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LATEST NEWS

VPELA EVENTS

Wed 23 May - [The Future Growth of Melbourne: East or West?](#)

Melbourne has traditionally developed to the south-east and in more recent times has seen unprecedented expansion to the north and west. Many councils have extolled the virtues of their municipalities and regions, but where is the future growth of Melbourne best placed?

Thu 31 May - [Delivering \(Un\)affordable Housing](#)

On 1 June 2018, new legislation will come into effect to introduce a definition of Affordable Housing into the Planning and Environment Act. The new definition will encompass 'Social Housing' which is already defined in the Housing Act and is the broader term for Community Housing and Public Housing. Confused yet? Now that we know what Affordable Housing is, does that make all other housing "un-affordable"?

PLANET COURSES

Tue 29 May - [Planning and the Government Context](#); Thu 31 May - [Urban Design - Realising a Compact City](#); Thu 7 Jun - [Managing Development near Landfills and Other Buffers](#); Thu 14 Jun - [Traffic and Parking Assessments](#); Fri 15 Jun - [Local Government Planners' Dinner](#)

BUSHFIRE PRONE AREAS MAP UPDATED

The 11th review of the [Bushfire Prone Areas](#) (BPA) mapping has been completed resulting in over 9,000 residential lots being removed from the BPA. On 16 May 2018 notice was published in the Government Gazette and the BPA Map online was updated. The 12th review will open shortly with a request for sites about to commence development to be identified for review. Contact: bpa@delwp.vic.gov.au.

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APPROVALS

- [Whittlesea C220](#) inserts the *Plenty Road Upgrade (Bush Boulevard to Bridge Inn Road) Incorporated Document, February 2018* into the schedules to Clause 52.03 (Specific Sites and Exclusions) and Clause 81.01 (Documents incorporated in the scheme).

EXHIBITIONS

- [Darebin C161](#) proposes to implement the *Fairfield Village Built Form Guidelines, 2017 (Built Form Guidelines)* and the *Fairfield Village Heritage Assessment, 2017*.
- [Greater Geelong C367](#) proposes to rezone approximately 40 hectares at 2-120 Mollers Lane and 10 Willows Place, Leopold from Farming Zone to General Residential Zone Schedule 1, applies a new Schedule 43 to the Design and Development Overlay, reduces the Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 10, revises Clause 21.14 Bellarine Peninsula to include the South East Leopold Framework Plan, and to extend the settlement boundary.
- [Melton C195](#) proposes to introduce Clause 45.11 Infrastructure Contributions Overlay (ICO1) to implement the *Plumpton & Kororoit Infrastructure Contributions Plan, April 2018*.
- [Melton C200](#) proposes to implement the findings of the *Municipal Strategic Statement Rewrite Background Report June 2017*.
- [Mornington Peninsula C214](#) proposes to introduce a permanent Heritage Overlay to 60 new individual places, groups, and precincts in the townships of Arthurs Seat, Capel Sound, Dromana, Fingal, Hastings, Main Ridge, McCrae, Portsea, Red Hill, Rosebud, Rye, and Somerville.

- [Stonnington C276](#) proposes to revise Schedule 1 to the Activity Centre Zone to improve its operation and ensure the alignment of the control with the intent of the *Chapel Revision Structure Plan*.

PANEL REPORTS

- [Southern Grampians C36](#): applies a permanent Significant Landscape Overlay 6 to the Harman's Valley area.

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