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As addressed

Dear Party

Priority Projects Standing Advisory Committee – Referral No. 8 Call in of VCAT proceeding P701/2020 – 17 Smith Street Daylesford

The Committee has received the attached correspondence from Ms Semple, Wilmoth, and Draper regarding the timing of the proposed roundtable to consider this matter. The correspondence also raises other issues.

The Committee has considered this request and will proceed to hear this matter in two stages as follows:

Stage 1 – 10.00am, Monday 15 February 2021

A roundtable involving the parties and the Committee to allow the Committee to gain a better understanding of the issues in dispute and to refine and, if possible, to narrow the scope of those issues. It is anticipated that this process may take up to half a day.

Stage 2 - Wednesday 10 March and Thursday 11 March 2021 (if required)

A roundtable involving the parties and the Committee to address outstanding issues.

Dates

The following revised dates will now apply:

10.00am, Monday 1 February 2021 – Parties to provide electronic copies of documents as specified by the Committee as requested in its correspondence dated 20 January 2021. The Committee is reliant on parties for this information as it has only been provided with a hard copy of the VCAT file which because of Covid restrictions is not possible to copy and circulate between Committee members.

10.00 am, Monday 15 February 2021 – Parties to confirm representation and expert witnesses if any.

4.00pm, Wednesday 3 March 2021 – Parties to provide to Planning Panels Victoria and circulate to all other parties any expert evidence intended to be relied upon.

Other issues raised

The Committee reaffirms that the Minister for Planning called this matter from VCAT because it was recommended to him by the Building Victoria's Recovery Taskforce.

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The role and responsibility of the Committee is to ensure that all parties to this matter are given a fair and equitable opportunity to address the Committee and to have their concerns heard by it, whether represented by a professional advocate or not.

Other matters

To ensure openness and transparency, all correspondence to the Committee should be copied to all parties using the mail addresses set out in the Committee's correspondence of 20 January 2021.

Please note that Ms Draper's email address has changed to [REDACTED]

The Committee will have read expert evidence, therefore the presentation of it will be limited to 15 minutes. Any questioning of expert witnesses must be focussed and will be limited to 15 minutes for each party.

If you have any queries, please contact Tom Milverton, Project Support Officer at Planning Panels Victoria on 03 8508 2691 or planning.panels@delwp.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,



Rodger Eade

Deputy Chair, Priority Projects Standing Advisory Committee

Attachment 1: Email of Ms Semple, Wilmoth and Draper, dated 22 January 2021.