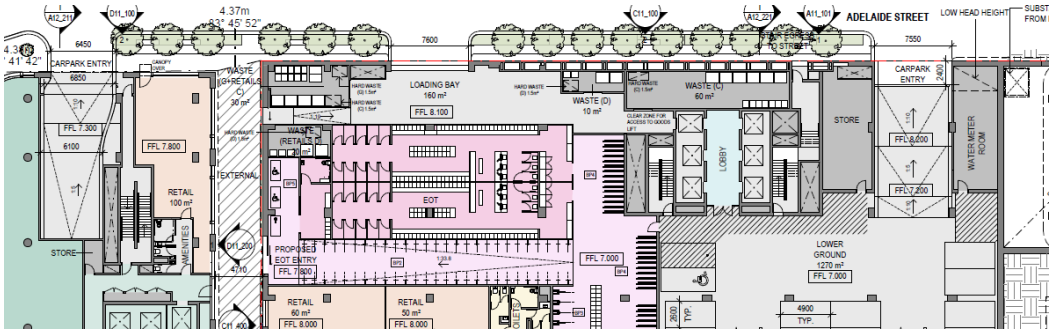
2. The proposal should pursue undergrounding of power on surrounding streets.

3. Proposal should look at upgrading lighting on these streets where needed. Noticed that there is a light attached to the existing building fronting Adelaide Street. This should be detailed on the landscape plans.

4. Proposal should look at providing threshold treatments to provide improved pedestrian conditions. For example, corner of Church and Adelaide Street. This is subject to any requirements from the Traffic team.

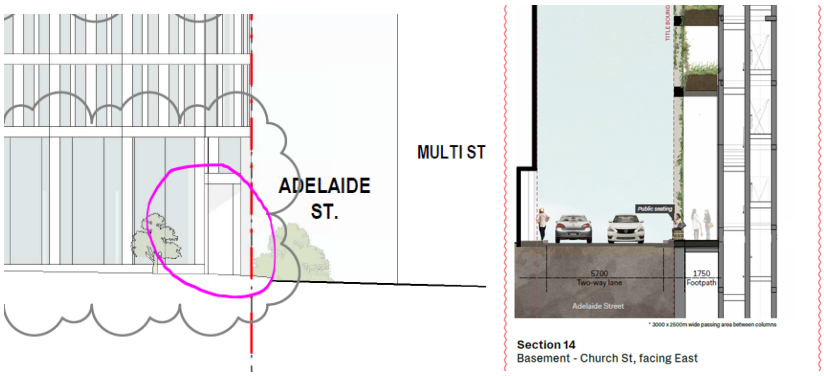
Adelaide Street

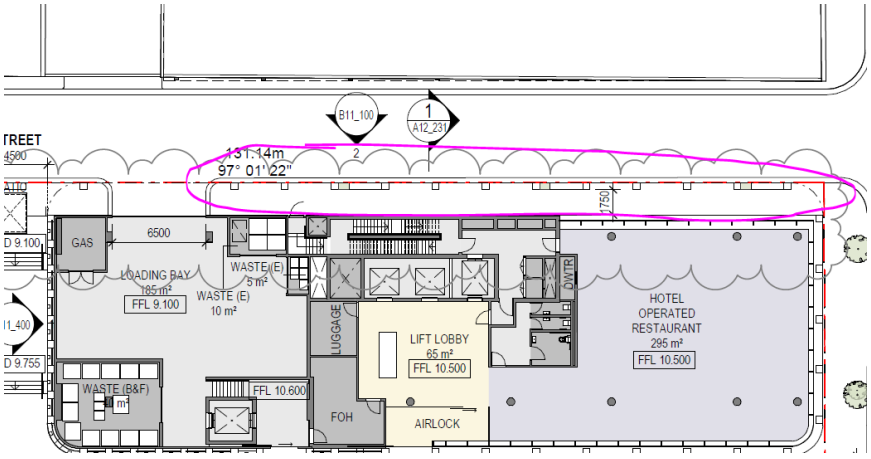
5. We do not support the proposed arrangement of car parking, loading and back of house being consolidated to Adelaide Street with limited activation along the street. As set out in the Cremorne UDF, Adelaide Street is a key connecting route. Some changes have been made to introduce some more active uses for buildings facing Adelaide Street. However, the frontage along Building C is still dominated by back of house and vehicle access, and the loading bay and waste storage are horizontally aligned which take up the frontage. We recommend that these are vertically aligned so that there is opportunity for other uses to have access from Adelaide Street (for example the bike EOT facilities, secondary access to the workspace). Any blank walls should incorporate vertical greening and high-quality materials to improve the amenity of the street.



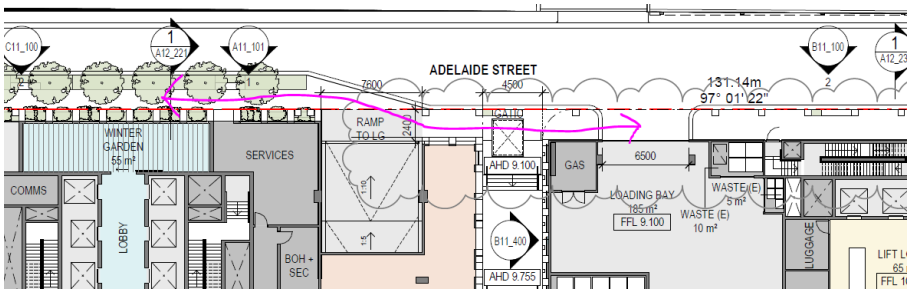
6. The development proposes to provide two-way access along the eastern section of Adelaide Street. A pedestrian path is provided along the southern side of the road. We have concerns about the amenity, accessibility and alignment of the footpath along Adelaide Street:

    - The hotel building provides a footpath by providing a ground floor setback. There are a series of columns alongside the northern edge of the footpath, which are closely spaced and make the space feel more closed in and less public. Furthermore, the footpath is only 1.75m wide which is inadequate – should be at least 1.8m unobstructed footpath. Refer images below.



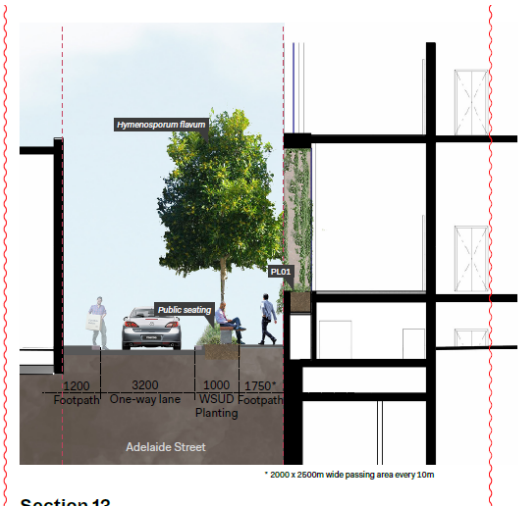


- The footpath has an awkward alignment where the road transitions between two-way and one-way (see below). This compromises pedestrian access and amenity as people will be faced with different conditions, will be unsure if the eastern section of footpath is public and will have to negotiate around the vehicle entry. We recommend that the path should have a straight alignment to provide adequate access and amenity for pedestrians.



- We understand that the Traffic team does not support the two-way traffic arrangement along this section of Adelaide Street. If this was left as one-way, this would assist in providing a better aligned path.

- Support the principle of tree planting and greening of Adelaide Street, however more detailed plans would be required to review the proposal and sign off would also be required from the Open Space Services team (maintenance). Council usually delivers the tree planting/greening with the applicant providing a financial contribution. We can provide a costing if needed (maybe this should wait until the one-way / two-way discussion is resolved). If one-way is retained along the whole length, there may be additional opportunities for tree planting.
- Notice that the dimensions are quite tight for western section (only 1.75m footpath) and therefore more detailed drawings will be needed to show how this will all fit and how it will function as a shared zone. Refer section below.



Chestnut Street

7. This street is well activated with a new workspace and retail unit fronting the street.

8. Given role and connectivity of Chestnut Street, recommend that building is set back from the street (ground and upper levels) to provide a wider footpath and opportunities for tree planting.

Church Street

9. There is a missed opportunity to provide a public space fronting Church Street, by setting back the NE corner building and providing space for seating and tree planting. This could also provide an improved connection to Redhead Green.

Land ownership boundaries down Russell Street and interface with Bryant & May building

10. The vehicle access and frontages should be mapped for the Red Energy business and any other businesses in the B&M site to the south, particularly where they rely on Russell Street. This is so that we can understand how they activate Russell Street and what access requirements they have.

11. The development will need to clarify how the works on Russell Street would be delivered considering that the land ownership boundaries run down the middle of the road.

New public spaces and streets (within site)

12. The public spaces proposed have very little access to sunlight in general and many of the buildings do not provide a human scale to these spaces. Has a wind study been conducted to understand the comfort levels within these spaces?

13. The public spaces design should better cater for people working in the precinct and allow for workspaces to spill outside and activate the public realm. The design should consider types of seating and tables that support use by workers (e.g. outdoor meetings).

14. The plans show outdoor dining as the main way to activate the space. This should also consider other ways to activate the space (e.g. other types of seating, softer areas of landscaping).

15. 24-hour access is supported. To ensure that the internal street/public realm network is well functioning, safe, accessible and successful, it is recommended that the applicant submits independent assessments and advice covering:
    - Accessibility
    - Lighting
    - Safety (CPTED)

16. In terms of accessibility, there are many level changes through the site. An access consultant should provide recommendations on the design to ensure that dignified, equitable and compliant spaces are provided through the site. This should also consider accessible parking.

17. Ground floor uses include a mix of workspace and retail throughout the site. Curious to know if these units are flexible in terms of land use and being able to be divided up so that the spaces adapt to the changing needs of businesses over time. Important for ground floor uses to activate the space on the weekend and evening, therefore some retail/restaurant/cafes through the site are supported from this perspective.

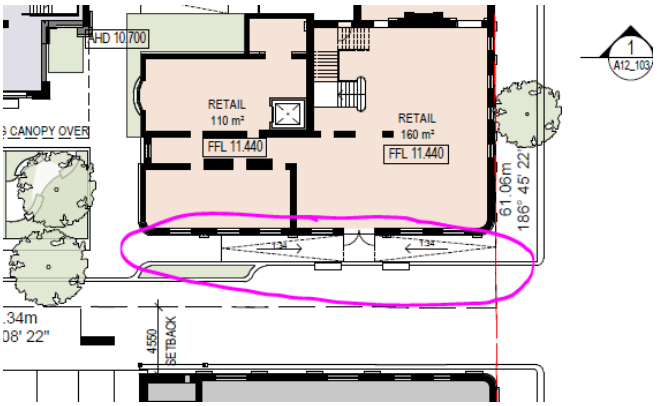
18. <u>Chestnut Corner</u>
    - This is described as an afternoon sun trap but will get very little sun and only a small corner from about 2pm onwards.
    - There is a small patch of grass (pitched to be for afternoon picnics), but this will be in shade for considerable periods of time.

19. <u>Boiler Yard, Cremorne Square and Chimney Yard</u>
    - No human scale and buildings overwhelm the space, including the chimney which should be the feature.
    - Note that the renders show this as a sunny space but it will be in shadow for most of the day during Equinox. This is a general comment about making sure renders are realistic.
    - Consider safety of water feature (e.g. depth of water).

20. Brymay Garden
    - Note that the space is intended to be a lush/dense vegetated area, and the design will need to make sure there is adequate soil volume and garden bed width to achieve this.

21. Redhead Green
    - This could have a more open entry from Church Street to make this space feel more welcoming and more connected to Church Street, and allow for Church Street passers-by to activate the space and provide surveillance.

22. Russell Street
    - Pedestrian entry from Church Street – need to clarify width of ramp. An open and wide pedestrian entry should be provided, and whilst the proposal will need to account for any necessary vehicle access, this should have a pedestrian focus to draw people in from Church Street.



    - There is an existing gate and post at the entry from Church Street – unsure of heritage status.
    - There is an existing business identification (gateway) panel that in our view detracts from the space and adjacent heritage building. Is this proposed to be provided/changed?
    - A large bank of bike parking is proposed on Russell Street. Suggest that bike parking is more spread out and relates to key routes in the site and arrival points.

23. Walnut Street
    - This space could be a wind tunnel due to the narrowness of the laneway in relation to the scale of buildings. This could impact people waiting around the hole in the wall café and moving through the space. Has a wind assessment been undertaken?

24. Brymay Lane
    - Similar to previous point, the width of laneway coupled with scale of buildings would impact levels of comfort through space.

25. The deep soil areas should be consolidated to provide greater conditions for tree planting. Page 16 of the Landscape Report shows the deep soil areas as fragmented.

26. All fire booster cabinets and structures associated with services should be integrated with the building (note there is a standalone one shown on Russell Street).

Other

27. We have not undertaken a detailed review of the materials, but we require that the materials are suitable for the context and heritage setting (Heritage Victoria may have additional comments) and are accessible and meet relevant standards.

Capital Works:

28. The Urban Design Tree Plan has noted that a number of trees were planted in Adelaide St (north side) in 2020. Three trees along the side of No. 534 Church St will be replaced and the tree species changed due to waterlogged conditions along there (this may have recently been done).

Urban Designer: Hayley McNicol
Date: 1 September 2023

Strategic Transport
Formal Referral Response

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Prev. Responses:	

Comments

Access and Safety

The following safety and access concerns should be addressed:

Issue One

- Pedestrian-vehicle visibility splays at the various car park and loading area access points have not been provided in accordance with Clause 52.06 of the Planning Scheme (car parking) and AS 2890.2 (loading vehicles).
- While footways on Adelaide Street are narrow, the site access points should be set out to provide sufficient visibility between pedestrians walking along the street and vehicles exiting the car park or loading areas.
- If sufficient visibility cannot be provided, mitigation measures should be required, such as warning lights or mirrors.

Issue Two

- The visibility requirements for cyclists exiting the end-of-trip to Adelaide Street should be considered, given no visibility splays have been noted on the plans.

Bicycle Parking Provision

Statutory Requirement

Under the provisions of Clause 52.34-3 of the Yarra Planning Scheme, the development's bicycle parking requirements are as follows:

Proposed Use	Quantity/ Size	Statutory Parking Rate	No. of Spaces Required	No. of Spaces Allocated
Office (other than specified in the table)	25,675 sqm	1 employee space to each 300 sqm of net floor area if the net floor area exceeds 1000 sqm	86 employee spaces	
		1 visitor space to each 1000 sqm of net floor area if the net floor area exceeds 1000 sqm	26 visitor spaces.	
Retail premises (other than specified in this table)	1,940 sqm	1 employee space to each 300 sqm of leasable floor area	6 employee spaces	
		1 visitor space to each 500 sqm of leasable floor area	4 visitor spaces.	
Residential building (other than specified in this table)	202 Rooms	Employees: In developments of four or more storeys, 1 to each 10 lodging rooms	20 employee spaces	
		Visitors: In developments of four or more storeys, 1 to each 10 lodging rooms	20 visitor spaces.	
Bicycle Parking Spaces Total			**112 resident / employee spaces**	**200 resident / employee spaces**
			50 visitor spaces	**64 visitor spaces**
Showers / Change rooms		1 to the first 5 employee spaces and 1 to each additional 10 employee spaces	**21 showers / change rooms**	**21 showers / change rooms**

The development provides a total of 88 additional resident/employee spaces and 14 additional visitor spaces above the requirements of the Scheme.

Adequacy of visitor spaces

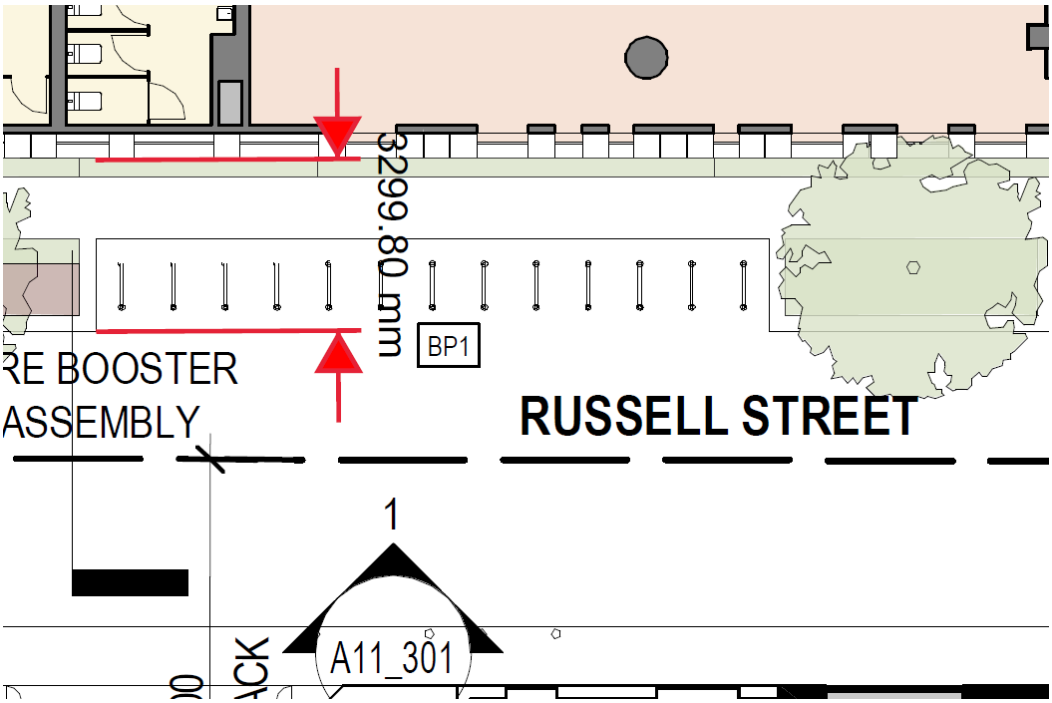
64 bicycle spaces for visitors are proposed to be provided in publicly accessible areas outside the buildings. Note that the spaces on Church Street have been inferred from the Urban Design report, and are not directly shown on architectural plans.

- 26 spaces on Russell Street (13 bicycle hoops)
- 18 spaces on Walnut Street (9 bicycle hoops)
- 20 spaces on Church Street (assumed to be 10 bicycle hoops, inferring from information in the development schedule provided in the Urban Design report)

The provision of 64 visitor bicycle parking spaces greatly exceeds requirements and is therefore acceptable.

The overall dimension of a horizontal bicycle parking module is 3.3m (1.9m long space + 1.5m wide access aisle)

- This is provided at Walnut Street
- No bicycle parking is shown on Church Street. The design intent should be reflected on the architectural plans
- On Russell Street, the 3.3m dimension can be met, provided that that green strip (presumably landscaping) can contribute to the aisle width (see image below).
    - This should be confirmed.



Adequacy of employee spaces

Number of spaces

The employee parking requirements of the development (based on a 10% mode share to bike) can be determined using the Austroads publication *Bicycle Parking Facilities: Updating the Austroads Guide to Traffic Management*. This indicates that a total of 124 employee spaces are necessary:

- 116 for the office component
- 3 for the retail component
- 5 of the residential hotel component (assuming 50 staff on site at any one time)

The provision of 200 employee bicycle parking spaces greatly exceeds this requirement and is therefore acceptable.

Design and location of employee spaces and facilities

Employee and resident spaces are additional located and designed for the following reasons:

- Resident/employee bicycle parking is provided at lower ground level with direct access via Walnut Street. This is acceptable
- The dimension of the bicycle parking layout appear acceptable
    - However, it appears that a bicycle parking stacker is proposed. The stacker model and its dimensions should be confirmed
- It is assumed that the stacker spaces will be able to be loaded horizontally, effectively providing 80 horizontal spaces (exceeding the requirement of AS 2890.3 to provide 20% of bicycle parking as horizontal spaces)
    - Again, this should be confirmed by providing the dimensions of the nominated bicycle parking mechanism.

Electric vehicles / share cars / other relevant topics?

Council's BESS guidelines encourage the use of fuel efficient and electric vehicles (EV). Whilst it is acceptable no EV charging points are installed during construction, to allow for easy future expanded provision for electric vehicle charging, all car parking areas should be electrically wired to be 'EV ready'. A minimum 40A single phase electrical sub circuit should be installed to these areas for this purpose.

Green Travel Plan

A green travel plan has been provided with the application. The target of 70% of commuter trips by staff being by sustainable modes aligns with other inner city renewal precincts, such as Macaulay and Fishermans Bend (both targeting 80% sustainable travel). However, current sustainable mode share is approx. 60%, so 70% is not a particularly demanding target over the long term (say the next 10-20 yrs) and could easily be pushed to 80% over that timeframe. Other than that, the travel plan contains the relevant information one would expect to see and is acceptable on that basis.

Other comments

The proposed car park provides a significant amount of car parking spaces (225). As travel behaviour changes over the next 10-20 yrs, it is likely that the need for this car parking to be tied to the building above will become weaker. Enabling the car park to serve a precinct-wide function without being in violation of planning conditions would enable other surrounding developments to provide less on-site parking and more dense use of developable land.

The subject site is in an area that Council has put forward for maximum parking requirements. It is likely that in the short term, there would be no statutory requirement for this type of development to provide any car parking. Therefore, it may be appropriate that planning conditions for this site do not specify how many parking spaces are to provide. This could enable future precinct parking opportunities.

Recommendations

The following should be shown on the plans before endorsement:

1. Confirmation of dimensions of on-street bicycle parking on Church Street and Russell Street
2. Details of the bicycle stacker model and its dimensions

3. Pedestrian-vehicle visibility splays at the various car park and loading area access points are to be provided in accordance with Clause 52.06 of the Planning Scheme (car parking) and AS 2890.2 (loading vehicles).
4. Suitable notation to identify that all car parking areas will be electrically wired to be 'EV ready' with a minimum 40A single phase electrical sub circuit.

It is also recommended that:

- The green travel plan targets should be increased to 80% of travel by sustainable modes and that the monitoring period should be once a year for 10yrs after opening.
- The number of car parking spaces required as part of this development should not be specified on the permit to allow for future precinct parking opportunities should they arise.

Chris Coath

Date: 11 October 2023

Strategic Planning
Formal Referral Response

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Prev. Responses:	NA

Development Details:

Relevant amendment/project and status:	No Amendment to the Yarra Planning Scheme has been progressed. The draft Cremorne Urban Design Framework (UDF) has been prepared and was placed on public consultation late 2022. The draft UDF proposes an amendment to the Yarra Planning Scheme that would apply built form controls to Cremorne. Council has not yet considered a revised UDF or whether to request authorisation to prepare and exhibit an amendment.

Comments and Recommendations:

Background

A draft Urban Design Framework has been developed for Cremorne. It went out for community consultation in November and December 2022. Feedback is currently being considered and the UDF will be updated.

The UDF will form the basis of a planning scheme amendment for Cremorne.

The Bryant and May complex is identified as a strategic site in the draft UDF. The UDF proposes that Council work with property owners to masterplan the site, however we note that in this case, the owners are pursuing a planning permit.

Draft UDF includes built form recommendations across Cremorne except for strategic sites.

Instead, it proposes a Vision and series of Design Objectives for the strategic sites.

The Vision for the *Bryant & May Complex* is:

> The Bryant & May Complex will host high quality contemporary buildings sited and designed to maintain the prominence of the State significant industrial complex and to create a visually interesting skyline and streetscape surrounding the complex. Views to the chimney, towers and prominent facades will be enhanced.
>
> Buildings are set within a network of publicly accessible links and public spaces that tie the site into the broader urban fabric of the Church Street Precinct and surrounds. Significant buildings are reused and sensitively redeveloped. The retention of the tennis courts and pavilion add to the sense of history of the site.
>
> Adelaide Street is reimagined as a green shared street connecting Church Street to the Railway Precinct to the west. A landscape setback along Balmain Street enhances the landscape setting of the heritage tennis pavilion and provides opportunities for seating along the streetscape

The Design Objectives are:

1. Building massing is carefully located to ensure that heritage features remain prominent within the site including decorative facades, parapets and taller elements including the chimney and clocktower.
2. Through site links create a publicly accessible and legible network that connects to the broader street network and frames the heritage forms.
3. A new small local open space is provided on the western portion of the site to support the retention of key views.
4. A landscaped setback (minimum 6m) is provided at the Balmain Street and Chestnut Street interface which to contribute to an expanded public realm and provide for integrated seating and landscaping.
5. Additional overshadowing of Church Street (eastern footpath), Balmain Street (southern footpath) and open space within the site is avoided.
6. Heritage buildings will be reused or sensitively redeveloped to retain the integrity of the building and a sense of history. (NOTE - Council and landowners will need to engage with Heritage Victoria on buildings/places which are on the Victorian Heritage Register.)
7. Adelaide Street is reimagined as a green shared street that connects Church Street to the site and adjacent Railway Precinct.

Land Use

The draft UDF (on p118) seeks to promote the Church Street Precinct as a:

> …. thriving mid-rise area with a mix of commercial and retail uses ranging from headquarters and large office developments, high end retail and showrooms to cafes, restaurants and bars.
>
> Anchored by the Church Street high street corridor, this precinct will be distinct from the commercial core of Cremorne.

Workspaces, hotel and retail uses including cafes are generally considered in line with this vision.

A focus on retail uses on the Church Street ground frontage is supported to reinforce the high street corridor.

The draft UDF also seeks to create: *Engaging ground floor design, with generous entrances and integrated landscaping contribute to the 'high street' character and vibrancy of Church Street*.'

Support the activation of ground floor of buildings with a range of uses, including retail and cafes. However, care should be taken to ensure those spaces are usable and flexible and could be used for a range of active uses.

Within the development, we would support adaptable spaces and flexible floor plates to cater for a wide of tenancies and uses.

Scale of Development

Building Height

The Draft UDF proposes heights of up to 40m (10 storeys) for sites fronting Church Street. While this height is not proposed to apply to the subject site, it provides some indication of the scale of development sought along the rest of Church Street.

Heights of 7 storeys are proposed west of the 10 storey areas fronting Church Street, stepping down to 5 storeys where there is an interface with residential areas.

Church Street:

- Proposed heights of the development are in the ballpark of heights identified in the draft UDF for Church Street. Noting the proposal is 13 storeys on Church Street but approximately 45m in height.
- However, potential impacts on heritage buildings and retaining their prominence when viewed along Church Street are a key concern and should guide development. See any recommendations from Heritage.

Adelaide Street:

- Building heights coupled with building massing are a key concern on this frontage.

- Large masses of buildings front this street (e.g Building B is 54m long on this frontage and building C is 72m long – a break of less than 5m at ground level is provided between the buildings.) Greater building breaks and articulation of the street wall would assist in breaking up this façade (Objective 5.2: Building Separation).

Chestnut Street:

- The proposed scale generally appears in line with built form recommendations in the UDF for 28m/7 storey development which apply on the western side of Chestnut Street. A 5 storey height is proposed for the two lots on the south-west corner of Adelaide Street to provide a transition to the established residential area to the north. Suggest looking further at this corner of Chestnut and Adelaide Street.

Other:

- Floor to floor heights seem low for commercial development. Objective 5.2: Adaptable Buildings seeks to promote development with suitable floor to floor heights to allow for a range of uses over the life time of a building.

Street wall height and upper level setbacks

The Draft UDF proposes street wall heights of up to 16m (4 storeys) for sites fronting Church Street (as noted above, this is not proposed to apply to the subject site). 12m or 3 storeys is generally proposed along smaller streets e.g. Chestnut Street.

Church Street:

- Development proposes a 5 storey street wall (18m) and 5.4m upper level setback. Taller than 4 storey height proposed for Church Street in the UDF. In accordance with 5m upper level setback.
- See note above re retaining the prominence of heritage buildings. See any recommendations from Heritage.

Adelaide Street:

- Street wall on Adelaide Street is a tall 5 storeys / 6 storeys at the rear of the site. Question the relationship to the scale of Adelaide Street which is only 7m wide.
- Upper level setback is minimal and is not supported.

Chestnut Street:

- Generally support the three storey street wall on Chestnut Street. In line with built form recommendations in the UDF which proposes a 12m/ 3 storey street wall and 3m upper level setback to the west of Chestnut Street.
- Design Objective 6 does outline a minimum 6m landscape setback to Chestnut Street to contribute to an expanded public realm and provide for integrated seating and landscape. This is not provided in the current proposal.

Relationships to heritage buildings

Strategic Planning defers to Heritage Victoria and Council's heritage adviser as the site is on the VHR.

We note that retaining the prominence of the heritage buildings is a key direction in the draft UDF:

- Vision for Church Street Precinct (p117) seeks to ensure the landmark buildings are showcased through sensitive redevelopment.
- Directions for the Church Street Precinct (p118) states that the buildings need to remain prominent in the streetscape and wider precinct.

The vision for the site seeks to ensure 'Views to the chimney, towers and prominent facades will be enhanced.'

Concerns that informal views to the chimney over the top of existing buildings (eg from Chestnut Street will be lost). While space around this important heritage feature is supported, it seems crowded by the proximity and scale of the proposed surrounding buildings.

Russell Street

Support the activation of Russell Street, however more clarity is needed around its role – it is a true shared street where pedestrians take priority and cars must share the road?

Concerns about the conflict between vehicular access (e.g. accessing the proposed hotel) and pedestrians. (Noting we have not reviewed the traffic study and rely on advice from Yarra's Sustainable Transport team and Traffic Engineers about any potential pedestrian/vehicle conflicts.)

Also note that the realising this street relies on the site to the south. It appears that 570 Church Street does much of the heavy lifting in terms of providing the majority of the street width.

Question how this would work if the southern site does not develop at the same time or is never developed. How will this future vision be realised? Does the northern half of the street work on its own?

Support 24 hour public access through the site.

Thought needs to be given to the activation of Russell Street – we note the southern side of the street (while not part of this application) presents the side of a heritage building with few openings to the street.

Walnut Street

The draft UDF identifies a potential north south link towards the rear of the site adjacent to the heritage chimney – aligning with the Walnut Street easement.

The proposal retains the link and is strongly supported.

Officers seek to see this link continued into the southern site at 570 Church Street.

Adelaide Street

The draft UDF identifies Adelaide Street as a potential shared street. It provides an important link from Church Street to Green Street – a key north south bike route and connection.

The proposed development focusses its servicing off this street. While it is acknowledged that some servicing could be accommodated, we do not support this frontage becoming the 'back of house' with poor streetscape outcomes.

Public spaces

The Vision in the UDF for the Bryant and May site seeks to ensure: 'Buildings are set within a network of publicly accessible links and public spaces that tie the site into the broader urban fabric of the Church Street Precinct and surrounds.'

Strategic Planning supports the creation of new public spaces / publicly accessible spaces and linkages and defers to any urban design comments.

The design of these spaces should maximise access to sunlight, minimise wind impacts and ensure they are safe and accessible.

The design of these spaces should ensure they cater not only for the users of the site but also for the wider community to help integrate and activate the development. Better visibility of / linkages to some of these spaces from outside the site may assist.

Potential for additional setbacks along Chestnut and Adelaide Streets to enhance the amenity of these narrow streets.

Strategic Planner: Leonie Kirkwood and Kyle Everett
Date: 28 April 2023

City Works
Formal Referral Response

Application Information:

Referral Officer:	Atha Athanasi
Officer:	Julian Larkins
Council Reference:	PHRF23/0004
Address:	560 Church St, Cremorne VIC 3121
Proposal:	DFP-258 560 CHURCH STREET
Comments Sought:	Click here to view referral memo: Record D23/327698: IREF23/00667 - Referral Request
Disclaimer:	Council's City Works Unit provides the following information which is based on the information provided in the referral request memo referenced above.
Prev. Responses:	D23/151996 (ATHANASA 28/04/2023)

Comments:

The waste management plan for 560 Church St, Cremorne authored by Leigh Design and dated 17/8/23 is satisfactory from a City Works Branch's perspective.

Waste Management Officer: Atha Athanasi

Signature: Atha Athanasi

Date:31/08/2023

Development Engineering Formal Referral Response

Application Information:

Referral Officer:	Mark Pisani, Tega Ojabo
Officer:	Julian Larkins, Robert Galpin
Council Reference:	PHRF23/0004
Referral Number:	IREF23/00665
Address:	560 Church Street, Cremorne
Proposal:	Bryant & May Redevelopment
Comments Sought:	Reduction in Car Parking; Traffic Impact; Access; Internal Layout
Disclaimer:	Council's Development Engineering unit, provides the following advice based on information provided in the referral request memo referenced above.

Engineering Referral Details

Council's Engineering Referral team has reviewed the drawings and documents provided by the Statutory Planning department, as outlined in ***Table 1*** below.

A list of requirements for the applicant and proposed conditions to be included in the Planning Permit have been outlined in ***Section 1 – Engineering Requirements*** and ***Section 2 – Engineering Conditions*** respectively. Specific details of the engineering assessment are provided in ***Section 3 – Engineering Detailed Assessment*** and have informed the requirements and conditions.

Note: the engineering related matters highlighted in the Planning referral have been assessed and included in the response.

Table 1 - Drawings and Documents reviewed by Engineering

Author / Consultant	Drawing No. or Document	Revision	Dated
Contour Consultants	Cover Letter – August Submission		18 August 2023
Oculus	Landscape Design Report		17 August 2023

Author / Consultant	Drawing No. or Document	Revision	Dated
Denton Corker Marshall	A_A01_001 *Existing Precinct Plan* A_A03_100 *Demolition Plan – Ground* A_A10_070 *Level B2 – Precinct Plan* A_A10_080 *Level B1 – Precinct Plan* A_A10_090 *Lower Ground – Precinct Plan* A_A10_100 *Upper Ground – Precinct Plan* A_A11_101 *Precinct GA Elevation North* A_A11_201 *Precinct GA Elevation East* A_A11_301 *Precinct GA Elevation South* A_A11_401 *Precinct GA Elevation West* A_A12_101 *Precinct Section 101* A_A12_102 *Precinct Section 102* A_A12_103 *Precinct Section 103* A_A12_211 *Precinct Section 211* A_A12_221 *Precinct Section 221* A_A12_231 Precinct *Section 231*	P2 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3 P3	11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023 11 August 2023
Traffix Group	Traffic Engineering Assessment	A	17 August 2023

SECTION 1: Engineering Requirements – Issue to the Applicant

The applicant must satisfy the engineering items outlined in ***Table 2*** below. A written response must be provided for each requirement, and the action is to be completed prior to resubmission.

Any amendments to plans/drawings or updates to reports/documents must be highlighted using a *red cloud* around the relevant section. In the written response, indicate the relevant sheet/pages of each document which have been amended.

Table 2 - Engineering Requirements for Applicant

Item	Engineering Requirement	Action for Applicant
Building Access Arrangements and Internal Layout		
1	Provide convex mirrors at the entrances to assist motorists exiting the site.	Update the relevant drawings.
2	Dimension the headroom clearances at all vehicular doorways	Update the relevant drawings.
3	The accessible parking spaces and shared areas are to be dimensioned and must comply with the Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2890.1:2004.	Update the relevant drawings.
4	Dimension ramp grade lengths and transition grades.	Update the relevant drawings.
5	Provide the internal dimensions of the loading docks	Update the relevant drawings.
6	Depict vehicle crossings for all vehicular entrances (including loading docks).	Update the relevant drawings.
7	Provide cross sectional drawings for all vehicle crossings and assess the ground clearance for each crossing using the B99 design vehicle. Please refer to Council's *Vehicle Crossing Information Sheet* appended to this memo.	Prepare cross sectional drawing or each vehicle crossing and undertake vehicle ground clearance check.
Adelaide Street Frontage		
8	**Adelaide Street Reconstruction** • The Adelaide Street pavement must be reconstructed in accordance with the Council's standards, across the full width, together with any pedestrian enhancement improvements and adequate road drainage. • The proposed pavement levels and channel inverts shall allow for a smooth tie-in at the limits of work, and ensure smooth grade is achieved for effective stormwater capture and flow.	Update the relevant drawings and associated documents.

Item	Engineering Requirement	Action for Applicant
	• The properties access point levels, interface and boundary conditions at the northern boundary of Adelaide Street must be maintained and shall not be altered. • The design and location of the upgraded road channel shall take into account the Accessibility (DDA) Guidelines/requirements and ensure the road crossfalls are no steeper than 1:33 (for asphalt finish). • The finished building access points shall also satisfy the Accessibility (DDA) Guidelines. • The footpaths, kerb and channel at the junction of Adelaide Street and Chestnut Street shall be reconstructed and smoothly finished. Please Note: • Consultation with the Council's Parking Services Department will be required for removal of existing on-street parking provisions. • At the time of detail design, any adverse effect impeding smooth stormwater flow will need to be addressed in detail, and design adjusted if required.	
9	Indicate all existing infrastructure items (within the public realm) on the proposed plans. All service pit lids are to be flush with the pavement level.	Update the relevant drawings.
10	**Flood Catchment Analysis** Conduct an analysis on the potential flooding path encroaching the western portion of Adelaide Street and determine the critical depth and the corresponding finished floor level of the proposed development based on the results.	Provide the requested information and update the relevant drawings.
Church Street Frontage		
11	**Footpath, Kerb, Channel** a) The existing footpath, kerb and channel fronting the site shall be re-constructed in accordance with the Department of Transport's requirements and shall meet the Council's engineering standards. b) Indicate the width at different points of the reconstructed footpath on the plans. Minimum width 1.8m. c) The alignment and level of the existing footpath, kerb and channel shall not be altered unless agreed upon with Council. d) The reconstructed footpaths must be DDA compliant and shall have a cross-fall of 1 in 33 or unless otherwise specified by Council. e) The longitudinal grade of the footpath abutting the property and, on the approaches, must not be altered unless agreed upon with Council.	Update the relevant drawings accordingly and indicate the relevant engineering standard(s) on the plans.

Item	Engineering Requirement	Action for Applicant
12	The reconstructed footpaths, kerb and channel along the property frontage shall smoothly tie into the existing (no level changes, dips/lifting at the interfaces are approved).	Update the relevant drawings.
13	Indicate all existing infrastructure items (within the public realm) on the proposed plans. All service pit lids are to be flush with the pavement level.	Update the relevant drawings.
Chestnut Street Frontage		
14	**Footpath, Kerb, Channel** f) The existing footpath, kerb and channel fronting the site shall be re-constructed in accordance with the Department of Transport's requirements and shall meet the Council's engineering standards. g) Indicate the width at different points of the reconstructed footpath on the plans. Minimum width 1.8m. h) The alignment and level of the existing footpath, kerb and channel shall not be altered unless agreed upon with Council. i) The reconstructed footpaths must be DDA compliant and shall have a cross-fall of 1 in 33 or unless otherwise specified by Council. The longitudinal grade of the footpath abutting the property and, on the approaches, must not be altered unless agreed upon with Council.	Update the relevant drawings accordingly and indicate the relevant engineering standard(s) on the plans.
General – Infrastructure		
15	Indicate all existing infrastructure items (within the public realm) on the proposed plans. All service pit lids are to be flush with the upgraded pavement levels, and existing road drainage pits are to be accounted for.	Update the relevant drawings.
16	Surface materials within title boundaries shall be visually distinguishable from the surface materials used outside the title boundaries (public realm). The proposed landscape plan shall align with the architectural plan to that effect.	Update the relevant drawings.
17	A detailed line-marking plan is to be provided, showing the existing and proposed line-marking.	Update the relevant drawings.
18	The finished building access points from all road frontages (including Russell Street) shall satisfy the Accessibility (DDA) Guidelines.	Update the relevant drawings.
Traffic		
19	An access strategy for the entire site needs to be prepared by the applicant and approved by Council, prior to any further assessment. For further information on the access strategy for the site, please contact Council's Coordinator Traffic.	Prepare and submit an access strategy for the site.

SECTION 2: Engineering Conditions – Planning Permit

The conditions outlined in ***Table 3*** below must be included in the Planning Permit to ensure the specific engineering requirements are complied with.

Note: further conditions may be required if any of the items in Table 2 are not fulfilled prior to the issuing of the Planning Permit.

Table 3 - Engineering conditions to be included in the Planning Permit

	Engineering Condition
Condition	**Public Realm** Prior to the endorsement of the Condition 1 plans, a **Public Realm Plan** (*Church Street, Adelaide Street, Chestnut Street*) must be prepared to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority (Council). The Public Realm Plan must be submitted for approval by the Responsible Authority (Council). When approved, the Public Realm Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this permit. The Public Realm Plan must include, but not limited to: a) Layout plan indicating all existing and proposed features, surface levels and grades. b) The extent of proposed and existing pavements. c) All existing and proposed infrastructure improvements and changes within the public space. d) All existing and proposed streetscape infrastructure including (but not limited to) light poles, drains and street signs. e) Clear dimensions of all footpath widths, setback area widths, and length. f) The grades and levels of all entry and egress points. g) Demonstration of a seamless / DDA accessible transition from the public realm into the development entry areas. h) All existing and proposed surface materials including kerbs and channels. i) Demonstration of a seamless / DDA compliant levels transition across all proposed footpaths pavements. j) Surface materials within title boundaries visually distinguishable from the surface materials used outside title boundaries. Detail of the shared zone improvement works as required, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
Condition	**Detailed Design** (*Church Street, Adelaide Street, Chestnut Street*) Prior to the commencement of construction of the development or by such later date as is approved by the Responsible Authority (Council), **Detailed Design Plans** (*Civil and Landscape*) associated with the development must be prepared, submitted and approved by the Responsible Authority (Council). When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit. The Detailed Design plans must include, but not be limited to, the following: • Detailed layout plan indicating all existing and proposed features and surface levels. • **Adelaide Street**: ➢ Road cross sections from property boundary to property boundary at 5 metre intervals indicating existing and proposed levels at changes in grade. ➢ Longitudinal sections along the property boundaries, existing and design building lines, lip of kerb, back of kerb and invert of the channel. ➢ All surfaces must be designed in accordance with DDA requirements.

	Engineering Condition
	➢ Existing and proposed service pits within the road pavement must be adjusted to match the reconstructed footpath grades. • **Church Street Frontage**: ➢ Road cross sections from property boundary to road centreline at 5 metre intervals indicating existing and proposed levels at changes in grade. ➢ Longitudinal sections along the property boundary, existing and design building lines, lip of kerb, back of kerb, invert of the channel, existing Church Street pavement level. ➢ All surfaces must be designed in accordance with DDA requirements. ➢ Distinct delineation between public and private land along all interfaces. ➢ Existing and proposed service pits within the footpath area must be adjusted to match the reconstructed footpath grades. • **Chestnut Street Frontage**: ➢ Road cross sections from property boundary to road centreline at 5 metre intervals indicating existing and proposed levels at changes in grade. ➢ Longitudinal sections along the property boundary, existing and design building lines, lip of kerb, back of kerb, invert of the channel, existing Chestnut Street pavement level. ➢ All surfaces must be designed in accordance with DDA requirements. ➢ Distinct delineation between public and private land along all interfaces. ➢ Existing and proposed service pits within the footpath area must be adjusted to match the reconstructed footpath grades. • Stormwater drainage in accordance with the Council approved stormwater strategy, including design computations, longitudinal sections, pit schedule and details. • Detailed layout (size, depth, location) of existing and proposed service utilities, including private property connections to each type. • Public lighting plan, including proposals for any temporary lighting. • Signage & line marking plans indicating the existing and proposed changes. • All streetscape details in accordance with the Urban Design and Open Space departments within Council. • All private aspects / infrastructure must be located within the private property boundary and not protrude into the public road reserve. • Existing surface levels must not be altered unless approved by the Responsible Authority. To obtain DDA compliant surface grades the finished surface levels within the private property must be adjusted.
Condition	Before the development commences, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Responsible Authority, a vehicle crossing design for each new vehicle crossing must be submitted to Council's Engineering department for approval, and: ▪ Demonstrate satisfactory access into and out of the site with a vehicle ground clearance check using the B99 design vehicle; and ▪ Be fully dimensioned with actual reduced levels (to three decimal places) and comply with design requirements set out in Yarra City Council's Vehicle Crossing Information Sheet.

	Engineering Condition
Condition	Prior to the occupation of the development, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Responsible Authority, any new vehicle crossing(s) must be constructed: ▪ In accordance with any requirements or conditions imposed by Council; ▪ At the permit holder's cost; and ▪ To the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
Condition	Any damaged roads and other road related infrastructure adjacent to the development site as a result of the construction works, including trenching and excavation for utility service connections, must be reconstructed to Council's satisfaction and at the developer's expense.
Condition	Any services poles, structures or pits that interfere with the proposal must be adjusted, removed or relocated at the owner's expense after seeking approval from the relevant authority.
Condition	Areas must be provided inside the property line and adjacent to the footpath to accommodate pits and meters. No private pits, boundary traps, valves or meters on Council property will be accepted.
Condition	A Construction Management Plan must be prepared and submitted to Council. The Plan must be approved by Council prior to the commencement of works. A detailed dilapidation report should detail and document the existing and post construction conditions of surrounding road infrastructure and adjoining private properties.
Condition	Only roof runoff, surface water and clean groundwater seepage from above the water table can be discharged into Council drains. Council will not permit clean groundwater from below the groundwater table to be discharged into Council's drainage system. Basements that extend into the groundwater table must be waterproofed/tanked.
Condition	No parking restriction signs or line-marked on-street parking bays are to be removed, adjusted, changed or relocated without approval or authorisation from Council's Parking Management unit and Construction Management branch.
Condition	Any on-street parking reinstated as a result of development works must be approved by Council's Parking Management unit.
Condition	The removal of any kerbside parking sensors and any reinstatement of parking sensors will require the Permit Holder to pay Council the cost of each parking sensor taken out from the kerb/footpath/roadway. Any costs associated with the reinstatement of road infrastructure due to the removal of the parking sensors must also be borne by the Permit Holder.
Condition	All redundant property drain outlets are to be demolished and reinstated to Council's satisfaction and at the Permit Holder's cost.
Condition	All redundant vehicle crossings are to be demolished and reinstated to Council's satisfaction and at the Permit Holder's cost.
Condition	The applicant must submit detailed engineering design drawings of all infrastructure works associated with the development to Council for assessment and approval. All on-road line

	Engineering Condition
	markings, traffic management treatments, and traffic and parking signs (existing and proposed) are to be depicted on the detailed design. The design must also show the stormwater drainage discharge point(s).
Advice Note	The applicant must apply for a Legal Point of Discharge under Regulation 133 – Stormwater Drainage of the *Building Regulations* 2018 from Yarra Building Services unit. Any storm water drainage within the property must be provided and be connected to the nearest Council pit of adequate depth and capacity (legal point of discharge), or to Council's satisfaction under Section 200 of the *Local Government Act* 1989 and Regulation 133.

SECTION 3: Engineering Detailed Assessment

CAR PARKING PROVISION

Proposed Development

Under the provisions of Clause 52.06-5 of the Yarra Planning Scheme, the development's parking requirements are as follows:

Proposed Use	Quantity/ Size	Statutory Parking Rate*	No. of Spaces Required	No. of Spaces Allocated
Office	23,640 m^2	3.0 spaces per 100 m^2 of net floor area	709	180
Residential Hotel	197 keys	Rate Not Specified in Clause 52.06-5	To the Satisfaction of the Responsible Authority	29
Retail	2,015 m^2	3.5 spaces per 100 m^2 of leasable floor area	70	0
		Total	**779 spaces + parking for the residential hotel to the satisfaction of the R.A.**	**209 spaces**

***** Since the site is located within the Principal Public Transport Network Area, the parking rates in Column B of Clause 52.06-5 now apply.

To reduce the number of car parking spaces required under Clause 52.06-5 (including to reduce to zero spaces), the application for the car parking reduction must be accompanied by a Car Parking Demand Assessment.

Car Parking Demand Assessment

In reducing the number of parking spaces required for the proposed development, the Car Parking Demand Assessment would assess the following:

Parking Demand Consideration	Details
Parking Demand for the Office Use	The proposed office would be supplying car parking at a rate of 0.76 spaces per 100 square metres of floor area. Throughout the municipality, a number of developments have been approved with reduced office rates, with a few examples listed below: ▪ 60-88 Cremorne Street, Cremorne – 0.72 spaces/100 m^2 ▪ 71-93 Gipps Street, Collingwood – 0.96 spaces/100m^2 ▪ 2-16 Northumberland Street, Collingwood – 0.89 spaces/100m^2 Although lower than the rates listed above, the proposed office parking rate of 0.76 spaces per 100 square metres of floor space is considered

Parking Demand Consideration	Details
	appropriate, as the proposal seeks to minimise private car dependency and promote more sustainable forms of transport.
Parking Demand for the Residential Hotel Use	Residential Hotels can be classified as tourist accommodation facilities. In terms of parking provision for this type of accommodation, the NSW Roads and Maritime Services' *Guide to Traffic Generating Developments* version 2.2 provides a parking rate of one off-street space per four bedrooms (0.25 spaces per one-room apartment). The proposed residential hotel is providing 29 spaces for the 197 keys/ rooms, which equates to 0.15 spaces per room. This car parking provision is considered satisfactory, as the site had access to a number of public transport services and can be easily accessed by taxis and private driver services.
Parking Demand for the Retail Use	For the retail use, a staff parking demand of 1.0 space per 100 square metres of floor area could be adopted. This would equate to a staff parking demand of 20 spaces. As no on-site parking would be provided for this use, employees would need to make other travel arrangements to commute to and from the site, such as take public transport or ride a bicycle. Customers would park off-site.
Availability of Public Transport in the Locality of the Land	The following public transport services can be accessed to and from the site by foot: ▪ Church Street trams – 30 metre walk ▪ Swan Street trams – 380 metre walk ▪ East Richmond railway station – 270 metre walk
Multi-purpose Trips within the Area	Customers and clients to the development could combine their visit by engaging in other activities or business whilst in the area.
Convenience of Pedestrian and Cyclist Access	The site is very well positioned in terms of pedestrian access to public transport nodes, shops, supermarket, places of employment and education and other essential facilities. The site also has good connectivity to the on-road bicycle network.

Appropriateness of Providing Fewer Spaces than the Likely Parking Demand

Clause 52.06 lists a number of considerations for deciding whether the required number of spaces should be reduced. For the subject site, the following considerations are as follows:

Consideration	Details
Availability of Car Parking	Traffix Group had conducted an on-street parking occupancy survey of the surrounding area on Tuesday 20 December 2022 at 12:30pm. The survey area encompassed Adelaide Street, William Street and sections of Church Street, Walnut Street and Greens Street. The time and extent of the survey are considered appropriate. An inventory of 209 publicly available parking spaces was identified. The results of the survey indicates that the parking occupancy was in the order of 97%. We expect that visitors parking to the site would be engaged in other activities whilst in the area (multi-purpose trips).
Relevant Local Policy or Incorporated Document	The proposed development is considered to be in line with the objectives contained in Council's *Strategic Transport Statement*. The site is ideally located with regard to sustainable transport alternatives and the reduced provision of on-site car parking would potentially discourage private motor vehicle ownership and use.
The Future Growth and Development of an Activity Centre	Practice Note 22 – Using the Car Parking Provisions indicates that car parking should be considered on a centre-basis rather than on a site/individual basis. This is applicable to activity centres, such as the Church Street retail precinct, where spare on-street car parking capacity would be shared amongst sites within the activity centres.

Adequacy of Car Parking

From a traffic engineering perspective, the car parking provision for the various uses is considered appropriate in the context of the development and the surrounding area.

The operation of the development should not adversely impact on the existing on-street parking conditions in the area.

The Engineering Referral team has no objection to the reduction in the car parking requirement for this site.

TRAFFIC IMPACT

Trip Generation

The trip generation for the site adopted by Traffix Group is as follows:

Proposed Use	Adopted Traffic Generation Rate	Daily Traffic	AM Peak Hour	PM Peak Hour
Office (180 spaces)	0.5 trips per space in each peak hour Daily traffic: 2.0 trips per space + 20%	432	90	90
Residential Hotel (29 spaces)	0.3 trips per space in each peak hour 3.0 trips per space per day	87	9	9
	Total	**519 trips**	**99 trips**	**99 trips**

Peak Hour Directional Splits and Traffic Distribution

Office:

- AM Peak Hour: 80% IN (72 trips) and 20% OUT (18 trips)
- PM Peak Hour: 80% OUT (72 trips) and 20% IN (18 trips)

Hotel:

- AM Peak Hour: 30% IN (3 trips) and 70% OUT (6 trips)
- PM Peak Hour: 40% OUT (5 trips) and 60% IN (4 trips)

The traffic distribution assumptions (to the north and south of the site) made in section 4.10.1. of the traffic engineering assessment report are considered reasonable.

Traffic Impact of Development

Traffix Group has assessed the traffic impact of the development by assuming that the eastern end of Adelaide Street would be converted to a two-way traffic operation.

To assess the traffic impact of the development (with the eastern section of Adelaide Street as two-way), Traffix Group had assessed the performance of the following intersection:

- Church Street-Adelaide Street (unsignalised).

The traffic impact of this intersection was assessed by Traffix Group using the SIDRA program, which measures intersection performance. SIDRA modelling works well under free flowing traffic conditions and may have limitations, such as queuing of downstream traffic. The intersection analysis was done for the base or existing traffic conditions and for post development traffic conditions.

The results of this intersection modelling suggest that the intersection will continue to work well under post development conditions, with the degree of saturation* and the 95th percentile queue lengths** marginally increasing.

* Degree of Saturation – The ratio of the number of vehicles entering an intersection to the number of vehicle which could enter the intersection at full capacity.

** 95th Percentile Queue Length – the queue length that has a 5% probability of being exceeded.

Additional Comments provided by Council's Traffic Unit
The following comments on the traffic impact of the proposed development have been provided by Danny Millican, Coordinator Traffic:

- The proposed Shared Zone and colonnade design for the two-way section is a substandard design for vulnerable road users and will result in operational issues for Council. Specifically:
    - The design does not provide any priority for pedestrians. Pedestrians will use the narrow spaces allocated behind bollards. The effective path widths would be below 1.0m, would not provide space for passing pedestrians and will be a substandard outcome for community members with mobility issues. The street will not operate as a Shared Zone.
    - The design does not take into consideration road infrastructure including signage and overland road drains which will further reduce widths.
    - The road space allocation does not appear to be able to accommodate trucks passing other vehicles within the space allocated. Larger vehicles will have insufficient space to safely turn around, while the need for smaller vehicles to undertake 3-point turns is a poor design outcome.
    - The use of bollards is a poor design outcome. They will be a maintenance issue particularly with larger vehicles using this street.
    - There is very limited activation on the boundary of the site to activate the street which is required to have a successful and operational Shared Zone.
- Adelaide Street has been identified as an important link in the road network in accommodate the current and future people movement needs for the wider Cremorne area. It provides the most direct connection between Church Street and Green Street which in turn provides links to the wider internal street network in Cremorne. The two-way access proposal for part of Adelaide Street effectively turns this public road into a driveway for the development for this section of the street. It is a very poor outcome for the wider community particularly in terms of pedestrian and cyclist safety and amenity and is not supported.
- There is opportunity to minimise traffic impacts resulting from redevelopment on the local road network by accommodating more development traffic on Russell Street. Russell Street currently accommodates two way flows and carries 1,200 vpd. The TIA does not assess the impact of any changes to Russell Street on vehicles using the street.
- An access strategy for this development needs to be approved by Council, prior to any further assessment.
- The TIA needs to confirm whether vehicle queues on Church Street (i.e. from Balmain Street) impact on access and should therefore be included in any modelling exercise.
- The TIA does not assess the impact of the removal of parking on Adelaide Street for weekdays or weekends, noting the high current occupancy rates (97%) and the need to accommodate overflow demand from the development. The removal of parking (a community asset) only to facilitate the desired vehicle movements of one development is a poor community outcome.
- As per the Cremorne UDF, there are plans to remove parking on the west side of Church Street to accommodate bicycle and parking lanes. Parking associated with the hotel drop off / pick up needs to be reallocated from Church Street.
- The proponent needs to consult with the Department of Transport and Planning to assess where accessible tram stops are to be located on Church Street and assess how this will impact on access to the site.

DEVELOPMENT LAYOUT DESIGN

Layout Design Assessment

Item	Assessment
Access Arrangements	
Development Entrance	The western and eastern car park entrances have widths of 6.45 metres and 7.55 metres respectively, which satisfy the Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2890.1:2004.
Visibility	Pedestrian sight triangles have not been provided at the exit lanes of the entrances. It is recommended that convex mirrors be installed to optimise visibility for exiting motorists.
Headroom Clearance	Not dimensioned on the drawings.
Internal Ramped Accessways	Internal ramped accessways have wall-to-wall widths of 6.1 metres, which satisfy AS/NZS 2890.1:2004.
Car Parking Modules	
At-grade Parking Spaces	The dimensions of the parking spaces (2.6 metres by 4.9 metres) satisfy *Design standard 2: Car parking spaces* of Clause 52.06-9.
Accessible Parking Spaces	Not dimensioned on the drawings
Aisles	The aisle widths range from 6.4 to 7.4 metres, which satisfy *Table 2: Minimum dimensions of car parking spaces and accessways* of Clause 52.06-9.
Column Depths and Setbacks	Not dimensioned on the drawings.
Clearances to Walls	Not dimensioned on the drawings.
Gradients	
Ramp Grade for the first 5.0 metres inside the Property	Ramp grade lengths have not been dimensioned on the drawings.
Ramp Grades and Changes of Grade	The ramp grades and changes of grade satisfy *Table 3 Ramp Gradients* of Clause 52.06-9.
Swept Path Assessment	
Vehicle Turning Movements Church Street-Adelaide Street Intersection G32500-03* Sheet No. 02	The swept path diagrams for the turning B85 design vehicle and an oncoming B99 design vehicle at the Church Street-Adelaide Street are considered satisfactory (on the assumption that the eastern end of Adelaide Street is made two-way).
Vehicle Entry and Exit Movements Development Entrance (east) G32500-03 Sheet No. 02	The swept path diagrams for an entering B85 design vehicle and an exiting B99 design vehicle at the development entrance via Adelaide Street are considered satisfactory (on the assumption that the eastern end of Adelaide Street is made two-way).
Truck Ingress and Egress Loading Bays G32500-03 Sheet No. 03	The swept path diagrams for a 6.4 metre long small rigid vehicle entering and exiting the western loading bay are considered satisfactory.

Item	Assessment
	The swept path diagrams for an 8.8 metre long medium rigid vehicle entering and exiting the eastern loading bay are considered satisfactory (on the assumption that the eastern end of Adelaide Street is made two-way).
Vehicle Turnaround Movement Adelaide Street G32500-03 Sheet No. 04	Although the swept path diagrams for a B99 design vehicle demonstrate that a vehicle can perform a turnaround movement in front of the eastern development entrance, it is not considered desirable for vehicles to undertake this movement.
Other Items	
Loading Arrangements	The internal dimensions of the two on-site loading bays have not been provided. There is no objection to the layout of the loading bays, as demonstrated in the swept path assessment.
Vehicle Crossings	Vehicle crossings must be provided for the entrances to the basement car park and the loading docks.
Vehicle Crossing Ground Clearance	A vehicle crossing ground clearance check is to be undertaken for each new vehicle crossing by the applicant's designer to confirm that a B99 design vehicle can enter and exit the property without scraping out.

SECTION 4: Acknowledgement

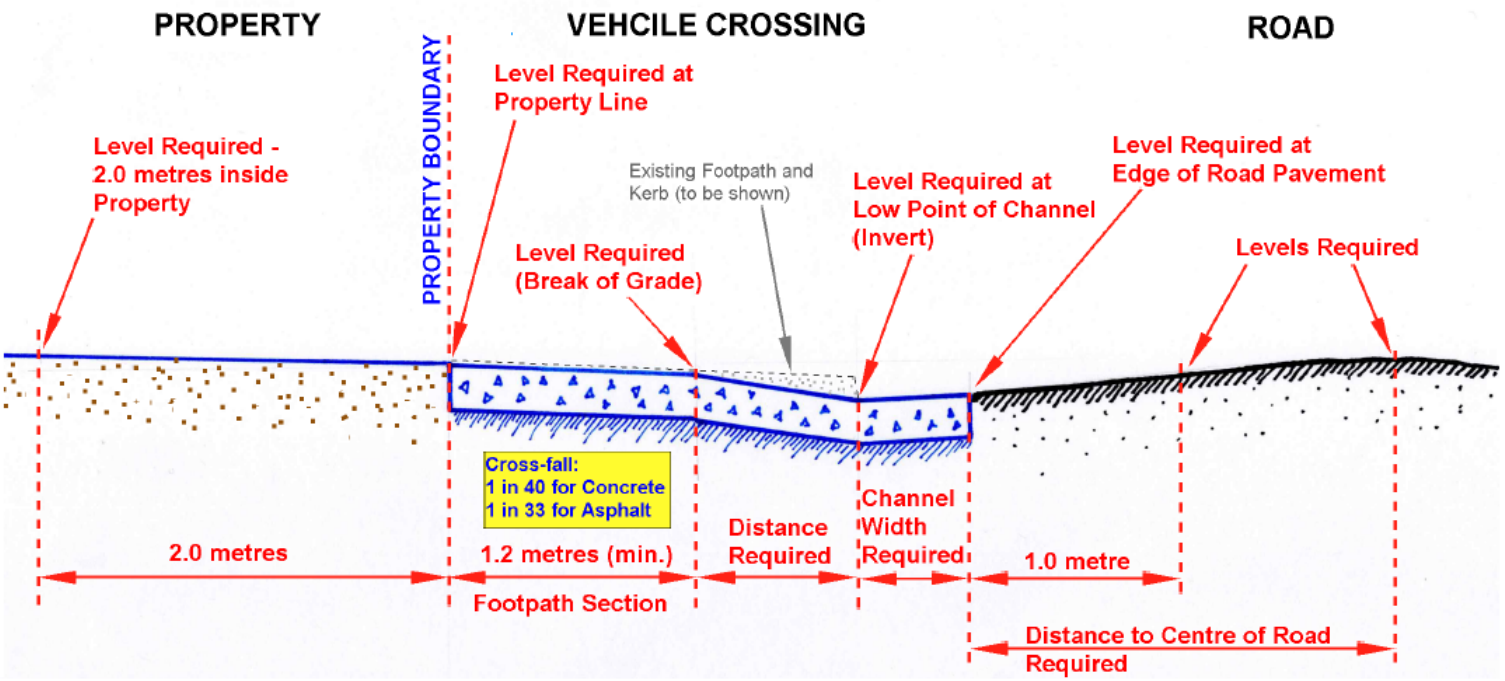
Engineer: Mark Pisani

Signature:

Date: 6 September 2023

VEHCILE CROSSING INFORMATION SHEET

Cross Sectional Drawing



The Cross Sectional Drawing must provide the following:
- All Levels (to three decimal places) as shown above.
- All Dimensions to points/levels as shown above.
- Ground clearance check using the B85 design vehicle (domestic)* or B99 design vehicle as per AS/NZS 2890.1:2004.
- The existing footpath and kerb to be shown (as a dashed line).
- The existing Top of Kerb level should be shown.
- The property boundary must be shown/labelled.

* Domestic - one to three residential units.

DRAINAGE MAP OF SURROUNDING AREA

ESD Formal Referral Response

Application Information	
Referral Officer	Julian Larkins
Officer	Gavin Ashley
Council Reference	PHRF23/0004
Address	560 Church St, Cremorne VIC 3121
Proposal	DFP-258 560 Church Street
Comments Sought	This is the link to the Statutory Planning Referral memo: **N/A**

Council's ESD Officer provides the following information which is based on the information provided in the Statutory Planning referral request memo referenced above.

ESD comments were requested on the following:

- Amendment to originally submitted application

In assessing this application, the following documents were reviewed:

- Amended Sustainability Management Plan (SMP) prepared by ADP Consulting dated 14.08.2023
- Original Sustainability Management Plan (SMP) prepared by ADP Consulting dated 5.04.2023
- Amended Architectural Plans prepared by Denton Corker Marshall dated Aug 2023
- RFI Response Letter prepared by ADP Consulting dated 14.08.2023

Comments

The standard of the ESD meets Council's Environmental Sustainable Design (ESD) standards.

Hello Julian,

I have reviewed the above documentation for the above property, with an assessment below (in **bold**):

The council RFI dated 8 May 2023 requested the following:

1. *Overall Standard of ESD: The overall standard of ESD is reasonable, but not exceptional. It is not entirely clear why half of the development is going for a certified 5 Star Green Star representing Excellence in ESD, and other elements are just going for a BESS score of 50%, which demonstrates Best Practice or roughly a 4 Star Green Star standard. Please explain what appears to be two tiers in ESD performance standard across the site. Recommend that the whole development site achieve a 5 Star Green Star certified standard. Recommend that a zero-carbon performance standard from the operational energy of these buildings be built into a refined ESD strategy.*

ADP Response:

The residential hotel is now targeting a 5-Star Green Star Buildings rating. Green Star has advised it must be an independent Green Star certification to the commercial buildings. Green Star is not appropriate for the heritage buildings (Boiler House, Brymay Hall and Administration Building) due to their size and the limited scope of the construction works. Hence these buildings should be assessed against BESS. The Residential Hotel, Central Workplace and Chestnut Workplace buildings will be gas free.

- **Satisfactory** – this is an unusual scenario so Council is satisfied on this occasion, however we note that in future applications of this type it may be clearer to assess the entire development through BESS and then realign the project boundary for Green Star purposes only (outside the planning process).

2. *IEQ and Daylight Access: The residential hotel and other buildings undertaking the BESS pathway are currently failing to meet the minimum standard in the IEQ section of BESS. Recommend improvements to IEQ in this component of the development in order to exceed the minimum pass in the BESS IEQ category. I request that the proponents assess the residential hotel building as 'residential' in BESS, rather than as a non-residential building using the Green Star Hand Calc. Please refer to BESS Credit 1.1 Daylight Access – Living Areas and 1.2 Daylight Access Bedrooms which both include applicability to hotels in the BESS Tool notes. As the residential hotel rooms are unlikely to meet the BESS DTS criteria, please undertake daylight modelling using the proposed surrounding context and demonstrate that the daylight access to the project meets Council's best practice standards for daylight access. As upper levels are likely to be fine in terms of daylight access, please focus on daylight access to lower levels via daylight modelling.*

ADP Response:

The residential hotel is now pursuing Green Star. The other buildings are now passing the IEQ section as per the appended BESS report. Daylight modelling has been completed for the Residential Hotel to prove that the building meets Council's Best Practice Standards for daylight. Please refer to Appendix E of the SMP.

- **Satisfactory** – The daylight modelling shows that 86% of the hotel rooms comply with BESS requirements, as well as 46% of regular use areas in Brymay Hall and 33% of the Administrative Building and Boiler House.

3. Stormwater Management: Please note the Council does not accept proprietary stormwater filtration devices to meet the minimum BPEM stormwater quality standards. As noted in our preapplication meeting. It is unlikely to be a large issue in this instance as the proposed standards for stormwater pollutant reduction far exceed the minimum BPEM standards, however please run an alternative MUSIC model or STORM report to illustrate that the rainwater collection systems will meet the BPEM standards on the planning scheme, without relying on to proprietary devices filtering runoff from the paved areas, etc.

ADP Response:

Please refer to the attached letter for a response from RBG.

- **Satisfactory** – The attached letter has two MUSIC models for the project, one without a filter to prove compliance with Council requirements, and one with the filter that proves compliance with the more stringent Green Star targets.

Regarding the amended SMP compared against the endorsed SMP, the following has been noted:

- A 5-star certified Green Star rating is targeted for the Central Workplace, Chestnut Building, and Residential Hotel.
- A 5.5-star NABERS base building energy rating is targeted for the Central Workplace and Chestnut Buildings.
- A minimum 50% BESS score has been targeted for the Boiler House, Brymay Hall, and the Administration Building.
- The 40kW roof PV system has been removed.
- Increase in outdoor air availability compared to AS 1668:2:2012 has been decreased from 100% to 50%.
- Increase in BESS score from 56% to 57% (water increased from 57 to 71%, energy decreased from 57 to 54%, IEQ increased from 42 to 61%, waste decreased from 66 to 33%, urban ecology decreased from 25 to 12%).
- Daylight access in Brymay Hall has been reduced from 58 to 46%.

The removal of solar PV at this stage of the project is not acceptable without further justification.

Action: Provide grounds for removal of solar PV from the project.

Having reviewed the amended documentation, the documentation is now satisfactory from an ESD perspective with the exception of this clarification above.

Cheers,
Gavin Ashley

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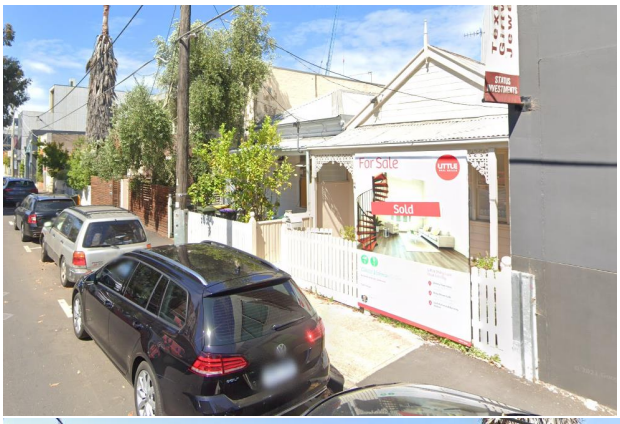
Signature: Gavin Ashley

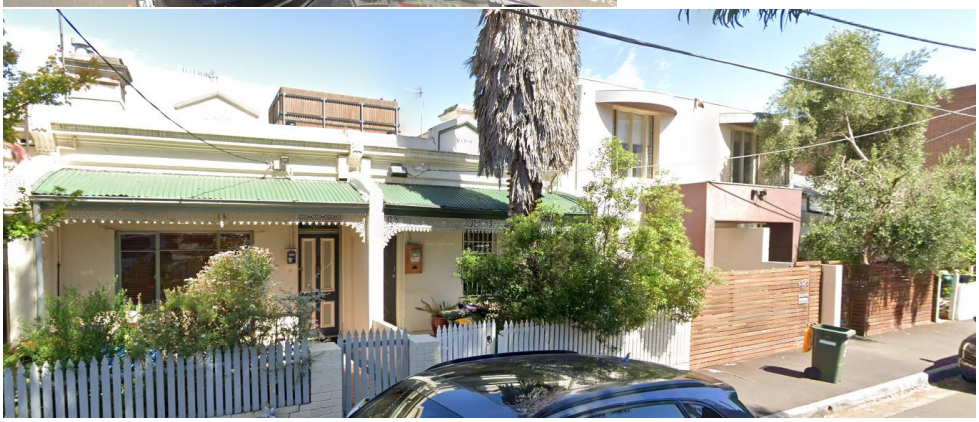
Date: 4.09.2023

MGS – Urban Design comments

As you would expect with this firm the work is competently handled typically and the design language and placemaking strategies typically solid. The scale of development is ambitious but generally supported as an approach through the footprint , scale and street interface and ground plane arrangements need work in some instances.

1. **Amenity in Church Street & Chestnut Street**
    a. There is a critical need in my view to protect the Church St Corridor as the principal north south tram and bike and ped network link between Swan Street and the River for the entire Cremorne East Precinct. To that end it is my view that the Hotel needs to be lowered to ensure there is no overshadowing of the eastern footpath from the kerb in Church Street before 2pm at the September Equinox.
    b. I am similarly of the view that the overshadowing impacts in Chestnut Street are excessive given the reliance of both the subject t site and the neighbourhood on Chestnut street as one of only 2 streets interconnecting the East Richmond Station with East Cremorne's rapidly growing workplace neighbourhoods north and south of Balmain Street. The western footpath is particularly important for amenity given that the eastern side is largely dedicated to parking areas. That it is in shade until nearly 11am is disappointing given its importance. Chestnut corner and Russell Street are important pedestrian gateway and leisure zones within the site and the overshadowing of these areas arising from the scale of Building D is in my view excessive. An outcome that protected the western footpath of Chestnut Street from 10am through the lowering of Building D would have significant benefits also for the amenity and earlier access to sunlight of the south side of Russell Street and future northern facades and street interfaces that would logically develop therein to replace at grade parking. I suspect significant enhancement could be achieved with the removal of two levels of the building from an area of 3m south of the lift core to the south façade. It would also reveal more of the chimney when seen from the southwest an attribute that would be desirable at the gateway arrival from the southwest.

c. 



2. **Wind Impact report-** The report memo by Mel contained in the material is inadequate with the conclusion that the proposal will satisfy the pedestrian safety and comfort criteria when studied in the wind tunnel, entirely reliant on the consultants view of what satisfactory comfort is. The internal retail network the dependence on Chimney Lane and Russell street as well as Bryant Lane and Hotham Place as key addresses along with Redhead Green and Walnut Street all demand higher levels of amenity so people can dell for extended periods as the lunch and after work magnet and place for daytime collaboration. Similarly the semi-private breakout zones on upper levels need to be configured so they can be used all year round and in all weather conditions as sought by the Urban Design Guidelines for Victoria.
    a. Ensure that the Cremorne Square, Chestnut Corner, Boiler Yard, Chimney Lane, Bryant Garden and Redhead Green and the rooftop landscaped recreation areas and upper level terraces of Buildings B,C, D areas of Buildings meet the wind amenity standards for seating or extend periods and that the interfaces of the buildings to Church St and each of the internal walking streets meet as a minimum the safe conditions for walking but that principle streets providing access between Adelaide Street and Russell Street notably Chestnut Street, Walnut Street and Barkly Garden and the east west Street and that the networks of Adelaide Street and Russell St provide suitable conditions for standing. The reason being this precinct and the subject sites intensity is intrinsically dependant on exemplary standards of comfort for pedestrians as a priority given the highly constrained nature of the road networks.
3. **Pedestrian Network**
    Whilst I agree with the proposition of the expanded internal pedestrian network outlined in the pedestrian report I am concerned that the important role of Adelaide Street has been overlooked. Adelaide Street is the only street providing interconnection between Green Street hinterland areas and the Chapel Street Primary walking cycling and PT NS network for more than 330m between Balmain Street and Chapel St/Dunne St. There is an obvious need to provide the site with an expanded footpath capacity on the south side of Adelaide Stret given

the contested nature of this space currently and the very significant increase in the traffic role expected of the street in the proposal.

a. Upgrade the primary movement network 2.3 of the landscape report to indicate Adelaide Street as part of the primary pedestrian movement network.

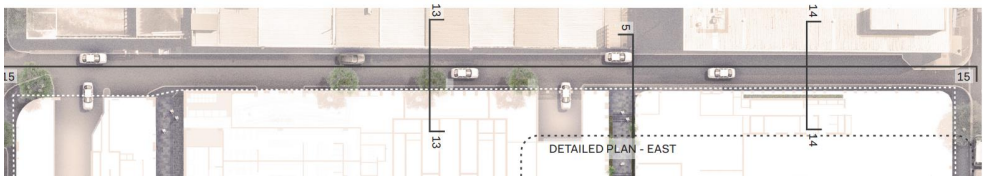
4. Car and loading access

a. On the issue of Adelaide Street. I note that the street is presently one way between Chestnut Street and Chapel Street. Access to the site is dependent on one of the following:

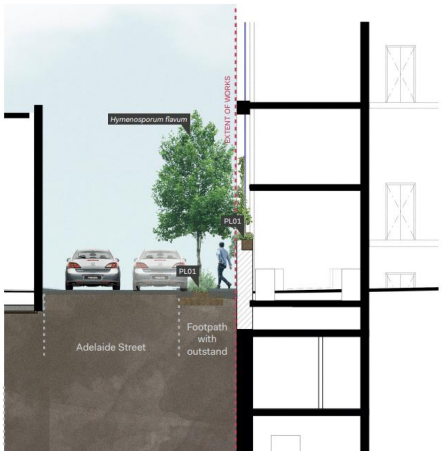
b. Access from the SE via Green Street south of Adelaide St (2 way) or via a convoluted and tight one way network via Chestnut Street.

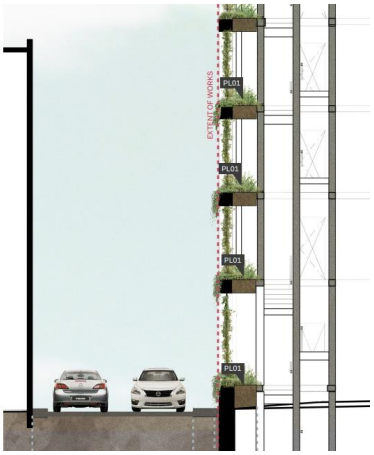
c. The Plan suggests two way vehicle access will be available within the current road reserve from Chapel St to the eastern half of the site. It is unclear to me how this can possibly be achieved>

d. The applicant has outlined intent in 2 sections for Adelaide Street with Sections 13 and 14 describing an arrangement where a footpath with an outstand is described to the south side of the street with o footpath to the north side of the street. The plans indicate that kerbside parking and outstands exist on the north side of the street and a footpath of less than 500m i9n width is evident to the south interface at the point where section 1 4 is proposed. These are depicted below.

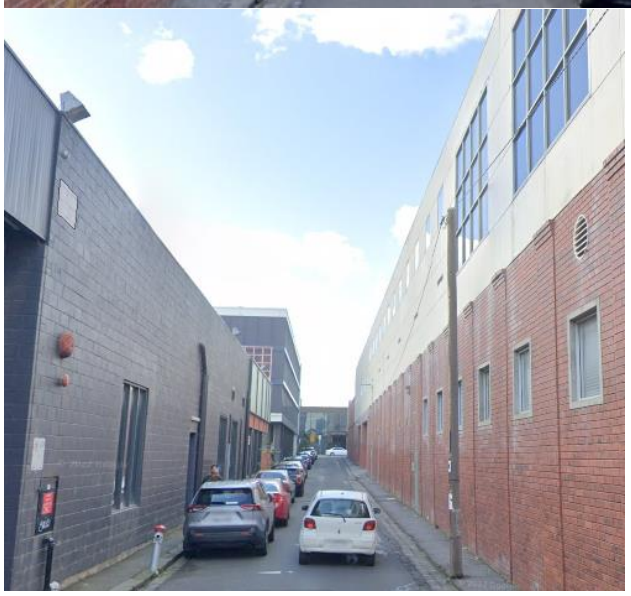


Sections
Section 13 + 14: Adelaide Street





s The e. Photos below indicate the street is currently one way from Chestnut Street to Chapel Street.



e. In my view and subject to Traffic Advice it makes sense that the significant new traffic and loading requirements of the site are facilitated through the combination of widening Adelaide Street for 2 way traffic movement between Chapel Street and the westernmost carpark access to the subject site east of Chestnut Street so that primary access and egress from the site is via the primary arterial corridor road.
f. It also follows that on from my earlier advise that the south footpath needs t be widened to 3m as a minimum width. It is equally apparent that tree planting within the zone is needed to mitigate urban heat island effects. If the ground floor or lower ground floor to first floor levels for each of the buildings facilitate the minimum clearances required by emergency vehicles, it maybe that the loss of floor space will be restricted to this level but in y view each of Building B, C and D need to be setback a minimum distance from the north boundary with Adelaide Street to achieve the following:-

i. No change to the footpath widths to the north side of Adelaide Street
ii. Development of Adelaide Street with a minimum 3m wide southern footpath
iii. Development of Adelaide Street with 2 way access from Chapel Street to the carparking and loading access areas to the satisfaction of Councils Traffic engineers
iv. Kerbside parking and outside street tree improvements to the south side of the street replacing outstands and kerbside parking to the north side of the street to the satisfaction of council
v. Universal access to each of Buildings B, C and D and Bryant Lane from Adelaide Street to the satisfaction of council

5, Street interfaces

a. For the reasons noted earlier the response to Adelaide street at street level is not supported and will inevitably unnecessarily impact on the abutting neighbourhoods as a result of arrangements and operation
b. Consolidation of services for Building C so that no more than 40% of the interface at the street interface is dedicated to back of house services and vehicle access zone. The loading zone for Building C needs work with the lift access and rubbish areas implying vehicles are driving in from the east and reversing to these areas and then departing west.

vi. Reconfigure the loading zone of Building C to enable delivery vehicles to egress east to Chapel Street rather than west to Green Street or the one way contested and narrow arrangements of Chestnut Street.
vii. Provide more ambitious avenue planting to Adelaide Street south expanded footpath zone.

7.10 T01081 - Parking management, compliance and law enforcement contract extension

Reference	D23/431465
Author	Mary Osman - General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy
Authoriser	General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

Purpose

1. To seek approval from Council to exercise its option to extend contract T01081 for parking management, compliance and law enforcement for a further four-year term and the delegate the authority to exercise future extensions to the Chief Executive Officer.

Critical analysis

History and background

2. Council awarded contract T01081 at the Council meeting of 21 December 2015 to Orikan formerly known as DCA the provision of parking enforcement technology (hardware and software).
3. The original contract period was three years with options for four, four-year extensions.
4. Council opted to extend for a further term of four years on 29 June 2019 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract. The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to exercise a second extension to the contract for a further four years to 2027.
5. The contract includes the licenses and support services for Pinforce, sentinel and PayStay which is utilised by Council's Parking Enforcement Team.
6. Pinforce is the application used by enforcement officers to issue infringements. Sentinel is the lease and supply of in-ground parking sensors and PayStay is our Pay by Phone provider that managers user pays parking.
7. This contract generates approximately $22,500,00.00 annually in revenue.

Discussion

8. The Compliance and Parking Branch are responsible for the delivery and ongoing management of Parking Enforcement.
9. The contract provides Council with:
   (a) PinForce;
   (b) Sentinel; and
   (c) PayStay.

PinForce Mobile

10. PinForce Mobile is a technology solution that allows officers to issue notices and infringements in the field. The technology is highly configurable, so officers can collect data needed, whether that relates to animal control, parking, abandoned property, or any other local laws that may require issuance.

Sentinel sensors

11. Sentinel sensors are enforcement-grade, subterranean parking sensors that provide accurate occupancy data from the bays, streets, and localities in which they're deployed. They precisely and consistently record when a vehicle arrives in a bay and when it departs and delivers that information in real time to our integrated management system.

PayStay

12. PayStay is a pay-by-phone paid parking app. It enables motorists to pay for parking via their mobile phone and provides another paid parking payment option with some additional flexibility for users. Council received over $6.4 million in revenue last financial year via PayStay.

Impact

13. The above contract provides a number of technologies relied upon by Council to manage compliance across the municipality.

14. Council has invested heavily in specialised sensors and other technologies that are not compatible with other contract provider's systems. Should Council elect to not extend the contract, Council would need to remove the existing sensors and explore other options for the re-installation of new equipment. This process would require new tender process which would be a significant cost to Council including removing the infrastructure and revenue impact from the loss of the parking sensors.

15. The annual contract sum for T01081, for Parking Management, Compliance and Law Enforcement Technology $1,207,850.00 excl GST per annum, over four years estimated to be excl. GST $4,831,400.00.

16. This cost has been factored into the Compliance and Parking branches operating budget 2023/2024.

Future Options

17. Due to the operational nature of this contract, officers recommend that the Chief Executive Officer be provided the necessary delegation to exercise Council's option to extend the contract for future terms. This will enable Council to exercise its third option in 2027 and its fourth and final option in 2031. The proposed delegation extends only to the ability to exercise these options, with the terms of the contract remaining in accordance with Council's original resolution.

18. It is further recommended that this delegation be subject to the requirement that funding has been made available in Council's operational budget (noting that timing of the reviews will immediately follow Council's adoption of a budget in each of those years).

Options

19. This report seeks the exercising a second extension to the existing contract and the delegation to the Chief Executive Officer to exercise future extensions in accordance with the terms of contract T01081.

Community and stakeholder engagement

20. The relevant internal departments are across the requirements of the contract.

Policy analysis

Alignment to Community Vision and Council Plan

21. The management of Council's car parking resources is required pursuant to the Local Government Act 1989.

22. The principles and practices of the parking management, compliance and law enforcement contract align with the Council Plan 2021-25. This includes:

(a) Promote Yarra as an attractive location for economic activity for both small business and larger industries; and

(b) Improve our streetscapes, accessibility, safety, and amenity, including embedding outdoor dining, increase greenery and active transport infrastructure, to attract more people to visit, spend time and shop across our precincts;

Climate emergency and sustainability implications

23. Not applicable

Community and social implications

24. The contract provides staff the required tools to ensure compliance with Council's Local Laws.

25. The management of Council's parking resources ensures equity in ability to park within Council's Activity Centres and its surrounds.

Economic implications

26. Appropriate management of parking spaces assists in the economic development of Council's Activity Centres. Equally, compliance with Council's local laws ensures a safe environment for the community.

Human rights and gender equality implications

27. Not applicable

Operational analysis

Financial and resource impacts

Expected Expenditure

28. An estimate of the cost excl. GST over the four years are as follows:

Item	Description	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3 (Estimate)	Year 4 (estimate)	Total
1	PayStay	$406,000	$406,000	$406,000	$406,000	$1,624,000
2	Pinforce,Sentinel	$801,850	$801,850	$801,850	$801,850	$3,207,400
	Total	**$1,207,850**	**$1,207,850**	**$1,207,850**	**$1,207,850**	**$4,831,400**

Legal Implications

29. This report seeks to exercise the option to further extend the contract.

Conclusion

30. Contract T01081 - Parking Management, Compliance and Law Enforcement Technology are a requirement now and going forward. T01081 was extended in 2019 by a further four years to conclude in 2023, at which time another option to extend by a further four years is available.

31. This variation is accounted for in Council's 2023/2024 operating budget.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:

   (a) endorses the option to exercise its option to extend contract T01081 - Parking Management, Compliance and Law Enforcement Technology, for a further four-year term;

   (b) delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to sign the extension to contract T01081;

   (c) delegate the authority to the Chief Executive Officer to exercise future options to extend the contract, subject to the necessary funding being available in Council's adopted budget;

   (d) notes that the services are based upon an annual cost of $1,207,850.00 (ex GST) and schedule of rates; and

   (e) notes the contract will be subject to rise and fall based on the consumer price indexation for costs in labour, transportation and materials.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

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