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LATEST NEWS

VICSMART EXTENSION

The government has announced that an extension to the VicSmart fast-track permit application process will be implemented in the coming months. This change is part of the [Smart Planning program's](#) work to make the planning system simpler and more efficient. Subscribe to the Smart Planning newsletter by emailing smart.planning@delwp.vic.gov.au.

FAST TRACK GOVERNMENT LAND SERVICE - STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Minister for Planning has referred four sites to the first Government Land Standing Advisory Committee for advice on future planning provisions. The sites are 35 Johnston and 50 Perry Streets, Collingwood; Blue Rock Road, Willow Grove; 200 Shaws Road, Ballan; and 119 & 123 Curlewis Street, Swan Hill. Further information is available via www.delwp.vic.gov.au/fast-track-government-land.

PLUMBING REGULATIONS SUNSET REVIEW

The [Plumbing Regulations 2008](#) will expire in November 2018. The Department is in the process of reviewing the current regulations and will develop options for new regulations to replace them. Public submissions on the operation and effectiveness of the current regulations can be made at engage.vic.gov.au/plumbing-regulations-sunset-review. For further information on this project please email: plumbing.review@delwp.vic.gov.au. Submissions close 17 March 2017.

PIA EVENTS AND PLANET REGISTRATIONS

Thursday, March 2: [International Women's Day Breakfast](#) - SOLD OUT; Wednesday, 15 March: [Transforming Victoria's Planning System for the 21st Century](#). Registrations are now open for all [2017 PLANET courses](#). Tuesday, 7 & Friday, 31 March: [ResCode Practice \(2 days\)](#) - LIMITED PLACES REMAIN; Thursday, 9 March: [Understanding ESD - Ecological Sustainable Development](#); Tuesday, 14 March: [Preparing a Bushfire Management Statement](#); Thursday, 16 March: [Effective Strategic Planning \(Module 1 of 4 in the Strategic Policy Development Series\)](#); Tuesday, 21 March: [The A-Z of Planning \(March\)](#) - LIMITED PLACES REMAIN; Wednesday, 22 March: [Introduction to VCAT - The Hearing](#); Friday, 24 March: [Heritage Planning](#); Thursday, 30 March: [Constructing an Engagement Program NEW](#)

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APPROVALS

- [Greater Bendigo C212](#) - Corrects a number of mapping errors, makes other minor mapping changes, rezones surplus council land at 15-17 Balmoral Drive, Golden Square to the General Residential Zone and makes other minor corrections to the planning scheme ordinance.
- [Hume C196](#) - Amends zoning boundaries in the Roxburgh Park Town Centre to align with planned future commercial and residential uses, as approved in the *Roxburgh Park Town Centre Development Plan*.
- [Hume C213](#) - Amends the schedule to Clause 81.01 and Schedules 6 and 7 to the Urban Growth Zone to reflect updated versions of the *Greenvale Central* and the *Woodlands Precinct Structure Plans* and the *Greenvale Central Development Contributions Plan*.
- [Indigo C068](#) - Rezones land south of Rutherglen to the Rural Activity Zone in accordance with the recommendations of the *Rutherglen Rural Living Study April 2016* and deletes land from the Indigo Planning Scheme at Barnawartha following a municipal boundary realignment with City of Wodonga.
- [Macedon Ranges C102](#) - Rezones land at 14 Blanchfield Drive, Kyneton to the Low Density Residential Zone to facilitate a 33 lot subdivision.

- [Maroondah C102](#) - Corrects the zoning of a number of properties on Pitt Street and Bedford Road in Ringwood, removes Schedule 97 to the Heritage Overlay from 323 Dorset Road, Croydon and Schedule 102 to the Heritage Overlay from Maroondah Highway, Ringwood and modifies the extent of Schedule 39 to the Heritage Overlay at the Ringwood Railway Station.
- [Mornington Peninsula C230](#) - Amends the Schedule to Clause 61.03 which incorrectly omits a number of overlay maps.
- [Wyndham C209 \(Part 1\)](#) - Implements a number of recommendations of the *Wyndham Dry Stone Walls Study (2015)* by introducing a new Dry Stone Wall Policy, including the study as a reference document and applying the Heritage Overlay to a number of sites.
- [Yarra C146](#) - Amends the planning scheme maps and the Schedule to the Heritage Overlay and updates the incorporated document, *City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas 2007 Appendix 8*, to accurately identify places included in the Victorian Heritage Register and the land which is affected.

EXHIBITIONS

- [Melton C180](#) - proposes to rezone 126-156 Coburns Road, Melton to the Mixed Use Zone to allow for a range of residential, commercial and other uses that complement the mixed use function of the precinct.
- [Whitehorse C175](#) - proposes to give effect to the *Box Hill Transit City Structure Plan (2007)* and the *Box Hill Metropolitan Activity Centre Built Form Guidelines (2016)*.
- [Yarra C188](#) - proposes to allow the use of the land at 5 - 15 Mayfield Street, Abbotsford for 'dwelling' and apply an Environmental Audit Overlay to the site.

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