LATEST NEWS

VCAT RED DOT DECISION
ID-FLK Gisborne Pty Ltd v Macedon Ranges SC (Red Dot) [2019] VCAT 1336 (2 September 2019) Whether VCAT has the power to amend and/or consider a version of a Development Plan that differs from the Development Plan that formed the basis of the responsible authority’s decision.

BETTER APARTMENTS IN NEIGHBOURHOODS PUBLIC CONSULTATION
DELWP is seeking feedback on the Better Apartments in Neighbourhoods Discussion Paper. The paper proposes changes to the Better Apartments Design Standards, focused on improving the relationship between new apartment developments and the amenity of existing neighbourhoods. Click here to have your say on changes to the planning rules for apartment developments. Submissions are due by Friday 27 September 2019.

VPELA EVENT’S
Mon 16 Sep: On the couch with John Daley, CEO Grattan Institute: Join VPLEA for an evening with John Daley, CEO of the Grattan Institute in conversation with Michael Barlow. Urbis as he reflects on 10 years of achievements as the head of one of Australia’s most influential and deep thinking organisations. Thu 19 Sep: City North New Developments – VPELA Walking Tour: See and hear about new developments reshaping the north of the CBD, experiencing new trends in housing, offices and education. Starting 5pm at Wesley Place Project, 140 Lonsdale Street and led by Larry Parsons, Director Ethos Urban. Wed 2 Oct: Survival of the first years in Local Government Planning: Anecdotally, there is a high attrition rate of new graduates moving into local government planning roles, and leaving the planning industry for good a short time later. The town planning profession in Victoria needs good people, and many are feeling dismayed by what they find in their first jobs in local government. This seminar will explore the issue, will explain some of the rewarding experiences that awaits town planners who see out the first few frustrating or nerve-wracking years and explores the potential for a Graduate Planner in Local Government Program to assist graduate planners through their first few years in the industry. Fri 4 Oct: 2019 DCE Nexus Hollywood Ball - VPELA, PIA and UDIA invite you to the premier event for young professionals in the planning, development and environment industries. This is a great night to network and make new contacts. Wed 16 Oct: Arthur Rylah Institute Tour: Join Dr. Kim Lowe for this once in a lifetime tour of the Institute commencing at 11.00am and followed by a light lunch. This exclusive event is a must for planners, ecologists, lawyers and land owners who have an environmental focus.

PIA PLANET
Tue 10 Sep: Planning Law Essentials - This course provides a broad overview of the essential components of planning ‘law’: how to interpret a scheme; the difference between use and development; existing use rights; the roles of various authorities; and amending a planning scheme. Thu 12 Sep: Using the Victoria Planning Provisions - This session provides an overview of elements of the Victoria Planning Provisions and how to use them to construct a planning scheme. Thu 26 Sep: Smart City Strategy Delivery and Successful Implementation - A workshop that aims to educate participants on smart cities, ‘tease out’ draft solutions and start the conversation and thinking which will lead to their smart city success. Wed 20 Nov: Traffic and Parking Assessments - This interactive course ‘decodes’ the jargon, explains the concepts and provides you with real skills. On completion of the course you will feel confident in discussing concepts with consultants, traffic engineers and the community.

PIA CPD BEFORE DINNER SERIES
Tue 17 Sep: Planning Enforcement Options and How to Choose Which One to Use – This latest instalment of CPD Before Dinner will teach attendees things planners need to know about ‘Planning Enforcement Law’. It will also be available as a livestream and on demand.

PIA EVENTS
Wed 11 Sep: What is a Smart City - In this interactive evening you can begin to learn what is a Smart City
and how can they make a difference to you and your council. Tue 24 Sep: PIA Launch of 20-minute Neighbourhoods - Creating a more liveable Melbourne - Following the release of 20-Minute Neighbourhood Pilot Program reports, an industry event is being held by the Planning Institute of Australia in Melbourne. The networking event will explore the reports which establish a ‘roadmap’ to create a city of more inclusive, vibrant and healthy neighbourhoods. Fri 11 Oct: PIA Vic State Planning Symposium - Program out now! Join us at the Timberyard in Port Melbourne for the 2019 PIA VIC State Planning Symposium. This year’s Symposium will be exploring the theme ‘Planning for the Generations – What is our Legacy’. Through this jam-packed day of keynote presentations, panels and training sessions attendees will become better equipped with the skills and knowledge to leave a positive legacy behind.

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APPROVALS

- Casey C192case revises the curtilage of the Heritage Overlay applying to 31-35 Robinson Road, Narre Warren North and introduces the Treeby Incorporated Plan, August 2019.
- Golden Plains C80gpla implements the recommendations of the Flood Risk Management Study Barwon Rivers at Inverleigh (Water Technology Pty Ltd, 2018).
- Mitchell C143mith introduces the interim Beveridge Central Infrastructure Contributions Plan, July 2019.
- Yarrambiack C22yari corrects specific zoning anomalies by rezoning three privately owned sites in Murtoa from Public Use Zone to Township Zone.

EXHIBITIONS

- Glen Eira C155glen proposes to make changes to facilitate the use and development of land within the East Village CDP area for commercial, retail, residential, and a mix of other purposes.
- Mildura C106mild proposes the implementation of revised planning controls which have been established following receipt of high quality Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) data by the MCMA.
- Mitchell C106mith proposes to implement the Beveridge North West Precinct Structure Plan.

PANEL REPORTS

- Melton C201melt Updating of the Mt Atkinson and Tarneit Plains Infrastructure Contributions Plan.

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