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Ref: MBR042788



Dear Ms Mitchell

**SUPPLEMENTARY BRIEF TO MBR042410 CALL IN REQUEST FOR VCAT PROCEEDING  
P48/2020 – 46-58 MARLBOROUGH STREET, BALACLAVA**

I refer to VCAT proceeding no. P48/2020 relating to the proposed development for the use and development of land for a six-storey building above a basement car park, comprising 46 dwellings for social housing, a shop, 39 public car parking spaces and 14 resident car parking spaces, a reduction in car parking requirements and removal of two easements. A permit is required under Clauses 32.04 'Mixed Use Zone', 43.02 'Design and Development Overlay Schedule 21', 44.05 'Special Building Overlay Schedule 1', 52.02 'Easements, restrictions and reserves' and 52.06 'Car parking' of the Port Phillip Planning Scheme. The project was referred to me by the Building Victoria's Recovery Taskforce.

I advise that I have decided to call in the proceeding from VCAT under Clause 52(2)(a) of the *Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 1998* and refer the matter to the Priority Projects Standing Advisory Committee for advice and recommendations on whether a planning permit should be issued, and if so, the appropriate permit conditions.

The Port Phillip City Council issued a notice of decision to grant a permit on 16 December 2019 and an appeal was lodged on 12 January 2020 to review the decision to grant a permit.

VCAT held a practice day hearing on 6 March 2020, and the compulsory conference date was set for 27 April 2020, but was vacated due to coronavirus (COVID-19). A VCAT hearing date was set for 15 July 2020.

It is understood that the applicant formally amended the application plans on 1 June 2020 for the purpose of attempting to resolve objector matters. The matters remain unresolved. The amended plans will be provided to you.

The cost of the advisory committee will be met by the applicant, HousingFirst Ltd.

If you would like more information, please contact Jane Homewood, Executive Director, Statutory Planning Services, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, on (03) 8683 0975 or email [jane.homewood@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:jane.homewood@delwp.vic.gov.au)

Yours sincerely

**HON RICHARD WYNNE MP**  
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