

Appendix 3

Neighbourhood Principles

The Neighbourhood Principles included within *Melbourne 2030* aim to create more liveable neighbourhoods that demonstrate the following characteristics:

- an urban structure where networks of neighbourhoods are clustered to support larger activity centres on the PPTN
- compact neighbourhoods that are oriented around 'walkable' distances between activities and where neighbourhood centres provide access to services and facilities to meet day-to-day needs
- reduced dependence on car use because public transport is easy to use, there are safe and attractive spaces for walking and cycling, and subdivision layouts allow easy movement through and between neighbourhoods
- a range of lot sizes and housing types to satisfy the needs and aspirations of different groups of people
- integration of housing, workplaces, shopping, recreation, and community services to provide a mix and level of activity that attracts people, creates a safe environment, stimulates interaction and provides a lively community focus
- a range of open spaces to meet a variety of needs, with links to open space networks and regional parks where possible
- a strong sense of place because neighbourhood development emphasises existing cultural heritage values, attractive built form and landscape character
- environmentally friendly development that includes improved energy efficiency, water conservation, local management of stormwater and waste water treatment, less waste and reduced air pollution
- protection and enhancement of native habitat and discouragement of the spread and planting of noxious weeds.

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