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LATEST NEWS

PLANNING PERMIT ACTIVITY REPORT

The Planning Permit Activity Report for [July 2017](#) is now available.

VCAT RED DOT DECISION RELATING TO A RETIREMENT VILLAGE

[Gembrook Views Estate Pty Ltd v Cardinia SC \(Red Dot\) \[2017\] VCAT 604 \(4 May 2017\)](#): This case involved a developer who sought declarations that agreements it had made with the council and the associated planning permit for a retirement village, each restricting ownership and/or occupation of the land to people over 55 years of age, amounted to age discrimination under the *Equal Opportunity Act 2010* (EO Act). The Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission (VEOHRC) intervened to make submissions regarding definitions of discrimination and the interpretation of relevant provisions of the EO Act. VEOHRC's submissions can be viewed on the VEOHRC's website. The Tribunal did not make findings regarding whether there was a breach of the EO Act but made some interesting observations about the intersection between the planning scheme and the EO Act.

MEET VICTORIA'S NEW SURVEYOR GENERAL

Craig Sandy, the new Surveyor General of Victoria will be providing a keynote on the digital future for cadastral infrastructure, and new paradigms for subdivisions at the Surveying & Spatial Sciences Institute (SSSI) annual conference being held on 1 September. Details [here](#).

PLANET TRAINING

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Tues 12 Sept: [Planning Law Essentials](#); Tues 19 Sept: [Preparing a Precinct Structure Plan for a Greenfields Precinct](#); Tues 26 Sept: [Green Infrastructure and Urban Planning](#) - NEW; Tues 3 Oct: [Building Design and Architecture](#).

PIA EVENT

Fri 13 Oct: [2017 PIA Victoria Symposium](#) - Doing it differently; rethinking planning.

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EXHIBITIONS

- [Benalla C032](#) proposes to correct anomalies in the planning scheme.
- [Corangamite C047](#) is a 96A combined amendment and permit application and proposes to rezone part of 31 Glenormiston Road Noorat from Farming Zone to Township Zone and subdivide the land into 5 lots.

PANEL REPORTS

- [Bass Coast C147](#): Bass Coast Shire Open Space Plan Review 2016.
- [Brimbank C148](#): Residential development of 112-116 Anderson Street, Sunshine.
- [Greater Geelong C251](#): Residential development of the CSIRO site at 1 Henry Street, Belmont.
- [Mitchell & Whittlesea GC55](#): Beveridge Central Precinct Structure Plan.

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