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Minister's foreword The story so far



Plan Melbourne 2017–2050 was adopted in March 2017 after three years of intensive consultation to revise the earlier 2014 version. Key issues such as housing, climate change and developing communities were added in and the previous short-term shopping list of projects deleted and replaced with the government's longer-term infrastructure strategy.

Plan Melbourne was accompanied by an implementation plan detailing 112 proposed actions to ensure the commitments in the plan were more transparent and there was greater accountability for their implementation.

This progress report delivers on the commitment to have an annual progress statement including a report on outcomes from the actions.

Important developments since the plan was released, include the dramatic increase in population measured by the 2016 Australian Bureau of Statistics Census which found Victoria was growing at record rates of over 145,000 a year and Melbourne is growing faster than any major city in the OECD.

The challenge has just got bigger.

The work of the six Metropolitan Partnerships and the nine Regional Partnerships are reshaping the way Melbourne is growing and connecting priorities across the local and state government levels. This is important work and it is vital that it continues along the clear path set down.

I welcome feedback on the progress report and comments on how delivery of the Actions can be enhanced or accelerated.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard Wynne".

The Hon. Richard Wynne MP
Minister for Planning

Introduction

Plan Melbourne builds on the legacy of values that have made Melbourne one of the most liveable cities in the world. It is a long-term plan to accommodate Melbourne's future growth in population and employment. The plan contains an agenda to protect the character of the city while tackling the challenges of affordable housing, congestion, access to jobs and services, and climate change. Delivering *Plan Melbourne's* actions is critical to achieving the vision of being a global city of opportunity and choice. *Plan Melbourne* is structured around seven outcomes.

PLAN MELBOURNE IS STRUCTURED AROUND SEVEN OUTCOMES

- 1 Melbourne is a productive city that attracts investment, supports innovation and creates jobs
- 2 Melbourne provides housing choice in locations close to jobs and services
- 3 Melbourne has an integrated transport system that connects people to jobs and services and goods to market
- 4 Melbourne is a distinctive and liveable city with quality design and amenity
- 5 Melbourne is a city of inclusive, vibrant and healthy neighbourhoods
- 6 Melbourne is a sustainable and resilient city
- 7 Regional Victoria is productive, sustainable and supports jobs and economic growth.

Delivering Plan Melbourne

Integrating actions across government is critical for the successful delivery of *Plan Melbourne's* whole-of-government approach to metropolitan planning with actions delivered by state departments, authorities, agencies and local government. While focused on the 31 metropolitan municipalities (plus the part of Mitchell Shire located within the urban growth boundary), the plan also covers important issues for municipalities outside metropolitan Melbourne, particularly regional cities and key transport corridors.

The *Victoria Planning Provisions* (VPPs) and all planning schemes were updated to give effect to *Plan Melbourne*.

Reviewing implementation progress

Plan Melbourne will be reviewed every five years, with the first review in 2022. The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) will undertake annual monitoring and reporting in consultation with other government departments and agencies.

Annual reporting will include updates to the status of actions, including changes to timeframes for completion from DELWP, lead agencies and implementation partners. New actions that are state-led and deliver on *Plan Melbourne's* outcomes will be reported as part of the annual update, as approved by the Minister for Planning in consultation with other relevant ministers. This report contains an update on the status of the 112 actions included in the *Plan Melbourne Five-Year Implementation Plan* released in March 2017.

Partnerships for Melbourne's future growth

Plan Melbourne will continue to contribute to a 21st century city that is distinctive, globally connected and competitive – a city designed to encourage social and economic participation, with strong and healthy communities and a resilient environment.

Lead agencies and partners

DELWP coordinates the whole-of-government approach to the implementation of *Plan Melbourne* and connects all parts of the planning process: environment, water, land use and planning and development.

The Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources (DEDJTR) drives economic development and job creation across Victoria with a focus on transport and ports, investment attraction, trade, innovation, regional development and small business. Within DEDJTR, Transport for Victoria coordinates Victoria's transport system, delivers major projects and plans for the network's future. Other agencies within DEDJTR with a critical role to play in the planning and delivery of the *Plan Melbourne* outcomes include Development Victoria, Public Transport Victoria, VLine, Rail Projects Victoria and the Level Crossing Removal Authority among others.

The Victorian Planning Authority (VPA) delivers integrated land use and infrastructure planning in key urban renewal areas, national employment and innovation clusters, growth areas, regional centres and regional areas undergoing transition. Its role in delivering *Plan Melbourne* involves promoting the supply of housing, encouraging resilient development and facilitating the delivery of infrastructure and services for communities.



Local government partnerships

Local government shares responsibilities with the Victorian Government in planning for Melbourne's future, especially for housing, delivering community infrastructure and ensuring community involvement in planning critical to achieving major initiatives of *Plan Melbourne* such as 20-minute neighbourhoods.

Aside from undertaking their own planning actions to implement *Plan Melbourne*, local government, in partnership with DELWP and other government agencies, will focus on participating in Metropolitan Partnerships and other metropolitan regional governance arrangements to support *Plan Melbourne* implementation. DELWP will continue to engage with the local government sector on partnership arrangements for *Plan Melbourne* implementation.

Metropolitan regional planning

Delivery of *Plan Melbourne* is supported by planning and engagement at the metropolitan regional level and the government has identified six metropolitan regions within Melbourne: Inner Metro, Inner South East, Western, Northern, Eastern and Southern. The metropolitan Melbourne regions are shown on Map 1. These align with the boundaries for the Metropolitan Partnerships.

Metropolitan Partnerships established by DELWP's Office for Suburban Development provide a platform for communities to advise the state government on regional priorities. Five-year jobs, service and infrastructure plans are prepared for each metropolitan region and released annually. These outline the Victorian Government's major investments in each metropolitan region and the government's response to the Metropolitan Partnership priorities.

Economy and Planning Groups (EPWGs) have been established to unify planning, infrastructure, transport and economic development portfolios across state and local government in each of the six metropolitan regions. The EPWGs support the collaborative implementation of many of *Plan Melbourne's* actions and provide input into the respective Metropolitan Partnerships. In terms of *Plan Melbourne* implementation their focus is delivery of the land use framework plans for each of the metropolitan regions (Action 1 of the *Plan Melbourne Five-Year Implementation Plan*) and relevant economic-focused *Plan Melbourne* actions. Each of the EPWGs are led by a local government CEO to ensure alignment with their Metropolitan Partnerships and include members from each of the relevant metropolitan region councils, DELWP, DEDJTR and the VPA.



MAP 1 Metropolitan Melbourne regions



Local Government Area boundary
 Metropolitan Partnership boundaries
 Part of Mitchell Shire ⁽¹⁾

Map key

	Inner Metro Region	Inner South East Region	Western Region	Northern Region	Eastern Region	Southern Region
Local Government Area	1. Melbourne 2. Port Phillip 3. Yarra	4. Stonnington 5. Bayside 6. Boroondara 7. Glen Eira	8. Melton 9. Brimbank 10. Hobsons Bay 11. Wyndham 12. Moonee Valley 13. Maribyrnong	14. Banyule 15. Whittlesea 16. Nillumbik 17. Hume 18. Moreland 19. Darebin 20. Mitchell (part)	21. Manningham 22. Whitehorse 23. Knox 24. Yarra Ranges 25. Maroondah 26. Monash	27. Kingston 28. Frankston 29. Cardinia 30. Casey 31. Greater Dandenong 32. Mornington Peninsula

(1) For metropolitan planning purposes the southern part of Mitchell Shire is included in the Northern Region.

Putting the plan into action

The implementation plan for *Plan Melbourne* builds on initiatives already underway. Each action identifies the *Plan Melbourne* direction it delivers.

The indicative timeframes for completing actions are:

Short term

By the end of 2018 (0 – 2 years)



Medium term

By the end of 2021 (2 – 5 years)



Long term

Beyond 2021 (more than 5 years)



A small number of actions are identified as 'ongoing' rather than having a fixed timeframe for completion as they provide essential services for metropolitan planning. Each action is allocated to a lead agency (or agencies) with primary responsibility for delivering the action. Many actions also identify implementation partners critical to the delivery of the action, due to their core responsibilities or area of expertise. Other stakeholders will be involved in delivering *Plan Melbourne* actions as projects are further scoped.

The list of actions is available on the *Plan Melbourne* website.



Reports

This report details the progress made on each action included in *Plan Melbourne*.

For each action the following information is being provided:

- Action number and title
- Action description
- Status update with a summary of progress, and
- Expected date of completion.

Each *Plan Melbourne* action is categorised as being either early or late.

Planning for metropolitan regions


Action 1

Land use framework plans for each of the metropolitan regions

In consultation with the Metropolitan Partnerships, state and local government metropolitan regional planning groups are currently preparing regional land use framework plans for each of the six metropolitan regions. The regional land use framework plans will include strategies for population growth, jobs, housing, infrastructure, major transport improvements, open space and urban forests.

STATUS UPDATE

Six Regional Economy and Planning Working Groups have been established by DEDJTR to oversee the development of the land use framework plans. Preliminary consultation is being undertaken with officers across state and local government with each working group preparing the draft land use framework plans.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	Multiple
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCIES	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, VPA, DEDJTR, DHHS and DET
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019



OUTCOME 1

Melbourne is a productive city that attracts investment, supports innovation and creates jobs

Action 2

Central city planning

Develop a whole-of-government approach to planning of the central city to the year 2050.

STATUS UPDATE

The *Central City Planning Framework* is currently being finalised.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.1
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCIES	DELWP, DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, cities of Melbourne, Port Phillip and Yarra
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

Action 3

Central city urban renewal precincts

Prepare long-term land use and infrastructure plans for state-significant urban renewal precincts such as Arden, Macaulay, E-Gate, Fishermans Bend and Richmond to Docklands.

STATUS UPDATE

The *Fishermans Bend Draft Vision* was released in October 2017. A panel heard extensive submissions and submitted its report in August 2018. The government response is expected this year.

Arden Vision was released in July 2018 and structure planning is underway.

Work is well advanced on preparation of a *Parkville Framework Plan* and *Richmond to Docklands Vision*.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.1
TIMEFRAME	Short-medium
LEAD AGENCIES	VPA, DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

Action 4

Land use and infrastructure plans for the national employment and innovation clusters

Work in partnerships with local governments, major institutions, utility providers, land owners and investors to prepare long-term land use and infrastructure plans for National Employment and Innovation Clusters (NEICs).

STATUS UPDATE

Land use framework plans are being developed for several of the NEICs identified in Plan Melbourne, including Monash, Latrobe and Sunshine. These plans articulate visions for future land use and infrastructure in these areas. They will help in deciding whether existing planning controls are fit for purpose. In preparing these plans, there is an emphasis on ensuring a shared land use, economic and infrastructure vision.

A Parkville Framework Plan is also in preparation to support the ongoing growth of high-skill and high-value jobs in the Parkville NEIC.

Action 5

Business investment strategies for NEICs

Develop business investment strategies for each NEIC as each land use and infrastructure plans are developed to define outcomes and preconditions for investment.

STATUS UPDATE

DEDJTR is preparing economic profiles for each NEIC. These profiles will provide a basis to define the economic role of each NEIC.

Action 6

Health and education precincts

Review planning provisions for health and education precincts to support their effective operation and their future expansion. In the case of health precincts this will include the further development of associated allied health services.

STATUS UPDATE

Planning for individual precincts is underway, including Berwick, Wantirna, Latrobe and Sunshine. This planning is expected to be completed by the end of 2019.

Action 7

Tertiary education opportunities in the west

Plan for additional tertiary education offerings in the west, focusing on the Sunshine and Werribee NEICs.

STATUS UPDATE

Work is underway across agencies and with the Western Metropolitan Partnership to identify education and skill requirements for the region.


Action 8


Significant industrial precincts


Work with local government to strengthen regionally significant industrial precincts in established urban areas for employment-generating activities. This action is integrated with Action 12.


STATUS UPDATE


Work is underway on analysing metropolitan Melbourne-wide industrial land use in conjunction with *Plan Melbourne* Action 12. An industry stakeholder forum involving local government was held in July 2018 to discuss challenges and opportunities in planning industrial and commercial land. Local government is also contributing to this action through the preparation of land use framework plans (see Action 1).

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.1
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	VPA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, DEDJTR, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2021

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.1
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short-medium
LEAD AGENCY	VPA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DHHS, DET, DELWP, DEDJTR, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.1
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCIES	DEDJTR, DET
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, VPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, DEDJTR, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Early 2019

Action 9

Planning for activity centres

Work with metropolitan councils to review the opportunities and constraints of the activity centre network and individual activity centres. This may include identifying priority activity centres for future planning, developing a program to prepare or update structure plans, reviewing local planning policy and streamlining planning provisions.

STATUS UPDATE

Activity Centre Pilot programs are underway in the Moonee Ponds, Ivanhoe and Johnson Street activity centres to develop and implement stronger built form controls. Interim planning controls are in place for each of the centres while the pilot are underway. The remainder of the action is at a development stage.

Action 10

Activity centre performance review

There will be review of the performance of activity centres against agreed criteria. This will measure the success of structure plans against future employment and housing needs.

STATUS UPDATE

In 2018, DELWP published housing development data in relation to activity centres by local government area. This included analysis of housing supply in and around activity centres as well as changes in density.

In addition, case studies on the influence of activity centre growth on economic and employment growth have been published.

Action 11

Guidelines on new activity centres

Develop a practice note for identifying and establishing new activity centres.

STATUS UPDATE

This action is still in the development stage.

Action 12

Planning for future employment growth

This action is integrated with Action 8 and seeks to assist councils to plan for future employment needs by assessing the suitability of established industrial and commercial areas for different employment purposes.

STATUS UPDATE

Work is underway on analysing demand for industrial and commercial land and floor space supply in conjunction with Action 8. An industry stakeholder forum was held in July 2018 with over 60 representatives attending to discuss challenges and opportunities with respect to planning for industrial and commercial land.

In addition, the government has recently released a package of reforms to support planning for enterprise precincts. This includes a new Commercial 3 Zone classification and an associated practice note.


Action 13


Employment opportunities in growth areas


Designate substantial employment precincts through the *Precinct Structure Plan* (PSP) process. Work with developers and councils to find ways to create a greater diversity of employment opportunities in growth areas such as through allocating space to small businesses, access to conference facilities or shared meeting spaces.


STATUS UPDATE


The VPA is working closely with DELWP and DEDJTR to inform planning for future employment growth. A pilot approach is currently being prepared to plan for increased employment opportunities in new PSPs. This work will inform actions 8, 12 and 14, all of which involve DELWP assisting local government in planning for a diversity of employment across Melbourne's greenfield areas.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, VPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2018 (pilot program) Late 2021 for the remainder of the program

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, VPA
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	VPA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, DEDJTR, DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

Action 14

Economic development and employment outcomes in growth areas

Monitor and analyse the economic development and employment outcomes in growth areas to inform future economic policy and precinct structure planning.

STATUS UPDATE

This action is in the development stage. The VPA is working closely with DELWP and DEDJTR to plan for future employment growth. The pilot approach to planning for increased employment opportunities in new PSPs will inform this action, as will actions 8 and 12. This work will assist local government plan for a diversity of employment across Melbourne's greenfield areas.

Action 15

Review planning for telecommunications infrastructure

Support the provision of telecommunications infrastructure by reviewing the *Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria 2004*, ensuring adequate telecommunications pathways in new buildings and ensuring areas identified as significant employment centres include early planning for fibre-ready facilities and telecommunications infrastructure.

STATUS UPDATE

DEDJTR is developing mapping tools to identify broadband and mobile coverage, relevant government infrastructure and business demand by location across Melbourne. These tools will be used to plan new telecommunications infrastructure, such as 5G mobile technology.

Action 16

Pipeline of urban renewal projects across Melbourne

Establish a pipeline of transit-oriented development and identify urban renewal opportunities to deliver mixed-use neighbourhoods with high levels of amenity and connectivity for future residents and workers.

STATUS UPDATE

Project scoping with key government stakeholders is underway and a draft methodology is being prepared to identify, facilitate and track a pipeline of projects that build on DELWP's Urban Development Program.

Action 17

Support strategic planning for agriculture

Improve planning decision-making to support sustainable agriculture by identifying strategic agricultural land and protecting the right to farm in key locations in Melbourne's green wedges and peri-urban areas.

STATUS UPDATE

A comprehensive assessment to identify strategic agricultural land in Melbourne's green wedge and peri-urban areas is underway in partnership with Deakin University and Agriculture Victoria. Based on the outcomes of this assessment, planning mechanisms to achieve protection of strategic agricultural land, and support sustainable agricultural practices, will be established.

Action 18


Management of extractive industry


Investigate planning mechanisms to protect extractive resources which are of strategic importance to the state.


STATUS UPDATE


A joint Ministerial Statement on extractive resources was released in August 2018. The purpose of the statement is to improve the approach to land use planning and regulation to secure a supply of resources needed to develop affordable housing and lower-cost infrastructure.


DELWP and DEDJTR are partnering Wyndham City Council and South Gippsland Shire Council to pilot a program to identify Strategic Extractive Resource Areas (SERAs) to better protect extractive resources in local government areas.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, DEDJTR, VPA
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCIES	DELWP, DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	VPA
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	VPA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, DELWP, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.4
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DEDJTR
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	1.4
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DEDJTR
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019



OUTCOME 2

Melbourne provides housing choice in locations close to jobs and services

Action 19

Metropolitan regional housing plans to guide housing growth

Prepare metropolitan regional housing plans to implement *Plan Melbourne* policies at a regional level and update local housing strategies and planning schemes.

STATUS UPDATE

The project will be delivered in 2019. To date the project has delivered an online metropolitan viewer that provides information on Melbourne’s housing, demography and economy. Further household mobility and market analysis currently being undertaken will serve as the basis of regional housing policy development in 2019.


Action 20


Precinct Structure Planning Guidelines

Update the *Precinct Structure Planning Guidelines* to incorporate learnings from previous PSPs in growth areas, align them with *Plan Melbourne* and extend their application to urban renewal areas and regional areas.

STATUS UPDATE

Work is well advanced on an update of the *Precinct Structure Planning Guidelines*. The update incorporates best practice learnings for planning in growth areas, and to extend to urban renewal areas and regional areas. Consultation on the draft of the Guidelines is due to commence in early 2019.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, VPA, DEDJTR
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	Multiple
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCIES	VPA, DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, DEDJTR, DHHS, DET
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

Action 21

A clear sequence for growth area development

Prepare a sequencing strategy for PSPs for the orderly and coordinated release of land in growth areas and to enable the alignment of infrastructure plans to deliver basic community facilities with these staged land releases.

STATUS UPDATE

The sequence for bringing PSPs to completion has been set through the last VPA Statement of Expectations. Further work on managing the sequence of development within each PSP is currently underway.

Action 22

Fishermans Bend as Australia's largest urban renewal area

Deliver world-class urban renewal for Fishermans Bend.

STATUS UPDATE

The *Fishermans Bend Framework and Planning Controls* have been approved and incorporated into the City of Melbourne and City of Port Phillip Planning Schemes. The State Government has established a Standing Advisory Committee to assist in assessing the 26 called in Planning Permits, and also recently established the Fishermans Bend Development Board to act as the central advisory and coordination body for Fishermans Bend to drive the implementation of the *Fishermans Bend Vision and Framework*. Together the State and Local Governments are implementing key catalyst projects to drive development, including new schools, parks and public transport. The next stages include preparation of the more detailed Precinct Plans, the Infrastructure Contribution Plan (ICP) and the Funding and Finance Strategy.

Action 23

Redevelopment of greyfield areas

Support councils to identify precincts in greyfield areas (older residential areas suitable for redevelopment) for lot consolidation and redevelopment to increase housing supply in established areas.

STATUS UPDATE

Maroondah City Council have collaborated with Swinburne University to identify several greyfield renewal precincts undertaken via Maroondah's housing strategy process. Planning controls for those precincts are currently being developed. The project has attracted the interest of other metropolitan councils.

Action 24

Planning system reforms for social and affordable housing

Reform the planning system to facilitate the negotiation of agreements to provide affordable housing as part of rezonings and permit applications.

STATUS UPDATE

Legislation has been amended to include a definition of 'affordable housing' and empower councils to enter into binding agreements with developers. Initiatives are being rolled out to develop the capacity of councils to make use of the legislative change.

Action 25

Surplus government land for social housing

Undertake a pilot project to use surplus government land to deliver social and affordable housing.

STATUS UPDATE

Six sites have been identified and expressions of interest (EOI) have been issued for all six sites. The EOI process will determine the successful bidder for each site by early 2019.


Action 26


Voluntary tool for affordable housing decisions


Develop a voluntary tool to provide certainty and ease of delivery where affordable housing outcomes have been agreed between local government and the applicant.


STATUS UPDATE


The voluntary tool and best practice guidelines have been completed as part of the package of legislative reforms that commenced in July 2018.


PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCIES	VPA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, VPA, cities of Melbourne and Port Phillip
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Completed
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2018

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DHHS
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DHHS, councils
STATUS	Completed

Action 27

Value capture tool for delivery of affordable housing

Develop a tool to determine the increase in land value from rezoning and use a proportion of this uplift to deliver affordable housing.

STATUS UPDATE

In June 2018, legislative amendments to the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* provided the framework to deliver more affordable housing using Section 173 agreements. Further work is currently underway to examine methods to capture value uplift in support of affordable housing.

Action 28

Review residential development provisions

Review the residential development provisions in the VPPs to increase the supply of housing in established areas and streamline the planning approvals process for developments in locations identified for housing change.

STATUS UPDATE

The review of the residential zones was completed in March 2017. This resulted in several key reforms to the residential zones that deliver on the *Plan Melbourne* objectives for cooling and greening and housing supply.

Action 29

Remediation of contaminated land

Amendments to current practices for assessing and remediating contaminated land are being considered as part of the broader reforms to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) including its legislation. This action includes an 18-month pilot to develop and test a risk-based approach for assessing contaminated sites. The pilot is being led by DELWP with support from the EPA, and will involve selected councils and other stakeholders.

STATUS UPDATE

The pilot partners (City of Whittlesea, City of Greater Bendigo and DELWP) have agreed to six initial sites for audit. A procurement process is underway to engage auditors and environmental consultants and this is expected to be finalised in late 2018.

Action 30

Better Apartments Design Standards

Implement the finalised *Apartment Design Guidelines*.

STATUS UPDATE

Internal amenity standards have been developed and implemented within planning schemes. Further refinements of the standards are currently being developed.

Action 31

Streamline the approvals process for specific housing types

Develop streamlined planning approval processes for aged-care accommodation, secondary dwellings and student housing.

STATUS UPDATE

A review of aged-care accommodation policy was completed. Background research has been undertaken with respect to student housing.


Action 32


Planning for shared housing, community care units and crisis accommodation


Reform planning provisions for shared accommodation, community care units and crisis accommodation.


STATUS UPDATE


Stakeholder consultation has been completed and advice is being drafted.


PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DHHS, councils
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.4
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Completed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.4
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	EPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.5
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	OVGA
STATUS	Completed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.5
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DHHS
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	2.5
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DHHS
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018



OUTCOME 3

Melbourne has an integrated transport system that connects people to jobs and services and goods to the market

Action 33

Metro-style rail system

Plan for future improvements that continue the transition to a metro-style rail system. This action includes identifying lines for high-capacity signalling upgrades, simpler timetables with 'turn up and go' frequency, comfortable and efficient interchange opportunities and adding further capacity across the network.

STATUS UPDATE

The Metro Tunnel Project will achieve segregation of lines, enabling end-to-end services, high-capacity trains and 10-minute interpeak services.

Works are currently underway at the five new Metro Tunnel stations and the two tunnel portals. A business case for the proposed Suburban Levy to interconnect Melbourne's 10 radial lines and 15 stations has been foreshadowed for 2019.


Action 34


Integrated transport strategy for Fishermans Bend

Develop an integrated transport plan for Fishermans Bend.

STATUS UPDATE

The transport strategy for Fishermans Bend has been completed as part of the draft *Fishermans Bend Framework* released in 2017.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short-medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	PTV
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, PTV, VicRoads
STATUS	Completed


Action 35

Improvements in the metropolitan bus and tram network

Implement further improvements across the metropolitan bus and tram network.

STATUS UPDATE

Since 2015, upgrades to bus services and networks have been introduced across Victoria (metropolitan and regional), particularly in growth areas and connections to regional towns. New bus networks have been introduced to Cranbourne, Plenty Valley, Bendigo, Ballarat, Woodend, Latrobe Valley, Warragul and Drouin. The Night Network launched in 2016 provides 24-hour public transport on weekends in metropolitan Melbourne and night services to key regional centres.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1, 3.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short-medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	PTV
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing


Action 36

Incorporation of the Principal Public Transport Network (PPTN) into planning schemes

Provide up-to-date transport information to guide land use decision-making by revising and updating the PPTN in planning schemes.

STATUS UPDATE

The VPPs and all planning schemes have been amended to incorporate the PPTN Scheme to assist integrated land use and public transport planning in metropolitan Melbourne.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1, 3.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, PTV
STATUS	Completed


Action 37

Motorway network improvements

Make better use of existing motorway corridors through the adoption of new technology and upgraded connections. Extend the motorway network to serve state-significant movements.

STATUS UPDATE

Upgrades to CityLink–Tullamarine, the M80 and the Monash Freeway are proceeding. Construction of the West Gate Tunnel project has commenced.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1, 3.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	VicRoads
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2022


Action 38

North East Link

Planning work is underway for the North East Link to improve freight and other connectivity between south-east Victoria and central and western Victoria, including removing freight from local roads.

STATUS UPDATE

The North East Link business case has been completed. Site investigations and preparation of the draft *Environmental Effects Statement* are underway.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	VicRoads
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2027


Action 39

Integrated transport planning

Undertake integrated planning in significant metropolitan transport corridors, places and interchanges to deliver improved transport and land use outcomes.

STATUS UPDATE

Planning is underway for the Melbourne Airport Rail Link, North East Link and various precincts such as the Defence Site, Maribyrnong. The projects in delivery, include Melbourne Metro Rail, the West Gate Tunnel and the program of level crossing removals.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1, 3.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short-medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, VPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

Action 40

Land for future transport

Apply planning protection and progressively acquire land for future transport.

STATUS UPDATE

Planning is ongoing to protect options for the Armstrong Creek corridor, Fishermans Bend, the growth area transport network and Melbourne Airport rail.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1, 3.2
TIMEFRAME	Ongoing
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	PTV
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

Action 41

Initiation of a referral process review across transport agencies

Review of transport portfolio referrals.

STATUS UPDATE

Project commenced in June 2018 with information and data gathering. Engagement within the transport-portfolio and with key stakeholders is progressing and will be completed by the end of October. The options and preferred options phase will follow in November with project completion done by the end of 2018.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

Action 42

Strategic cycling corridors

Develop strategic cycling corridors, beginning with links across the central city, with additional developments to close critical gaps, which are to be funded by future budgets.

STATUS UPDATE

The Victorian Cycling Strategy 2018–2028 was released in late 2017, reinforcing the importance of strategic cycling corridors and their role in the transport network. Transport for Victoria, including VicRoads, have undertaken a rapid review of the cycling network with local councils across the state to ensure their alignment with the cycling strategy directions. VicRoads continues to work with councils on the delivery of identified cycling projects as part of the government's \$100 million Safer Cyclists and Pedestrian Fund. Work is continuing with councils on the delivery of identified cycling projects as part of the government's \$100 million Safer Cyclists and Pedestrians Fund.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.1, 3.2
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VicRoads, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

Action 43

Safe, efficient and accessible pedestrian networks

Work with local councils to develop safe, efficient and accessible pedestrian networks using the Principal Pedestrian Network guidelines.

STATUS UPDATE

VicRoads, as part of Transport for Victoria, continues to engage with local councils to consider priorities for investment in the pedestrian network, including the development of a Walking Action Plan.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.3
TIMEFRAME	Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

Action 44

Local networks of cycling links

Work with local councils to create local networks of cycling links.

STATUS UPDATE

VicRoads, as part of Transport for Victoria, is actively engaging with local councils to consider opportunities for investment in the cycling network and alignment with the strategic cycling corridors.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.3
TIMEFRAME	Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

Action 45

Local transport forums

Trial local transport forums in metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria.

STATUS UPDATE

Regional Victorian local transport forums have been initiated. In Melbourne, Transport for Victoria is using the Metropolitan Partnerships and associated transport and economic planning groups to engage relevant local councils.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.3
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

Action 46

Accessible justice services

Provision of office accommodation for metropolitan and regional justice service providers to enable better and more localised access to justice services.

STATUS UPDATE

The program is on track to provide office accommodation for metropolitan and regional justice service providers to enable better and more localised public access to justice services.

Action 47

Strategy for landside access to Melbourne Airport

Develop a new strategy for landside access to Melbourne Airport that supports access by employees and visitors and which considers all modes, including bus and rail.

STATUS UPDATE

The Melbourne Airport Rail Link business case has been announced and a technical study to support the business case is underway.

Action 48

Strategy for future gateways

Planning and/or development works (business cases) for key gateways to be developed.

STATUS UPDATE

The recently released *Freight Plan 2018* provides policy direction on key gateways, including ports and intermodal terminals. Strategic planning for the key gateways will commence late 2018.

Action 49

Plan for a possible airport in the South East region

Plan Melbourne identifies the need to plan for a third airport in Melbourne's south-east. DELWP is working on the planning steps to ensure that the required approvals are obtained at all levels of government and are clearly identified, understood and easily accessible.

STATUS UPDATE

The drafting of planning pathways is underway.

Action 50

Incorporation of the Principal Freight Network following stakeholder engagement in planning schemes

Update the Principal Freight Network (PFN) to include additional places and strengthen the PFN within the planning schemes.

STATUS UPDATE

The *Freight Plan 2018* has been released and further work is progressing on the PFN.


Action 51


Identification and protection of key corridors for High Productivity Freight Vehicles


Update of PFN to include corridors for High Productivity Freight Vehicles (HPFVs).


STATUS UPDATE


The *Freight Plan 2018* has been released and further work is progressing on the PFN.


PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.3
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DJR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2021

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.4
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed (Contingent on Melbourne Airport Rail Link project)

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.4
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	PTV, VicRoads
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.4
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DEDJTR
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.4
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	3.4
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019



OUTCOME 4

Melbourne is a distinctive and liveable city with quality design and amenity

Action 52

Community participation in planning

Increase community participation early in the planning of urban renewal precincts and other areas undergoing change to improve the effectiveness of the planning process.

STATUS UPDATE

The development of Better Apartments standards, the *Fishermans Bend Framework*, planning tools for housing affordability, planning protections for Macedon Ranges, and the Yarra Corridor were each guided and shaped by extensive public participation and involvement. Metropolitan Partnerships and Assemblies have provided an ongoing opportunity to incorporate feedback on regional planning priorities.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION 4.6

TIMEFRAME

Short

LEAD AGENCY

DELWP

IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS

VPA, councils

STATUS

Underway

EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE Ongoing

Action 53

Place-making for public places

Work with local government to improve planning, design and management of public places across Melbourne, including public squares, parks, laneways and pedestrian malls.

STATUS UPDATE

This action is in development. The level crossing removal program and other transport initiatives have contributed to several place-making initiatives and improvements.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION 4.1

TIMEFRAME

Medium

LEAD AGENCY

DELWP

IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS

DEDJTR, OVGA, VPA, councils

STATUS

In development

EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE 2020

Action 54

Exemplary design outcomes from city-shaping infrastructure projects

Implement measures to ensure new transformative and city-shaping infrastructure projects, such as the Metro Tunnel and level crossing removals, to deliver exemplary design outcomes and opportunities for new public spaces and connections that add to Melbourne's vitality.

STATUS UPDATE

The Office of the Victorian Government Architect (OVGA) has formalised a collaboration with the *Major Transport Infrastructure Program* (MTIP) recognising the benefits of holistic and integrated design and the importance of achieving excellent design quality in the delivery of major transport infrastructure in Victoria. OVGA has worked with agencies delivering city-shaping projects (such as Metro Tunnel and level crossing removals) and developed a design approach that focuses on a common vision, accountability, transparency, governance and independence for the MTIP. Place-based urban design principles are embedded in infrastructure projects to provide urban design responses that are connected, diverse, enduring, safe, vibrant and that will add to Melbourne's vitality.

Action 55

Excellence in built environment design

Promote excellence in the design and construction of Victoria's built environment.

STATUS UPDATE

OVGA promotes the importance of good design through its *Good Design* publications. A refresh of its inaugural *Good Design* publication was released in 2018.

Action 56

Urban design guidelines

Update urban design guidelines for Victoria, consolidating previous iterations.

STATUS UPDATE

The updated urban design guidelines have been released.

Action 57

Urban design advisory service to local government

Partner with local government to establish a three-year pilot urban design advisory service modelled on the successful heritage advisory service.

STATUS UPDATE

This action is in the development stage.


Action 58


Data and design technology


Create an information technology platform that brings together 3D models of Melbourne's form and use a variety of city data sets relating to the built environment to inform the planning and design of buildings, streets and spaces.


STATUS UPDATE


The Docklands, Southbank and Victoria Harbour areas have been upgraded within the department's 3D Visualisation Studio. Upgrades provide a much clearer and more detailed context to assist in understanding development applications and generating more accurate shadowing diagrams. The 3D Visualisation Studio has also procured additional, high-performance hardware to ensure more efficient modelling.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.1
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, OVGA, VPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.3
TIMEFRAME	 Ongoing
LEAD AGENCY	OVGA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, VPA, DEDJTR, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	OVGA, councils
STATUS	Completed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.3
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, councils
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2021

Action 59

'Movement and Place' road management framework

The evolution of SmartRoads into a strategic transport planning framework which takes account of non-road transport infrastructure including consideration of the place function of roads.

STATUS UPDATE

Transport for Victoria and sector transport agencies have developed the assessment framework for Movement and Place and are now initiating engagement with local governments on applying the framework across specific network segments and places.

Action 60

Improved streetscapes

Finalise and implement a long-term metropolitan strategy for streetscapes.

STATUS UPDATE

This action is still in the development stage.

Action 61

Great Yarra Parklands

The Greater Yarra Urban Parklands include the public parks and recreation areas along the Yarra River Corridor from the City to Melbourne's Urban Growth Boundary at Warrandyte.

STATUS UPDATE

Consistent with section 59(1) of the *Yarra River Protection (Wilip-gin Birrarung murrn) Act 2017*, the Greater Yarra Urban Parklands were gazetted in February 2018. In accordance with the Act, the Yarra Strategic Plan may consider the need for further declarations. The landmark plan is being developed on behalf of government by Melbourne Water.

Action 62

Planning provisions for the Yarra and Maribyrnong Rivers and other major waterways

The purpose of this action is to protect the natural landscape settings of Melbourne's major waterways by finalising stronger planning controls along the Yarra River corridor and to consider expanding these controls to other major waterways including the Maribyrnong River.

STATUS UPDATE

Yarra River corridor interim planning controls are now in place and will become permanent in 2020. A process is being established for the development of planning controls for the waterways of the west.


Action 63


Waterway corridor master plans


Prepare waterway corridor master plans for priority waterways to ensure that Traditional Owner and community values associated with waterways, amenity and connection to nature, are protected and improved.


STATUS UPDATE


The Victorian Government is working to ensure that planning for waterway corridors includes consideration of Traditional Owner values, access, amenity and connection to nature. Guidelines for Strategic River Corridor Planning are currently being developed, while the *Yarra River Protection (Wilip-gin Birrarung murrn) Act 2017* provides the legislative basis upon which the Victorian Government is preparing the landmark *Yarra Strategic Plan*.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, VicRoads, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VicRoads, DEDJTR, VPA, councils
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.1
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Parks Victoria, Melbourne Water, councils
STATUS	Completed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.1
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, Parks Victoria, Melbourne Water
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.1
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, Melbourne Water, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

Action 64

Affordable spaces for creative industries

Identify opportunities for emerging creative industries to access affordable spaces to undertake cultural pursuits and expression by removing regulatory barriers and brokering and facilitating cultural development programs.

STATUS UPDATE

Creative Victoria is implementing a program to address economic, regulatory and supply impacts on the provision of creative space. This includes actions to identify and activate creative spaces across the state by leveraging partnerships with councils, property owners, philanthropic supporters and other stakeholders.

As part of the program, Creative Victoria has invested in the transformation of the Collingwood Arts Precinct into a publicly accessible, thriving contemporary arts and cultural precinct providing a co-working hub for small and medium creative organisations for artistic development, performances, events and exhibitions. Creative Victoria is also leading the development of a new planning control to support the provision of creative space within new development in the Melbourne Arts Precinct.

Action 65

Tourism infrastructure

Identify land use, transport and infrastructure requirements for growing the tourism market, including appropriate locations and delivery timelines. Build on existing strategies for central Melbourne's future tourism to capitalise on its strengths as a tourist destination.

STATUS UPDATE

In accordance with the *Victorian Visitor Economy Strategy and Action Plan 2016–2020*, the Tourism, Events and Visitor Economy branch in DEDJTR is working in collaboration with key stakeholders to implement a range of initiatives to increase tourism expenditure and visitation to the state and deliver a better visitor experience. Priorities include encouraging more private sector investment, improving tourism infrastructure and enhancing access to and around Melbourne and Victoria.

The government is investing in infrastructure at key visitor attractions, including the development of a Discovery Centre at Puffing Billy's Lakeside Station which features enhanced educational and volunteer facilities, a café and a space to hold events and meetings. Funding has been provided for strategic planning works to upgrade facilities at Port Melbourne's Station Pier, which will also secure the growth of both domestic ferry and cruise ship operations.


Action 66


Sporting facilities


Local community sport and recreation facilities are being funded through multiple funding programs to meet growing demand (e.g. Community Sports Infrastructure Program, Female-Friendly Facilities Fund). Major events stadia and arenas include 44 key venues in Melbourne and regional Victoria including the Melbourne Cricket Ground, AAMI Park and Kardinia Park. These venues will be well supported with investment guided by the 2018 major stadia strategy.

STATUS UPDATE

The government continues to plan and invest in local community facilities and major stadia to meet growth and changing demand. Within the sport and recreation portfolio of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), managing growth is achieved through the Community Sports Infrastructure Fund, Better Indoor Stadiums Fund and the Country Football and Netball Program, which incentivise investment by local councils, clubs and codes. Victoria's major stadia strategy, Home Ground Advantage, provides further guidance to planning and investment decisions focusing on major oval and rectangular field stadia and indoor arenas which host national and international sporting events. Additional investment is made through Local Government Victoria's Growing Suburbs Fund and the Victorian School Building Authority's Shared Facilities Fund.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DHHS
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DET, DEDJTR, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

Action 67

Golf statewide facilities plan

Working with the golf industry, local government and Sport and Recreation Victoria, DELWP is committed to developing a statewide golf facilities strategy to meet the future needs of the sport.

STATUS UPDATE

Work is continuing to finalise the Golf in Victoria strategy and key partners have been engaged.

Action 68

Lead by example in design services procurement for state government projects

Investigate opportunities to improve design services procurement policy for delivery of government projects.

STATUS UPDATE

The OVGA develops tools and resources, such as '*Government as Smart Client*' building procurement case studies, that highlight best practice processes and recommended strategies to enable good design in government procurement. In 2018, OVGA published a new resource, *Architecture Design Competitions — A Guide for Government*, which provides guidance for government organisations on how to enable high-quality design outcomes through design competitions as a procurement method.

Action 69

Heritage planning initiatives

Ensure that Melbourne's heritage assets and distinctive historic precincts are protected, enhanced and celebrated.

STATUS UPDATE

The *Heritage Act 2017* came into effect on 1 November 2017. The Act seeks to modernise and improve processes and protections for state-listed heritage places and objects. It also improves compliance and enforcement measures and provides an appropriate fee structure for heritage approvals, appeals and penalties.

Heritage Victoria, in consultation with the Heritage Council, OGVA and other key stakeholders, has commenced work on guidance for the development of tall buildings on state-listed heritage places. The guidelines will be published by 30 June 2020.


Action 70


Recognition and protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage values


Work with Traditional Owners to ensure Aboriginal cultural heritage is recognised, and to celebrate Aboriginal culture in the planning and development of Melbourne.


STATUS UPDATE

Protection of the Yarra River (Birrarung) and the Yarra River Action Plan provide a partnership model of Indigenous engagement for other projects. Legislative changes relating to Distinctive Areas and Landscapes create additional opportunities for Traditional Owner and Aboriginal community involvement. Statements of Planning Policy are developed for areas declared to be distinctive areas and landscapes, including the Macedon Ranges. Support for the World Heritage listing of the Budj Bim Cultural Landscape near Portland continues. If listed, Budj Bim will be Australia's first and only World Heritage property listed exclusively for its Aboriginal heritage values. A grants program has been established to support Registered Aboriginal Parties to register Aboriginal intangible heritage. These actions are related to Action 71.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DHHS, councils, DEDJTR, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Early 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.3
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	OVGA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, DTF
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.4
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, DPC, Victorian Heritage Council, Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.4
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DPC
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DELWP, VPA, Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

Action 71

Actively involve Aboriginal people in cultural heritage management

Create opportunities for Aboriginal people to be actively involved in the identification, protection, rehabilitation and ongoing management of cultural heritage places across Melbourne.

STATUS UPDATE

The regulations to the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* were updated in May 2018 to reflect recent amendments providing additional enforcement powers to Aboriginal people. Aboriginal Heritage Officers, based in Registered Aboriginal Parties have been trained and appointed across Victoria. Protection of the Yarra River (Birrarrung) and the Yarra River Action Plan provide a partnership model of indigenous engagement for other projects. Legislative changes relating to Distinctive Areas and Landscapes create additional opportunities for Traditional Owner and Aboriginal community involvement. Statements of Planning Policy are developed for areas declared to be distinctive areas and landscapes, including the Macedon Ranges. These actions are related to Action 70.

Action 72

Review green wedge planning provisions

Review the green wedge planning provisions to ensure they support *Plan Melbourne* outcomes for green wedges.

STATUS UPDATE

Work has been undertaken so that the management and reform of green areas will recognise the significant economic, environmental and sociocultural values of these areas. An audit of existing provisions has been completed, which includes recommending short-term and long-term actions.

Action 73

Green Wedge Management Plans

Support local government to complete and implement green wedge management plans.

STATUS UPDATE

The government continues to provide advice and support to local government in preparing and implementing green wedge management plans. Options for further assistance to councils are under consideration as part of the green wedges review being conducted for addressing Action 72.


Action 74


Localised planning statements for distinctive areas and landscapes


Implement policies for protecting and enhancing state distinctive areas vital to the functioning of Melbourne and regional Victoria that are currently experiencing growth and development pressures.


STATUS UPDATE

The *Planning and Environment Amendment (Distinctive Areas and Landscapes) Act 2018* established a new benchmark to guard against inappropriate development and encourage sustainable and appropriate growth in sensitive areas across Melbourne. Macedon Ranges will be the first area to be declared under the Act and background work is underway to identify other distinctive areas which may be declared under the legislation.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.4
TIMEFRAME	 Ongoing
LEAD AGENCY	DPC
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, VPA, Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.5
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.5
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DEDJTR, Parks Victoria, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	4.5
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2021



OUTCOME 5

Melbourne is a city of inclusive, vibrant and healthy neighbourhoods

Action 75

Whole-of-government approach to 20-minute neighbourhoods

This action delivers the 20-minute neighbourhoods *Plan Melbourne* strategy and includes working across government to embed the model with other departments and agencies and with local government. A pilot project with several councils, Victoria Walks and the Heart Foundation (Victoria) will test delivery on the ground, providing a flagship approach, case studies to share and tools to assist with implementation.

STATUS UPDATE

Pilot projects are underway in Maroondah, Moonee Valley and Brimbank. The projects are progressing and are on track. The three council pilots involve place-making events and the councils will report on the results towards the end of 2018 and early 2019. Another pilot site is being investigated. The Heart Foundation has developed a 20-minute neighbourhood scorecard which will be released after testing with councils. Victoria Walks have delivered walking assessments for all three council pilot areas.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	5.1
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, DHHS, DEDJTR, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Early 2019

Action 76

Metropolitan-wide 'neighbourhoods index'

This action relates to how we measure the success of the 20-minute neighbourhoods model. This is a medium-term action, however it is closely related to action 75.

STATUS UPDATE

This action is in the development stage. Discussions with potential government partners, such as VicRoads, have taken place. Work will be undertaken with RMIT with further exploration and design to take place in the second half of 2018.

Discussions have been undertaken with RMIT University (RMIT) about adapting their 'liveability index' to create a tool where we can measure the success of 20-minute neighbourhoods over time.

Action 77

Neighbourhood health and community wellbeing precincts and education services

Plan for existing and new neighbourhood health and community wellbeing precincts and education services, particularly in areas that have services gaps and/or are not easily accessible by public transport.

STATUS UPDATE

Planning is underway for several health hubs.

Action 78

Not-for-profit community service providers

This action relates to not-for-profit sector service providers and how these ensure key community services can be delivered in greenfield areas in a timely manner.

STATUS UPDATE

The VPA has prepared a draft discussion paper, investigating whether there are planning impediments to the establishment and operation of not-for-profit community service providers in the growth areas. The VPA and DHHS will engage with key stakeholders to inform advice to government and will advance coordination across various agencies to deliver services in greenfield areas.


Action 79


Locations for cemeteries and crematoriums


Develop a strategy to identify land requirements for cemeteries and crematoriums. This will include evaluation of business cases for new land allocations.


STATUS UPDATE

The first stage of the strategy will be finalised in December 2018. The second stage is proposed to start in 2019.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	5.1
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	5.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DHHS
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, VPA, DET, DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	5.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCIES	VPA, DHHS
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	5.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DHHS
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019



OUTCOME 6

Melbourne is a sustainable and resilient city

Action 80

Review of planning and building systems to support environmentally sustainable development outcomes

Review Victorian planning and building systems to support environmentally sustainable development outcomes and ensure that plans for new buildings consider their energy, water and waste management performance. Initial priorities include planning guidance on solar panel overshadowing and new stormwater management standards.

STATUS UPDATE

New environmentally sustainable development standards are being progressively developed and planning system measures and guidance will be progressively introduced.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.1
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

Action 81

Lead by example on environmentally sustainable development

Establish minimum energy, water and waste performance standards for the construction and upgrade of government buildings, including public housing.

STATUS UPDATE

This action is in the development stage.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.1
TIMEFRAME	Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DTF, DHHS
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

Action 82

Energy efficiency of existing buildings

This action covers a range of activities to improve the energy efficiency of both residential and non-residential buildings. This includes the provision of incentives (e.g. Victorian Energy Upgrades), programs (e.g. Greener Government Buildings) and tools (e.g. the Residential Efficiency Scorecard) to support energy efficiency upgrades.

STATUS UPDATE

In 2017-2018, approximately 20,000 businesses and 55,000 households improved the energy efficiency of their buildings with the help of the Victorian Energy Upgrades program. On average, they will save \$200 and \$4,500, respectively, in 2018. Since July 2017, the Greener Government Buildings program has funded over \$15 million in energy efficiency upgrades across existing government buildings including several hospitals and educational facilities in both metro and regional areas. These projects each have a payback period of less than 5 years and are aggregately estimated to achieve at least \$3 million in energy savings and reduce over 12,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions per annum.

Action 83

Higher building energy efficiency standards

Engage with other Australian governments, including the Commonwealth, to advocate for and develop improved energy efficiency standards for appliances and buildings.

STATUS UPDATE

DELWP is active in several jurisdictional working groups established under the *National Energy Productivity Plan* to develop improved energy efficiency standards for residential and non-residential buildings under the *National Construction Code*.

Action 84

Renewable energy technologies to achieve Victorian renewable energy targets

Implement actions to achieve Victoria's renewable energy targets of 25 per cent by 2020 and 40 per cent by 2025.

STATUS UPDATE

In July 2017, the Victorian Government released its Renewable Energy Action Plan to support sector growth, empower consumers and modernise our energy system. In November 2017, the government legislated the Victorian Renewable Energy Targets of 25 per cent by 2020 and 40 per cent by 2025. Australia's largest ever reverse auction of up to 650 MW of new renewable capacity has been finalised with three new wind farms and three solar plants.

Action 85

Improvement of natural hazard, climate change and environmental adaptation and risk-mitigation strategies in planning schemes

Review, update and improve the implementation of natural hazard risk management, climate change risk management and environmental adaptation and risk mitigation strategies in the VPPs and planning schemes in relation to natural hazards.

STATUS UPDATE

The first stage is to ensure that the proposed actions are appropriately coordinated across government to prevent duplication, which involves working with stakeholders to understand and document the government's current policy and strategy for all relevant natural hazards.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.1
TIMEFRAME	Medium
LEAD AGENCIES	DELWP, DTF
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.1
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.1
TIMEFRAME	Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.2
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

Action 86

Whole-of-settlement adaptation and risk mitigation strategies

Prepare whole-of-settlement adaptation and risk mitigation strategies to improve the safety and resilience of existing communities exposed to natural hazards.

STATUS UPDATE

This action is in the development stage.

Action 87

Coastal hazard assessment

Complete a coastal hazard assessment and associated risk analysis for Port Phillip and Western Port Bays. This will facilitate planning for, and management of, existing and future natural, cultural and economic assets.

STATUS UPDATE

A communications and engagement strategy has been developed. A number of workshops have been held to gather stakeholder knowledge and data. The project team is currently establishing a technical reference group and a stakeholder reference group to assist them in their work. The project team is also to complete a coastal hazard assessment.

Action 88

Incorporate climate change risks into infrastructure planning

Prepare guidance to support local government in the application of the Australian standard for climate change adaptation for settlements and infrastructure (AS 5334-2013).

STATUS UPDATE

This action is in the development stage.

Action 89

Integrated water management planning

Work with Melbourne Water, water corporations and councils to undertake integrated water management planning at the catchment and local scale. This will address the needs and values of local community and support efficient, coordinated investment in water-related liveability outcomes.

STATUS UPDATE

In September 2017, the Water Minister released the *Integrated Water Management (IWM) framework* for Victoria. A total of 14 of the planned 15 IWM forums have been established across the state. Development and endorsement of strategic directions statements that identify a vision, objectives and priority projects for the respective region, have occurred as a part of metropolitan Melbourne forums and priority regional forums. DELWP will provide co-investment seed funding in some of these projects.


Action 90


Protecting water and sewerage infrastructure


Determine land area and buffer requirements for water and sewerage infrastructure assets and review planning provisions to ensure the ongoing protection of the environment, public health and safety.


STATUS UPDATE


This action is in the development stage.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Parks Victoria, Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.3
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Melbourne Water, water corporations, councils, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2020

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.3
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Water corporations, VPA
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2019

Action 91

Whole-of-government approach to cooling and greening Melbourne

This action will apply a whole-of-government approach to maintaining and enhancing urban forests throughout the metropolitan area, to build a detailed understanding of the urban forest, how it is changing, and how to best protect and enhance this asset.

STATUS UPDATE

Detailed mapping and analysis of vegetation, heat and land use is currently underway in partnership with RMIT, CSIRO and the Clean Air and Urban Landscapes Hub of the National Environmental Science Program. The analysis of baseline data from 2014 is complete. In addition, the department is working closely with the City of Melbourne to progress a public demonstration green roof in central Melbourne to support research and to promote the role of green roofs in cooling and greening the city.

Action 92

Funding processes for alternative water sources

Develop funding processes to enable the use of alternative water sources to support urban cooling and greening, including recycled water for sports fields and key urban landscapes during periods of drought.

STATUS UPDATE

In September 2017, the Water Minister released the IWM framework for Victoria. DELWP has developed a cost and risk allocation model as part of a broader economic evaluation framework. Water corporations have developed urban water strategies, and this work included consulting with councils to ensure priority open space can be irrigated during periods of drought.

Action 93

Metropolitan open space strategy

Prepare an open space strategy that enhances recreation, amenity, health and wellbeing, species diversity, sustainable water management and urban cooling across Melbourne.

STATUS UPDATE

State government agencies including LUV, DHHS, PTV, DPC, DEDJTR, Parks Victoria, Melbourne Water and VicTrack, and the 32 local governments of metropolitan Melbourne are now working together on a new plan to protect and enhance existing open space, as well as expanding the network in response to both the city's unprecedented population growth and the impacts of climate change. The project has just begun and will build on the significant work previously undertaken by the VPA.

Action 94


Protecting the health of waterways from stormwater run-off


Protect the health of waterways from stormwater run-off by reviewing the VPPs, developing a framework for protecting waterways and identifying the best mix of legislative, regulatory, financial and market-based incentives.


STATUS UPDATE


The Planning Minister has established an Improving Stormwater Management Committee to provide advice to government as to which development types should be subject to stormwater standards. The committee will also provide advice on longer-term stormwater management options.

The EPA has commenced a review of the *Urban Stormwater Best Practice Environmental Management Guidelines*. Melbourne Water has released their draft Healthy Waterways Strategy that identifies place-based targets for stormwater management. This complements the work undertaken through the IWM forums to identify local requirements in place-based planning.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.4
TIMEFRAME	 Short-medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VicRoads, water corporations, councils, Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2021

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.4
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Water corporations, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.4
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, councils, Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.5
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Melbourne Water, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2019

Action 95

Environmental protection for coastlines and waters of Port Phillip and Western Port Bays

This action encompasses a range of existing strategies and initiatives to improve water quality, and to protect and enhance, bay and coastal habitats and marine life. This work is being undertaken by DELWP, Melbourne Water and catchment management authorities.

STATUS UPDATE

The *Port Phillip Bay Environmental Management Plan* (EMP) includes priority actions to improve water quality and the environmental health of the bay. A delivery plan includes a schedule for actions and activities over the next 2–3 years, as well as monitoring, evaluation and reporting requirements. The Port Phillip Bay Fund has been established to deliver projects in partnership with interest groups and community organisations. The new *Marine and Coastal Act 2018* now provides a mechanism to develop a comprehensive EMP for Westernport. The Healthy Waterways Strategy being delivered by Melbourne Water also represents a major contribution to the efforts to protect coastlines and waterways.

Action 96

Improve air quality

Planning guidance to be prepared for local councils and developers on siting and design responses for new developments to help reduce exposure to near-road air pollution.

STATUS UPDATE

To contribute to achieving this action, DELWP is working with EPA to review the current state of knowledge and commission advice on siting and design responses for new developments. This will support relevant land use planning measures aimed at minimising exposure to air pollution.

Action 97

Guidelines for noise impact in new developments

Planning guidance to be prepared for local councils and developers on siting, and design responses, for new developments to help reduce exposure to noise pollution.

STATUS UPDATE

DELWP is currently scoping a project with the EPA to review appropriate technical standards and best practice that might extend the approach adopted for apartments to a wider range of residential uses, and other sensitive uses, including education, childcare and health facilities.

Action 98


Review and update guidelines for separation distances for sensitive uses


DELWP has commenced a review of how separation distances are managed in the VPPs in response to the report by Major Hazards Facilities Advisory Committee and the *EPA Inquiry Report (2016)*. The EPA is separately undertaking a review of the *Industrial Residual Air Emissions (IRAE) Guidelines*.


STATUS UPDATE


DELWP Planning has engaged Environmental Resources Management (ERM) to deliver Stage 1, which will involve:

- Review of the existing threshold distances in Clause 52.10 (Uses with Adverse Amenity Potential) and identifying areas for alignment with the EPA's IRAE Guidelines
- Policy review of the role of buffers in strategic and statutory planning in Victoria and abroad and
- Consideration of mechanisms used to apply buffers and how they can be better managed.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.5
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Melbourne Water, Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority, EPA, Parks Victoria, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2021

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.6
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	EPA, DEDJTR
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.6
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	EPA, DEDJTR
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.6
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	EPA, VPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

Action 99

Forward planning for waste and resource recovery infrastructure

In an Australian first, the Victorian Government has completed a long-term, comprehensive waste and resource recovery infrastructure planning framework to ensure Victoria has the infrastructure it needs to manage waste into the future.

STATUS UPDATE

In 2017, all seven of Victoria's regional waste and resource recovery implementation plans were published, setting out the capacity of Victoria's infrastructure to manage the state's waste into the future. In 2018, Sustainability Victoria published a significant update to the *Statewide Waste and Resource Recovery Implementation Plan*, reflecting the completion of the seven regional plans and providing the latest updates on policy settings and waste data.

Action 100

Planning around waste facilities

The Planning Group of DELWP has commenced a review of how separation distances are managed in the VPPs (including waste facilities), as outlined in Action 98. The Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group is also investigating ways to improve planning around waste management facilities through the Local Buffer Support Program.

STATUS UPDATE

The Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group's Local Buffer Support Program is developing planning tools to define and protect buffers around waste facilities. The program has brought together staff from across the portfolio, and continues to protect buffers around some of Victoria's most important waste management facilities.


Action 101


Waste collection and resource recovery for medium- and high-density development


Update references in the planning system to the latest best practice advice from Sustainability Victoria for waste management and multi-unit developments.

STATUS UPDATE

Sustainability Victoria (SV) have completed consultation of the *Better Practice Guide for Waste Management and Recycling in Multi-unit Developments* (July 2018). Consultation was conducted through Engage Vic, Planning Matters, and Councils and relevant industry groups were also provided with an opportunity to comment on the guide. SV is currently reviewing comments received, and will make further refinements to the guide, which is to be published later this year.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.7
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, VPA, Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group
STATUS	Completed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.7
TIMEFRAME	 Short-medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	EPA, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	6.7
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, councils, Sustainability Victoria
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2019



OUTCOME 7

Regional Victoria is productive, sustainable and supports jobs and economic growth

Action 102

Growth frameworks for regional cities

Partner with Victoria’s major regional cities to establish growth frameworks to support housing and employment growth, including identifying employment precincts and urban renewal and infill opportunities.

STATUS UPDATE

The VPA has prepared a report on strategic criteria for future projects to support growth in regional cities and has sought feedback from councils and Regional Cities Victoria. A pipeline of future projects has been finalised in the VPA 2018–2019 *Statement of Expectations*. Twenty-six cities and towns have been given a Streamlining for Growth grant which includes technical support.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	7.1
TIMEFRAME	<div style="width: 75%; background-color: #00A651; height: 10px;"></div> Medium
LEAD AGENCIES	VPA, DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils, DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Early 2021

Action 103

Peri-urban town strategies

Support councils to assess potential for growth and, where appropriate, prepare strategies for townships in peri-urban areas which are identified in regional growth plans as having potential for growth.

STATUS UPDATE

The VPA has engaged with the Peri Urban Group of Rural Councils to seek their input on criteria for future projects and establishing a priority list of towns in need of development strategies. A pipeline of future projects is included in the VPA 2018–2019 *Statement of Expectations*.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	7.1
TIMEFRAME	<div style="width: 75%; background-color: #00A651; height: 10px;"></div> Medium
LEAD AGENCY	VPA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Peri urban councils, DELWP
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2021

Action 104

Better linkages across regional Victoria and with Melbourne

Deliver on the Regional Network Development Plan to provide better linkages across Victoria.

STATUS UPDATE

The Regional Rail Revival is a \$1.75 billion investment to upgrade every regional passenger line in Victoria. This funding includes \$22 million to provide more regional bus and coach services.

Action 105

Improving telecommunications networks across Victoria

Provide optical fibre along the regional corridors to provide connectivity for government, regional and community initiatives.

STATUS UPDATE

VicTrack is working with Regional Development Victoria and DEDJTR (Connecting Regional Communities Project) to use VicTrack's existing optical fibre network for a pilot project aimed at enhancing the broadband service to two regional communities. To further address the digital divide between Regional Victoria and metropolitan areas, efforts have been concentrated on removing mobile black spots.

Action 106

Improving regional freight networks

Implement the Murray Basin Rail Project which will standardise the rail freight network in north-west Victoria and upgrade the rail corridors to allow for 21-tonne axle loads.

STATUS UPDATE

V/Line is delivering works for Stage 2 of the Murray Basin Rail Project, which are largely complete with freight trains running between Yelta and Maryborough, and between Maryborough and Ararat, on a standard gauge line.

The remaining work for Stage 2 includes upgrading and activating a number of level crossings between Ararat and Maryborough. Further upgrades are being planned.

Action 107

Better use of government-owned land

Identify underutilised and surplus government land that has the potential to deliver on *Plan Melbourne* outcomes.

STATUS UPDATE

In December 2017, Land Use Victoria (LUV) established the *Victorian Government Land Use Policy* which provides a framework for maximising public value from government-owned land. Under this policy, LUV continues to identify opportunities to better utilise government-owned land through strategic land use assessments and the annual report on government landholdings.

GovMap is an online platform that enables users to identify government land. GovMap has been released across Victorian Government.


Action 108


Review of infrastructure funding


Undertake a review of infrastructure funding opportunities and constraints across metropolitan Melbourne.


STATUS UPDATE


In 2017, the Victorian Government developed a *Victoria's Value Creation and Capture Framework*. The framework's purpose is to get better value from future infrastructure projects on behalf of Victorian taxpayers. It describes a consistent, concerted approach to assessing and increasing the economic, social and environmental benefits of investments in Victoria. It will be applied to a variety of sectors including transport, health, housing and education.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	7.2
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Early 2023

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	7.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	VicTrack
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	RDV, DEDJTR
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	To be confirmed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	7.2
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DEDJTR
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	Multiple
TIMEFRAME	 Medium
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER	DTF
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Completed

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	Multiple
TIMEFRAME	 Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DPC, DTF, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	2019

Action 109

Infrastructure contributions for strategic development areas

Introduce an infrastructure contributions system for strategic development within the established areas of Melbourne. Strategic development areas include urban renewal areas, brownfield sites, activity centres and areas identified for substantial housing or employment growth.

STATUS UPDATE

In 2017, new standard contributions were introduced. In 2018, new provisions for delivery of public land were introduced. Consultation on standard rates for regional greenfield and strategic development areas is ongoing.

Action 110

Value creation and capture opportunities

Investigate value capture and creation opportunities to support *Plan Melbourne* outcomes and deliver broader public benefits.

STATUS UPDATE

The *Value Creation and Capture Framework* was released in 2017. It encourages government sponsors of capital investments, public land developments and precinct projects to consider broader opportunities that create public value. It aims to maximise the environmental, social and economic value of government investments. The Framework has been applied to 27 capital projects, projects developing public land and priority precincts.

Action 111

Future population scenarios

Develop alternative population and land use scenarios to demonstrate the potential outcomes of various policy options and analyse the impact of various distributions of population and dwellings.

STATUS UPDATE

Population projections have been updated to incorporate the Australian Bureau of Statistics Census released in 2017, which revealed past underestimates and the current rate of growth.

Action 112

Monitoring residential and employment land requirements

Undertake monitoring activities that include employment, land supply and demand and residential land supply and construction.

STATUS UPDATE

The Urban Development Program is delivered in three components being residential, commercial and industrial. Land monitoring publications will be released in June each year for the life of the program. The 2018 publication has been released.

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	Multiple
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	VPA
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DELWP, councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	Multiple
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DPC
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	DTF, DEDJTR, DELWP, DET, DHHS, DJR, VPA
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Ongoing

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	Multiple
TIMEFRAME	Short
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	VPA, councils
STATUS	In development
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2018

PLANMELBOURNE DIRECTION	Multiple
TIMEFRAME	Ongoing
LEAD AGENCY	DELWP
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS	Councils
STATUS	Underway
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	Late 2019

Conclusion

Plan Melbourne guides the development of Melbourne from 2017–2050. The implementation of this Metropolitan Planning Strategy is supported by the *Plan Melbourne Five-Year Implementation Plan*. This implementation plan connects the various actions being undertaken by a range of partners across government, agencies and local councils.

This document, *Plan Melbourne 2018 Report on Progress*, provides an update on performance against the monitoring and reporting framework for the implementation of *Plan Melbourne*. Pre-planning has been completed for many actions and all projects have either begun or are set to begin within the five-year implementation phase. This document is the first of what will be a series of annual progress reports, with a formal review of the Plan every five years.

Acronyms of departments and agencies

CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
DEDJTR	Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources
DET	Department of Education and Training
DELWP	Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services
DJR	Department of Justice and Regulation
DPC	Department of Premier and Cabinet
DTF	Department of Treasury and Finance
EPA	Environment Protection Authority

LUV	Land Use Victoria
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OVGA	Office of the Victorian Government Architect
PTV	Public Transport Victoria
RCV	Regional Cities Victoria
RDV	Regional Development Victoria
SV	Sustainability Victoria
TFV	Transport for Victoria
VPA	Victorian Planning Authority

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