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Monday 24 May 2021

Council Chamber, Realm

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# COUNCILLOR BRIEFING – PUBLIC RECORD

## **Briefing Details:**

Date: Monday 26 April 2021 Time: 6:00pm Location: Meeting Room 1,

Realm

# Attendees:

Councillors

Cr Kylie Spears (Mayor)
Cr Tony Dib OAM, JP
Cr Tasa Damante
Cr Marijke Graham
Cr Royl Mandaneld
Cr Royl Stoans

Cr Paul Macdonald Cr Rob Steane

**Council Officers:** 

Steve Kozlowski Chief Executive Officer
Marianne Di Giallonardo Director Corporate Services

Grant Meyer Acting Director Strategy & Community
Adam Todorov Director Operations, Assets & Leisure
Andrew Fuaux Director Development & Amenity

Chloe Messerle Governance Officer

Sherryn Dunshea Manager Communications & Engagement

Grant Meyer Manager Integrated Planning

Danielle Butcher Coordinator Communications & Engagement
Leanne Robb Community Engagement Senior Advisor
Phil Medley Team Leader Integrated Planning

Dale Muir Manager Revenue, Property & Customer Service

Others:

Max Hardy, Max Hardy Consulting (Item 2)

Beverley De Krester, Max Hardy Consulting (Item 2)

## Items Discussed: ## Confidential

1	Council Meeting Agenda
2	Maroondah Deliberative Panel Summary Report
3	Draft Council Plan 2021 - 2025
4	State Government Rating Review 2020 Outcomes Presentation
5	Councillor Conference Outcomes
6	Items of a general nature raised by Councillors

## Record completed by:

Council Officer	Chloe Messerle
Title	Governance Officer

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# **COUNCILLOR BRIEFING - PUBLIC RECORD**

# **Briefing Details:**

Date: Monday 10 May 2021 Time: 6:00pm Location: Meeting Room 1,

Realm

# Attendees:

Councillors		
Cr Kylie Spears (Mayor)	Cr Marijke Graham Cr Mike Symon (teleconference)	
Cr Nora Lamont (Deputy Mayor)	Cr Tasa Damante	
Cr Tony Dib OAM, JP	Cr Paul Macdonald	
Council Officers:		
Steve Kozlowski	Chief Executive Officer	
Marianne Di Giallonardo	Director Corporate Services	
Phil Turner	Director Strategy & Community	
Adam Todorov	Director Operations, Assets & Leisure	
Andrew Fuaux	Director Development & Amenity	
Chloe Messerle	Governance Officer	
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Steve McIntosh	Manager Assets	2
John Richardson	Coordinator Assets Projects & Facilities	2
Grant Meyer	Manager Integrated Planning	3
Cristina Rivero	Strategic Planner	3
Dale Muir	Manager Revenue, Property & Customer Service	4
Tim Cocks	Manager Leisure	5
Josh Burt	Coordinator Sport, Recreation & Events	5

# **Apologies:**

Councillors:	Cr Rob Steane, Cr Suzy Stojanovic
Council Officers:	Nil

# **Conflict of Interest Disclosure:**

Councillors:	Nil
Council Officers:	Nil

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# Items Discussed: ## Confidential

1	Council Meeting Agenda
2##	Contract 20987 Easftield Park Sporting Pavilion Redevelopment
3	Amendment C142maro Proposed Heritage Overlay at 35 Alto Avenue Croydon: Adoption
4	Electronic Delivery of Rate Notices
5	Community Facility Lease Management and MVC boxing update
6	Proposed Motions MAV State Council May 2021
7	Items of a general nature raised by Councillors

# Record completed by:

Council Officer	Chloe Messerle
Title	Governance Officer



# **COUNCILLOR BRIEFING – PUBLIC RECORD**

## **Briefing Details:**

Date: Wednesday 19 May 2021 Time: 7:00am Location: Meeting Rooms 1

& 2

# Attendees:

Councillors

Cr Kylie Spears (Mayor) Cr Tasa Damante Cr Mike Symon
Cr Nora Lamont (Deputy Mayor) Cr Paul Macdonald Cr Marijke Graham

Cr Rob Steane

**Council Officers:** 

Steve Kozlowski

Marianne Di Giallonardo

Phil Turner

Adam Todorov

Andrew Fuaux

Chief Executive Officer

Director Corporate Services

Director Strategy & Community

Director Operations, Assets & Leisure

Director Development & Amenity

**Apologies:** 

Councillors: Cr Suzy Stojanovic, Cr Tony Dib OAM, JP

Council Officers: Nil

## **Conflict of Interest Disclosure:**

Councillors:

Council Officers:

Nil

# Items Discussed: ## Confidential

1	Mayor's Welcome
2	Update on recent and current projects
3	Update on electorate priority projects - Bayswater
4	Update on electorate priority projects - Croydon
5	Update on electorate priority projects - Ringwood
6	Major priorities
7	Other items

#### Record completed by:

Council Officer Marianne Di Giallonardo

Title Director Corporate Services

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# Maroondah Liveability Safety and Amenity Committee – Minutes

# **Meeting Details:**

Date: Monday 3 May 2021 Time: 10am - 12pm Location: Meeting Room 1

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## Attendees:

#### Councillors

Cr Rob Steane (Chair)

Cr Nora Lamont (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Tasa Damante

#### Council Officers:

Grant Meyer, Manager Integrated Planning

Chris Zidak, Manager Business and Activity Centre Development

Phil Medley, Team Leader Council and Community Planning

Robyn Williams, Safe and Liveable Communities Officer

Aman Mehta, Strategic Planner

Kate Klep, Integrated Planning Advisor

Chloe Messerle, Governance Officer (Minute Taker)

## **Community Representatives:**

Sulochi Walisinghe

Judith Lenthall

Wendy Thomas

Daniela De Martino

# Agency Representatives:

Tim Malloch, QIC

Jodi Long, QIC

Shaun Ruigrok, Metropolitan East Bicycle Users Group

Luke Kirton, Victoria Police

Sue Pitt, Eastern Regional Libraries

John Maudsley, Yarra Valley Water

Melissa Carmody, Melbourne Water

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#### Apologies:

Councillors:

Nil Nil

Community Representatives: Agency Representatives:

Bruno Spandonide, VicRoads Jamie Robertson, Metro Trains

Kathryn Collier, METEC

## **Conflict of Interest Disclosure:**

Councillors:

Nil

Council Officers:

Nil

Community Representatives: Agency Representatives:

Nil Nil

Items Discussed

OPENING OF MEETING

Cr Steane opened the meeting and read the Acknowledgment of Country.

#### WELCOME

1.

The Committee members introduced themselves and provided an update on the roles they currently undertake in the municipality.

In regards to the Conflicts of Interest there were two points as follows:

- Cr Steane advised that he has a liquor licensing company and if that is relevant in any
  of the meetings then he will advise of a Conflict of Interest.
- Community Representative, Daniella De Martino advised that she works for the Hon James Merlino MP, State Member for Monbulk, on a part time basis and will advise if any conflicts of interest arise.
- ITEMS

## REVIEW TERMS OF REFERENCE

**ITEM 3.1** 

Cr Steane spoke to the Terms of Reference, and ran through the individual headings to ensure all members understood/were in agreeance with the wording of the items included. Members indicated support for the Terms of Reference.

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MAROONDAH LIVEABILITY, WELLBEING AND RESILIENCE STRATEGY 2021-2031

**ITEM 3.2** 

Cr Steane introduced the item.

Phil Medley, Team Leader Council and Community Planning at Maroondah City Council, provided a presentation on development of Council's Liveability, Wellbeing and Resilience Strategy as attached to the minutes.

Phil spoke about the community engagement and background research that Council has undertaken to inform the Strategy. This has included consideration of the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the community and how this has affected health and wellbeing.

Phil provided some background on each of the eight key focus areas for the Strategy, including community engagement input, research data and key issues to be considered. The eight focus areas are:

- Healthy lifestyles
- 2. Liveable neighbourhoods
- 3. Safe communities
- 4. Community learning
- 5. Sustainable environment
- 6. Celebrating diversity
- 7. Social inclusion
- 8. Social influences

Phil also provided an update on community feedback to Council during the COVID-19 pandemic and where Council is already working to address these needs. Current priorities are reflected in the recently adopted Maroondah COVID-19 Recovery Plan, although it is recognised that many issues will need a longer term approach and be included in Council policies and strategies moving forward.

Three groups had conversations in breakout groups discussing the following questions:

- What should Council prioritise to enhance Liveable Neighbourhoods and Safer Communities in Maroondah?
- How can Council work in partnership with local agencies and community members to achieve this?

An update on the Strategy will be provided to the Committee at the next meeting in July 2021.

MORNING TEA BREAK

**ITEM 3.3** 

A morning tea break was held at 11:15am.

CROYDON STRUCTURE PLAN

**ITEM 3.4** 

Aman Mehta, Strategic Planner at Maroondah City Council, provided a presentation on the development of the Croydon Structure Plan as attached to these minutes.

Aman spoke about the background of the area, providing information on what a Structure Plan is, changes that have occurred since the 2006 Structure Plan, consultation with key stakeholders as well as the preparation of the discussion paper on issues and opportunities.

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Due to available time, a facilitated discussion on the project was unable to be held. Aman advised of how Committee members and the agencies they represent can have their say on the Croydon Structure Plan project via Council's Your Say Maroondah website.

Further information on opportunities for community input on the Plan were sent out to all Committee members following the meeting.

#### AGENCY/MEMBER - INFORMATION SHARE

**ITEM 3.5** 

Cr Steane invited agencies to provide an update.

Sgt Luke Kirton provided an update on youth activities as well as crime across the municipality. It is expected that crime related activities are likely to increase in the next 12 months due to people no longer being in lockdown. He advised all community members to 'like' the Maroondah Eyewatch Facebook page. Victoria Police regularly update this social media page to advise of all local activity.

Tim Malloch from QIC Eastland advised that they had four extra police officers who assisted in monitoring Eastland and Town Square over school holidays, providing the extra coverage during a busy time.

#### ANY OTHER BUSINESS

**ITEM 3.6** 

A matter was raised pertaining to whether public toilet doors should be either full length or ¾ length. Committee members advised that ¾ length doors are considered best for cleaning purposes, are less likely to promote anti-social behaviour and can enable welfare checks where necessary. The provision of unisex public toilets was also supported.

CLOSE OF MEETING - NEXT MEETING MONDAY 26 JULY 2021

**ITEM 3.7** 

Cr Steane closed the meeting at 12:04pm.

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# EASTERN TRANSPORT COALITION MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: Thursday, 22 April 2021

Time: 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Hosted by: Maroondah City Council

Via video conferencing

## **Attendees**

#### Councillors

- Cr Stuart James, City of Monash (Chair)
- Cr Susan Laukens, Knox City Council
- Cr Anna Chen, Manningham City Council
- · Cr Marijke Graham, Maroondah City Council
- Cr Jim Child, Yarra Ranges Council

#### Officers

- Christopher Marshall, City of Greater Dandenong
- Lucas Sikiotis, City of Greater Dandenong
- Sylvester Ng, Knox City Council
- Daniele Raneri, Manningham City Council
- Dale Bristow, Maroondah City Council
- Sandra Worsnop, City of Monash
- Terry Tillotson, City of Monash
- Chris Hui, City of Whitehorse
- Karen O'Gorman, Yarra Ranges Council
- Mark Varmalis, Yarra Ranges Council

#### Secretariat

James McGarvey, The Agenda Group

# Guest

Elizabeth Johnstone, Eastern Region Group

#### **Apologies**

- Cr Tina Liu, City of Whitehorse
- Ron Crawford, Knox City Council
- Matthew Hanrahan, Knox City Council
- · Winchelle Chuson, Knox City Council
- Frank Vassilacos, Manningham City Council
- Michael Blowfield, Maroondah City Council
- Rachael Antonacci, City of Monash

1. Welcome and apologies

Cr Graham assumed the Chair and welcomed the attendees.

2. Conflicts of interest

No conflicts of interest were raised.

3. Ratify previous draft Minutes and actions arising

Moved: Lucas Sikiotis

Seconded: Cr Susan Laukens

4. ETC Finance Report

Finance Report for 31 Mar 2021

31 Jan 2021 : \$ 15,222.86

Expenditure

31 Mar 2021 : \$ 15,222.86

\*\*Note Feb and Mar Invoices are being processed in April pay run

The Agenda Group (Feb) \$7,000 The Agenda Group (Mar) \$7,000

Annual Subscriptions of \$8,000 + GST will be invoiced in the first week of May.

If you need to do a Purchase Order please advise Ron at ron.crawford@knox.vic.gov.au before invoices are sent.

Moved: Cr Susan Laukens Seconded: Cr Anna Chen

5. Presentation - Elizabeth Johnstone, Eastern Region Group

Elizabeth Johnstone, the Executive Officer of the Eastern Region Group joined the meeting to provide a presentation on the ERG's draft strategic plan and advocacy development process.

In providing this briefing to the ETC and similar briefings to Councils in Melbourne's east, Ms Johnstone said the ERG's objective is to ensure we (and the other regional policy groups) support each other through our planning processes and advocacy efforts.

The ERG's four- year strategic planning cycle is designed to align with the Council electoral cycle.

The Plan will provide not just a vision for the ERG, but for the region itself.

The ERG's strategic plan should serve as a catalyst for collaboration between Councils through sharing of expertise and knowledge, with the aim of making all Councils more effective.

The ERG is now seeking suggestions and advice from the ETC on regional transport projects to be included in its advocacy platform. The ETC Secretariat has flagged projects including the Eastern Region Trails Strategy, duplication of the Lilydale line, support for a Rowville/Monash/Vicinity option and a package of bus-related infrastructure works for inclusion in federal election advocacy.

Ms Johnstone asked whether the ETC has ever developed a heat map of where jobs and movement are and expended trends over next years. In response Cr James suggested the ETC might be able to access similar studies done by Prof Graham Currie.

She also suggested the ETC could consider a regional strategy for a low carbon approach, and acknowledged the ETC's recent contribution toward the joint letter from EAGA/ERG/ETC to the State Government on the imposition of an Electric Vehicles levy.

A copy of Ms Johnstone's presentation will be circulated with the meeting minutes.

#### 6. Bus Network Review Working Group

Daniele Raneri, Manningham City Council, provided the meeting with a briefing on the work of the ETC Bus Network Review Working Group further to the presentation last month of the ETC Bus Review – Issues and Case Study Analysis document.

As flagged as an action item arising from this matter at the March meeting, Daniele and Frank Vassilacos from Manningham had subsequently met with James McGarvey from the ETC Secretariat to discuss next steps including themes and items to build a federal and state election advocacy campaign around, and material that can be drawn from the document and other sources to support a social media campaign by the ETC.

It was agreed at this meeting and at a later meeting of the Bus Working Group, that for federal advocacy purposes, the priority work would centre on packaging up infrastructure works on key arterial roads throughout the region. This would be supported by building further case studies to demonstrate need, and by potentially accessing traffic data from the Department of Transport to justify our case.

A social media campaign based on the arguments and key points in the document will be rolled out in coming weeks.

In discussion, Cr Chen suggested the Bus Review Working Group also consider bus shelter upgrades as an election policy.

#### 7. ETC Policy Development Process

#### Roads

Dale Bristow, Maroondah City Council reported that the roads criteria wording had been adjusted as agreed at the last ETC meeting, and that the ETC Secretariat had incorporated the final wording into an interactive template (a copy of which was included in the April ETC meeting papers) for use in self-assessing projects by individual ETC Councils.

A copy of this template will now be provided to each ETC member Council to self-assess nominated road projects, which can then be submitted to the ETC to be considered for inclusion in our advocacy platform.

## Rowville/Monash/Vicinity options

Knox and Monash Councils update the group on their respective positions regarding the varying proposals for the Rowville/Monash rail project.

Both Councils reported that they had formalised positions of support for the Vicinity/Monash university 'trackless tram' option, whilst expressing continued support for a longer-term Rowville heavy rail option.

After discussion, and guided by motions passed by both Councils, the following motion was put forward and agreed to by the group:

#### That the ETC:

- 1. Provides in principle support for the Trackless Rapid Transit Project
- Immediately advocate to the State Government for delivery of a Business Case to
  evaluate the implementation of a trackless tram proposal along a dedicated
  public transport corridor, connecting Caulfield Station and Rowville via Chadstone
  and Monash University, in line with recent analysis undertaken by Monash
  University and Vicinity Centres
- Notes that the trackless tram proposal includes the provision of sustainable transport in the form of electric vehicles and includes this in its advocacy on the project
- 4. Recognises that regardless of the type of infrastructure delivered, integration between modes of transport is key to success
- Writes to the Federal and State Ministers for Transport, and the State Minister for Transport Infrastructure advising them of the ETC's interest in the project proceeding to a business case
- 6. Continue to advocate for heavy rail to be delivered as long-term public transport solution along the Wellington Road corridor.

Moved: Cr Stuart James Seconded: Cr Susan Laukens Carried

#### 8. ETC Terms of Reference

Cr Graham welcomed discussion around a number of ways that the ETC Terms of Reference (ToR) could be updated, including:

- incorporating a regular review process into the Terms of Reference
- a provision re council 'caretaker' period that there's no meeting, or just an
  officers only meeting
- the span of hours for ETC monthly meetings to be revised to reflect a maximum two hour meeting, finishing no later than 8.30pm
- allowing meetings to be conducted in person, online or through a hybrid arrangement.

Further suggestions from:

Cr Chen - can we add some words about climate change and reducing emissions?

Mark Varmalis – can we amend the ToR to read that an agreed Council, to be set at the first meeting each year, will manage funds on behalf of the group?

The ETC Secretariat will draft proposed changes to the ETC ToR reflecting discussion and agreement on each of these points, to be formally considered at the May ETC meeting.

#### 9. Presentation - Maroondah City Council

Aman Mehta, Strategic planner from Maroondah City Council, together with Dale Bristow provided the group with a presentation on the Croydon Major Activities Centre Structure Plan.

The project is currently at the issues and options discussion stage.

The completion of the Croydon grade separation initiative will have a transformational effect on Croydon, unlocking land opportunities and enabling it to realise its potential.

There have been a number of significant policy and demographic changes since the last Structure Plan was completed in 2006 which need to be reflected in an updated Plan.

Background papers on transport, employment and housing were produced to inform the discussion paper which is currently out for consultation.

Cr James raised two issues – the rail line/level crossing separation and Mt Dandenong Rd. The ETC has long supported the upgrade of the level crossing and station precinct at Croydon, but solutions now need to be considered for Mt

Dandenong Road and the way it physically segregates the community- including separating the road and rail line.

Mr Mehta suggested options in response may include looking at ways to slow the traffic, to make safe crossing of Mt Dandenong Rd easier.

Dale Bristow added that Swinburne University is also looking to do some redevelopment of their campus and its connections to the precinct.

Council will be looking for ETC support for the transformational changes identified by this exercise.

A copy of Maroondah's presentation will be circulated with the meeting minutes.

#### 10. Other Business

State Budget package

The ETC Chair, Cr James asked that the development of a package of initiatives for funding through the next State Budget be listed as a standing item on the ETC agenda.

Cr James said that a package needs to be developed by August/September 2021, with projects of the net value of approximately \$10 million for each of the seven ETC Councils. This can then be brought to the Eastern ALP MPs to advocate for internally.

The ETC Secretariat will follow up with each Council to support this.

Metropolitan Transport Forum

Cr Chen flagged that the MTF would extend an invitation to Yarra Ranges, Knox, City of Greater Dandenong and Maroondah Councils to attend an upcoming meeting of the MTF.

#### 11. Meeting Close

The meeting was closed at 8.15pm.

Next meeting is at 6.30pm on Thursday, 20 May 2021. Meeting to be hosted by City of Whitehorse, via video conference.

# **Action Summary**

Action Items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
Bus Network Review working group to develop a bus infrastructure pacakage for federal advocacy. ETC Secretariat to design and commence supporting social media campaign.	Bus Network Review working group/ ETC Secretariat	Report on progress to May meeting	In progress
Cr James to liaise with Prof     Graham Currie at Monash     University to access regional     movement 'heat maps'.	Cr James		In progress
Include State Budget advocacy as a standing agenda item.	ETC Secretariat	20 May 2021	In progress
Circulation of road project     assessment templates to all ETC     Councils.	ETC Secretariat	30 April 2021	In progress
Draft potential updates to the ETC terms of reference to be considered at May ETC meeting.	ETC Secretariat	20 May 2021	In progress



# Maroondah Community Health and Wellbeing Committee – Minutes

# **Meeting Details:**

Date: Tuesday 20 April 2021 Time: 9:30am - 11:30am Location: Realm

#### Attendees:

#### Councillors

Cr Tasa Damante (Chair) Cr Tony Dib OAM, JP Cr Suzy Stojanovic

#### **Council Officers:**

Kirsten Jenkins, Manager Health, Local Laws and Emergency Management Phil Medley, Team Leader Council and Community Planning Kailah Thompson, Executive Assistant (Minute Taker) Brian Tu, Community Development Officer

Phil Turner, Director Strategy and Community

# Agency Representatives:

Catherine DArcy (EACH)

Narissa Doumani (Neami National Ringwood)

Edwina Ricci (Maroondah Positive Education Network)

Fiona Purcell (Outer Eastern Local Learning and Employment Network)

Kevin Gregg-Rowan (Department of Families, Fairness and Housing)

Jacky Close (Outer East Primary Care Partnership)

### **Community Representatives:**

Helen Parker

Prateeti Sabhlok

Cathy White

#### Others:

Adam Cooper, Social, Health and Wellbeing Recovery Coordinator Emily Maiorino, Community Planning and Engagement Officer

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# **Apologies:**

Councillors: Nil
Council Officers: Nil

Agency Representatives: Rod Donald (Youth Substance Abuse Service)

Rachel Hughes (Eastern Metro Primary Health Network)

Jodie Murphy (Eastland)

Amy Corcoran (Neami National Ringwood)

Community Representatives: Andrea Salmon

# **Conflict of Interest Disclosure:**

Nil
Nil
Nil
Nil

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#### **Items Discussed**

OPENING OF MEETING & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Cr Damante opened the meeting and provided an acknowledgement of country.

2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Cr Damante introduced the purpose of the committee and attendees were given an opportunity to introduce themselves.

ITEMS

#### REVIEW COMMITTEE CHARTER

**ITEM 3.1** 

Cr Damante referred to the Terms of Reference and requested any feedback or queries.

It was requested that a copy of the annual committee report to Council be provided to the Committee.

The Terms of Reference were formally endorsed.

LIVEABILITY, WELLBEING AND RESILIENCE STRATEGY - WORKSHOP

**ITEM 3.2** 

#### **Brian Tu**

(Presentation attached)

Brian spoke to the aim of the Strategy, the stages of strategy development, key focus areas identified, background research data, and input from the community to date.

General feedback from the group included:

- The importance of considering all age groups when developing the strategy.
- It would be interesting to note how tobacco use has changed since the introduction of smoke free outdoor places. This will be known when data is released in 2022.
- Using the data that informed the strategy to influence the priorities of the Mental Health Royal Commission.
- Possible reasons for decreasing participation in sport stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic (i.e. financial impacts and change in parental work situations).

Following general feedback the committee was divided into three groups to discuss two key questions:

 What should Council prioritise to enhance healthy lifestyles and social influences in Maroondah?

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 How can Council work in partnership with local agencies and community members to achieve this?

Key points discussed within the groups included:

- Recognise the need for access to healthy foods within the community. Resourcing could be made available for community gardens within community houses and sporting clubs.
- Building capabilities within the community through information sharing and asset mapping.
- Options for people to connect in safe spaces and increasing the visibility of these options.
- Council promoting established community initiatives such as 'buy nothing' groups, street pantries and street libraries.
- Re-engaging vulnerable people in services and support through targeted programs.
   Consider how people in crisis can access resources and what would motivate them to do so e.g. incentivised programs and mentoring for those at risk of disengaging.
- Work with small businesses to promote healthier lifestyles for customers and employees.

MORNING TEA ITEM 3.3

MAROONDAH COVID-19 RECOVERY PLAN

**ITEM 3.4** 

#### Kirsten Jenkins and Adam Cooper

(Presentation and Recovery Plan attached)

Kirsten presented on key recovery principles, the process of planning for community recovery, community engagement activities and the impacts identified, development of the COVID-19 Recovery Plan and the key priorities.

Adam spoke to the range of implementation activities arising from the plan including Maroondah Connect, supporting volunteer organisations, Maroondah Emergency Relief Network, Let's Talk - Unmasking a collaborative way forward in the Outer East, Let's Get Neighbourly Maroondah, Sons of the West Program, and certificate in creating wellbeing.

General feedback:

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- Connection between the Opening Doors Program and the Certificate in Creating Wellbeing program.
- Physical health burden resulting from delayed scans and check-ups during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- It is key to sell prevention as a viable option.
- Encouraging access to physical health through programs and health promotion, through taking information to where people meet e.g. Men's Sheds.

#### AGENCY / MEMBER INFORMATION SHARE

**ITEM 3.5** 

**Cathy White** - It is great to hear about the work Council is doing. It would be beneficial to increase communication with the community so they are informed.

**Edwina Ricci** - The Maroondah Positive Network Hope Centre is now open. If anyone would like to use the space please get in contact. An aboriginal meditation wellbeing practice event is being held on 5 May 2021 at Realm. An invitation will be distributed to the group.

**Fiona Purcell** - Thanks to Council for the grant received that was used for a careers expo event. Currently planning another event for September 2021.

**Catherine DArcy** - EACH is working on a prevention plan for Knox and Maroondah and invite input from any members around prevention and support. EACH received a grant for the Turning Tracks Program to support the leadership of indigenous young people in local schools to teach leadership and culture.

Narissa Doumani - Highlighted that she is excited to be working with a Council who is proactive in community wellbeing. Neami National Ringwood work in suicide prevention in Maroondah including early prevention programs. Currently rolling out a new program targeting men in sporting clubs called 'Banter with Balls'.

**Kevin Gregg-Rowan** - Noted that it was great to be back working with the Committee in person. At a State Government level the Disability Strategy and Volunteer Strategy are being reviewed. Hoping for funding for mental health and wellbeing in the May budget.

**Jacky Close** - Funding for the primary care partnership between Yarra Ranges, Knox and Maroondah was due to expire at the end of the year after 20 years. Funding has been extended until May 2022 as part of a transition process, meaning there will still be resources during 2021 to support local partnership activities.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Phil Medley encouraged committee members to contact Council representatives with any items that they would like included in future agendas, or if any of the agencies would like to present.

CLOSE OF MEETING - NEXT MEETING 13 JULY 2021

**ITEM 3.7** 

**ITEM 3.6** 

The Meeting concluded at: 11:55 am

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# Maroondah Access Inclusion and Equity Advisory Committee – Record of Proceedings

# **Meeting Details:**

Date: Monday 19 April 2021 Time: 9:30am - 11:30am Location: Virtual, MS

Teams

#### Attendees:

#### Councillors

Cr Nora Lamont (Deputy Mayor & Chair)

Cr Marijke Graham

Cr Suzy Stojanovic

#### **Council Officers:**

Noelene Greene, Senior Community Development Officer

Phil Medley, Team Leader Council and Community

Paula Anastasoglou, Acting Program Manager Aged and Disability

Kailah Thompson, Executive Assistant (Minute Taker)

#### Agency Representatives:

Judy McDougall (Migrant Information Centre)

Gabrielle Hitch (Eastern Domestic Violence Service)

Ange Talidis (Wellways)

Lee Barker (Eastern Volunteers)

Kate Gibson (Eastern Community Legal Centre)

Heidi Butler-Moore (Glen Park Community Centre)

Vicki Bryce (Uniting)

Elke Smirl (Mullum Mullum Indigenous Gathering Place)

Avega Bishop (Women's Health East)

# Community Representatives:

Cara Hudson

Philip Hughes

Jacob Matthew

#### Others:

Adam Cooper, Social, Health and Wellbeing Recovery Coordinator

Kirsten Jenkins, Manager Health, Local Laws and Emergency Management

Belinda Lim, Social Planning and Development Officer

Emily Maiorino, Community Planning and Engagement Officer

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Councillors:

Council Officers:

Agency Representatives:

Community Representatives:

Nil

Wesley Bawia

# **Conflict of Interest Disclosure:**

Councillors:

Council Officers:

Agency Representatives:

Nil

Nil

Community Representatives:

Nil

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#### **Items Discussed**

OPENING OF MEETING & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Cr Lamont opened the meeting and provided an acknowledgement of country.

#### 2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Cr Lamont introduced the purpose of the committee and noted the Terms of Reference will be formally reviewed and ratified at the next meeting of the Committee. Attendees were given an opportunity to introduce themselves, provide some background to their role and their interest in participating in the Committee.

#### ITEMS

MAROONDAH LIVEABILITY, WELLBEING AND RESILIENCE STRATEGY ITEM 3.1 2021-2031

#### **Belinda Lim**

(Presentation attached)

Belinda spoke about the aim of the Strategy, the stages of strategy development, key focus areas identified, background research data, and input from the community to date.

General feedback from the group included:

- Links between community safety and other theme areas;
- · Crossover for community members who fall into multiple aspects of diversity;
- Change the term 'physical disability' to 'disabilities' to cover all disability types;
- · The reasons why celebrating diversity is ranked as a lower priority;
- Support the framing of 'celebrating diversity';
- Rationale of 10 year timeframe for the strategy.

Following general feedback, the Committee was split into three breakout rooms to discuss two key questions:

- What should Council prioritise to enhance social inclusion and celebrate diversity in Maroondah?
- How can Council work in partnership with local agencies and community members to achieve this?

Results from the breakout rooms will be shared at the next Committee meeting.

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MORNING TEA BREAK

**ITEM 3.2** 

#### COUNCIL COVID RECOVERY PLAN

**ITEM 3.3** 

## Kirsten Jenkins and Adam Cooper

(Presentation and Recovery Plan attached)

Kirsten presented on key recovery principles, the process of planning for community recovery, community engagement activities and the impacts identified, development of the Covid-19 Recovery Plan and the key priorities.

Adam spoke to the range of implementation activities arising from the plan including Maroondah Connect, supporting volunteer organisations, Maroondah Emergency Relief Network, Let's Get Neighbourly, and certificate in creating wellbeing.

General feedback from the group included:

- · Translation of the Plan to easy English to improve accessibility;
- The need to be adaptable to the changing situation;
- Progress updates being provided to the Committee periodically.

# ANY OTHER BUSINESS

**ITEM 3.4** 

Noelene highlighted several agenda items for inclusion in future meetings including:

- Gender Equality Act
- · Active Healthy Ageing Plan Review
- Regional Charter on Homelessness
- Disability Action Plan

Noelene also encouraged committee members to contact her with any items that they would like included in future agendas.

It was requested that reading material on agenda items be provided in advance where possible.

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CLOSE OF MEETING - NEXT MEETING MONDAY 12 JULY 2021

**ITEM 3.5** 

The Meeting concluded at: 11:22am

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# Maroondah Business Advisory Committee – Minutes

# **Meeting Details:**

Date: Tuesday 30 March 2021 Time: 10am - 12pm Location: Realm

#### Attendees:

#### Councillors

Cr Rob Steane (Acting Chair) Cr Kylie Spears (Mayor & Chair)

#### **Council Officers:**

Steve Kozlowski, Chief Executive Officer

Chris Zidak, Manager Business and Activity Centre Development

Rhiannon Mahony, Team Leader Business Support, Projects and Engagement

Andrew Binks, Strategy and Projects Officer

Chloe Messerle, Governance Officer (Minute Taker)

## Community Representatives:

Jenny Newman, Maroondah Business Group

Geoff Daniel, The Casual GM

James Braunegg, Micron 21

Emily Murray, The Sourcey M

Phillip Kuoch, Goldelucks Bakery

Greg Balmforth, QIC Eastland

Marcus Young, Incarta

#### Others:

#### Apologies:

Councillors: Cr Kylie Spears (Mayor & Chair), Cr Tasa Damante

Council Officers: Phil Turner, Director Community & Strategy

Community Representatives: Rob Lyon, Simon Fuller

# **Conflict of Interest Disclosure:**

Councillors:

Nil

Council Officers:

Nil

Community Representatives:

Nil

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#### **Items Discussed**

OPENING OF MEETING

Acting Chair Cr Steane opened the meeting and read the Acknowledgement of Country.

- 2. WELCOME
- ITEMS

#### ROLE OF MBAC AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

ITEM 1

Cr Steane spoke about the Terms of Reference allowing for all members to briefly read over them.

#### MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS (1)

ITEM 2

Each member introduced themselves around the table providing an insight into who they are and their individual roles.

The members of the group provided an update in regards to the last 12 months - during and recovering from COVID, providing some key words as discussion points:

- Resilience
- Mentoring
- Funding and Business growth
- Strategies and Resources
- What is 'COVID normal'
- Living and working locally
- Opportunity
- Requirements for business progression/collaboration

A round table discussion based on the game of 'two truths and one lie' took place.

# THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENT IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

ITEM 3

Cr Steane introduced the item and Steve Kozlowski provided a Powerpoint presentation as attached to the minutes.

Steve spoke about the Federal, State and Local Government context in regards to economic development. Further to that the, he spoke about the region and business requirements in terms of Ringwood Metropolitan Activity Centre and Croydon Activity Centre with emphasis on strategies such as the Neighbourhood Activity Centres / 20 Minute Neighbourhood Principles. Noting that there are multiple regional Local Government Activity partnerships.

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#### MAROONDAH & MELBOURNE EAST ECONOMY

ITEM 4

Chris Zidak introduced the item and Andrew Binks provided Powerpoint presentation.

Andrew provided information based on REMPLAN, with a graph displaying the industry sector and the dollars and another displaying the employment for industry sector and types of jobs with the attachment to be distributed - see attached.

Andrew touched on the different industry sectors that were impacted by COVID comparing March 2020 to September 2020 with a graph, released from the Grattan Institute, detailing how women were impacted more greatly than men.

The ABS released statistics on the 25 March 2020 detailing how COVID has impacted small, medium and large businesses.

Chris Zidak provided a Powerpoint presentation and spoke about the Ringwood Metropolitan Activity Centre (RMAC) investment attraction and development progression. He advised that there would be more hotels being built as well as multiple apartment buildings, multi storey carparks, EastCo (Department of Transport) and the recently developed Eastland, Town Square, Realm and Realm Administration building.

Chris provided an update on the Croydon Activity Centre (CAC), detailing the village lifestyle due to the location as well as the Croydon Main Street Enhancement Plan, multi storey car park, Croydon Community and Wellbeing Precinct and the recently developed Croydon Town Square.

Chris also spoke about the Bayswater Business Precinct (BBP) which covers Yarra Ranges, Knox and Maroondah, where Andrew is hoping to provide value add to businesses making them more competitive with 'Industry 4.0'.

Cr Spears entered the Meeting Room 1 & 2 at 11:26am.

Bayswater Business Precinct Transformation Strategy was discussed and dates along with some timelines were provided to the group.

Chris took the discussion around the room and the members provided updates on their own individual businesses -

- Geoff spoke about small business and his experience.
- Greg spoke about changes within Eastland and how some retail businesses thrived on line.
- Phillip spoke about his new business Goldelucks Bakery and his journey.
- James spoke about moving out of COVID and the issues they face in medium to large businesses such as employee mental health, anxiety, not wanting to attending the workplace, efficiencies, issues with work, employment contracts, asking staff to come back and issues with moving forward. He asked does working from home accelerate growth from the business and should it happen or not.
- Jenny spoke about women in business and women coping post COVID.

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- Marcus mentioned the gender divide in the Grattan Institute slide. Culture of business as it's a business vs business value.
- Emily spoke about the ability to outsource roles including issues such as keeping jobs local and ensuring women are kept in roles.

#### MAROONDAH COVID RECOVERY

ITEM 5

Steve spoke about the document previously sent out regarding Maroondah COVID Recovery referencing Council's financial impact, detailing the loss of \$20-25M. Steve mentioned the Priority Outcomes delivered over 2019/2020 to 2020/2021 financial years, based on the following topics:

- Public Health and Wellbeing
- Social Connection
- Communication
- Business Support

#### **BIZHUB MAROONDAH - BUSINESS SUPPORT**

ITEM 6

Rhiannon Mahony provided an update on what BizHub actually do in relation to Council and local businesses, supporting local groups through:

- BizHub Coworking
- BizHub Concierge
- Maroondah BizWeek
- Business Awards
- Business Communications
- Business Events
- Business Mentoring
- Business Training
- Grants Assistance
- Expert Advice and Assistance Program

Rhiannon discussed local engagements between businesses and Council as well as COVID relief and recovery responses for business.

GENERAL BUSINESS ITEM 7

No General Business was discussed.

The Meeting concluded at: 12:02pm.

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# Maroondah Disability Advisory Committee – Minutes

These minutes are yet to be confirmed. They will be presented to the Committee at the next meeting to be held on the 24 June 2021.

#### **Meeting Details:**

Date: Thursday 25 March 2021 Time: 9:30 - 11:30am Location: Maroondah Federation Estate

#### Attendees:

# Councillors

Cr Tony Dib OAM, JP (Acting Chairperson)

Cr Rob Steane

#### **Council Officers:**

Fiona Burridge, Be Kind Maroondah Facilitator Phil Medley, Team Leader Council & Community Planning Jack Mulholland, Community Access and Inclusion Facilitator Chloe Messerle, Governance Officer (Minute Taker)

## Agency Representative:

Alison Marie (Eastland)

Cara Patterson (Vision Aust.)

## Community Representative:

**Emily Dive** 

Angela Fitzpatrick

Jacob Matthew

Amelia Milroy

Lawrence Seah

Norma Seip

**David Sawyers** 

# Others:

John Richardson, Coordinator Assets Projects and Facilities - Item 4.6

# Apologies:

Councillors: Cr Kylie Spears (Mayor & Chair)

Council Officers: Leanne Robb, Community Engagement Senior Advisor

Agency Representatives: Madeline Bough (NEAMI), Ellen Clacy (Interchange

Outer East), Michelle Egan (EACH)

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Community Representatives: Melanie Adams

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## Conflict of Interest Disclosure:

Councillors:	Nil
Council Officers:	Nil
Agency Representatives:	Nil
Community Representatives:	Nil

# **Items Discussed**

#### OPENING OF MEETING

Acting Chair, Cr Dib, provided an Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed members to the meeting.

#### WELCOME

Cr Dib advised that Cr Spears was unwell and that he would be Acting Chair for the meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - THURSDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 2020

ITEM 3

#### Motion

That the Minutes of the Disability Advisory Committee from 17 September 2020 be accepted. Moved by Jacob Matthew and seconded by Angela Fitzpatrick. Carried.

#### 4. ITEMS

#### NEW PHOTO OF THE COMMITTEE

**ITEM 4.1** 

The Committee photo has been moved to the June Meeting which will allow for all members to be present including the Chair who was unwell for today's meeting.

# REVIEW OF MAROONDAH DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS FOR 2020

**ITEM 4.2** 

Fiona Burridge introduced the item and updated the committee on the achievements for 2020. (see attached)

The following pieces of work had in-depth consultation with this Committee:

- Draft Children and Families Strategy Raising the wellbeing of Maroondah's children and their families
- Maroondah COVID-19 Community Consultation Report November 2020
- Victorian Accessible Parking Permit Scheme Pilot
- Maroondah Disability Policy and Action Plan 2019-2021
- Participation in the Be Kind Maroondah Campaign

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INTRODUCTIONS ITEM 4.3

Each member introduced themselves providing a brief description of their background and their reason for being part of the Committee.

#### OVERVIEW OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

**ITEM 4.4** 

Phil Medley introduced the item and spoke about the guidelines that assist in the operation of the Committee.

#### Motion

The Terms of Reference were tabled for Committee endorsement. Moved by Amelia Milroy and seconded by Lawrence Seah. Carried.

#### BE KIND MAROONDAH UPDATE

**ITEM 4.5** 

Fiona introduced the Be Kind Maroondah Campaign and updated the Committee members on the structure of how it came about and how it progressed. (see presentation attached)

The campaign started with Maroondah City Council employees and the Maroondah community in May 2020. It involved 3 concepts - Be kind to yourself, Be kind to others and Be Kind to business. Social media and Council website initially were the focal points of the campaign which later moved to online presentations and workshops.

There were three online events for 2020:

- An evening with Tom Boyd
- From Surviving to Thriving
- Women's Resilience in Lockdown

#### Further initiatives included:

- 'Knit one warm one campaign'
- Letter writing initiative letters shared between the young and the aged (this initiative has continued post COVID)
- Sharing of short video highlighting the strengths of young people during lockdown
- Maroondah Moments A positive photography project encouraging our community to take a photo of people, things and places that made them happy
- The Sunflower Effect Project growing sunflowers to represent hope and brightness in Maroondah
- Living Life with Anxiety by Sarah Wilson

# Future initiatives included:

- Understanding and overcoming anxiety workshops
- Mindfulness workshops
- Neighbourhood Connect program
- Joint wellbeing series in conjunction with other LGA's
- Mental health first aid for service providers
- Suicide prevention conversation for service providers

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Discussion was held about the campaign including how Council was able to reach those who didn't necessarily use social media and the project approach to evaluation.

Fiona advised that during COVID Council worked with multiple organisations as well as individuals to reach as many people as possible. During COVID handouts were delivered with the Kerrabee Support packages, Council's Meals on Wheels service and through the Eastern Regional Library borrowing program.

REVIEW OF CROYDON MULTILEVEL CARPARK, MCALPIN PLAYSPACE ITEM 4.6 REDEVELOPMENT, CROYDON COMMUNITY WELLBEING PRECINCT HUB B, GENERAL ACCESSIBILITY IN DESIGN

Cr Dib introduced the item and John Richardson introduced himself and his role at Council.

John spoke about the multiple projects (see attached) that his team were currently working on which included:

- Croydon Multilevel Carpark (400 carparks with a 1-year construction timeline)
- McAlpin Reserve Playspace Design
- Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct
  - Hub B Enhancement Occasional Care and Kinder update
  - John advised that Council are currently looking at a Marveloo facility for Hub
     A as well as options for shared bathroom facilities.

John spoke about the accessibility of Council buildings which allow for ease of use for people with disabilities, allowing for access between the carpark, shops and train stations.

Playspaces that have been recently completed include:

- Cobain Reserve
- Waterloo Reserve
- Nangathan Reserve Playspace

Key sporting facility upgrades have included:

- Quambee Reserve Project ramps, accessible carparking bays
- Silcock Reserve accessible public toilets and change rooms, accessible parking bays and ramp access
- Griff Hunt Pavilion accessible public toilets and change rooms, accessible parking bays and ramp access
- Jubilee Park Stage 1 Pavilion accessible public toilets and change rooms, accessible parking bays and ramp access
- Proclamation Park
- Croydon Park Springfield Multipurpose Pavilion Redevelopment
- Dorset Recreation Reserve
- Benson Pavilion accessible public toilets and change rooms, accessible parking bays and ramps

MORNING TEA BREAK

ITEM 4.7

The Committee had a break at 10:20am and enjoyed some morning tea.

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OVERVIEW OF COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

**ITEM 4.8** 

Leanne Robb was unavailable so the item has been rescheduled for the next meeting in June 2021.

**FAREWELL TO JACOB** 

**ITEM 4.9** 

This was Jacob Matthew's final meeting in his term as a Committee member. Jack Mulholland provided an update on Jacob's achievements throughout his time on the Committee. Jacob was part of the group who advocated to include the Liberty swing in the newly designed playspace at Ringwood Lake Park. The Liberty swing was placed next to the other swings to ensure inclusivity. This adjustment has been well received by the community.

Jacob was also involved in a photoshoot of people with disabilities out and about in Maroondah, assisted Council with the 'Accessibility and Technology' event, and has been strongly advocating for accessibility changes to be made to Croydon Station.

Jacob presented to Public Transport Victoria (PTV) employees and spoke about disability requirements at train stations encouraging new waiting facilities to be built to allow people with disabilities to have appropriate covered waiting areas.

Jack presented Jacob with a gift to recognise his four years of service in the group. Jacob thanked the Committee and all that the group had helped him achieve.

Fiona reminded all members to fill out their permission forms and contact details.

The Meeting concluded at: 11:35am.

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## **Maroondah Arts Advisory Committee – Minutes**

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Meeting Details:		
Date: Wednesday 17 March 2021	Time: 7pm - 8:30pm	Location: Realm
Attendees:		
Councillors Cr Mike Symon (Chair) Cr Paul Macdonald		
Council Officers: Phil Turner, Director Strategy and Debra Styles, Manager Communit Rosalie Hastwell, Team Leader Al Jane O'Neill, Public Art Officer Adam Cooper, Social Health and V Chloe Messerle, Governance Office	ry Services  rts and Cultural Developmen  Wellbeing Recovery Coordin	
Community and Creative Indust Roger Archbold David Billimoria Andrea Jackson Kali Michailidis Kiron Robinson	ries Representatives:	
Guests:		
Apologies:		
Councillors:	Cr Suzy Stojanovic	
Council Officers:	Nil	
Community and Creative Industries Representatives:	Sharon Mullens Taylor, Jar	net Turpie-Johnstone
Conflict of Interest Disclosure:		
Councillors:	Nil	
Council Officers:	Nil	
Community and Creative Industries Representatives:	Nil	
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#### **Items Discussed**

#### OPENING OF MEETING

The Committee moved to the entrance room outside Meeting Room 1 & 2. Cr Symon read the Acknowledgment of Country.

#### WELCOME

Cr Symon welcomed the Committee to the new Maroondah City Council offices at Realm.

Rosalie Hastwell introduced the newly commissioned Indigenous public art work 'Journey of Discovery' by Marcus Lee. The development of Marcus' concept was guided by advice from Aunty Janet Turpie-Johnstone. The artwork references waterways within Maroondah as well as local fauna and is Council's first commission of an Indigenous public art work.

Attendees introduced themselves providing an insight for all members.

ITEMS

#### TERMS OF REFERENCE

**ITEM 3.1** 

Cr Symon invited questions from the Committee regarding the Terms of Reference which all members have been provided with.

The Terms of Reference will be sent out with the minutes.

Cr Symon advised that the minutes of these meetings are to be included in the Council Meeting Agenda ensuring that all Councillors will receive a copy and that there is a voice for all involved in the Committee.

PUBLIC ART UPDATE ITEM 3.2

3.2.1 Public Art Officer Jane O'Neill provided a Powerpoint presentation with updates on Public Art commissions. (See attached).

Key current and future projects for 2021 include:

- Commission of public artwork for Croydon Carpark. There is a current call out for artists' responses to a commission brief
- Commissioning of public artwork for the Realm ground floor, celebrating Indigenous connections. There is a current call out for artists' responses to a commission brief
- Ringwood East Shopping Centre public art elements have been commissioned as part of the Ringwood East Place Activation Project including a wall mural and footpath mural by Indigenous urban artist Robert Young who will work with artists from MMIGP
- Installation of temporary public art works on the hoardings around Croydon Carpark building site
- Next stage of the Signal Box project. Artworks will be commissioned to be printed onto vinyl, reducing the risk of damage by vandalism.

**ACTION:** Jane to incorporate MAAC's advice for the next stage of the Signal Box project, including commissioning of artworks celebrating local arts and cultural assets, groups and/or activities

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**ACTION:** Jane to investigate whether Australia Post mailing boxes can be included as sites for artworks

**ACTION:** Jane to follow up with MAAC members regarding suggestions for broader promotion of public art commissioning opportunities.

3.2.2 Rosalie advised that a funding application to Creative Victoria for the Ringwood Creative Carpark project last year was very well received by the selection panel but ultimately not successful in receiving funding. Feedback from Creative Victoria indicated that this was not due to the quality of the application but rather a result of the focus on funding regional projects in this round

Cr Symon noted that there may be further opportunities for Creative Victoria grants in regards to cultural tourism projects for Maroondah.

**ACTION:** Rosalie to continue to monitor further external funding opportunities for significant public art projects.

3.2.3

Kiron Robinson congratulated and encouraged Council on embracing the potential of art (and public art commissions in particular) as part of the plan for Maroondah's ongoing cultural development.

#### COVID RECOVERY FOR ARTS AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

**ITEM 3.3** 

Adam Cooper and Rosalie Hastwell provided an update on the Maroondah COVID-19 Recovery Plan with regard to social recovery and cultural recovery. (See attached presentation).

Rosalie outlined plans for a cultural recovery forum event, to be open to all members of Maroondah's creative community and providing opportunities for the community to connect and identify priorities for recovery.

**ACTION:** Forum to be organised in coming months, preferably late April. Focus to include exchange of experiences by local creatives and groups and opportunity to generate ways of working together to promote recovery.

**ACTION:** Explore suggestion that Council conduct an 'awards ceremony' for great ideas that came out of COVID, allowing the community to celebrate achievements and positive developments that occurred in the community during that time.

#### ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM 3.4

Cr Symon suggested rotating venues such as Karralyka and Wyreena for future meetings. Members agreed that 7pm was an appropriate start time. Cr Symon advised that there appears to be an error in some dates.

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ACTION: Rosalie to confirm correct dates and rotation of venues.

David Billimoria requested a future presentation regarding the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct.

**ACTION:** Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct update to be included on agenda later in year

The Meeting concluded at: 8:37pm.

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## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Nine months ended

31 March 2021



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## 1. Income Statement

For the nine months ending 31 March 2021

	YTD Forecast	YTD Actual	YTD Forecast	Annual	Adopted	Variance Adopted
	Budget	Results	Variance	Forecast	Budget	To Forecast
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Income						
Rates & charges	95,880	95,857	(24)	95,939	96,240	(301
Statutory fees & fines	2,820	2,783	(37)	4,291	5,145	(854
User fees	8,772	8,914	142	14,380	20,162	(5,782
Contributions - cash	7,981	7,969	(12)	8,216	4,528	3,68
Grants - operating (recurrent)	4,873	4,891	18	8,689	7,937	75
Grants - operating (non-recurrent)	1,954	1,871	(83)	19,410	447	18,96
Other income	404	288	(116)	549	1,134	(58
Net gain (loss) on disposal of property, infrastructure, plant & equipment	12,931	12,685	(246)	12,811	12,075	73
Total income	135,614	135,257	(357)	164,284	147,668	16,61
Expenses Employee costs	41 699	41 648	50	57 822	56 574	(1.24
Employee costs	41,699	41,648	50	57,822	56,574	(1,24
Materials and services	19,350	18,192	1,157	25,098	26,250	1,15
Contractors	17,249	16,820	428	40,534	24,658	(15,87
Depreciation and amortisation	18,322	18,322	0	24,428	24,441	<i>'</i>
Amortisation - right of use assets	0	0	0	782	516	(26
Finance costs	431	437	(6)	861	861	
Finance costs - leases	0	0	0	69	40	(2
Other expenses	1,121	977	144	710	926	2′
Total expenses	98,170	96,396	1,774	150,305	134,265	(16,03
Underlying surplus (deficit)	37,444	38,861	1,417	13,979	13,402	57
Grants - capital (recurrent and non- recurrent)	10,985	10,941	(44)	38,718	26,755	11,96
Comprehensive result	48.429	49,802	1,373	52,697	40,157	12,54

## 2. Balance Sheet

As at 31 March 2021

	31/03/2021 \$ '000	31/03/2020 \$ '000	30/06/2020 \$ '000
Assets	\$ 000	Ψ 000	\$ 000
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	28,296	12,671	47,256
Trade and other receivables	24,945	22,855	21,441
Other financial assets	52,763	43,647	20,598
Inventories	417	459	404
Other assets	78	264	924
Non-current assets classified as held for sale	-	_	6,799
Total current assets	106,499	79,896	97,422
Non-current assets			
Trade and other receivables	277	155	277
Other financial assets	1,057	2,337	1,057
Investments in associates, joint arrangements and subsidiaries	3,639	3,446	3,578
Property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	1,816,241	1,853,767	1,788,458
Right-of-use assets	1,287	-	1,287
Intangible assets	784	782	784
Total non-current assets	1,823,285	1,860,487	1,795,441
Total assets	1,929,784	1,940,383	1,892,863
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	(13,888)	(10,729)	(8,963)
Trust funds and deposits	(5,142)	(6,844)	(5,576)
Unearned income - operating grants	(10,692)	-	(11,066)
Unearned income - capital grants	(25,687)	-	(19,810)
Provisions	(14,149)	(12,850)	(13,429)
Interest-bearing liabilities	(743)	(1,433)	(2,618)
Lease liabilities	(513)	-	(513)
Total current liabilities	(70,814)	(31,856)	(61,975)
Non-current liabilities			
Trust funds and deposits	(6)	(6)	(6)
Unearned income - capital grants	-	-	(10,780)
Provisions	(1,863)	(1,632)	(1,863)
Interest-bearing liabilities	(15,818)	(16,560)	(15,817)
Lease liabilities	(789)		(789)
Total non-current liabilities	(18,476)	(18,198)	(29,255)
Total liabilities	(89,290)	(50,054)	(91,230)

Equity

 Accumulated surplus
 793,386
 820,938
 793,386

 Surplus (deficit) for period
 38,861
 28,856

 Reserves
 1,008,247
 1,040,535
 1,008,247

 Total equity
 1,840,494
 1,890,329
 1,801,633

## 3. Statement of Cash Flows

For the nine months ended 31 March 2021

For the nine months ended 31 March 2021	24/02/2024	24/02/0008
	31/03/2021	31/03/2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Rates and charges	77,566	76,230
Statutory fees and fines	2,783	3,429
User fees	23,593	24,761
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Grants - operating	6,761	4,455
Grants - capital	10,941	3,114
Contributions - monetary	7,969	4,094
Interest received	396	905
Trust funds and deposits taken	6,980	10,880
Employee costs	(40,797)	(41,827)
Materials and services	(27,404)	(36,579)
Trust funds and deposits repaid	(6,465)	(8,352)
Net cash provided by/ (used in) operating activities	62,323	41,110
Cash flows from investing activities		
Payments for property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	(70,709)	(36,257)
Proceeds from sales of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	20,902	628
Payments for investments	(101,195)	(65,194)
Proceeds from sales of investments	72,030	57,485
Net cash provided by/ (used in) investing activities	(78,972)	(43,338)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Finance costs	(437)	(459)
Proceeds from borrowings	(1,874)	(691)
Net cash provided by/ (used in) financing activities	(2,311)	(1,150)
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Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(18,960)	(3,378)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	47,256	16,049
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period	28,296	12,671

## 4. Statement of Capital Works

For the nine months ending 31 March 2021

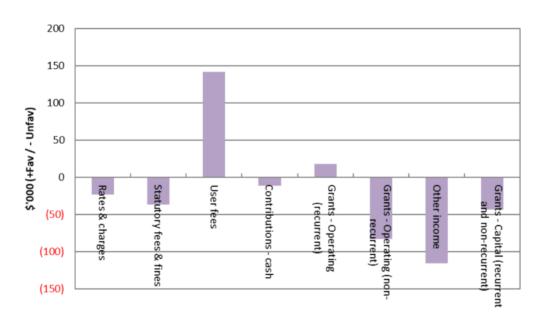
For the nine months ending 31	YTD	YTD	YTD	Forecast	Amount	Adopted
	Forecast Budget	Actual *	Bud Var	Budget **	Carried Forward	Budget
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Classification						
Buildings	28,008	29,422	(1,414)	40,832	1,406	36,524
Roads	4,082	4,229	(147)	5,928	575	2,890
Footpaths and cycleways	1,848	1,648	200	2,894	(45)	3,051
Carparks	7,758	7,333	425	31,061	385	30,000
Drainage	1,555	1,469	86	3,309	741	2,576
Waste management	20	20	0	57	57	0
Other capital roads and drainage	206	149	57	968	451	603
Recreational leisure and community facilities	2,549	2,733	(183)	3,131	(49)	4,212
Parks and open space	566	530	36	2,624	696	1,395
Commercial centres	205	121	84	325	0	0
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	65	26	38	126	61	65
Plant, machinery and equipment	1,731	1,019	711	2,324	372	1,952
Computers and telecommunications	223	270	(47)	2,185	1,461	678
Property sales	8,310	8,265	45	8,310	0	0
Building renewal	778	1,623	(845)	(1,056)	(3,599)	1,520
Total capital works	57,904	58,859	(955)	103,019	2,512	85,466

<sup>\*</sup> YTD Actual expenditure includes Carried Forwards

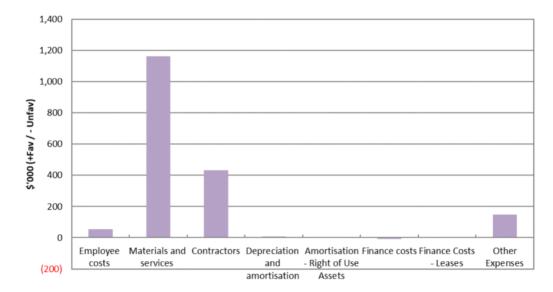
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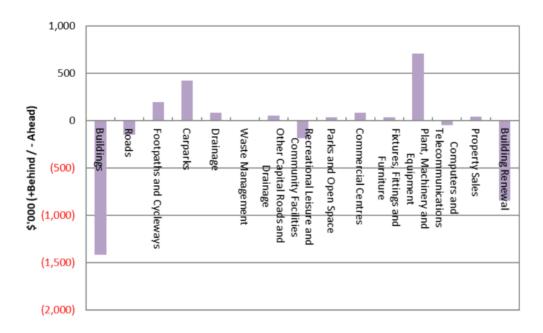
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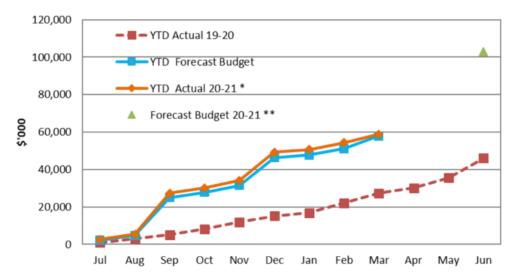
## Expenses - YTD Forecast Budget variances



#### Capital Works - YTD Forecast Budget variances by asset class



### Capital works YTD expenditure cumulative



<sup>\*</sup>YTD Actual expenditure includes Carried Forwards

These graphs demonstrate that the capital program is on par with overall budget predictions.

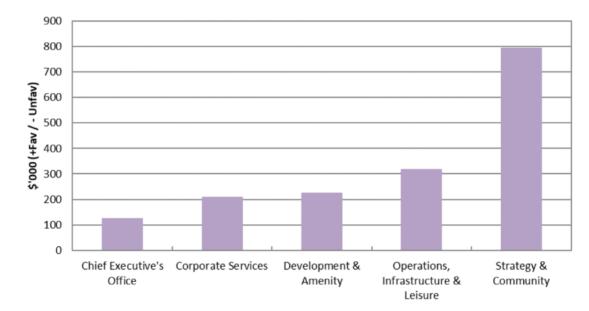
<sup>\*\*</sup>Forecast Budget expenditure includes Carried Forwards and future years' projects brought forward

## **Directorate Analysis**

	YTD Forecast Net \$'000	YTD Actual Net \$'000	YTD Bud Var Net \$'000	Annual Forecast Net \$'000
Department				
Chief Executive's Office	(1,856)	(1,732)	124	(2,624)
Corporate Services	(24,994)	(24,785)	209	(34,301)
Development & Amenity	2,294	2,517	223	1,134
Operations, Infrastructure & Leisure	(22,314)	(21,997)	317	(28,036)
Strategy & Community	(6,873)	(6,080)	793	(10,431)
	(53,742)	(52,077)	1,666	(74,258)
Capital Grants & Contributions	10,988	10,944	(44)	38,721
Net (Gain)/Loss on disposal of equipment	12,931	12,685	(246)	12,811
Other non-attributable *	78,253	78,250	(2)	75,424
Net (surplus) deficit	48,429	49,802	1,373	52,697

<sup>\*</sup> Other non-attributable includes rate & charges revenue, grants commission, depreciation, and insurance.

## Department net cost YTD Budget variances (depiction of the table above)

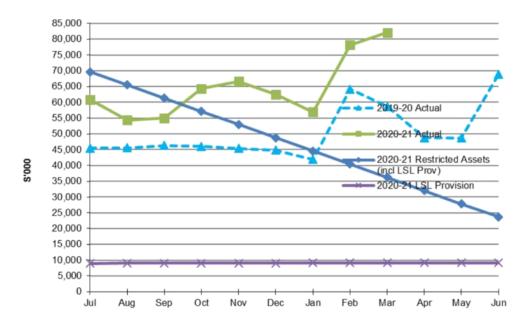


### 6. Financial Position

	2020-21	2019-20	2020-21	2019-2020
	March	March	Adopted	June EOFY
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash and investments	82,116	58,655	33,100	68,911
Net current assets	35,684	48,043	4,907	35,447
Net assets and total equity	1,840,494	1,890,329	1,911,089	1,801,633

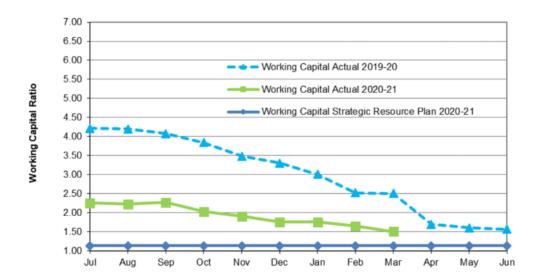
The Financial Position as at 31 March 2021 shows cash and investment balances of \$82.12 million and a net current asset position of \$35.68 million. The net asset position as at 31 March 2021 is \$1.84 billion. Cash and investment balances are above expectations identified in the Long-Term Financial Strategy for the current period of 2020/2021.

## Actual cash & investments balance by month



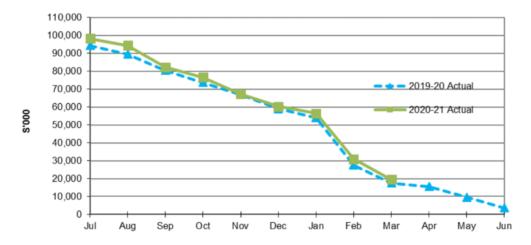
This graph reflects that there are sufficient cash reserves to cover both restricted assets and any fluctuations in cash flow.

## Actual working capital ratio by month (Current Assets / Current Liabilities)



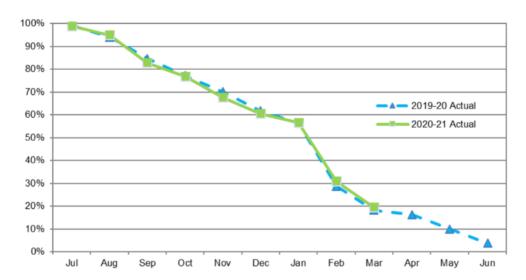
The working capital ratio is a measure of liquidity. It is always essential for this figure to be greater than 1.00, with the VAGO recommended level being more than 1.50. Council's working capital ratio as at 31 March 2021 is 1.50.

### Actual rates outstanding balances by month



The March result indicates a similar trend of rates outstanding as compared to the same stage last year, taking into account rates being struck in July of this year.

## Rates debtor collection rate by %



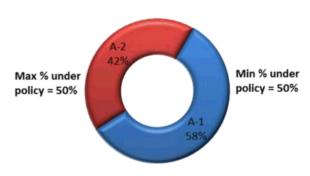
Rate debtor's collection levels during 2020/2021 are in line with expectations, taking into account rates being struck in July of this year.

### 7. Cash and Investments

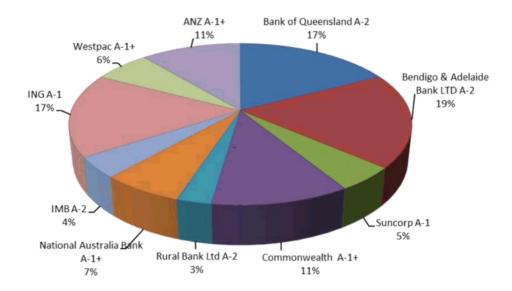
The following graphs indicate the diversification and credit ratings of the investment portfolio at the end of March. The table lists all the investments held as at 31 March 2021. Council's Investment Policy guidelines requests to maintain a portfolio's balance between A-1 and A-2 investments and hold no greater than 15% of the portfolio with one investing partner.

There are lot of uncertainties associated with COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, investments do not meet the 15% of the portfolio requirement with one investing partner.

Credit Rating as at 31st March 2021



## Investment Distribution as at 31st March 2021



	Invest	ments as at	31/03/2	2021			
Institution	Credit Rating	Maturity Date	Period Days	Yield %	Туре	\$000's	%
National Australia Bank	A-1+			0.40	On-Call	7,081	8.9%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank LTD	A-2	08-Apr-21	78	0.20	Term Dep	3,003	3.8%
IMB	A-2	22-Apr-21	84	0.30	Term Dep	3,036	3.8%
Commonwealth	A-1+	28-Apr-21	83	0.20	Term Dep	3,009	3.8%
ANZ	A-1+	06-May-21	78	0.25	Term Dep	3,000	3.8%
Suncorp	A-1	12-May-21	83	0.30	Term Dep	501	0.6%
IMB	A-2	12-May-21	70	0.20	Term Dep	801	1.0%
Commonwealth	A-1+	13-May-21	72	0.28	Term Dep	3,000	3.8%
Bank of Queensland	A-2	09-Jun-21	76	0.35	Term Dep	2,503	3.1%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank LTD	A-2	01-Apr-21	91	0.25	Term Dep	3,003	3.8%
Commonwealth	A-1+	01-Apr-21	91	0.29	Term Dep	2,006	2.5%
Westpac	AA-	15-Apr-21	91	0.21	Term Dep	4,004	5.0%
Bank of Queensland	A-2	29-Apr-21	119	0.45	Term Dep	907	1.1%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank LTD	A-2	20-May-21	106	0.23	Term Dep	1,210	1.5%
Westpac	AA-	20-May-21	92	0.16	Term Dep	2,500	3.1%
ING	A-1	27-May-21	111	0.17	Term Dep	4,000	5.0%
Suncorp	A-1	27-May-21	106	0.35	Term Dep	3,000	3.8%
Bank of Queensland	A-2	10-Jun-21	98	0.30	Term Dep	3,004	3.8%
Commonwealth - Green TD	A-1+	17-Jun-21	126	0.21	Term Dep	1,512	1.9%
ANZ	A-1+	17-Jun-21	125	0.31	Term Dep	3,000	3.8%
Bank of Queensland	A-2	23-Jun-21	131	0.33	Term Dep	3,000	3.8%
IMB	A-2	24-Jun-21	119	0.30	Term Dep	2,203	2.8%
ANZ	A-1+	24-Jun-21	105	0.25	Term Dep	2,015	2.5%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank LTD	A-2	01-Jul-21	112	0.20	Term Dep	3,000	3.8%
ING	A-1	08-Jul-21	136	0.27	Term Dep	2,000	2.5%
ING	A-1	15-Sep-21	210	0.20	Term Dep	1,011	1.3%
ING	A-1	07-Oct-21	220	0.35	Term Dep	4,000	5.0%
Westpac	AA-	24-Jun-21	91	0.15	Term Dep	2,002	2.5%
ING	A-1	28-Jun-21	180	0.21	Term Dep	1,012	1.3%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank LTD	A-2	14-Jul-21	365	0.75	Term Dep	1,317	1.7%
Rural Bank Ltd	A-2	29-Sep-21	365	0.65	Term Dep	2,000	2.5%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank LTD	A-2	09-Feb-22	365	0.30	Term Dep	1,058	1.3%
Bank of Queensland	A-2	13-Mar-23	1095	1.55	Term Dep	1,057	1.3%
						79,754	100%

Term Dep = Term Deposit NCD = Negotiable Certificate of Deposit

Council's performance against the industry wide benchmark (Bank Bill Swap Reference Rate – Average Bid which summarises the returns on banks bills over the period chosen) is provided below:

Benchmark: 90 days Bank Bill Swap Reference Rate – Average Bid (Source: Australian Financial Markets Association)	0.10%
Maroondah Investment Portfolio as at 31 March 2021	0.30%

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Balance Sheet Analytics as at 31 March 2021

			-
	31/03/2021	31/03/2020	Comments
	\$ '000	\$ '000	
•			
Assets			
Current assets			Cash and term deposits are split between this account and
			"other financial assets" depending on the length of
Cash and cash equivalents	28,296	12,671	investment (over/under 90 days).
Trade and other receivables	24,945	22 855	Comprises many debtor balances, and is largely made up of outstanding rates.
Trace and outer receivables	24,040	22,000	Change in composition of term deposit investments between
Other financial assets	52,763	43,647	current and non-current.
Inventories	417	459	
Other assets	78	264	
Non-current assets classified as held for sale		-	
Total current assets	106,499	79,896	
Non-current assets			
Trade and other receivables	277	155	
Other financial assets	1,057		See above comment regarding investment mix.
Investments in associates, joint arrangements and subsidiaries	3,639	3,446	
Property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	1,827,182	1,853,767	
Right-of-use assets	1,287		
Intangible assets	784	782	
Total non-current assets	1,834,226	1,860,487	
Total assets	1,940,725	1,940,383	
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			Deflects associate acreable and condex graditors with
			Reflects accounts payable and sundry creditors with fluctuations occurring because of timing differences and
Trade and other payables	(13,888)	(10,729)	accruals.
Trust funds and deposits	(5,142)	(6,844)	
Unearned income - Operating Grants	(10,692)	-	\$10.5MIL is related to Heatherdale ML Car Park Grant.
			\$20.7MIL is related to Grants received for Croydon,
			Ringwood and Heathmont Car Park Upgrades. \$1.3MIL is
Uncomed income Conital Counts	(DE COZ)		Jubilee Park Sports Pav Redevelopment Grant. \$1.5MIL is Reimagining Tarralla Creek Stormwater Harvesting Grant.
Unearned income - Capital Grants	(25,687)	-	Employee provisions. Increase relates to higher annual leave
Provisions	(14,149)	(12,850)	and LSL accrual balances.
Interest-bearing liabilities	(743)	(1,433)	
Lease liabilities	(513)	-	IT Equipment, Printers & Leisure Equipment.
Total current liabilities	(70,814)	(31,856)	
Non-current liabilities			
Trust funds and deposits	(6)	(6)	
Unearned income - Capital Grants	-	-	
Provisions	(1,863)	(1,632)	
			Loan facility used in the funding of Aquanation's construction.
Interest-bearing liabilities	(15,818)	(16,560)	Decrease reflects 6 monthly repayments.
Lease liabilities	(789)		See above comment regarding leases.
Total non-current liabilities	(18,476)	(18,198)	
Total liabilities	(89,290)	(50,054)	•
Net assets	1,851,435	1,890,329	
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Accumulated surplus	793,386	820,938	
Surplus (deficit) for period	49,802	28,856	
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Grants - capital	10,941	3,114	Road.  QIC Contribution and increase in Open Space Cash in
Contributions - monetary	7,969	4.094	
Interest received	396	905	i e
			Deposits taken and repaid a function of timing. These
Trust funds and denseits taken	6.980	10.000	amount recognize movements in various deposit,
Trust funds and deposits taken Employee costs	(40,797)	(41,827)	suspense and clearing accounts.
Employee costs	(40,737)	(41,027)	Timing variance due to a higher balance of materials
Materials and services	(27,404)	(36,579)	and services payable as at Mar 2021.
Trust funds and deposits repaid	(6,465)	(8,352)	
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	62,323	41,110	
Cash flows from investing activities			
			Represents Realm Ext, Multi Level Car Parks,
Payments for property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	(70,709)	(36,257)	Crowden Community Precinct and PTP Lincoln Rd
Proceeds from sales of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	20,902	, , ,	Represents the sale of Warrandyte Road.
Payments for investments	(101,195)		Investment balances fluctuate based on the timing and
Proceeds from sales of investments	72,030		maturity of council's investment profile.
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Planning Panels Victoria

Maroondah Planning Scheme Amendment C142maro
Heritage Overlay – Former Kenyon House,
35 Alto Avenue, Croydon

**Panel Report** 

Planning and Environment Act 1987

26 April 2021



#### How will this report be used?

This is a brief description of how this report will be used for the benefit of people unfamiliar with the planning system. If you have concerns about a specific issue you should seek independent advice.

The planning authority must consider this report before deciding whether or not to adopt the Amendment. [section 27(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* (the PE Act)]

For the Amendment to proceed, it must be adopted by the planning authority and then sent to the Minister for Planning for approval. The planning authority is not obliged to follow the recommendations of the Panel, but it must give its reasons if it does not follow the recommendations. [section 31 (1) of the PE Act, and section 9 of the *Planning and Environment Regulations 2015*]

If approved by the Minister for Planning a formal change will be made to the planning scheme. Notice of approval of the Amendment will be published in the Government Gazette. [section 37 of the PE Act]

Planning and Environment Act 1987

Panel Report pursuant to section 25 of the PE Act

Maroondah Planning Scheme Amendment C142maro

26 April 2021

John Roney, Chair

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## Glossary and abbreviations

Amendment Maroondah Planning Scheme Amendment C142maro

Council Maroondah City Council

DDO2 Design and Development Overlay Schedule 2

DELWP Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning

Heritage Study Review Maroondah Heritage Study Review 2018-2021

HO Heritage Overlay

LPPF Local Planning Policy Framework

Maroondah Heritage Study Maroondah Heritage Study: Stages 1 and 2, November 2003

MSS Municipal Strategic Statement

NCO1 Neighbourhood Character Overlay Schedule 1
NRZ2 Neighbourhood Residential Zone Schedule 2

PE Act Planning and Environment Act 1987

Planning Scheme Maroondah Planning Scheme
PPF Planning Policy Framework

PPN01 Planning Practice Note 1 Applying the Heritage Overlay

SLO3 Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 3

TEH Thematic Environmental History

Termo Termo Group Pty Ltd

VCAT Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal

VPP Victoria Planning Provisions

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## Overview

Amendment summary				
The Amendment	Maroondah Planning Scheme Amendment C142maro			
Common name	Heritage Overlay – Former Kenyon House, 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon			
Brief description	The Amendment proposes to apply the Heritage Overlay (HO147) to 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon on a permanent basis			
Subject land	Lot 36 LP7478 and Lot 1 TP178814, known as 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon			
Planning Authority	Maroondah City Council			
Authorisation	23 September 2020			
Exhibition	26 October - 30 November 2020			
Submissions	Number of Submissions: 7 Opposed: 3			

Panel process	
The Panel	John Roney, Chair
Directions Hearing	2 March 2021 by video conference
Panel Hearing	13 April 2021 by video conference
Site inspections	Unaccompanied, 7 April 2021
Parties to the Hearing	Maroondah City Council represented by Ben Daly of Tract Consultants assisted by Cristina Rivero, Strategic Planner Maroondah City Council, who called evidence in Heritage from Simon Reeves of Built Heritage Pty Ltd
	Termo Group Pty Ltd represented by Simon Merrigan of Millar Merrigan who called evidence from a Building Inspector, Steve Tutek of Buildspect Consulting Pty Ltd
Citation	Maroondah PSA C142maro [2021] PPV
Date of this report	26 April 2021

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## Executive summary

Maroondah Planning Scheme Amendment C142maro (the Amendment) seeks to apply the Heritage Overlay (HO 147) to the dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon on a permanent basis.

An interim Heritage Overlay currently applies to the site and is due to expire on 30 July 2021.

The single storey dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue Croydon (the former Kenyon House) was designed in 1964 for John and Maureen Kenyon. The Kenyons do not currently own the property.

The property is subject to Neighbourhood Character Overlay Schedule 1, which triggers the need for a planning permit for demolition in order to ensure that new development is consistent with the desired character of the area.

On 23 July 2020, Maroondah City Council issued a Notice of Decision to Refuse to Grant a Permit (application M/2020/197) which proposes a two-lot subdivision, the demolition of the existing dwelling and associated removal of vegetation.

A heritage assessment completed by Built Heritage Pty Ltd revealed that the property achieves the threshold to justify the introduction of a Heritage Overlay. As noted in the Statement of Significance, the former Kenyon House is significant for the following reasons:

The house is significant for its highly unusual architectural expression that, at the time of erection, would have defied all of the usual stylistic labels. With an asymmetrical rectilinear plan (stepped to follow the slope of the site), its bold irregular roofline and rough finishes (ie bagged brickwork and recycled roof slates), the house represented a significant departure from the prevailing trends of Australian residential architecture of the mid-1960s. Rather, it anticipated the emergence of a more inclusive regionalist style of the late 1960s and early '70s, and the Post-Modernist movement from the mid-1970s, of which Corrigan would become a pioneering and pre-eminent exponent. (Criterion E, Criterion F)

The house is significant as the first architectural commission of celebrated and award-winning Australian architect Peter Corrigan, who was a fourth-year university student at the time. It is one of a small number of residential projects that he undertook before 1967, when he left for an extended period of post-graduate study and work experience in the USA. Retuning in 1974, he joined his future wife Maggie Edmond in partnership as Edmond & Corrigan, a firm that won considerable acclaim and press attention (nationally and overseas) and over thirty RAIA awards from the mid-1970s to the late 1990s. As the firm is acknowledged as the progenitors and leading exponents of Post-Modernism in Australia, Corrigan's early houses of the 1960s are extremely important as indicators of the development of his mature style.

Unique as the only example of his work in the City of Maroondah (since the demolition of his much later Ringwood Civic Plaza), the Kenyon House is rare on a broader metropolitan scale as one of only four houses that he built in the 1960s, of which only three now remain standing. (Criterion B; Criterion H)

The Heritage Overlay controls the demolition of the building as a way of conserving the building and ensuring that development does not adversely affect the significance of the heritage place.

The proposed Heritage Overlay precedes the implementation of a municipal wide *Maroondah Heritage Study Review* which is currently being finalised by Council. Due to the immediate risk of demolition of the former Kenyon House, the Amendment was prepared as a matter of urgency in advance of other properties in the broader *Maroondah Heritage Study Review*.

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A total of seven submissions were made in response to the exhibited Amendment. There were three submissions objecting to the Amendment, including:

- the owner of 35 Alto Avenue
- a local resident of Alto Avenue
- · a resident of Kilsyth.

Key issues raised in the objections included:

- There is insufficient evidence of architectural significance to render the dwelling worthy of heritage protection due to:
  - lack of correlation between the design sketches by Corrigan and the existing dwelling
  - the original dwelling is not intact due to substantial modifications
  - lack of Corrigan's involvement as a supervising architect.
- The imposition of a Heritage Overlay would be unreasonable due to the poor condition of the dwelling.
- It is not economically feasible to retain the dwelling due to the cost to reinstate the dwelling to a habitable condition.

The key issue in the review of submissions to Amendment C142 is whether the former Kenyon House at 35 Alto Avenue is of heritage significance. The Panel has reviewed this issue having regard to:

- concerns expressed by the owners of the property that the heritage significance of the site has not been raised in the past, despite previous heritage studies recommending heritage protection for a range of other houses in Alto Avenue
- the heritage assessment criteria outlined in Planning Practice Note 1 Applying the Heritage Overlay
- · whether the house is sufficiently intact to warrant heritage controls
- whether there has been sufficient comparative assessment to justify the application of the Heritage Overlay.

In response to submissions, the Panel concludes:

- The exclusion of the dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue from heritage protection in previous heritage studies regarding Alto Avenue is not a relevant factor in deciding whether to include the property within a Heritage Overlay.
- It would be appropriate to include 35 Alto Avenue in a Heritage Overlay if contemporary research can validate the heritage significance of the place.
- The former Kenyon House:
  - demonstrates aesthetic significance by exhibiting a range of particular design characteristics that were rare at the time it was constructed (Criterion E)
  - exhibits a high degree of creative and technical achievement for the period (Criterion F)
  - demonstrates uncommon architectural elements for its time that are rare (Criterion B)
  - demonstrates a special association with the work of Peter Corrigan, a significant figure in the development of modern Australian architecture (Criterion H)
  - satisfactorily meets relevant heritage criteria to justify the application of the Heritage Overlay.
- The house is sufficiently intact to understand and interpret the original form of the building.

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- Although the extensions to the dwelling in 1976 are sympathetic to the original part of the house, they are not of heritage significance.
- The Statement of Significance should be modified to make it clear that the extensions to the dwelling completed in 1976 are not of heritage significance.
- Appropriate comparative analysis has been completed in accordance with the guidance in Planning Practice Note 1 – Applying the Heritage Overlay.
- The condition of the former Kenyon House is not a criterion for assessing heritage significance.

#### Recommendation

Based on the reasons set out in this Report, the Panel recommends that Maroondah Planning Scheme Amendment C142marobe adopted as exhibited subject to the following:

1. Amend the Statement of Significance under the heading 'What is significant?" to add the following new paragraph after the second paragraph:

The additions to the west side of the house completed in 1976 are not significant.

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## 1 Introduction

## 1.1 The Amendment

### (i) Amendment description

The purpose of the Amendment is to apply the Heritage Overlay (HO 147) to 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon on a permanent basis.

Specifically, the Amendment proposes to:

- Amend the Schedule to Clause 43.01 Heritage Overlay to introduce HO147 Former Kenyon House at 35 Alto Avenue Croydon, and list the document 'Statement of Significance: Former Kenyon House – 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon, April 2020'
- Amend the Schedule to Clause 72.04 Documents Incorporated in this Planning Scheme
  to list the document 'Statement of Significance: Former Kenyon House 35 Alto Avenue,
  Croydon, April 2020' as an incorporated document.
- Amend Planning Scheme Map Number 2HO to apply HO147 to 35 Alto Avenue Croydon on a permanent basis.

#### (ii) The subject land and building

The Amendment applies to land shown in blue in Figure 1.

Figure 1: Subject land: 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon



Source: Explanatory Report

35 Alto Avenue, Croydon consists of Lot 36 LP7478 and Lot  $1\,\mathrm{TP178814}$ . The land is irregular in shape and has a frontage to Alto Avenue of approximately 31 metres and a maximum depth of approximately 60.7 metres. It has a total site area of approximately 2000 square metres.

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## 1.2 Background

### (i) City of Maroondah Heritage Study Review, March 2019

Council submitted that it was in the process of finalising a municipal wide review of heritage places. In January 2018, Council engaged Built Heritage Pty Ltd to complete the *City of Maroondah Heritage Study Review* (Heritage Study Review). The purpose of this work was to review the Maroondah Heritage Study Stages 1 and 2 completed by Richard Peterson in 2003, including:

- preparation of a supplementary Thematic Environmental History (TEH) that focused on development in the second half of the twentieth century
- a street-by-street windscreen survey of the entire municipality
- compilation of a master-list of places and precincts of potential significance, derived from desktop research, fieldwork and reference to the earlier heritage study
- preparation of citations for a limited number of places and precincts that were
  considered to represent the highest priorities for statutory protection at the local level –
  including the review, expansion and reformatting of several citations from the 2003 study
  for which a Heritage Overlay had not yet been applied.

A draft report, comprising the supplementary TEH and citations for 19 individual places and four precincts, was submitted to Council officers on 20 July 2018. An updated version, incorporating minor revisions suggested by Council officers, was issued by Built Heritage on 21 March 2019.

In late May 2020, Built Heritage was engaged to prepare individual citations for an additional 20 places that had been shortlisted as high priorities.

The Heritage Study Review is "pending formal consideration by Councif" and has not been finalised. Council submitted that the implementation of the recommendations of the Heritage Study Review was temporarily put on hold during the second half of 2020 because of local government elections and COVID-19 restrictions limiting the options for extensive community consultation. Council advised the Panel that it had established a Heritage Reference Group to help finalise the outcomes of the Heritage Study Review and it anticipated that a formal planning scheme amendment may be exhibited in the second half of 2021.

Council submitted that the property at 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon was initially identified in the Heritage Study Review as having potential heritage significance because it is one of the earliest surviving commissions of award-winning architect Peter Corrigan. The Panel was told that other houses along Alto Avenue were also flagged in the Heritage Study Review for possible inclusion in a broader precinct or group listing.

Mr Reeves, a heritage architect from Built Heritage gave evidence at the Hearing that ultimately the Heritage Study Review recommended a precinct citation for a cluster of houses at the southern end of Alto Avenue, including 35 Alto Avenue, and extending into some contiguous side-streets. Mr Reeves said that the majority of houses within the proposed precinct were detached inter-war Bungalows of brick and/or timber construction, with hipped and/or gabled roofs clad in terracotta tiles. He said although the house at 35 Alto Avenue dates from the 1960s, it was in accordance with the significance ascribed to the precinct, as "it had demonstrably been designed in homage to the predominant inter-war character of the streetscape". He said this was evident in its scale, forms, materials, finishes and setting.

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Mr Reeves said that in early 2020 Council advised him of the "possible threat of demolition" of the house at 35 Alto Avenue. In order "underpin the case for interim heritage controls", he was requested to prepare a site-specific heritage citation for the property at 35 Alto Avenue.

#### (ii) Interim heritage controls

On 31 January 2020 an application under section 29A of the *Building Act 1993* was lodged to demolish the house at 35 Alto Avenue. On 4 February 2020 the application was refused on the basis that a planning permit was required due to the Neighbourhood Character Overlay that applies to the site.

On 26 February 2020 a planning permit application (M/2020/197) was lodged with Council. The application sought the demolition of the dwelling, associated vegetation removal and subdivision of the land into two lots.

On 6 May 2020, Council wrote to the Minister for Planning with an urgent request to prepare, adopt and approve an amendment to the Maroondah Planning Scheme pursuant to section 20 (4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* (PE Act), to apply an interim Heritage Overlay to 35 Alto Avenue Croydon for a period of one year.

Council submitted that the purpose of this request was to prevent demolition or significant alteration to the fabric of the dwelling while permanent heritage controls were being prepared.

On 23 July 2020 Council issued a Notice of Decision to Refuse to Grant a Permit for application M/2020/197. The applicant lodged an appeal to VCAT and the Panel was advised that a Hearing is scheduled for 18 June 2021.

On 28 September 2020 a delegate for the Minister for Planning wrote to Council confirming approval of Amendment C141maro on an interim basis until 30 July 2021. Amendment C141maro introduced heritage controls for 35 Alto Avenue that generally reflected the proposed permanent heritage controls for the site in Amendment C142maro (noting that Amendment VC160 removed the requirement to include a Statement of Significance in the Schedule to the Heritage Overlays for heritage places included on an interim basis). The letter from the Minister's delegate requested that Council expedite the preparation and exhibition of an amendment to apply the Heritage Overlay on a permanent basis.<sup>1</sup>

Following the gazettal of Amendment C141maro on 15 October 2020 (Victorian Government Gazette G41), a letter was sent by Council to the owner of 35 Alto Avenue to advise of the interim controls and of Council's intention to proceed with the preparation and exhibition of permanent heritage controls.<sup>2</sup>

Amendment C142maro commenced exhibition on 26 October 2020. Council submitted that Amendment C142maro was consistent with the interim controls expressed in Amendment C141maro.

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## 1.3 Procedural issues

Due to COVID-19 and the associated physical distancing requirements, the Hearing was conducted using the video conferencing platform Microsoft Teams. Details regarding these arrangements were distributed to all parties before the commencement of the Hearing. No party objected to the Hearing proceeding by video conference.

## 1.4 Summary of issues raised in submissions

There were four submissions supporting the Amendment, including:

- the National Trust of Australia (Victoria)
- the Monastery Ridge Group (signed by a resident from Alto Avenue)
- two submissions from residents in Alto Avenue.

Issues raised in these submissions included:

- The house provides an important insight into Peter Corrigan's style and influences as a leading Victorian architect of the late 20th and early 21st centuries.
- The house is an example of innovative design and this was evident by its inclusion in the Robyn Boyd Foundation Open Day in 2013, demonstrating public interest in the residence and its importance as an example of Corrigan's work.
- The house and garden should be preserved for the community due to the intactness of the landscape.
- The house contributes to the special character of the Wicklow Hills area and it is an integral part of the local landscape.

There were three submissions objecting to the Amendment, including:

- the owner of 35 Alto Avenue
- a local resident of Alto Avenue
- a resident of Kilsyth.

Issues raised in the objections included:

- There is insufficient evidence of architectural significance to render the dwelling worthy of heritage protection due to:
  - lack of correlation between the design sketches by Corrigan and the existing dwelling
  - the original dwelling is not intact due to substantial modifications
  - lack of Corrigan's involvement as a supervising architect.
- The imposition of a Heritage Overlay would be unreasonable due to the poor condition of the dwelling.
- It is not economically feasible to retain the dwelling due to the cost to reinstate the dwelling to a habitable condition.

## 1.5 The Panel's approach

The Panel has assessed the Amendment against the principles of net community benefit and sustainable development, as set out in Clause 71.02-3 (Integrated decision making) of the Planning Scheme.

The Panel considered all written submissions made in response to the exhibition of the Amendment, observations from site visits, and submissions, evidence and other material presented to it during the Hearing. It has reviewed a large volume of material, and has had to be

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selective in referring to the more relevant or determinative material in the Report. All submissions and materials have been considered by the Panel in reaching its conclusions, regardless of whether they are specifically mentioned in the Report.

This Report deals with the issues under the following headings:

- Planning context
- · Heritage significance of 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon
- · Building condition

## 1.6 Limitations

Council submitted that the proposed Statement of Significance was derived from a detailed heritage citation prepared by Built Heritage Pty Ltd.

The Amendment does not propose to include the heritage citation as a background document in the Planning Scheme. Council submitted that the relevant and important parts of the citation had been included in the Statement of Significance. The Statement of Significance is proposed to be included within the Planning Scheme as an Incorporated Document.

The Panel acknowledges and supports this approach.

The Panel makes no specific comment on the content of the citation and makes no recommendations regarding any changes to it. The Panel's comments are confined to the Statement of Significance and the associated matters to be included within the Planning Scheme.

It is a matter for Council to determine whether the heritage citation should be amended having regard to the recommendations of the Panel with respect to the Statement of Significance.

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# 2 Planning context

# 2.1 Planning policy framework

Council submitted that the Amendment is supported by various clauses in the Planning Policy Framework, which the Panel has summarised below.

# 2.1.1 Planning and Environment Act 1987

The Amendment implements the following objectives of planning in Victoria, under Section 4 of the PE Act:

- 4(1)(a) to provide for the fair, orderly, economic and sustainable use, and development of land
- 4(1)(c) to secure a pleasant, efficient and safe working, living and recreational environment for all Victorians and visitors to Victoria
- 4(1)(d) to conserve and enhance those buildings, areas or other places which are of scientific, aesthetic, architectural or historical interest, or otherwise of special cultural value
- 4(1)(f) to facilitate development in accordance with the objectives set out in paragraphs (a) ... (c), (d) ...
- 4(1)(g) to balance the present and future interests of all Victorians.

Council submitted the Amendment is consistent with these objectives by ensuring that the heritage significance of the place is protected and that heritage matters are considered as part of any planning permit applications for the nominated site. This was said to represent an appropriate balancing of the present and future interests of all Victorians – the conservation and enhancement of places of established local significance, and the facilitation of development in accordance with the requirements of the Heritage Overlay.

# 2.1.2 Planning Policy Framework

# Clause 15 (Heritage)

The Planning Policy Framework (PPF) at Clause 15.03-1S of the Planning Scheme includes the objective to ensure "the conservation of places of heritage significance" and a range of strategies including:

Identify, assess and document places of natural and cultural heritage significance as a basis for their inclusion in the planning scheme.

Provide for the conservation and enhancement of those places which are of, aesthetic, archaeological, architectural, cultural, scientific, or social significance.

Encourage appropriate development that respects places with identified heritage values.

Retain those elements that contribute to the importance of the heritage place.

Encourage the conservation and restoration of contributory elements of a heritage place.

Ensure an appropriate setting and context for heritage places is maintained or enhanced.

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Council submitted the Amendment supports this clause by identifying, assessing and documenting the heritage significance of 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon to provide for its protection in the planning scheme.

### Clause 21 (the Municipal Strategic Statement)

The Amendment is consistent with the objectives and strategies outlined in the Local Planning Policy Framework (LPPF), particularly Clause 21.04 (Heritage) and Clause 21.07 (Housing and Residential Land Use) of the Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS).

#### Clause 21.04 notes that:

Recognition of Maroondah's heritage is crucial to the development of a vibrant and confident community. Heritage values include aesthetic, historic, scientific, social or spiritual value for past, present or future generations. Heritage significance may be embodied in the place itself, its fabric, setting, use, associations, meanings, records, related places and related objects. Places may have a range of values for different individuals or groups and assist with creating this sense of community.

The objectives of the clause include:

To identify and plan for the future conservation, protection, enhancement and appropriate use and development of heritage places in Maroondah.

To appropriately manage heritage resources, in order to conserve their cultural heritage values and integrity.

To promote heritage values throughout the municipality.

The clause goes on to identify that the objectives and strategies set out in the clause should be implemented, among other things, by:

Applying the Heritage Overlay to all sites with cultural or natural heritage value in the municipality, as identified through a Statement of Significance.

# Clause 21.07 notes that:

Maroondah is dominated by two ridgelines and complemented with rolling topography. The Loughnan Warranwood Ridge and Wicklow Hills Ridge are heavily vegetated, even though mostly developed as residential suburbs. Near-continuous canopy tree cover, interspersed by rooftops, dominates views to the ridgelines. The ridgelines and topography are unique within Melbourne. The hills help define the sense of place and provide views from dwellings and streets that are evident both within and outside the municipality. These views provide topographic interest to many of the suburbs.

Architectural styles and street layout, also reflects the dominant trends of the eras in which they were developed. Closer to the railway line and Maroondah Highway – the older 'core' of Maroondah – housing characterised by post-war architectural styles set on rectilinear street layouts (with some notable exceptions such as the Walter Burley Griffin subdivision in Croydon) and including a mix of brick and weatherboard homes. Suburbs on the periphery of the municipality in hilly topography were the latest to be developed and exhibit curvilinear streets and contemporary, reproduction-style homes, almost exclusively in brick. The mix of development is again given a modicum of consistency through the existence of established gardens.

35 Alto Avenue is within the Wicklow Hills Ridge area.

Council submitted that the Amendment supports the MSS as it seeks to:

- identify and plan for future protection, enhancement and appropriate use of heritage places in Maroondah
- appropriately manage an identified heritage resource in order to preserve its historic integrity.

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# 2.2 Other relevant planning strategies and policies

#### (i) Plan Melbourne

Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 sets out strategic directions to guide Melbourne's development to 2050, to ensure it becomes more sustainable, productive and liveable as its population approaches 8 million. It is accompanied by a separate implementation plan that is regularly updated and refreshed every five years.

Plan Melbourne is structured around seven Outcomes, which set out the aims of the plan. The Outcomes are supported by Directions and Policies, which outline how the Outcomes will be achieved. Outcomes that are particularly relevant to the Amendment are set out in Table 1.

Table 1: Relevant parts of Plan Melbourne

Outcome		Directions	Policies	
4	Melbourne is a distinctive and liveable city with quality design and amenity	4.4 Respect Melbourne's heritage as we build for the future	4.4.1 Recognise the value of heritage when managing growth and change	
			4.4.3 Stimulate economic growth through heritage conservation	
			4.4.4 Protect Melbourne's heritage through telling its stories	

### (ii) Maroondah 2040 – Our Future Together and the Council Plan 2017-2021

Council submitted that the Amendment was consistent with a range of directions contained within high level strategic planning documents prepared by Council, including a 'priority action' in the Council Plan 2017-2021 to undertake a municipal wide review of neighbourhood character and heritage controls. It said the Heritage Study Review was part of the implementation of this action.

## (iii) Maroondah Housing Strategy 2016

The Maroondah Housing Strategy was adopted by Council in June 2016. It articulates Council's response to meeting the anticipated housing need of around 12,500 dwellings between 2016 - 2041.

Key Direction 3.1 of the Strategy outlines the need to "review, evaluate, reaffirm and enhance the existing commitment to areas of special environmental quality in Maroondah".

The Maroondah Housing Strategy notes that:

While growth and development occur, it is important to maintain the character of our neighbourhoods and increase sustainability. Protecting key attributes of Maroondah, such as our vegetation, ridgelines, landscapes and neighbourhood character is important to the community. Existing controls such as the ridgeline policy are working

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well. Council will reaffirm and enhance these controls while at the same time working towards increasing our sustainability across the whole of Maroondah  $\dots$ <sup>3</sup>

Council submitted the Amendment was consistent with the Maroondah Housing Strategy.

### (iv) Maroondah Heritage Study: Stages 1 and 2, November 2003

In 2003, Council completed a major municipal wide heritage study in two stages.

Stage 1 involved the preparation of a thematic and contextual history of urban development in Maroondah to enable a comparative analysis between heritage places and to identify post contact cultural heritage places in Maroondah.

Stage 2 of the heritage study included the assessment of the places identified to be of cultural significance to Maroondah.

The outcomes of these investigations were implemented by Amendment C42 to the Maroondah Planning Scheme, which was gazetted on 10 November 2011.

The Maroondah Heritage Study recommended applying the Heritage Overlay to 10 properties in Alto Avenue, Croydon. The relevant properties were:

- on the north side of the street numbers 12, 32, 34, 36, 42-46, and 74-78
- on the south side of the street numbers 21, 23, 31-33 and 37
- (67-73 Alto Avenue was already listed as HO1).

The citations for these properties linked them through a common history, as representing one of several subdivisions built in Croydon before the electrification of the rail line in 1925. With one exception (number 32, a later Modernist contemporary house), the dwellings are from the interwar period, mostly Bungalows and predominantly of timber construction.

The Maroondah Heritage Study did not recommend a Heritage Overlay for 35 Alto Avenue.

Council ultimately determined that, rather than apply the Heritage Overlay to the identified heritage places, it would use a Neighbourhood Character Overlay (NCO) to cover all privately-owned properties fronting Alto Avenue.

The rationale for this decision was given in the Explanatory Report for Amendment C42:

The Neighbourhood Character Overlays are proposed as the areas affected by this control have heritage significance based on a neighbourhood scale rather than a specific site. The Neighbourhood Character Overlay ensures that development respects the neighbourhood character and prevents, where necessary, the removal of buildings and vegetation before the neighbourhood character features of the site and the new development have been evaluated.

The Panel Report regarding Amendment C42 supported the application of the NCO with modifications to various provisions in the schedule. It stated:

The Panel initially had some reservations about the use of the NCO to protect extensive areas that have been found to have heritage significance. The most important of these relates to the point made in the practice note ... about the overlay not being designed or intended for use to conserve existing buildings.

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After inspections of the relevant areas, we have come to the conclusion that the NCO can effectively protect some features of heritage significance, such as a subdivision pattern, but should not be used to preserve existing building fabric.<sup>4</sup>

#### It also concluded:

Council should reconsider whether an HO – either as a precinct or individually – should be applied to the properties at 12, 21, 23, 31-33, 32, 34, 36, 37, 42-46, and 74-78 Alto Avenue, to enable their heritage significance to be considered in decisions on any permit application to change these places.<sup>5</sup>

Council submitted that although the NCO protects elements of the special character of Alto Avenue, the use of the Heritage Overlay is the most appropriate way to achieve the objective of building conservation for 35 Alto Avenue.

# (v) Maroondah Heritage Study Review 2018-2021

The background and context of the Maroondah Heritage Study Review is discussed in Chapter 1.2 of this Panel Report and is not repeated here.

The Heritage Study Review is a municipal wide review of heritage places and updates and expands upon the 2003 Maroondah Heritage Study. Significantly, it has a special focus on post World War 2 heritage.

### (vi) 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon, Heritage Citation

Preparation of the Amendment was based on a detailed heritage citation prepared by Built Heritage Pty Ltd. The citation included matters regarding:

- place history
- physical description of the property
- comparative analysis
- Statement of Significance prepared in accordance with Planning Practice Note 1
- an extensive list of references.

As noted in Chapter 1.6, the heritage citation is not proposed to be included as a background document in the planning scheme.

Council submitted that the heritage citation provides a sound basis for the application of the Heritage Overlay to 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon.

Further analysis of the heritage citation is presented in later chapters of this Report.

# 2.3 Planning scheme provisions

A common zone and overlay purpose is to implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the PPF.

### (i) Zone

The land is in the Neighbourhood Residential Zone – Schedule 2 (NRZ2). The purposes of the Zone are:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Document 15, Chapter 5.2.2

Document 15, Chapter 6.1.7

To recognise areas of predominantly single and double storey residential development.

To manage and ensure that development respects the identified neighbourhood character, heritage, environmental or landscape characteristics.

To allow educational, recreational, religious, community and a limited range of other non-residential uses to serve local community needs in appropriate locations.

The NRZ2 applies to the area identified as 'Ridgeline Protection Area B'. Within the NRZ2 the minimum lot size for subdivision is 864 square metres and several variations to Clause 54 and Clause 55 ('ResCode') requirements are specified.

### (ii) Overlays

The land is subject to the several Overlays, including:

- Clause 42.03 Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 3 (SLO3)
- Clause 43.01 Heritage Overlay Schedule 147 (HO147)
- Clause 43.02 Design and Development Overlay Schedule 2 (DDO2)
- Clause 43.05 Neighbourhood Character Overlay Schedule 1 (NCO1)

# The purposes of the Significant Landscape Overlay are:

To identify significant landscapes.

To conserve and enhance the character of significant landscapes.

SLO3 relates to the 'Wicklow Hills Ridge and Loughnan Warranwood Ridge Landscape Protection Area'. The landscape character objectives for this area are:

To conserve the existing pattern of vegetation, landscape quality and ecosystems within the area and encourage the re-generation of vegetation.

To maintain a dense vegetation canopy that contributes to the environmental significance of the area.

To control or minimise the effect of future development upon natural features, particularly canopy trees and ridgelines.

To ensure that the development, use and management of land is compatible with the existing character and landscape protection of the area.

To maintain the overall scenic beauty of the municipality.

A permit is required for a range of buildings and works and the removal of vegetation. Various exemptions apply.

# The purposes of the Heritage Overlay are:

To conserve and enhance heritage places of natural or cultural significance.

To conserve and enhance those elements which contribute to the significance of heritage places.

To ensure that development does not adversely affect the significance of heritage places.

To conserve specified heritage places by allowing a use that would otherwise be prohibited if this will demonstrably assist with the conservation of the significance of the heritage place.

Among other things, a permit is required to subdivide land, demolish or remove a building and to construct a building or construct or carry out works. Various exemptions apply.

HO147 currently applies to the site and is an interim control with an expiry date of 30 July 2021.

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#### The purpose of the **Design and Development Overlay** is:

To identify areas which are affected by specific requirements relating to the design and built form of new development.

DDO2 relates to 'Ridgeline Protection Area B' and includes design objectives:

To provide a planning framework for lower density residential development and subdivision.

To ensure that the pattern of subdivision and lot size contributes to the creation of urban precincts with high levels of visual and environmental amenity.

To ensure that subdivision contributes to a coordinated and attractive streetscape.

To provide lots of a size and configuration to allow adequate scope for the retention and development of canopy vegetation in garden settings.

A permit is not required to construct a building or construct or carry out works under DDO2.

The subdivision of land within DDO2 must meet a minimum lot size of 864 square metres and other requirements regarding driveways and accessways.

# The purposes of the Neighbourhood Character Overlay are:

To identify areas of existing or preferred neighbourhood character.

To ensure that development respects the neighbourhood character.

To prevent, where necessary, the removal of buildings and vegetation before the neighbourhood character features of the site and the new development have been evaluated

NCO1 relates to the 'Alto Avenue and Wicklow Hills Neighbourhood Character Area'. The 'Statement of neighbourhood character' notes:

Alto Avenue, Croydon is a significant residential precinct in the heavily vegetated hills, vales and ridgelines of the Wicklow Hills Estate. It remains the highest point between Melbourne and the Dandenongs. 'Alto' derives its name from the Estate's altitude of 207 metres above sea level. The area was subdivided as R.F. Kelly's 'Wicklow Hills Estate' in 1920.

Alto Avenue displays a strong 1920's Bungalow theme highlighting family life between the world wars and is representative of the housing estate built in Croydon before the electrification of the Melbourne to Lilydale railway line in 1925. Typically, the dwellings comprise double fronted intact timber form, including many Bungalows in mature canopy garden settings with brick or plain timber roofs and terra-cotta Marseilles tiles.

Key neighbourhood character features include built form, trees and bird life, large blocks and open spaces and dense mature vegetation cover in spacious garden settings. The hilly topography plays an important role in placing this area as a significant backdrop to views from Mount Dandenong and the continuous nature of the canopy vegetation throughout the Wicklow Hills Ridge provides a strong character element.

# NCO1 includes neighbourhood character objectives:

To ensure that any buildings and works reflect the preferred neighbourhood character of Alto Avenue and the Wicklow Hills Estate, including the predominantly expansive, double fronted, Bungalow style, timber dwellings constructed without promoting replication.

To ensure that new dwellings and alterations to existing dwellings have appropriate siting, setback and materials.

To ensure generous setbacks to allow the predominantly mature, dense garden settings with panoramic views to remain and be enhanced.

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To ensure new structures are set back a generous distance from boundaries so that existing dwellings and landscape features remain visible from the street.

To ensure additions to an existing dwelling are complementary and do not compromise the neighbourhood character or streetscape.

#### A permit is required:

- to construct or extend an outbuilding normal to a dwelling
- to demolish or remove a dwelling
- for any buildings and works in the front setback to a dwelling or outbuilding associated with a dwelling, including front fences
- to remove, destroy or lop a tree.

# 2.4 Ministerial Directions and Practice Notes

#### **Ministerial Directions**

The Amendment is consistent with the Form and Content of Planning Scheme Ministerial direction under section 7(5) of the PE Act.

The Amendment is consistent with Ministerial Direction 9 – Metropolitan Strategy pursuant to section 12 of the PE Act - that requires planning authorities to have regard to the Metropolitan Strategy (Plan Melbourne).

The Amendment is consistent with Ministerial Direction 11 - Strategic Assessment Guidelines by:

- supporting the PPF and the Local Planning Policy Framework
- making proper use of the Victorian Planning Provisions through the use of the Heritage
   Overlay to protect areas of local heritage significance
- applying the Heritage Overlay consistent with Planning Practice Note 1 Applying the Heritage Overlay.

# **Planning Practice Notes**

Planning Practice Note 1 - Applying the Heritage Overlay (PPNO1) provides guidance about using the Heritage Overlay. It states that the Heritage Overlay should be applied to, among other places:

Places identified in a local heritage study, provided the significance of the place can be shown to justify the application of the overlay.

PPN01 specifies that documentation for each heritage place needs to include a statement of significance that clearly establishes the importance of the place and addresses the heritage criteria. It recognises the following model criteria (the Hercon criteria) that have been adopted for assessing the value of a heritage place:

- Criterion A: Importance to the course or pattern of our cultural or natural history (historical significance).
- Criterion B: Possession of uncommon rare or endangered aspects of our cultural or natural history (rarity).
- Criterion C: Potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of our cultural or natural history (research potential).
- Criterion D: Importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a class of cultural or natural places or environments (representativeness).
- Criterion E: Importance in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics (aesthetic significance).

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Criterion F: Importance in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a particular period (technical significance).

Criterion G: Strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons. This includes the significance of a place to Indigenous peoples as part of their continuing and developing cultural traditions (social significance).

Criterion H: Special association with the life or works of a person, or group of persons, of importance in our history (associative significance).

# 2.5 Discussion and conclusion

For the reasons set out in the following chapters, the Panel concludes that the Amendment is supported by, and implements, the relevant sections of the PPF, and is consistent with the relevant Ministerial Directions and Practice Notes. The Amendment is well founded and strategically justified, and the Amendment should proceed subject to addressing the more specific issues raised in submissions as discussed in the following chapters.

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# **3** Heritage significance of 35 Alto Avenue

Council submitted that the primary issue of relevance when deciding to apply a Heritage Overlay is whether the place has heritage significance. It referred to the Panel Report for Ballarat Planning Scheme Amendment C58, where it stated:

Panels have consistently held that whenever there may be competing objectives relating to heritage and other matters, the time to resolve them is not when the Heritage Overlay is applied but when a decision must be made under the Heritage Overlay or some other planning scheme provision. The only issue of relevance in deciding whether to apply the Heritage Overlay is whether the place has heritage significance.<sup>6</sup>

The Panel agrees with Council and the observations in the Panel Report regarding Ballarat C58. The key issue in the review of submissions to Amendment C142 is whether 35 Alto Avenue is of heritage significance. The Panel has reviewed this issue having regard to:

- concerns expressed by the owners of the property that the heritage significance of the site has not been raised in the past, despite previous heritage studies recommending heritage protection for a range of other houses in Alto Avenue
- the heritage assessment criteria outlined in PPN01
- · whether the house is sufficiently intact to warrant heritage controls
- whether there has been sufficient comparative assessment to justify the application of the Heritage Overlay.

The following sections deal with each of these issues.

Figure 2: Peter Corrigan's original perspective drawing and floor plan of the Kenyon House, 1964





Source: Statement of Significance

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Ballarat PSA C58 [2004] page 51





Source: Statement of Significance

Figure 4: Entry porch of Kenyon House taken for the Robin Boyd Foundation's Peter Corrigan Open Day, April 2013



Source: Statement of Significance

# 3.1 Previous heritage studies

# (i) The issue

The issue is:

 whether the exclusion of the dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue from heritage protection in previous heritage studies regarding Alto Avenue is a relevant factor in deciding whether to include the property within a Heritage Overlay.

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### (ii) Evidence and submissions

Council acknowledged it had completed a range of previous heritage studies within the municipality, including investigations relating to properties in Alto Avenue. These studies are described in Chapter 2.2 of this Report and are not repeated here.

Council said that the Maroondah Heritage Study in 2003 identified the heritage significance of Alto Avenue within the context of the inter-war period. It noted that the citations for these properties linked them through a common history, as representing one of several subdivisions built in Croydon before the electrification of the rail line in 1925. With one exception, the dwellings are from the inter-war period, mostly Bungalows and predominantly of timber construction.

Council submitted that the further investigations regarding Alto Avenue that were completed as part of the Maroondah Heritage Study Review in 2018 follow directly and consistently from the recommendations of the C42 Panel Report.

Mr Reeves gave evidence that:

- although he was not the author of the Maroondah Heritage Study in 2003, he considered
  that the emphasis on Alto Avenue was clearly within the context of inter-war
  development, whereas the focus of the Maroondah Heritage Study Review in 2018 has
  been post World War 2 heritage places
- the former Kenyon House at 35 Alto Avenue is a 'post-war house', but it fits cohesively within a precinct of pre-war houses
- his initial approach was to consider 35 Alto Avenue as a contributory place within a broader heritage precinct, however, he considers it appropriate for the house to stand within its own individual Heritage Overlay
- it is unclear at this stage how the other houses within Alto Avenue may be captured within a future Heritage Overlay.

Mr Reeves noted that heritage studies are not static and new information often emerges for properties that may have been 'overlooked' in previous studies. He also said many Councils are completing 'gap studies' to supplement previous heritage investigations and these commonly include investigations into late twentieth century buildings.

Mr Reeves said the inclusion of 35 Alto Avenue within a Heritage Overlay was based on sound contemporary research and was not inconsistent with previous heritage studies.

On the other hand, Termo Group Pty Ltd (Termo) submitted that:

- the Maroondah Heritage Identification Study (1998) and the Maroondah Heritage Study Stage Two (2003) resulted from substantial research, include extensive bibliographies and are reference documents in the Planning Scheme
- these documents identified a large number of sites for potential heritage protection and these were refined through a consultation process to determine those suitable for the application of a Heritage Overlay
- 35 Alto Avenue was not identified as being of heritage significance in any of these studies
- the properties either side of 35 Alto Avenue were identified as being of heritage significance
- the dwelling at 32 Alto Avenue was previously recognised as significant despite being "a later modernist contemporary house".

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#### (iii) Discussion

The Panel acknowledges the frustration expressed by Termo. Although previous heritage studies have not identified the dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue as being of specific heritage significance, it should not be inferred that the building does not have any heritage significance. The Panel accepts that the focus of previous heritage assessments of Alto Avenue was within a different context. As the dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue was not built until 1964, it is understandable it was not included with other dwellings that related primarily to inter-war period construction.

Viewed through the prism of late twentieth century architecture, the dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue is now seen within a different context. The Panel considers this is an acceptable approach and reflects an appropriate response to new and emerging information. It is evident that as further research is completed, additional places of heritage significance are emerging all over Victoria. In this respect, the City of Maroondah is no different.

The Panel notes that the dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue has not previously been considered for heritage protection and was then subsequently rejected. It has simply not previously been considered.

### (iv) Conclusions

The Panel concludes:

- The exclusion of the dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue from heritage protection in previous heritage studies regarding Alto Avenue is not a relevant factor in deciding whether to include the property within a Heritage Overlay.
- It would be appropriate to include 35 Alto Avenue in a Heritage Overlay if contemporary research can validate the heritage significance of the place.

# 3.2 Heritage criteria

# (i) The issue

The issue is:

 whether the heritage criteria referred to in the Statement of Significance have been met to the extent necessary to justify the application of the Heritage Overlay to the former Kenyon House.

# (ii) Evidence and submissions

Council submitted that the Statement of Significance was prepared having regard to the heritage assessment criteria outlined in PPN01. The former Kenyon House is noted as significant for the following reasons in the Statement of Significance:

Why is it significant?

The house is significant for its highly unusual architectural expression that, at the time of erection, would have defied all of the usual stylistic labels. With an asymmetrical rectilinear plan (stepped to follow the slope of the site), its bold irregular roofline and rough finishes (ie bagged brickwork and recycled roof slates), the house represented a significant departure from the prevailing trends of Australian residential architecture of the mid-1960s. Rather, it anticipated the emergence of a more inclusive regionalist style of the late 1960s and early '70s, and the Post-Modernist movement from the mid-1970s, of which Corrigan would become a pioneering and pre-eminent exponent. (Criterion E, Criterion F)

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The house is significant as the first architectural commission of celebrated and award-winning Australian architect Peter Corrigan, who was a fourth-year university student at the time. It is one of a small number of residential projects that he undertook before 1967, when he left for an extended period of post-graduate study and work experience in the USA. Retuning in 1974, he joined his future wife Maggie Edmond in partnership as Edmond & Corrigan, a firm that won considerable acclaim and press attention (nationally and overseas) and over thirty RAIA awards from the mid-1970s to the late 1990s. As the firm is acknowledged as the progenitors and leading exponents of Post-Modernism in Australia, Corrigan's early houses of the 1960s are extremely important as indicators of the development of his mature style.

Unique as the only example of his work in the City of Maroondah (since the demolition of his much later Ringwood Civic Plaza), the Kenyon House is rare on a broader metropolitan scale as one of only four houses that he built in the 1960s, of which only three now remain standing. (Criterion B; Criterion H)

The first paragraph refers to criterion E and F which relate to:

- Criterion E: Importance in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics (aesthetic significance).
- Criterion F: Importance in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a particular period (technical significance).

The second and third paragraphs refer to criterion B and H which relate to:

- Criterion B: Possession of uncommon rare or endangered aspects of our cultural or natural history (rarity).
- Criterion H: Special association with the life or works of a person, or group of persons, of importance in our history (associative significance).

Mr Reeves gave evidence that the former Kenyon House is unique in its own right and demonstrates original architectural design and concepts that were ahead of its time. He said the building showcased rare and unusual techniques that were not seen elsewhere at the time of its construction and combined to represent a special design aesthetic. Mr Reeves said this was particularly demonstrated in:

- the stepping down of the house to reflect the topography of the site
- the rough finishes such as the bagged brickwork and recycled roof slates
- a complex and irregular roofline that incorporated multiple styles and the 'slicing' of the hipped roof.

Mr Reeves said these important features were included in the Statement of Significance.

No submitter provided any expert heritage advice contesting the heritage significance of the house with respect to criterion E or F and Termo did not call any heritage expert during the Hearing.

A number of submissions related to criterion B and H. For example:

- Submission 1 said that it was inappropriate to protect a house "that only was lived in by someone who is semi-known to only a select number of people"
- Submission 2 said that "it was a waste of tax payers' money" to protect a house that was
  designed by a student.

Termo made extensive submissions with respect to the association with Peter Corrigan and stated that:

 whilst it is apparent that Corrigan prepared design drawings for the site, it does not follow that Corrigan was commissioned as the architect to deliver this project

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- it is apparent that Corrigan had less involvement with the Kenyon House than in other projects that he was involved with early in his career
- given the apparent lack of involvement of Corrigan as a supervising architect for the construction of the original dwelling, there is insufficient evidence of architectural significance to render the dwelling worthy of heritage protection
- there has not been sufficient justification for anything other than "academic interest" in 35 Alto Avenue
- the association with Peter Corrigan is weakened by evidence that the finalisation of the construction of the dwelling occurred over an extensive period, including while Corrigan lived overseas
- an extension to the dwelling was completed without Corrigan's involvement and it is difficult to discern the difference between the original dwelling and the more recent additions.

Termo submitted that a similar association with Peter Corrigan and a house at 12 Sunhill Avenue, Burwood (the Mercovich House), was considered by a Panel with respect to Amendment C172 to the Whitehorse Planning Scheme. Termo said the Statement of Significance in that case was very similar to the proposed Statement of Significance for the former Kenyon House. For example, with respect to criterion B and H, it stated:

Architecturally, the house is significant as an early example of the work of noted architect Peter Corrigan (Criterion H). Designed while he was a final year student at Melbourne University, it is rare as one of only five realised projects that Corrigan designed before he left Australia in 1967 for an extended period of study and work experience in the USA (Criterion B).

The Mercovich House ably demonstrates the highly idiosyncratic approach, fragmented composition and contrasting use of finishes and materials that would continue to define the architect's work for several decades. The only example of Corrigan's early work in what is now the City of Whitehorse (and one of only five extent houses from that period anywhere in Melbourne), it forms a valuable counterpoint to the Chapel of St Joseph in Box Hill North (1976), an example of Corrigan's mature work that is his only other building in the municipality. (Criterion B)7

Mr Reeves gave evidence for Whitehorse Council at the Hearing regarding Amendment C172.

The Panel Report regarding Whitehorse C172 concluded that the assessment of local cultural significance in the citation provided insufficient justification for the introduction of an individual Heritage Overlay and stated:

The Panel was advised that Peter Corrigan designed 12 Sunhill Avenue, Burwood, as his first job when he was a 24 year old architecture student.

The place needs to be justified in its own right, not by association with, or by way of contrast to, Mr Corrigan's more mature and celebrated later buildings. It is not sufficient that a building 'anticipates' or provides a 'counterpoint' to later mature work or is an early 'marker' in the development of an architect's mature style. It is not sufficient that the building plays a supplementary role in the 'body of work' of an architect, many of whose later buildings are already heritage listed in Whitehorse and other municipalities.

These are certainly matters of academic interest and it would certainly be appropriate to ensure that the building is fully documented. There appears to be good

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documentation already from the Building Permit and other sources cited in the work of Conrad Hamann <sup>8</sup>

Termo submitted that a similar conclusion should be drawn with respect to the former Kenyon House at 35 Alto Avenue, and on this basis the proposed Heritage Overlay should be rejected.

In response, Mr Reeves gave evidence that:

- the heritage citation does not ascribe any significance to the house for its association with John Kenyon or his family
- Criterion H (associative significance) is appropriate because of the property's connection
  with its architect, Peter Corrigan, an internationally-published and award-winning
  Australian architect who has been the subject of articles, exhibitions and a monograph
- since Corrigan's death in 2016, scholarly interest in his work has only increased, demonstrated by a symposium at RMIT (2017), a second monograph, edited by Vivian Mitsogianni and Patrick Macasaet (2019)<sup>9</sup> and lengthy articles in academic publications
- it is unusual for an architecture student to have a building erected to their design before they have completed their studies
- only a small number of Melbourne architects are known to have had a building built to their design while they were still undergraduate students
- there is real interest in the architectural projects that Corrigan undertook while he was a student as evidenced by:
  - Conrad Hamann's monograph Cities of Hope Re-membered: Australian Architecture by Edmond and Corrigan 1962-2012, where an entire chapter is devoted to Corrigan's architectural output between 1964 and 1967 (including the former Kenyon House) when he was a student and recent graduate
  - the inclusion of the former Kenyon House in the Edmond and Corrigan Open Day, arranged by the Robin Boyd Foundation in April 2013 – where members of the public bought tickets to visit a wide range of architect-designed buildings typically in private ownership and 249 of 278 attendees visited the former Kenyon House
  - the publication of his early projects in journals, newspapers and magazines including the former Kenyon House in Cross Section in February 1967
- it was well documented and beyond doubt that the original core of the Kenyon House was designed by Peter Corrigan
- the photograph published in Cross Section in February 1967 confirms that the exterior of the house was effectively completed by then, six months prior to Corrigan's departure to the USA in August of that same year
- in any event, the degree to which an architect is personally responsible for developing, documenting or supervising the realisation of their original design is not necessarily a crucial factor in determining its significance
- there are many examples of buildings (both large and small) where the original architect
  was not able to see a project to fruition, yet the project can still be acknowledged as an
  important example of their work citing St Paul's Cathedral in Melbourne (William
  Butterfield), Sydney Opera House (Jorn Utzon) and Churchill Trust House, Canberra
  (Robin Boyd) as some well-known examples.

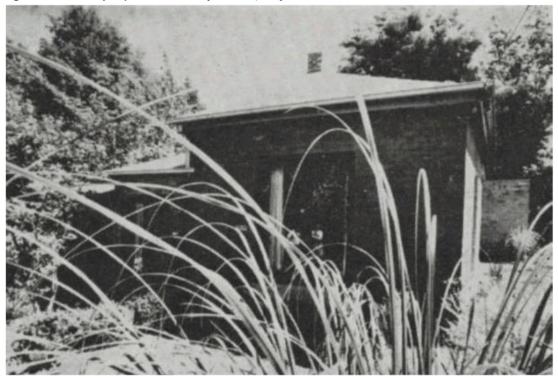
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<sup>8</sup> Whitehorse PSA C172 Part 2 [2016] PPV, page 44

<sup>9</sup> Influence: Edmond & Corrigan + Peter Corrigan, Melbourne: Uro Publications, 2019

Council adopted the evidence of Mr Reeves.

Figure 5: Front (east) elevation of Kenyon House, early 1967



Source: Cross Section, Number 172, 1 February 1967

Figure 6: Front (east) and side (north) elevations with additions visible at the rear, December 2020



Source: Document 11, page 24

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### (iii) Discussion

The Panel generally accepts the evidence of Mr Reeves and agrees that the former Kenyon House satisfactorily meets recognised heritage criteria to justify the application of the Heritage Overlay. The Panel is satisfied that the justification for why the former Kenyon House is significant has been based on thorough and well documented research.

The Panel accepts the expert view of Mr Reeves, a post World War 2 heritage specialist, that the building exemplifies unique and highly valued design aesthetics. The various techniques explained by Mr Reeves and contained within the Statement of Significance adequately demonstrate that the thresholds for criterion E and F have been met. The Panel notes that there was no alternative evidence presented that contested this view.

The Panel has carefully considered whether the former Kenyon House meets criterion B and H and has had regard to all of the submissions made with respect to this issue, including the Panel Report regarding Whitehorse Amendment C172. On balance, the Panel considers that in this instance there is sufficient evidence to warrant reference to criterion B and H because the house at 35 Alto Avenue:

- clearly demonstrates uncommon architectural elements for its time that are rare and significant
- demonstrates a special association with the work of Peter Corrigan, a significant figure in the development of modern Australian architecture.

During the Hearing, Mr Reeves lamented that the Panel with respect to 12 Sunhill Avenue, Burwood, did not recommend the application of the Heritage Overly for that site. He noted that the house at 12 Sunhill Avenue has been demolished. He was concerned that if the former Kenyon House was not included within a Heritage Overlay then it would be unlikely that the remaining early Corrigan houses would gain heritage protection.

The Panel has made its assessment on the former Kenyon House based on the particular documents and evidence presented to it. It should not in any way be interpreted as a comment on the conclusions of the Panel with respect to 12 Sunhill Avenue, Burwood. It also should not be interpreted as a precedent that should prejudice the potential future consideration of heritage controls to any of Peter Corrigan's other early houses. Every site should be treated on its merits and have regard to the particular circumstances of the place and its context.

#### (iv) Conclusions

The Panel concludes that the former Kenyon House:

- demonstrates aesthetic significance by exhibiting a range of particular design characteristics that were rare at the time it was constructed (Criterion E)
- exhibits a high degree of creative and technical achievement for the period (Criterion F)
- demonstrates uncommon architectural elements for its time that are rare (Criterion B)
- demonstrates a special association with the work of Peter Corrigan, a significant figure in the development of modern Australian architecture (Criterion H)
- satisfactorily meets relevant heritage criteria to justify the application of the Heritage Overlay.

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# 3.3 Intactness

#### (i) The issues

The issues are:

- whether the house is sufficiently intact to understand and interpret the original form of the building
- whether the Statement of Significance should be modified to make it clear that the
  extensions to the dwelling completed in 1976 are not of heritage significance.

# (ii) Evidence and submissions

Termo submitted that:

- a comparison of the original design plan and current floor plan shows that there is very little resemblance between the design plans by Corrigan and the current dwelling and it is clear that the original dwelling is not intact
- the substantial modification undertaken by the owner in 1976 has rendered the current dwelling to be completely unrecognisable in comparison to early drawings and renders and strengthens the case against the site being suitable for heritage protection
- additionally, the modifications to the building have no connection to the original architect and no heritage significance has been attributed to the extension.

Termo prepared marked up images highlighting the extent of the original constructed house compared to the full design envisaged by Corrigan and the extension by the owner in 1976. These drawings are reproduced in Figure 7. The image on the left compares the original drawing prepared by Corrigan against the actual construction (shown in colour highlight). The image on the right shows the footprint of the original house in coloured highlight and the extension completed in 1976.

Mr Reeves confirmed to the Panel that the marked up drawings prepared by Termo was a reasonable representation of the evolution of the layout from Corrigan's original concept.

Figure 7: Marked up drawings showing original Corrigan layout and current floor plan



Source: Document 14, page 3

Termo referred to the citation prepared by Built Heritage that discusses the evolution of the layout:

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This ambitious proposal was subject to modification. The rear bedroom wing (and entry ramp) was eliminated, and its wide corridor adapted to create a dressing room between master bedroom and bathroom. Brickwork was given a rough bagged finish, rather than smooth render indicated in the perspective, and the prominent fascias and stepped terraces were omitted. It is possible that full set of working drawings was never prepared for the modified design, as no copies have been retained in either the Edmond & Corrigan Archive (held by RMIT Design Archives) or the former City of Croydon building permit files (held by the City of Maroondah). It has been acknowledged in one source that "documentation was sparse, with the client supervising the building works". (Scorpo and Fahl, 2013).

Indeed, when the family decided to extend their house in 1976, John Kenyon did not engage the office of Edmond & Corrigan but chose to undertake the work himself. In August of that year, the City of Croydon issued a building permit "proposed alterations and extensions for J & M Kenyon, 35 Alto Ave". The (undated) drawings proposed a large addition to the west side, providing a new dining room, kitchen, family bathroom and two bedrooms.

Figure 8: View from north showing original house on the left and additions on the right



Source: Document 11, page 21

Figure 9: View from north showing 1976 addition



Source: Document 11, page 21

In response, Mr Reeves gave evidence that:

In the parlance of heritage assessments, the term "intactness" refers to the degree of correlation between a building's current form (eg physical extent, finishes, fenestration, etc) and its original form (ie, on completion of construction). Thus, a

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building that has been altered (eg by addition of a second storey, rendering of brickwork, or insertion of new door/window openings) can be accurately described as being less intact than a building that has not had such changes.

The term "intactness", therefore, pertains specifically to changes in the physicality of a building since completion. It should not be conflated to refer to the degree of correlation between an architect's original scheme and what was actually built, which may well have been modified during design development, documentation or even construction. Most buildings are subject to at least some degree of revision during these stages, so that the completed building can differ from how it was envisaged in the architect's earliest sketches. To assert that the Kenyon House is not intact because it does not correspond to Corrigan's original sketch plans is akin to suggesting that the exterior of the Sydney Opera House is not intact because the geometry of the curved shells was heavily modified during design development (to the point that the built version differs substantially from what was depicted in Utzon's original presentation drawings) or that the exterior of Melbourne's Parliament House is not intact because its prominent domed tower, indicated on the original competition entry drawings, was never actually built. 10

#### Mr Reeves noted that:

- all four of the houses that were built to Corrigan's student designs were subject to revision and modification during construction
- in his monograph on Edmond and Corrigan, Conrad Hamann observed with respect to all four houses that:

Corrigan had poured huge efforts into trying to build the unbuildable. The projects had a level of intensity in their complexity their mass collisions and their expressed movement that made each look as if it were Corrigan's last. That sense would mark Edmond & Corrigan designs later, though in a different way. Even by this early stage, Corrigan had challenged most of the assumptions about Australian architecture.11

the fact that a building's design may have been revised or modified during construction can be an important aspect of its history that becomes crucial to an understanding of its significance, rather than something that diminishes its significance.

Mr Reeves gave evidence that the house is remarkably intact for a building nearly fifty years old and aside from an extension to the southwest, the original envelope of the building remains unchanged. He said that the citation acknowledges that an addition has been made to one side of the dwelling, and clearly explains how and why this addition is considered to be sympathetic in its scale, form, design and materials. In his evidence, Mr Reeves confirmed that, in his view, the 1976 addition was conceived in a sensitive and sympathetic matter that does not detract from the original dwelling. He said this was demonstrated by the following aspects of the addition:

- A parapetted skillion roof, resulting in a very low and almost horizontal roofline that does not compete with Corrigan's far more distinctively jagged and irregular roofline
- Contrasting external finishes in the use of face clinker brickwork, as opposed to the roughly bagged-and-painted brick finish of the original house. The dark-coloured and variegated finish of the clinker brick tends to visually recede, serving to further de-emphasise the apparent bulk of the addition
- Contrasting fenestration, with the 1976 addition incorporating double-hung windows and multi-paned French doors that contrast to the single-paned timberframed doors and windows generally used in the original house

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Conrad Hamann, Cities of Hope: Australian Architecture and Design by Edmond and Corrigan, 1962-92, page 24

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• The junctions between the original house and the addition are deliberately and sensitively articulated, so that is it apparent where the original building stops and the addition starts. This is evident at the rear (south side) of the house, where the addition is separated from the original house by a deeply recessed walkway/porch with a metal gate, and on the front (north) side by the return of the addition's clinker brick wall along the end of the verandah of the original house, and by the stepping of the brickwork at the corner.<sup>12</sup>

#### Mr Reeves concluded:

Consequently, there is a very clear delineation between the original fabric and the addition. In present-day terms, the addition would be considered to be in accordance with Article 22 of the ICOMOS Burra Charter (2013), which outlines the best-practice approach to contemplating new work to a significant heritage place.<sup>13</sup>

In response to questions from the Panel, Mr Reeves agreed that although the extension to the house completed in 1976 was sympathetic to the original Corrigan design, it was not of heritage significance. He agreed it would be appropriate to clarify that the additions to the dwelling were not significant in the Statement of Significance under the heading 'what is significant?'.

Council submitted that it supported this approach.

### (iii) Discussion

The Panel agrees with Mr Reeves that the former Kenyon House at 35 Alto Avenue is sufficiently intact to readily understand its original form and origins. Although the original design of Corrigan was not completed in its entirety, substantial parts of the building was constructed in such a way to clearly reference the original design. The modifications to the design do not significantly detract from the original concept and numerous architectural elements are still obvious and apparent.

The additions to the house made by the owner in 1976 are sympathetic to the original ideas of Corrigan and are clearly distinguishable from the original construction. Although Corrigan was not involved with these further modifications, they do not detract from the core of the building, are relatively modest in scale and do not overwhelm the original part of the house. The front door and entry porch are on the east side of the dwelling and the later additions are to the west side of the building, ensuring that the additions are generally not visible from the primary elevation.

The Panel agrees with Mr Reeves that although the extensions to the dwelling in 1976 are sympathetic to the original part of the house, they are not of heritage significance. This should be reflected in the Statement of Significance to avoid confusion or misinterpretation of what is significant.

The Panel considers that the Statement of Significance should be modified to specifically note that the extensions to the dwelling completed in 1976 are not of heritage significance as follows (additional text is shown underlined):

What is significant?

The former Kenyon House at 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon designed by Peter Corrigan is significant.

The house comprises of a single-storey house on a stepped and asymmetrical splitlevel plan, with bagged-and-painted brick walls and an irregular hipped roof clad in

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recycled slates. Designed in 1964 for John and Maureen Kenyon, it represented the first architectural commission for Peter Corrigan, then a student but later to become famous as one-half of the celebrated and award-winning architectural partnership of Edmond & Corrigan.

The additions to the west side of the house completed in 1976 are not significant.

#### (iv) Conclusions and recommendations

The Panel concludes:

- The house is sufficiently intact to understand and interpret the original form of the building
- Although the extensions to the dwelling in 1976 are sympathetic to the original part of the house, they are not of heritage significance.
- The Statement of Significance should be modified to make it clear that the extensions to the dwelling completed in 1976 are not of heritage significance.

The Panel recommends:

2. Amend the Statement of Significance under the heading 'What is significant?" to add the following new paragraph after the second paragraph:

The additions to the west side of the house completed in 1976 are not significant.

# 3.4 Comparative analysis

#### (i) The issue

The issue is:

 whether appropriate comparative analysis has been completed in accordance with the guidance in Planning Practice Note 1 – Applying the Heritage Overlay

## (ii) Evidence and submissions

Termo submitted that PPN01 provides guidance on the application of the Heritage Overlay. Among other things, it states:

The thresholds to be applied in the assessment of significance shall be 'State Significance' and 'Local Significance'. 'Local Significance' includes those places that are important to a particular community or locality. Letter gradings (for example, "A', "B', "C') should not be used.

To apply a threshold, some comparative analysis will be required to substantiate the significance of each place. The comparative analysis should draw on other similar places within the study area, including those previously included in a heritage register or overlay. Places identified to be of potential state significance should undergo analysis on a broader (statewide) comparative basis.

The heritage citation for 35 Alto Avenue prepared by Built Heritage provides a detailed section under the heading 'comparative analysis' that states:

The commission for the Kenyon House effectively marked the start of Corrigan's architectural practice, which would thrive for more than fifty years. Working under the auspices of Edmond & Corrigan from 1975 until his death in 2016, Corrigan was active not only as an architect but also as a stage designer, academic, lecturer and writer. During that time, Edmond & Corrigan completed only one other project in what is now the City of Maroondah: the Ringwood Civic Plaza (1993-95), which was developed

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south of the Eastland Shopping Centre and comprised a municipal library, retail building and carpark. Much published, the project received an RAIA Award of Merit two years running: one for its urban design (1995) and another in the institutional category (1996). It was completely demolished in 2013 to facilitate a major redevelopment of the precinct.

As an architect-designed single dwelling of the mid-1960s, the Kenyon House represents a major departure from prevailing trends, which is evident when it is compared with contemporaneous houses in the City of Maroondah. Its stepping plan, irregular roofline and rough finishes contrast with more conventionally modernist houses of similar date, such as 15 Banksia Street, Heathmont (Romberg & Boyd, 1963), 44 Aurum Crescent, Ringwood (W V Mitchell, 1964), 35 Warrien Road, Croydon (Leonard Bullen, 1965) and 13 Alwyn Street, Croydon (Gerritt Hartland, 1965), with their rectilinear massing, low gabled or skillion rooflines, crisp detailing, slick finishes and window large windows. Some aspects of the Kenyon House, such as its earthy finishes, stepped forms and integration into the landscape, might invite comparisons with contemporaneous local examples of the Wrightian style, typified by 245 Bayswater Road, Croydon South (Chancellor & Patrick, 1964), or the organic dwellings of Alistair Knox, such as 5-7 Brysons Road, Warranwood (1966). Even these, however, are not truly analogous to Corrigan's highly individualistic approach.

It is testament to the fact that the Kenyon House was ahead of its time that it has more in common with houses of the late 1960s and early 1970s that show the emerging influence of a new and more inclusive regionalist style. This is typified by houses at 60 Evelyn Road, Ringwood North (Graeme Gunn, 1968) and 50 Pine Crescent, Ringwood North (John Denton, 1969-71), both of which have stepped split-level plans, jagged rooflines with intersecting skillions and clerestories, and rough wall finishes (both inside and out), respectively in clinker brick and unpainted concrete block. The latter house otherwise makes an especially pertinent comparator to the Kenyon House, as it similarly represented the very first commission for a young architect who would go on to greater fame from the later 1970s (as a partner in the award-winning firm of Denton Corker Marshall).

Ultimately, the Kenyon House can only be compared to other early houses by Peter Corrigan. Of the seven houses that he designed between 1964 and 1967, four were built (all in the outer eastern suburbs), and three remain standing. Although different in form, materials and detail, they all reflect the architect's idiosyncratic approach and can be considered early indicators of the mature style that characterised his output from the mid-1970s. The Hosking House at 97 Lisbeth Avenue, Donvale (1965-66) is most similar to the Kenyon House, with a stepped split-level plan, irregular roofline and clinker brickwork, while the McCarthy House at 45 Summit Drive, Lilydale (1966-67) is distinguished by an unusual jagged plan. The Mercovich House at 12 Sunhill Avenue, Burwood (1965) was different again, with irregular canted plan, intersecting skillion roof planes and walls of bagged brick and rough shingles. It was demolished in 2016, despite having been identified as an individually significant heritage place in the City of Whitehorse Post-War Heritage Study (2013).

Termo submitted that the comparative analysis completed by Built Heritage did not substantiate justification for the application of the Heritage Overlay to the former Kenyon House. Termo said that:

- 60 Evelyn Road does not have a Heritage Overlay
- although 50 Pine Crescent (designed by John Denton) has a Heritage Overlay, it was included in the publication Survey of Post-War Built Heritage in Victoria as one of 243 listings under the category: Residential Building (Private) a study commissioned by Heritage Victoria to identify built places across Victoria from the post-Second World War period that were considered to be of potential heritage significance at a state level
- the citation for 50 Pine Crescent notes that the original design and subsequent addition at 50 Pine Crescent were both undertaken by Denton or his firm and the original house

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- received a citation at the RAIA (Victorian Chapter) awards in 1972, while the subsequent additions won an award in 1985
- the house at 35 Alto Avenue is not of comparable significance to the house at 50 Pine Crescent
- the comparative assessment concludes that "ultimately, the Kenyon House can only be compared to other early houses by Peter Corrigan" and there were four houses built that fit this description, including the subject site
- · of the other three houses designed by Corrigan, none are covered by a Heritage Overlay
- the house at 12 Sunhill Avenue, Burwood has been demolished and was the subject of a
  proposed Heritage Overlay via Whitehorse Planning Scheme Amendment C172. A Panel
  found that 12 Sunhill Avenue, Burwood should not have an individual Heritage Overlay
  applied.

Mr Reeves gave evidence that the comparative assessment was appropriate and sufficient in the circumstances. He noted that it was difficult to establish a direct comparison with other houses because the former Kenyon House was "ahead of the curve". He noted that PPNO1 states that for places of local significance "comparative analysis should draw on other similar places within the study area, including those previously included in a heritage register or overlay". He said as the former Kenyon House was such a unique house, the comparative assessment took a broader approach than was usually the case.

#### Mr Reeves said that:

- there were not a lot of post World War 2 houses within Heritage Overlays in the City of Maroondah
- outer suburban municipalities have not thoroughly investigated the heritage significance
  of late twentieth century architecture, however this is starting to change as evidenced by
  the Maroondah Heritage Study Review
- all of the Corrigan houses are very different and it was difficult to compare sites
- very few buildings designed by Corrigan (of any type) are included in Heritage Overlays
- he was involved with the preparation of the Survey of Post-War Built Heritage in Victoria referred to by Termo and he noted that the report was a broad brush assessment of sites of potential state significance and it was inappropriate to infer anything from the fact that 35 Alto Avenue was not included on this initial list of 243 properties.

Council submitted that the comparative assessment completed by Mr Reeves was above and beyond the usual analysis and satisfactorily addressed the guidance in PPN01.

#### (iii) Discussion

The Panel acknowledges the difficulties in completing comparative assessments for unique heritage properties. By their very nature, it can be challenging to find comparable properties that have been included within a Heritage Overlay. This is clearly the case with the former Kenyon House.

That said, the Panel is satisfied that detailed relevant comparative assessment has been completed in this case with sufficient rigour and analysis to justify the application of the Heritage Overlay. It is noted that PPN01 is a guideline and is not a requirement in the planning scheme. The guidance outlined in PPN01 is general in nature and refers to "some comparative analysis" to substantiate the significance of the place and that it "should draw on other similar places within the study area". It is not prescriptive about how the comparative assessment should be completed.

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The Panel considers the work completed by Built Heritage outlined in the heritage citation is an appropriate comparative assessment in this instance.

## (iv) Conclusion

The Panel concludes:

 Appropriate comparative analysis has been completed in accordance with the guidance in Planning Practice Note 1 – Applying the Heritage Overlay.

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# 4 Building condition

# 4.1 The issue

The issue is:

 whether the condition of a building is a relevant consideration when assessing heritage significance.

# 4.2 Evidence and submissions

Submission 1 stated that the building was not in excellent condition. It said that the house needed substantial work to 'fix' it, the design of the house is not "what people would like out of a house now" and it "can't be saved".

Termo submitted numerous internal and external photos of the dwelling and a video walkthrough of the interior. It said the house was not habitable and called Mr Tutek, a building inspector from Buildspect Consulting Pty Ltd, to give evidence. Mr Tutek's evidence statement outlined a number of maintenance and repair issues including:

- inadequate stormwater drainage
- · foundation movement
- · water penetration through roof
- · external timber joinery in need of repainting
- cracking to window glazing
- · absence of smoke detectors
- damage to interior plasterwork (including black mould infestation)
- · complete refit of existing bathroom, en suite bathroom, laundry and kitchen fitouts
- · replacement of some internal timber doors.

Mr Tutek stated he was not a structural engineer and had no heritage expertise. He concluded that:

The overall condition of the dwelling has exceeded its lifespan and requires extensive renovations prior to being liveable and adaptable for occupation. The services to the dwelling require testing. A structural engineer is required to assess the structural integrity of the dwelling.

The cost to bring the dwelling back to a liveable and adaptable house fit for occupation is \$166,755.25.14

Termo submitted that the building was in such poor condition that it was not economically feasible to retain the dwelling, but acknowledged that the condition of a building is not necessarily determinative as to whether a Heritage Overly should apply or not.

In response, Council submitted that the condition of a building is not relevant to considering the overarching question of whether a building has heritage significance. It referred to multiple Panel Reports that have considered this issue, including, but not limited to:

- Stonnington PSA L47 [2000]
- Ballarat PSA C58 [2004]

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- Latrobe PSA C14 [2010] PPV
- Moreland PSA C129 [2013] PPV
- Moonee Valley PSA C195 [2018] PPV
- Mornington Peninsula PSA C214 [2018] PPV
- Moreland PSA C174 [2019] PPV.

The Panel does not intend to repeat all of the matters referred to by Council in these and other reports other than to summarise some of the key concepts presented by Council as follows:

- Matters such as personal economic impacts for the property owner of applying a
  Heritage Overlay, the structural integrity or condition of the buildings, and restrictions on
  the property owner's ability to redevelop the property are not relevant when considering
  an amendment to apply a Heritage Overlay.
- The consideration of significance should not be coloured by consideration of the management consequences of listing.
- There are good policy reasons why condition should not affect the assessment of criteria: if it were to be a factor, it would encourage owners of heritage properties who were opposed to listing to allow them to fall into disrepair.
- A building in poor condition may have entirely, or mostly, intact heritage fabric which achieves sufficient significance to consider the Heritage Overlay.
- Private financial impacts are not appropriate economic matters to take into account when considering an amendment unless they overlap with or translate into public economic effects of some kind.
- A 'two-stage' approach to heritage protection involves the planning scheme amendment
  process as the time to consider the heritage significance of a place, whereas the planning
  permit application process is the appropriate time to make decisions in relation to the
  modification of a heritage place.

Council submitted even if building condition and structural issues were of relevance to the current strategic process, no evidence was tabled to suggest that the building is not structurally sound.

Council said Termo had not demonstrated that the building could not be adapted for reuse. It noted that many of the issues raised by Mr Tutek related to internal works (such as new kitchen and bathroom fit outs) and no internal heritage controls are proposed for the site. Council stressed that the Heritage Overlay does not prohibit:

- the continued use of the site for a dwelling
- · maintenance and repair of the house
- the considered and respectful redevelopment of the site.

Council submitted that the financial concerns stated in the Termo submission are of a site-specific nature as opposed to a public economic effect and as such are not relevant in considering whether a Heritage Overlay should be applied.

Mr Reeves gave evidence that, in his view:

- many of the issues cited in the building report by Mr Tutek relate only to the 1976 addition - for example, broken glazing, window gaps, rotting window frames, damaged sills and invasive vegetation
- when seen from the street, the house remains in excellent condition, especially the slateclad hipped roof and the bagged-and-painted external brickwork of the original house, neither of which appear to exhibit any serious damage or deterioration

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- while some repair and maintenance work is required, this is largely limited to those parts
  of the exterior of the original house that are not visible from the street, the entire
  exterior of the 1976 addition, and the interior of both portions
- the application of a Heritage Overlay will not prevent repair and maintenance works from being undertaken, especially in cases where they do not fundamentally alter the original form and finishes of the building, such as replacing 'like with like'
- virtually all of the works identified in the building report would fall into the category of
  works that would not fundamentally alter the original form and finishes of the building,
  or diminish the significance that has been ascribed to the place
- interior works would not be affected by the application of the Heritage Overlay because no internal controls are proposed for the site.

# 4.3 Discussion

The Panel adopts the long help planning principles put forward in many of the Panel Reports referred to by Council. Fundamentally, the condition of a building is not relevant when considering the overarching question of whether a building has heritage significance.

The Panel also agrees with Council that the financial concerns stated in the Termo submission are of a site-specific nature as opposed to a public economic effect and as such are not relevant in considering whether a Heritage Overlay should be applied.

The Panel notes that if heritage controls for a property were dismissed on the basis of its poor condition, it may motivate some property owners potentially subject to heritage controls to allow remnant heritage fabric to fall into a state of disrepair. In the context of a planning system which does not compel property owners to actively undertake restorative works, it is appropriate that heritage fabric be identified for protection at a separate stage of the process from when redevelopment or demolition proposals are brought to the Responsible Authority.

That is not to say that the condition of a building is irrelevant in the planning system. Such factors are highly relevant at the planning permit stage. However, to consider such matters at this stage of the Amendment process would undermine the 'longer term consideration' of heritage protection.

The Panel agrees that the identification and protection of heritage places at the amendment stage enables the structural integrity or condition of buildings to be properly assessed against identified heritage values at the planning permit application stage. This provides for the most appropriate balancing of competing priorities (in cases where a redevelopment proposal might undermine the heritage significance of a place).

The Heritage Overlay enables a permit application to demolish, construct a new building or alter an existing building. It envisages future development, while providing the ability to assess proposals in response to existing heritage fabric.

# 4.4 Conclusions

The Panel concludes:

 The condition of the former Kenyon House is not a criterion for assessing heritage significance.

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# Appendix A Submitters to the Amendment

No.	Submitter
1	Mr Stonehouse
2	Mr Parry
3	Mr Hewet and Ms Pearse
4	B and C Denheld
5	Termo Group Pty Ltd – the owner of the subject property
6	Monastery Ridge Group – Mr Allwood and Mr Outhred
7	National Trust of Australia (Victoria)

# Appendix B Document list

No.	Date	Description	Provided by
1	11/1/21	Letter – From Panel to all submitters regarding the Directions Hearing	Panel
2	3/3/21	Letter – From Panel to all parties including Panel Directions, Distribution List and Hearing Timetable	Panel
3	17/3/21	Heritage Citation for 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon dated 8 May 2020	Council
4	18/3/21	Maroondah Heritage Identification Study, November 1998	Council
5	18/3/21	Maroondah Heritage Study Stage 2, Volume 1, November 2003	Council
6	22/3/21	Maroondah Heritage Study Stage 2, Volume 2, November 2003 (Part 1, 2 and 3)	Council
7	30/3/21	Email – From PPV to all parties providing link to Hearing and instructions	PPV
8	1/4/21	Expert witness statement – Steve Tutek	Millar Merrigan
9	1/4/21	Council Part A submission	Council
10	1/4/21	Council Part A submission attachments	Council
11	1/4/21	Expert witness statement – Simon Reeves	Council
12	1/4/21	Amendment C142maro Explanatory Report	Council
13	1/4/21	Statement of Significance – Former Kenyon House – 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon, April 2020	Council
14	12/4/21	Submission – Termo Group Pty Ltd	Millar Merrigan
15	12/4/21	Panel Report – Maroondah C42	Millar Merrigan
16	12/4/21	Panel Report – Whitehorse C172 Part 2	Millar Merrigan
17	12/4/21	Panel Report – Yarra C214	Millar Merrigan
18	12/4/21	Link to video showing internal features of house at 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon	Millar Merrigan
19	12/4/21	Council Part B submission	Council
20	13/4/21	Manningham Heritage Study Review 2005, Volume 2 (Final 16 February 2006), pages 166-170	Millar Merrigan
21	13/4/21	Photograph - 97 Lisbeth Avenue, Donvale	Millar Merrigan

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## **EXPLANATORY REPORT**

# Who is the planning authority?

This amendment has been prepared by the Maroondah City Council which is the planning authority for this amendment.

The amendment has been made at the request of Maroondah City Council.

## Land affected by the amendment

Amendment C142maro applies to land at 35 Alto Avenue Croydon. The land is described as Lot 36 LP7478; and Lot 1 TP178814.



^ Subject Site: 35 Alto Avenue Croydon

A mapping reference table is attached at Attachment 1 to this Explanatory Report.

### What the amendment does

The Amendment proposes to apply the Heritage Overlay (HO 147) to 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon on a permanent basis

Specifically, the amendment:

- Amends the Schedule to Clause 43.01 Heritage Overlay to introduce HO147 Former Kenyon House at 35 Alto Avenue Croydon, and list the document 'Statement of Significance: Former Kenyon House – 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon, April 2020'
- Amends the Schedule to Clause 72.04 Documents Incorporated to list the document 'Statement of Significance: Former Kenyon House – 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon, April 2020' as an incorporated document. 'Statement of Significance Statement of Significance HO147, 35 Alto Avenue Croydon, April 2020.'
- Amend Planning Scheme Map No. 2HO to apply HO147 to 35 Alto Avenue Croydon on a permanent basis.

# Strategic assessment of the amendment

### Why is the amendment required?

The amendment proposes to introduce heritage protection to the property at 35 Alto Avenue Croydon.

The single storey dwelling at 35 Alto Avenue Croydon (the former Kenyon House) was designed in 1964 for John and Maureen Kenyon, it represented the first architectural commission for Peter Corrigan, then a student but later to become famous as one-half of the celebrated and award-winning architectural partnership of Edmond & Corrigan.

The property is unique as the only example of his work in the City of Maroondah (since the demolition of his much later Ringwood Civic Plaza), the Kenyon House is rare on a broader metropolitan scale as one of only four houses that he built in the 1960s, of which only three now remain standing.

Maroondah City Council has issued a Notice of Decision to Refuse to Grant a permit (application M/2020/197) which proposes a two-lot subdivision, the demolition of the existing dwelling and associated removal of vegetation. As part of the public notification process of the permit application community concern has also been raised at the proposed demolition.

The property is currently the subject of a Neighbourhood Character Overlay Schedule 1 (NCO1) which triggers the need for a planning permit for demolition in order to ensure that new development is consisted with the desired character of the area. However, the current controls do not acknowledge the individual heritage significance of the site.

The introduction of the Neighbourhood Character Overlay Schedule 1 - Alto Avenue & the Wicklow Hills Estate (NCO Schedule 1) formed part of Amendment C42 to the Maroondah Planning Scheme. The strategic work at that time Amendment C42 was undertaken did not investigate the individual significance of the site to justify the introduction of a site-specific heritage control. In considering Amendment C42 the Panel decided that the NCO was appropriate for conserving some aspects of the heritage significance of the Alto Avenue and Wicklow Hills area (subdivision patterns, trees). However, it also noted that the NCO should be used in conjunction with the Heritage Overlay if protection of existing built fabric was sought.

Schedule 1 to Clause 43.05 of the Maroondah Planning Scheme indicates:

"Alto Avenue, Croydon is a significant residential precinct in the heavily vegetated hills, vales and ridgelines of the Wicklow Hills Estate". It further notes that "...Alto Avenue displays a strong 1920's Bungalow theme highlighting family life between the world wars and is

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representative of the housing estate built in Croydon before the electrification of the Melbourne to Lilydale railway line in 1925..."

The use of the heritage overlay is the most appropriate way to control the demolition of the building as a way of achieving the objective of conserving the building. The heritage assessment revealed that the property achieves the threshold to justify the introduction of a heritage overlay.

The proposed protection is in anticipation of the implementation of a Municipal Wide Heritage Study Review which is currently being prepared. The Municipal wide Heritage Study Review is well advanced with the thematic study, community nominations and field work now completed. A Draft Thematic Environmental History for the municipality has been completed. This supplements the thematic environmental history prepared for Maroondah Heritage Study Stage 1 (2003) with a focus on the development of the municipality since

A Draft document has been prepared for Stage 1 of the Review, and Council's Heritage consultant has commenced with Stage 2 of the review. It is anticipated that Council's implementation of the recommendations of the Review will be part of a municipal wide planning scheme amendment. The processing of this municipal wide amendment has been put on hold to enable widespread advertising beyond the current constraints with placing public notices, and local government election process.

Due to the immediate risk to the existing dwelling, the preparation of the citation was undertaken as a matter of urgency in advance of other properties to Stage 2 of the review.

### How does the amendment implement the objectives of planning in Victoria?

The amendment supports the objectives of planning in Victoria by conserving the historical interest of the building as described by Section 4 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, in particular:

d) to conserve and enhance those buildings, areas or other places which are of scientific, aesthetic, architectural or historical interest, or otherwise of special cultural value;

The amendment will meet this objective by applying permanent heritage controls to conserve place of potential heritage significance.

### How does the amendment address any environmental, social and economic effects?

Pursuant to section 12(2)(b) and (c) of the Act, the likely social and economic effects have been assessed as follows:

<u>Environmental effects</u> The introduction of a heritage overlay is unlikely to result in any significant environmental effects.

The amendment will conserve and enhance a place identified as being of aesthetic and historic significance.

The amendment will also make a significant positive contribution to the built environment conserving a heritage place.

#### Social effects

The amendment is expected to have positive social impacts by providing protection for a place identified as being of aesthetic and historic significance.

### Economic effects

The amendment is not expected to have any adverse or significant economic repercussions for the community. Some additional costs are likely to be imposed on the owners or developers of affected residential properties, since the amendment will necessitate a

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planning permit for most buildings and works. It is considered that economic effects will be offset by the contribution that the heritage place offers to the broader community.

#### Does the amendment address relevant bushfire risk?

The amendment applies to land within an urban area which is not subject to bushfire risk.

# Does the amendment comply with the requirements of any Minister's Direction applicable to the amendment?

The Amendment is consistent with the following Ministerial Directions:

- Ministerial Direction on the Form and Content of Planning Schemes under section 7(5) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987
- Ministerial Direction No. 9 Metropolitan Strategy (Plan Melbourne) in terms of the identification and protection of places of heritage significance. The relevant components of Plan Melbourne are:
  - Direction 4.7 Respect our heritage as we build for our future

This direction seeks to ensure that heritage is valued when managing growth and change. It acknowledges that Melbourne is recognised for its well-preserved heritage buildings and that there is a need to manage future growth and change so Melbourne's distinctive characteristics and heritage are maintained.

Initiative 4.7.1- Value heritage when managing growth and change

This initiative aims to protect the city's heritage and improve heritage management processes within the Victoria planning system.

- The Amendment is consistent with the directions and initiatives in the Metropolitan Strategy, in that it identifies and provides protection of a property of local heritage significance and conserves a part of City of Maroondah's heritage. The amendment also addresses the requirements of Ministerial Direction No. 11 - Strategic Assessments of Amendments.
- The amendment is consistent with the Ministerial Direction No 11 Strategic Assessments of Amendments.

# How does the amendment support or implement the Planning Policy Framework and any adopted State policy?

The Planning Policy Framework (PPF) recognises the importance of conserving places of heritage significance, as outlined in Clause 15.03 (Heritage conservation). The strategies of this clause include:

- Identify, assess and document places of natural and cultural heritage significance as a basis for their inclusion in the planning scheme.
- Provide for the protection of natural heritage sites and man-made resources.
- Provide for the conservation and enhancement of those places that are of aesthetic, archaeological, architectural, cultural, scientific or social significance.

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Amendment C142maro seeks to support this clause by identifying, assessing and documenting the heritage significance of 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon to provide for its protection in the Maroondah Planning Scheme.

# How does the amendment support or implement the Local Planning Policy Framework, and specifically the Municipal Strategic Statement?

The Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS), Clause 21.04 notes that the recognition of Maroondah's heritage is crucial to the development of a vibrant and confident community.

The Amendment supports the Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) as it seeks to:

- Identify and plan for future protection, enhancement and appropriate use of heritage places in Maroondah,
- Appropriately manage heritage resources, in order to preserve their historic integrity

Clause 21.04 further identifies that the objectives and strategies set out in this clause should be implemented, in part, by "Applying the Heritage Overlay to all sites with cultural or natural heritage value in the municipality, as identified through a Statement of Significance".

### Does the amendment make proper use of the Victoria Planning Provisions?

The application of the Heritage Overlay is the most appropriate mechanism for recognising and protecting the cultural heritage significance of the identified place. The assessment undertaken identifies that the property meets the threshold for local significance as a place that is important to the Maroondah community or locality.

# How does the amendment address the views of any relevant agency?

The views of relevant agencies will be sought as part of the exhibition process for the permanent controls.

# Does the amendment address relevant requirements of the Transport Integration Act 2010?

The amendment it is not expected to impact on the transport system.

# Resource and administrative costs

 What impact will the new planning provisions have on the resource and administrative costs of the responsible authority?

Any additional work created by the additional heritage control can be resourced within current resources.

#### Where you may inspect this amendment

The amendment is available for public inspection, free of charge, during office hours at the following places:

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Maroondah City Council's website:

 $\underline{https://www.maroondah.vic.gov.au/Development/Planning/Planning-our-city/Current-planning-scheme-amendments}$ 

The amendment can also be inspected free of charge at the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning website at <a href="www.planning.vic.gov.au/public-inspection.">www.planning.vic.gov.au/public-inspection.</a>

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## ATTACHMENT X - Mapping reference table

Location	Land /Area Affected	Mapping Reference
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# Statement of Significance: Former Kenyon House -35 Alto Avenue, Croydon, May 2021 April 2020

Address:	35 Alto Avenue, Croydon	Name:	Former Kenyon House
Place type:	House	Grading:	Significant
PS ref no:	HO147	Designed:	1964





Peter Corrigan's original; perspective drawing and floor plan of the Kenyon House, 1964source: Conrad Hamann,





Photographs taken for the Robin Boyd Foundation's Peter Corrigan Open Day, April 2013. Source: Courtesy Tony Lee

Cities of Hope, p 19.

This document is an incorporated document in the Maroondah Planning Scheme pursuant to section 6(2)(j) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*. [7852303: 25473673\_1]

#### What is significant?

The former Kenyon House at 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon designed by Peter Corrigan is significant.

The house comprises of a single-storey house on a stepped and asymmetrical split-level plan, with bagged-and-painted brick walls and an irregular hipped roof clad in recycled slates. Designed in 1964 for John and Maureen Kenyon, it represented the first architectural commission for Peter Corrigan, then a student but later to become famous as one-half of the celebrated and award-winning architectural partnership of Edmond & Corrigan.

The additions to the west side of the house completed in 1976 are not significant.

#### How is it significant?

The former Kenyon House is of local aesthetic, rare, technical and associative significance.

#### Why is it significant?

The former Kenyon House is significant for the following reasons:

- The house is significant for its highly unusual architectural expression that, at the time of erection, would have defied all of the usual stylistic labels. With an asymmetrical rectilinear plan (stepped to follow the slope of the site), its bold irregular roofline and rough finishes (ie bagged brickwork and recycled roof slates), the house represented a significant departure from the prevailing trends of Australian residential architecture of the mid-1960s. Rather, it anticipated the emergence of a more inclusive regionalist style of the late 1960s and early '70s, and the Post-Modernist movement from the mid-1970s, of which Corrigan would become a pioneering and pre-eminent exponent. (Criterion E, Criterion F)
- The house is significant as the first architectural commission of celebrated and award-winning Australian architect Peter Corrigan, who was a fourth-year university student at the time. It is one of a small number of residential projects that he undertook before 1967, when he left for an extended period of post-graduate study and work experience in the USA. Retuning in 1974, he joined his future wife Maggie Edmond in partnership as Edmond & Corrigan, a firm that won considerable acclaim and press attention (nationally and overseas) and over thirty RAIA awards from the mid-1970s to the late 1990s. As the firm is acknowledged as the progenitors and leading exponents of Post-Modernism in Australia, Corrigan's early houses of the 1960s are extremely important as indicators of the development of his mature style.

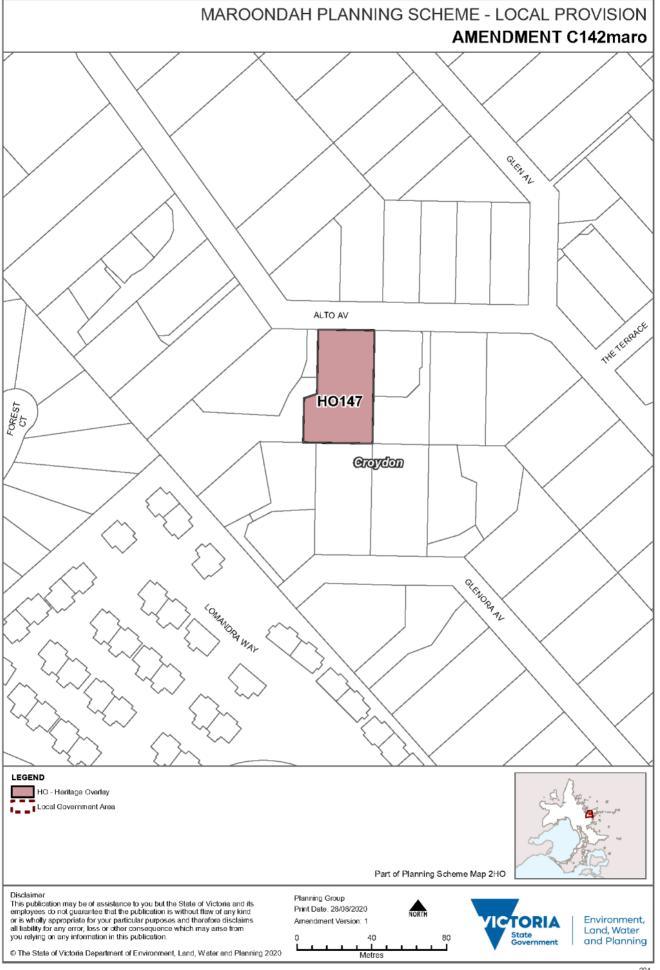
Unique as the only example of his work in the City of Maroondah (since the demolition of his much later Ringwood Civic Plaza), the Kenyon House is rare on a broader metropolitan scale as one of only four houses that he built in the 1960s, of which only three now remain standing. (**Criterion B**; **Criterion H**)

#### **Primary sources**

Built Heritage Pty Ltd, City of Maroondah Heritage Review 2020

This document is an incorporated document in the Maroondah Planning Scheme pursuant to section 6(2)(j) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*. [7852303: 25473673 1]

Amendment C142maro Proposed Heritage Overlay at 35 Alto Avenue Croydon: Adoption



Planning and Environment Act 1987

#### MAROONDAH PLANNING SCHEME

#### **AMENDMENT C142maro**

#### INSTRUCTION SHEET

The planning authority for this amendment is the Maroondah City Council.

The Maroondah Planning Scheme is amended as follows:

#### Planning Scheme Maps

The Planning Scheme Maps are amended by a total of 1 attached map sheets.

#### Overlay Maps

1. Amend Planning Scheme Map No.2HO in the manner shown on the one attached map marked "Maroondah Planning Scheme, Amendment C142maro".

#### **Planning Scheme Ordinance**

The Planning Scheme Ordinance is amended as follows:

- In Overlays Clause 43.01, replace Schedule with a new Schedule in the form of the attached document.
- 3. In Operational Provisions Clause 72.04, replace the Schedule with a new Schedule in the form of the attached document.

End of document

31/07/2018 VC148

## SCHEDULE TO CLAUSE 72.04 DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED IN THIS PLANNING SCHEME

## 1.0

### Incorporated documents

\_/\_/---Proposed C142maro

Name of document	Introduced by:
5 Caroline Street Ringwood Statement of Significance, November 2019	C116maro
22 James Street Ringwood Statement of Significance, November 2019	C116maro
'Carisbrook' 20 Caroline Street Ringwood Statement of Significance, November 2019	C116maro
Ellison Street Precinct Statement of Significance, November 2019	C116maro
Haig Street Precinct Statement of Significance, November 2019	C116maro
Kendall Street Precinct Statement of Significance, November 2019	C116maro
Manchester Road, Mooroolbark Level Crossing Removal Project Incorporated Document, February 2020	GC152
Ringwood District Centre Development Contributions Plan, July 1997	NPS1
Statement of Significance HO146, 3-5 Wonga Road, Ringwood North (Maroondah City Council, 18 November 2019)	C128maro
Statement of Significance HO147, Former Kenyon House - 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon, May 2021	C142maro

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96/12/2018 SCHEDULE TO CLAUSE 43.01 HERITAGE OVERLAY

1.0 Application requirements

18/10/2018 C117 None specified.

2.0 Heritage places

Proposed C142maro The requirements of this overlay apply to both the heritage place and its associated land.

PS Map Ref	Heritage Place	External Paint Controls Apply?	Internal Alteration Controls Apply?	Tree Controls Apply?	Outbuildings or fences which are not exempt under Clause 43.01-4	Heritage	Prohibited uses permitted?	Aboriginal heritage place?
HO1	House 67-73 Alto Avenue, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO2	Croydon Community School, Formerly Croydon State School, 177-181 Mount Dandenong Road, corner of Anzac Street, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
НО3	"Aringa" 7 Aringa Court, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO4	"Boonong" 273 Bayswater Road, Bayswater North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO5	Ringwood Cellars, Former Blood Brothers Premier Store 1 Bedford Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO6	Italianate House 11 - 15 Bedford Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
НО7	1st Ringwood Scout Hall Bill Wilkins Lodge Bedford Road, Ringwood	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

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HO8	House 15 Braeside Avenue, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
НО9	Manna Gum Eucalyptus viminalis  H.E. Parker Reserve, 154 Heathmont Road, Heathmont, south bank, near BMX jumps, Bungalook Creek, 80m upstream from Dandenong Creek, Bayswater	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO10	Lemon-scented Gum Corymbia citriodora 5 Camelia Court, Croydon South	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO11	Population of Elderberry Panax Polyscias sambucifolia Bayswater Golf Range, Canterbury Road, Bayswater	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO12	Swamp Gum Eucalyptus ovata 24 Carroll Avenue, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO13	Croydon Central Maternal & Child Health Centre, 202- 210 Mt Dandenong Road, Croydon	No	No	No	No	Yes Ref No H0054	No	No
HO14	GiffordMemorialChurch 22 Croydon Road, Croydon	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO15	Candlebark Eucalyptus rubida 16 Delatite Court, Warranwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO16	Candlebark Eucalyptus rubida 18 Delatite Court, Warranwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO18	Yellow Box Eucalyptus melliodora	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No

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	Nature strip tree, south east corner of Mountain View Road and Dickasons Road, Heathmont							
HO19	Glenbrae and Golden English Oak Quercus robur concoria 147-151 Dorset Road, Croydon	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
HO22	"Sunnyview" 427-429 Dorset Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO23	Eucalyptus Tree (ignorabilis x viminalis)  Dorset Gardens Hotel, 335-341 Dorset Road, Croydon, south east corner of the site	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO24	Algerian Oak Quercus canariensis Eastfield Park, 119-139 Eastfield Road, Croydon, 20 metres north of 97 Eastfield Road, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO25	White Stringybark Eucalyptus globoidea Cheong Wildflower Sanctuary, 1-29 Eastfield Road, Croydon, 120 metres along northern boundary from western point, then 30 metres directly south	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO26	Pre-school, FormerEastRingwoodSchool Everard Road, Ringwood East	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO27	FormerRingwoodStateSchool 32 Greenwood Avenue, Ringwood	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO28	GreenwoodPark Kindergarten 9 Greenwood Avenue, Ringwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No

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HO29	<i>"WellingtonPark"</i> 17 Highfield Avenue, Warranwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO30	"Wyreena" 13 – 23 Hull Road, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO31	Manna Gum Eucalyptus viminalis West corner of 32 Junction Street, Ringwood on reserve	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO32	Weeping Scotch Elm Ulmos globra camperdownii 45 Lacey Street, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO34	Four Candlebark Eucalyptus rubidas Little John Reserve, 76 Little John Road, Warranwood (Council land)	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO35	Smooth-barked Apple Angonhera costata 70-76 Longview Road, Croydon South (Nature strip)	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO36	Messmate Stringybark Eucalyptus obliqua 90-92 Longview Road, Croydon South	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO37	Former State Savings Bank of Victoria 50 Main Street, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO39	Ringwood Railway Station Maroondah Highway, Ringwood	-	-	-	-	Yes Ref No H1587	No	No
HO40	Ringwood Memorial Clock tower	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No

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	Corner Maroondah Highway & Warrandyte Road, Ringwood							
HO41	Former Ringwood Fire Station & two adjoining flats 253-257 and part of 251 & 259-261 Maroondah Highway, Ringwood	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO42	English Oak Quercus robur 310-312 Maroondah Highway, Ringwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO43	Red Box Eucalyptus polyanthemos 35-37 Merrill Crescent, Warranwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO44	"Linden" 5 Moss Court, Croydon North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO45	Red Ironbark Eucalyptus triacarpa Nature strip of 41 Mount Dandenong Road, Ringwood East	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO46	Long-leaf Box Eucalyptus goniocalyx Former Benedictine Monastery Site, 22-24 Murray Road, 10 metres south of 6 Banool Court, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO47	Two Pencil Pines Cupressus torulosa and house 144-146 Mount Dandenong Road, corner of Vernon Street, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO48	English/Algerian Oak Quercus robor/canaviensis The front garden of Croydon Community School, 177-181 Mount Dandenong Road, corner of Anzac Street, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No

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HO49	"Jenkins Cottage"	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	334 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon							
HO50	Manna Gum Eucalyptus viminalis	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	Small reserve directly north of 2-4 New Street, Ringwood (Vic Roads land)							
HO51	Manna Gum Eucalyptus viminalis	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	South side of Mullum Mullum Creek, approximately 75 metres west north west of 2-4 New Street, Ringwood							
HO52	Lemon-scented Gum Corymbia citriodora	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	45 Oliver Street, Ringwood							
HO53	House, formerly known as 'Pinemount'	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	17-21 Panorama Avenue, Ringwood North							
HO54	Narrow-leaf Peppermint Tree Eucalyptus radiata	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	59 Power Street, Croydon North							
HO55	Manna Gum Eucalyptus viminalis	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	20 metres east of the eastern boundary of 125-127 Loughnan Road, Ringwood, North of Mullum Mullum Creek							
HO56	"Kleinert Homestead"	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	4 Reilly Court, Croydon South							
HO57	Birribindi	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	77 Richardson Road, Croydon North							

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HO58	Manna Gum Eucalyptus viminalis Reynolds Avenue Reserve, Reynolds Avenue, Ringwood,	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	29 metres east of the western end of by-pass acoustic wall, then 11 metres northern of by-pass acoustic wall							
HO60	Candlebark Eucalyptus viminalis 4 Salvia Court, Warranwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO61	Two Manna Gums Eucalyptus viminalis Scott Street Reserve, Scott Street,45 metres west of the pedestrian bridge, Heathmont (Council reserve)	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO62	"Strathallyn" 2B Strathallyn Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO63	Manna Gum (Hybrid) Eucalyptus viminalis Suda Avenue Reserve, Suda Avenue, Ringwood, southern end of reserve, 15 metres north west of drainage underpass.	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO64	Silver-leafed Stringybark Eucalyptus cephalocarpa 7-8 Tereddan Drive, part of Bungalook Conservation Reserve, 10 metres from the east boundary and approximately 130 metres from the south boundary, Kilsyth South.	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO65	"Rothsaye" 2 Unsworth Road, Ringwood North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO67	Wantirna Road North Precinct 4, 6 & 8 Wantirna Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No

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HO68	Wantirna Road South Precinct 18, 20, 22 & 24 Wantirna Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO71	St. Paul's Parish House, Former Glamorgan and St Paul's Anglican Church 40 Warrandyte Road (Corner of Ringwood Bypass), Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO72	House 10-12 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO73	House 16 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO74	House 18 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO75	House 127 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO76	Red Box Eucalyptus polyanthemos  Warranwood Reserve (top of hill), 75 Bemboka Road, 50 metres north of Kelly Court, Warranwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
H077	Lemon-scented Gum Corymbia citriodora 8 Wattle Avenue, Ringwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO78	Candlebark Eucalyptus rubida 49 Wellington Park Drive, Warranwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO79	Candlebark Eucalyptus rubida	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No

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	53 Wellington Park Drive, Warranwood							
HO80	Nine English Oak Quercus robur Wellington Park Reserve, 2-4 Wellington Park Drive and 6-8 Hutchins Court, Warranwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO82	"Cherry Hill" 19 Wonga Road, Ringwood North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO83	"Dunstaffnage" 81 Wonga Road, Ringwood North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO84	"Chipping" 16 Wonga Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO85	"Banool" 57-59 Wonga Road, Ringwood North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO86	"Silver Birches" 13 - 23 Hull Road, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO87	Messmate Stringybark Eucalyptus obliqua 8 Yallambee Way, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO89	Patrick Hegarty House 20 Byways Drive, Ringwood East	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO90	Row of Cypress Cupressus macrocarpa 2a Cameron Road (trees are on the San Remo Road frontage), Ringwood North	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No

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HO91	Former Croydon Fire Station  14 Croydon Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
HO92	War Memorial – World War I, World War II, Korea and Vietnam  Roundabout at Wicklow Avenue, Croydon Road, Kent Avenue and Railway Crescent, Croydon	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO93	Rangeview 130 Croydon Road, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO94	House 141-143 Dorset Road, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO95	Tudor Lodge 148-150 Dorset Road, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
HO96	House 263 Dorset Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO98	Ellison Street, Precinct 4-18 Ellison Street Ringwood Statement of Significance: Ellison Street Precinct Statement of Significance	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO99	House 6 Hill Street, Ringwood East	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO100	The Oxford Shop, D & G Burns Chemist, Clip & Curl, The Craft Cubby, Castlefield, et al.	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No

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	161 Main Street, Croydon							
HO101	House & Evan Mackley FineArtGallery 5-7 Maroondah Highway, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
HO103	Toll gate obelisk and plaque Brushy Park, 435 Maroondah Highway, Croydon North	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO104	William Barak memorial Brushy Park, 435 Maroondah Highway, Croydon North	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO105	Californian Bungalow 149 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO106	Streamlined Modern House 153 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO107	Costume Capers Dance Art 197-207 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
HO108	Croydon Entertainment Centre 202-210 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
HO109	Cupressus macrocarpa Monterey cypress windbreak at Croydon Oval	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
	217-283 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon		N.	N.		NI-	N.	NI.
HO110	Mount Dandenong Road Precinct 1 272 and 280 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
HO111	Californian Bungalow	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No

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	298 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon							
HO112	Mount Dandenong Road Precinct 2 313-315 & 317 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO113	Californian Bungalow 316 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO114	Mount Dandenong Road Precinct 3 327, 331 & 333 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO115	Mount Dandenong Road Precinct 4 340 & 342 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO116	DunalisterPark 36 Mulawa Street, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO117	RingwoodNorthPrimary School 172-180 Oban Road, Ringwood North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
HO118	Holy Trinity Anglican Church 47 Patterson Street, Ringwood East	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
HO119	Emery House 50 Pine Crescent, Ringwood North	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO120	Pitt Street Precinct 20, 22 & 24 Pitt Street Pitt Street, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO121	Former Ringwood Ambulance Depot 28 Pitt Street, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No

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HO122	LutherCollege 1-37 Plymouth Road, Croydon Hills	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
HO123	Orchard Remnants Strathfield Parade, Croydon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO124	Taylors Road Precinct 3 & 5 Taylors Road, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO125	Anglican Church of St John the Divine 5-9 Toorak Avenue,	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
HO126	Vernon Street Precinct 1/13-15, 17, 18, 19, 21 & 23 Vernon Street, Croydon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO127	Coolangatta 47 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO128	House 49 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
HO129	Two semi-detached dwellings 76 & 76A Warrandyte Road, Ringwood	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
HO130	Three rows of Pinus Radiata Monterey Pines 125A Warrandyte Road, Ringwood North	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO131	Rosebank 149-151 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood North	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
HO132	Wilana Street Precinct	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No

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	10 & 12 Wilana Street and part of 8-16 Bedford Road, Ringwood							
HO133	MelbourneRudolfSteinerSchool 213 Wonga Road, Warranwood	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
HO134	Former Sacred Heart Monastery (now Sacred Heart Parish complex) 35 Wicklow Avenue, Croydon	No	Yes - former Monastery chapel, including aisles, Parish offices, Hall, Dining Room, main and secondary stairwells, Meeting Rooms and Library.	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
HO135	Iron Gates, Fence, Driveway and Cypress plantings (former Sacred Heart Monastery, now Mingarra Retirement Living Village) 77-115 Mt Dandenong Road, Croydon	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
HO136	1 Aringa Court, Heathmont	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
HO137	House 14 Wonga Road, Ringwood	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

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HO138	House	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	46-48 Dickasons Road, Heathmont							
HO139	House	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	29 Bedford Road, Ringwood							
HO140	Haig Street Precinct	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	2-6 and 26-34 Haig Street & 3-31 Haig Street, Ringwood							
	Statement of Significance:							
	Haig Street Precinct Statement of Significance							
HO141	Kendall Street Precinct	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	20-32 & 21-35 Kendall Street, Ringwood							
	Statement of Significance:							
	Kendall Street Precinct Statement of Significance							
HO142	House	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	5 Caroline Street, Ringwood							
	Statement of Significance:							
	5 Caroline Street Ringwood Statement of Significance							
HO143	House	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
	20 Caroline Street, Ringwood							
	Statement of Significance:							
	Carisbrook 20 Caroline Street Ringwood Statement of Significance							
HO145	House	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

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	22 James Street, Ringwood							
	Statement of Significance:							
	22 James Street Ringwood Statement of Significance							
HO146	Former 'Thalloo' house and mature specimen trees	No	No	Yes -	No	No	No	No
	3-5 Wonga Road, Ringwood North			Deodar Cedar				
	Statement of Significance:			(Tree 14),				
	Statement of Significance HO146, 3-5 Wonga Road, Ringwood North (Maroondah City Council, 18 November 2019)			Cork Oak (Tree 16), Coast Redwood (Tree 17)				
HO147	Former Kenyon House	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Interim	35 Alto Avenue, Croydon							
Control	Statement of Significance:							
Expiry Date: 30/07/2021	Statement of Significance: Former Kenyon House - 35 Alto Avenue, Croydon, May 2021							

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Council Plan 2017-2021
Priority Actions Progress Report





Progress report on priority actions (Year 4: Quarter 3, 2020-21) As at 31 March 2021

### Introduction



The Council Plan 2017-2021 is Marcondah City Council's key medium-term strategic document that sets key directions and priority actions to work towards the long-term community vision outlined in the refreshed Marcondah 2040: Our future together community vision.

The Council Plan plays a vital role in shaping Marcondah's future over a four year period. It identifies both challenges and opportunities for our community at local and regional level within the context of the community's long term Marcondah 2040 vision. It also forms the basis for Council to make decisions regarding resources and priorities in response to community needs and aspirations.

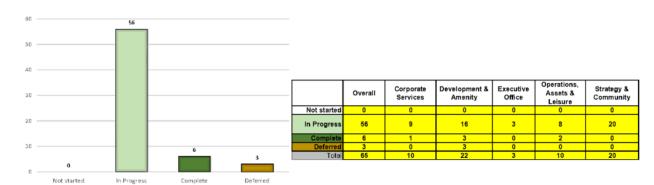
Each year, Council presents to the community an updated set of key directions and priority actions for implementing the four-year Council Plan. This helps to ensure that the Plan continues to be aligned with Maroondah 2040: Our future together, the community's long-term vision, and is responsive to community needs and expectations.

The Council Plan is implemented through a service delivery planning process, and outcomes are measured and reported regularly. This report identifies Council's progress in relation to the Council Plan Priority Actions for the 2020-21 financial year. Some actions span multiple years as identified in the Council Plan 2017-2021. Progress is identified as at 31 March 2021.

The following status icons assist interpreting the progress in implementing the actions.:

- Priority action is currently on track and/or progressing as expected.
- Priority action is at risk of not being on track.
- Priority action is currently not on track and/or not progressing as expected.
- Priority action has been achieved
- → Priority action has been deferred to another year

## Summary of progress



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		pavilion redevelopments at HE Parker Reserve, Silcock Reserve, and Proclamation Park; and at	HE Parker Sporting Pavilion was completed in April 2020. The redevelopment of the Silcock Sporting Pavilion is currently in the construction phase and is expected for completion in April 2021. Springfield Sporting Pavilion is currently in construction and due for completion in mid-2021. Proclamation Park is currently in constructions and is scheduled for completion in late 2021.	In Progress	(3)	2021-22	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Assets
ommunity	2	sporting precinct	Successful Council advocacy to the Victorian Government resulted in \$2 million in funding for the redevelopment of the RO Spencer Pavilion at Jubilee Park. The RO Spencer Pavilion serves the Jubilee Sporting precinct and in particular the Russell Lucas Oval, which is a Premier Grade cricket ground. The \$3.5 million pavilion redevelopment project (Stage 1) will include improved accessibility including a new entrance along with connections to and from the existing ground floor and grandstand areas. RO Spencer Sporting Pavilion is currently in construction and is due for completion in mid-2021. Further advocacy for Stage 2 of the precinct continues.	In Progress	©	2021-22	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Assets
A safe, healthy and active community	3		To ensure golf in Marcondah is sustainable in the future, Council has undertaken a review of Marcondah Golf. The community consultation phase utilised the stage one review findings and community consultation results to guide the development of a Marcondah Golf Strategy, which was endorsed by the Council in July 2020.	Complete	<b>√</b>	2021-22	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Leisure
	4	and Eastfield Park Enhancement Plans and undertake staged redevelopment works	The Dorset Recreation Reserve enhancement plan has been endorsed by the Council, including the redevelopment of the existing pavilion, which will include female-friendly change rooms and amenities. The Australian Government has provided \$2 million towards the works. The facility will accommodate the Croydon City Arrows Soccer Club and the Australian Chin Community. Further to the Australian Government funding for the pavilion, the Victorian Government is contributing \$2 million towards Stage 1 of the enhancement plan, which includes the pavilion, two soccer pitches, lighting and carparking enhancements. Demolition of the old pavilion is now complete and the tender for the pavilion is currently in the evaluation phase with the Head Contractor award likely in May 2021. The civil and enancement works (pitches, carpark and landscaping) components are currently out to market for tender with the likely award to a Contractor in June 2021. The Pavilion works are expected to be completed by December 2021 and the remainder of the civil and enhancement works by April 2022.	In Progress	0	2024-25	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Assets





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	5	Develop a Maroondah Liveability and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-2031 (incorporating the Municipal Public Health Plan)	The current Maroondah Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2017-2021 is due to conclude in 2021 and will be replaced by the new Maroondah Liveability Wellbeing and Resilience Strategy 2021-2031. Extensive background research and community consultation have been undertaken on eight key topics - celebrating diversity; community learning; healthy lifestyle; liveable neighbourhoods; safe communities; social inclusion; social influences and sustainable environment. The Strategy will incorporate a range of future health and wellbeing priorities for Council, including those associated with longer-term community recovery arising from the coronavirus (COVID19) pandemic, building upon the adopted Maroondah COVID19 Recovery Plan. A Community Panel has recently provided input on the Strategy over a number of sessions during February and March 2021. Input will be sought from a number of Council's advisory committees during April and May 2021.	In Progress	©	2020-21	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
	6	Work with partners of Together for Equality and Respect (TFER): A Strategy to Prevent Violence Against Women in Melbourne East to prevent violence against women in Maroondah, including participation in the 16 Days of Activism Campaign	The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence is a global campaign which runs from 25 November 2020 (International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women) to 10 December 2020 (Human Rights Day). In the Eastern Metropolitan Region (EMR), the campaign is supported by partners of Together for Equality and Respect – the regional strategy for Preventing Violence Against Women. Council continued to support the 16 Days of Activism campaign in 2020/21 through the placement of billboards at six prominent locations in Marcondah. Each billboard displayed one of the campaign messages: "Everyone deserves equality and respect" and "Everyone deserves to feel safe". The Billboards were in place from 23 November to 19 December 2020.	In Progress	☺	2020-21	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
	7	Work in partnership to enhance the Maroondah Hoarding & Squalor website enabling it to become a state-wide resource	The Marcondah Hoarding and Squalor Network commenced in 2014 for agencies and community groups confronted with hoarding and squalor. The current website, while Marcondah focussed, is accessed by people from across the state. Consultation is starting with Knox Council and Shire of Yarra Ranges to broaden the scope of the Network and website.	In Progress	☺	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Health Local Laws & Emergency Management
	8	Develop and deliver services in the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct	The transformation of the existing Croydon Civic Precinct into the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct will focus on delivering enhanced community spaces and functionality in relation to wellbeing facilities, family and children facilities, sport, recreation and cultural facilities, and open space. These combined elements, proposed to become integrated community hubs, will enhance the accessibility and connectivity for the community while adding to the cultural vibrancy of the Croydon Activities Centre.	In Progress	☺	2022-23	Strategy & Community	Community Services





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safe, healthy and active community	9	Implement Council's annual sports field improvement program	The sports field improvement program for 2020/21 will focus on enhancements to playing fields at Silcock Reserve, which consist of two cricket ovals and four soccer pitches. Works have now been completed with clubs scheduled to access the northern grounds in April and southern in May.	Complete	<b>✓</b>	2023-24	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Leisure
Ithy and activ	10	Implement changes to emergency management legislation and outcomes of Local Government Victoria's Councils and Emergencies project	Legislation impacting municipalities and Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committees commenced 1 December 2020. Appropriate administrative tasks have been undertaken to facilitate this.	In Progress	©	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Health Local Laws & Emergency Management
A safe, hea	11	Implement the changes that result from the reform of the Environment Protection Act	A range of toolkits and resources are currently being developed by the Environment Protection Authority to support regulatory partners to understand the changes of the reform. Council officers have attended numerous workshops on the different aspects of the new legislation.	In Progress	()	2020-21	Development & Amenity	Health Local Laws & Emergency Management
	12	Undertake a strategic review of shopping centres in Maroondah and develop a Maroondah Community Shopping Centre Strategy	The project scope for the Marcondah Shopping Centres Strategic Review was amended as part of the COVID- 19 economic recovery planning to focus on short-term actions to improve amenity across each of the 31 shopping centres in Marcondah. A targeted program of cleaning, weed and graffiti removal was undertaken in late 2020 at more than 20 centres.  Further recommendations on infrastructure upgrades will be undertaken as part of the strategic shopping centres review.  Implementation of 20-minute neighbourhood place activation projects at Croydon South and Ringwood East Neighbourhood Activity Centres have continued, in consultation with traders in those centres. A 'pop-up' park and 'pop-up' playground have been installed in each centre and landscaping and infrastructure improvements are being implemented in line with State Government funding requirements.	In Progress	©	2025-26	Strategy & Community	Business & Development
A prosperous and learning community	13	Work in partnership to implement the Bayswater Business Precinct strategy to assist local businesses and promote investment attraction	This major initiative is a partnership with Knox and Yarra Ranges Councils to develop a strategic framework for the revitalisation of the Bayswater Business Precinct (BBP). The three Councils are working with key stakeholders, including local businesses, to attract future investment, maximise business performance and generate employment growth for the region. Work continues growing the usage of the Business to Business (B2B) social platform. BBP Connect and the Jobs portal (BBP Jobs) were launched in mid-2020. The project has been successful in gaining funds and is working in partnership with the Victorian Government to develop a transformation strategy that will be completed in the next few months. This will guide activities over the short, medium and long term. March saw the commencement of the new BBP coordinator to manage the implementation of the strategy. The design for the widening of Canterbury Road, part of Victoria's principal freight network, is progressing with the Victorian Government taking lead. Further consultation with businesses and the community is being undertaken to inform the final design. The project team has continued to connect with businesses by video due to COVID-19 restrictions.	In Progress	©	2020-24	Strategy & Community	Business & Development





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	14	Develop and promote the BizHub Co-Working Space	The BizHub Cowork Space is located within Realm and provides a flexible working space for local businesses on a permanent or casual basis. COVID-19 restrictions saw the closure for normal activities and an online collaboration implemented to enable coworkers to remain connected with each other and the BizHub team. A COVID-19 plan was developed and the Hub reopened in late 2020 (for permanent members only). There has been an increase in enquiries that have resulted in new members. The space is near capacity with its current configuration informed by DHHS guidelines for commercial operations that the team continues to monitor and implement.	In Progress	©	2023-24	Strategy & Community	Business & Development
learning community	15	Plan and implement carparking improvements in the Ringwood Metropolitan Activity Centre and the Croydon Major Activity Centre	The review of the Ringwood and Croydon parking strategies has commenced with internal consultation underway. Both strategies will be completed later in 2023/24 following external community consultation and completion of the multi-deck carpark projects. Progress has been impacted by coronavirus (COVID-19).	In Progress	©	2023-24	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
A prosperous and le	16	Work in partnership to facilitate appropriate development within the Ringwood Metropolitan Activity Centre and Croydon Major Activity Centre	A number of current activity centre projects have been put on hold as part of the emphasis on post-COVID business economic recovery support. These include the development of an upgraded Marcondah Highway Boulevard and a Masterplan for the future development of Staley Gardens. Works have progressed on the development of the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct (CCWP), the Croydon Structure Plan and the Ringwood World War 1 Heritage Walk (in partnership with Ringwood and District Historical Society). Stakeholder engagement has continued with QIC and Croydon Main Street Traders Association, with support provided to these organisations both during COVID-19 and to facilitate place activation projects as restrictions have been eased. Construction of 62 Marcondah Highway (Department of Justice/Department of Education offices) and The Sebel Hotel has now been completed and the new office building owned by QIC at 110 Marcondah Highway is progressing on schedule. It is anticipated that further discussions with developers will occur as the market recovers post-COVID and once Amendment C130MARO is formally endorsed by the Minister for Planning.	In Progress	©	2024-25	Strategy & Community	Business & Development
	17	As part of the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct development, plan and deliver the Croydon library integrated Customer Service Project	In late 2019, Council shifted its customer service presence from the former Civic Offices into the Croydon Library. This integration of customer service within the library will serve as a working model in preparation for the new hub within the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct into the future.	In Progress	☺	2024-25	Corporate Services	Revenue Property & Customer Service





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A prosperous and learning community		8 Implement Better Business Approvals Project	The Better Approvals Project, which is a collaboration between Council and Small Business Victoria, aims to improve the small business customer experience when applying for business-related permits. The outcomes of the work were launched in late July 2020 and saw improved customer information on Council's website and the introduction of a concierge, which is part of BizHub, to help navigate the process and provide general business support. The project has transitioned to operational status with the team continuing to identify improvements to the customer experience, internal processes and monitoring mechanisms.	In Progress	©	2022-23	Strategy & Community	Business & Development
ulturally rich mity		Design the Karralyka Centre redevelopment, and undertake staged redevelopment works	The design has commenced for the \$15 million Karralyka redevelopment and work will continue over the next few years subject to funding. The proposed redevelopment will include a new entrance foyer, an additional function room, outdoor plaza space and improved accessibility. The Stage 1 contract works involving the renewal of the roof and heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system are now complete. Stage 2 design of the new entrance foyer is in progress.	In Progress	©	2022-23	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Assets
A vibrant and culturally rich community	2	Implement the new Arts and Cultural Development Strategy 2020 - 2025	The Marcondah Arts and Cultural Development Strategy 2020-2025 was endorsed by Council in March 2020. The new strategy will guide and inform a range of arts and cultural activities over the next 5 years. A wide range of key directions is currently being implemented including public art priorities and art activation of neighbourhood centres. Since the endorsement of the Strategy, priorities for cultural recovery from the impacts of the pandemic have also been identified and have commenced being implemented.	In Progress	©	2021-22	Strategy & Community	Community Services
and sustainable community		21 Work in partnership to implement the Reimagining Tarralla Creek project	Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) on the project design and construction delivery of the Tarralla Creek Connects project. The project aims to enhance life and liveability by working with the community to transform a two-kilometre section of Tarralla Creek into a fun and friendly open space and waterway. The section to be reimagined extends from Dorset Road to Eastfield Road, Croydon. The area will be enhanced by adopting contemporary urban design and landscaping ideas and incorporating suggestions from the community. Construction is now underway, with completion set for Dec 2021.	In Progress	☺	2021-22	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
A clean, green and s		22 Complete the tender and implement contracts for waste collection, landfill and the receipt and sorting of recyclables	Council's Draft Waste, Litter & Resource Recovery Strategy 2020 - 2030 went out to the community for feedback in February and March this year. The plan provides a blueprint for how waste and litter will be managed over the next ten years. The waste collection and processing contracts which underpin the strategy are being designed and a request for tender for these services will be sent out over the next two quarters.	In Progress	©	2021-22	Corporate Services	Finance & Governance
	2	Introduce the Maroondah Environmentally Sustainable Design Policy into the Maroondah Planning Scheme	Council exhibited a planning scheme amendment early in 2021. No objections were received and the amendment has been submitted to DELWP prior to adoption by the Minister for Planning.	In Progress	(3)	2020-21	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning





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A clean, green and sustainable community	24	Undertake a review and update Council's Sustainability Strategy and Carbon Neutral Strategy	Background research into topics such as social sustainability, green economy and urban design has now been completed and shared with the Marcondah Environment Advisory Committee. These papers will now inform the preparation of an Issues and Options Discussion paper. It is anticipated this will be subject to consultation in July 2021. A review of the Carbon Neutral Strategy will commence later in 2021.	In Progress	©	2021-22	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
A cle	25	Implement an accelerated streetscape enhancement program, including a significant increase in tree planting	The streetscape enhancement program will continue in 2020/21 with significant tree planting.	In Progress	<u></u>	2021-22	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Operations
	26	Complete the Lincoln Road upgrade, east of Dorset Road in Croydon	The second stage of the Lincoln Road upgrade works from Dornoch Court to Dorset Road was completed in October 2020. The works include reconstruction and widening of the road, kerb and channel, drainage upgrades, bicycle lanes, installation of street lighting, pedestrian operated signals at Mount View Parade and improvements to the service roads.	Complete	<b>√</b>	2020-21	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
	27	Undertake the renewal of New Street in Ringwood, including flood mitigation works, between Maroondah Highway and Sylvia Grove	The construction contract for the New Street road and drainage upgrade was awarded in August 2020 with construction commencing in October 2020. Works are continuing and expected to be completed in 2021/22 year (approximately August 2021)	In Progress	©	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
community	28	Advocate for public transport improvements in the Bayswater Business Precinct	Advocacy for public transport improvements in the Bayswater Business Precinct is dependent on the outcome of the overall transformation strategy, which is currently being developed.	In Progress	©	2020-21	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
An accessible and connected o	29	Design and construct multi-level carparks in Croydon, Ringwood, Heathmont; and Heatherdale station	Council endorsed the Design and Construct (D&C) contract for Devon Street Croydon in August 2020. Works commenced on-site in October 2021 and the expected completion date is scheduled for October 2021. Multi-level car parks in Ringwood (Bedford Road) and Heathmont (Canterbury Road) are currently being designed with construction expected to commence in 2021. A feasibility study has been undertaken for a suitable location for a new multi-level carpark on Heatherdale.	In Progress	☺	2021-22	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Assets
	30	Undertake improvement works of the carpark at McAlpin Reserve Ringwood North	Modifications will be carried out to the McAlpin Reserve carpark to improve the functionality, provide further accessible carparking and create a new sealed pathway from Wonga Road to the reserve's internal pathways. Works will commence in 2021.	In Progress	©	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
	31	Advocate to the Australian and Victorian Government for provision of new and upgraded major transportation infrastructure in Maroondah; including freeway connections, upgrade to arterial roads and intersections and major public transport enhancements	The council continues to advocate Victorian and Federal Members and Ministers for a range of key priority transportation projects.	In Progress	©	2020-21	Executive Office	Communicatio ns & Engagement

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8	32	Deliver an expanded footpath construction program	During 2020/21, Council will continue the implementation of its footpath construction program to provide improved pedestrian safety. The footpath construction program for 2020/21 comprises works at: New Street (100 New Street to Sylvia Grove); Towerhill Drive (Wonga Road to Frederic Drive); Tunbury Avenue (Towerhill Drive to Major Street); Major Street (Wonga Road to Tunbury Avenue); Holyrood Crescent (Stonington Place to Towerhill Drive); Patterson Street (Eastfield Road to Fairview Avenue); Eastfield Road (Bayswater Road to Railway Avenue); Seares Drive (Maroondah Highway to Old Lilydale Road); Ian Avenue (Holland Road to Seares Drive); Gardini Avenue (Greenwood Avenue to Thomas Street); Ireland Street (City Road to Reilly Street); and Bellbird Court (Wantirna Road to Clarke Drive).	In Progress	©	2024-25	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
ted community		Undertake carpark improvement works at Hughes Park in Croydon North; Merrindale Shopping Centre in Croydon South; and Ainslie Park in Croydon	Legislation impacting municipalities and Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committees commenced 1 December 2020. Appropriate administrative tasks have been undertaken to facilitate this.	In Progress	©	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
An accessible and connected	34	Implement the Maroondah Carparking Framework action plan	Council will continue to implement the Marcondah carparking framework in 2020/21. The Framework will provide greater consistency to Council's approach to planning parking, resolving issues, applying restrictions and issuing of parking permits throughout the municipality. Activities in 2020/21 will include parking guidelines for specific land use areas; enhancing traffic safety; increasing the use of sustainable transport modes; developing a Marcondah car share policy; adopting a best practice approach to dealing with parking complaints and safety concerns; reviewing the Ringwood and Croydon Activity Centre Parking Strategies; reviewing the parking management strategy around Marcondah Hospital, and addressing overflow parking issues across the municipality.	In Progress	©	2022-23	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
	35	Undertake road renewal works for Caroline Street in Ringwood; Emerald Street in Ringwood; and Norton Road in Croydon	Planned road renewal works for Emerald Street in Ringwood and Norton Road in Croydon were deferred due to the impacts of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.	Deferred	$\rightarrow$	2022-23	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
		Work in partnership to implement intersection improvement works at the corner of Reilly Street and Wantirna Road in Ringwood; and Plymouth Road and Kirtain Drive in Croydon	Council will continue to work in partnership with VicRoads on the development of design and community consultation for improvement works at the intersection of Reilly Street and Wantima Road, Ringwood; and Plymouth Road and Kirtain Drive, Croydon. Recent advice from VicRoads is that the works are about to be out for tender with an expected commencement date of August 2021.	In Progress	0	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
An attractive, thriving and well built community	37	Continue the upgrade of drainage, including flood mitigation works in Acacia Court catchment in Ringwood; Power Street catchment in Croydon North; and Scenic Avenue catchment in Ringwood East	The design of the next stage of the Scenic Avenue upgrade was completed in 2019/20, with construction rescheduled for 2021/22 due to COVID-19 budget implications.	Deferred	<b>&gt;</b>	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services

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	38 Implement the Greening the Greyfields project in partnership with stakeholders to facilitate a sustainable approach to urban redevelopment in identified residential precincts	The exhibition of two planning scheme amendments that seek to introduce and enable an alternative form of precinct redevelopment was undertaken early in 2021. Objections were received and Council will now make arrangement for an independent Planning Panel to consider the submissions received.	In Progress	(()	2021-22	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
	39 Develop a new Croydon Structure Plan (including urban design guidelines) and commence preparation of a planning scheme amendment to incorporate the policy into the Maroondah Planning Scheme	The Croydon Structure Plan was adopted by Council in 2006 and has successfully influenced the function and form of this Major Activity Centre. During 2020/21, Council undertook background research into the issues facing Croydon. This work has now being summarised into an Issues and Options Discussion Paper that is on exhibition inviting public comment. Feedback received will inform the draft Croydon Structure Plan in mid-2021.	In Progress	(()	2021-22	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
	40 Undertake the staged redevelopment of the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct	The transformation of the existing Croydon Civic Precinct into the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct (CCWP) will focus on delivering enhanced community spaces and functionality in relation to wellbeing facilities, family and children facilities, sport and recreation facilities, and open space. These combined elements, proposed to become integrated community hubs, will also enhance the accessibility and connectivity for the community. The CCWP Masterplan was endorsed by Council in July 2020 and works will now commence in early 2021 for concept design elements of community Hub A, which will involve consultation with current user groups and stakeholders and also include further community consultation throughout 2021. Works have also commenced on Community Hub B (former Croydon Civic building) with the first of the community groups (Kinder and Occasional Care) having moved in for the commencement of term 1 2021. The remainder of the community groups will be moving in through stages during 2021 and early 2022.	In Progress	©	2024-25	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Assets
	Communications Plan	A Flood Mapping Communications Plan has been finalised (for internal communication only). The plan actions will be further developed and implemented in 2020/21 and beyond. Future reporting on the Flood Mapping Plan will include specific project actions within the 2021-25 Council Plan.	Complete	<b>√</b>	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
	open space and public realm enhancement plans	During 2020/21, work will continue on the Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct Masterplan, completion of the Wyreena Heritage Masterplan and commencement of the Jubilee Park Enhancement Plan, along with the Eastfield Park and Ainslie Park Enhancement Plans. These plans are intended to ensure our community spaces meet evolving community needs.	In Progress	(3)	2020-21	Operations Infrastructure & Leisure	Assets
	Centre Masterplan into the Maroondah Planning Scheme	directions and objectives of the Masterplan, which seek to reinforce Ringwood as the principal retail, commercial, community, entertainment and employment focal point of the region, are being incorporated into a planning scheme amendment during 2019/20. Parallel work is also underway to develop a Developer Contributions Plan to help fund the infrastructure needed to support the increased number of residents, workers and visitors to the centre.	In Progress	(1)	2020-21	Development & Amenity	Statutory Planning
	44 Work in partnership to develop flood mitigation solutions for the central Croydon area	Development of flood mitigation solutions for the central Croydon area is continuing. A flood mitigation works prioritisation framework and 2020/21 works program is under development.	In Progress	(3)	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
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An attractive, thriving and well built community		Deliver Council's drainage improvement program and drainage flood mitigation program	The delivery of the Council's drainage improvement program and drainage flood mitigation program for 2020/21 has been developed and implementation of the works is progressing.	In Progress	©	2024-25	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
An attractive		Implement the results of the Neighbourhood Character and Vegetation Reviews	The Neighbourhood Character Study review report was adopted by Council 'in principle' in August 2020. Prior to the preparation of a planning scheme amendment to include the neighbourhood character work into the Marcondah Planning AScheme, DELWP require Couc to prepare a Residential Development Framework. Work has commenced on this framework. The Vegetation Review culminated in the Marcondah Vegetation Strategy 2020-2030, adopted by Council in March 2020, and actions in the strategy will be implemented across Council in 2020/21. A key action is the development of an 'Opportunities Map' that will identify the best locations for adding vegetation to the Marcondah landscape to improve liveability and encourage more nature throughout Marcondah. This project will be completed in mid-2021.	In Progress	(i)	2022-23	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
An inclusive and diverse community	47	Monitor the National Disability Insurance Scheme and My Aged Care reform agenda and implement transitional arrangements for relevant areas of Council service delivery	Transition arrangements for NDIS are completed and demand from Marcondah community members remains high for information, support and advocacy which is having a positive impact as demonstrated by the recent Statewide Award presented to the NDIS Coordinator. Commonwealth extensione been finalised for assessment and other services including delivered meals, social support and occupational therapy until 2022. Aged Care Royal Commission recommendations have been handed down with a response due from the Commonwealth in May 2021.	In Progress	©	2021-22	Strategy & Community	Community Services





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rse community			Continue implementation of Council's Corporate Volunteering Program that recruits, promotes and manages volunteers who support the provision of services and community activities	Council will continue to implement its volunteering and student placement programs during 2020/21. These programs provide opportunities for volunteers and students to support the wider community. Council's volunteers assist with programs such as Meals on Wheels, Marcondah's Disability Advisory Committee, maintaining our bushland and reserves, arts and cultural programs, community gardens and many more. Council's Work Experience Program is offered across all areas of Council and provides an opportunity for students to learn and give back to the community. Following significant disruptions attributable to COVID-19 and employee turnover and a period of accruing organisational cost savings during the pandemic a new Volunteers and Placements' Advisor has been appointed who will play a critical role in advancing Councils volunteering and student placement programs and activities.	In Progress	(i)	2024-25	Corporate Services	Workplace People & Culture
An inclusive and diverse community		49	Develop and commence implementation of the Disability Policy and Action Plan 2019-2021	Council adopted a new Disability Policy and Action Plan 2019-2021 in April 2019. The Policy and Action Plan incorporates a range of initiatives across the breadth of Council operations to remove barriers to discrimination and meet the legislative obligations for people with disabilities, their families and carers. A range of actions will be undertaken by Council during 2020/21 across themes of social and economic inclusion, services and information, design, infrastructure and transport, and advocacy and leadership.	In Progress	©	2020-21	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
			Commence development of a Children and Families Strategy	Following completion of extensive community consultation with children, young people, parents, carers and school staff, a detailed analysis was undertaken to inform Council's new Children and Families Strategy and Action Plan, and the new Action Plan for Council's existing Youth Strategy. The Children and Families Strategy was endorsed by Council in August 2020. Action plans for both the Children and Families Strategy and Youth Strategy are in the final stages of approvals from service managers/coordinators across the organisation.	In Progress	©	2020-21	Strategy & Community	Community Services
community	•	51	Develop a new Customer Service Strategy that will continue to advance Council's commitment to be highly responsive and customer focused	Council will develop a new Customer Service Strategy in late 2020 ahead of the commencement of the next Council term. The components of the new Customer Service Strategy were presented to CMT in November 2020. Consultation with Management Group is scheduled to occur in February 2021, and completion is expected by April 2021.	In Progress	©	2020-21	Corporate Services	Revenue Property & Customer Service
empowered community			emergency relief referral process	As part of the Council's emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic, a local relief and referral system has been implemented to solidify partnerships with local relief agencies to ensure services to vulnerable people and groups continue despite restrictions. This referral process has been now expanded to include practical and emotional support through the MarcondahConnect initiative.	Complete	<b>√</b>	2020-21	Development & Amenity	Health Local Laws & Emergency Management
well governed and			Develop and implement a COVID-19 Recovery Plan (including social and economic recovery initiatives), following community consultation and engagement		In Progress	©	2021-22	Development & Amenity	Health Local Laws & Emergency Management
A well g		54	Advocate on key local issues in the lead up to the Victorian and Australian Government elections in 2022	Council will continue to advocate both levels of Government to seek support and funding to enable the delivery of key infrastructure projects and services for the Maroondah community.	In Progress	☺	2022-23	Executive Office	Communicatio ns & Engagement





Maroondah 2040 Outcome	#	Council Plan Priority Action	Progress Comment	Project Status	On Track	Target completion	Directorate	Service Area
	55	Implement the new Local Government Act 2020 following its enactment	The new Local Government Act 2020 is being implemented in four transitional stages, during which time it will co-exist with many of the provisions within the former Local Government Act 1989, up until 1 July 2021. The first phase of reforms took effect on 6 April 2020, which put in place these governance principles that provide the foundation framework for the new Act. The new Act requires Council to adopt specific policies within set timeframes within 2020/21 and beyond.	In Progress	©	2022-23	Corporate Services	Finance & Governance
	56	Following the Council election prepare a new	During 2020/21, Council is working with the Marcondah community and elected representatives to prepare a new Council Plan for the 2021-2025 period. This document will form Council's medium-term plan in responding to the aspirations and outcomes arising from the community vision identified in the revised Marcondah 2040: Our future together adopted in June 2020. A Deliberative Panel was held in February and March 2021 involving 40 community members to inform the development of the draft Council Plan 2021-2025. The Draft Council Plan is scheduled to be placed on public exhibition in May 2021 ahead of adoption.	In Progress	(3)	2020-21	Strategy & Community	Integrated Planning
A well governed and empowered community	57	Progress Council's digital transformation that enables innovation and improved customer service delivery models including access to information, engagement and online payments	Council's digital services transformation is driven by three key business drivers: (1) the effective mobilisation of employees to support transition arrangements into new facilities, (2) continued core service delivery to the community during the current COVID-19 pandemic, and (3) increased disaster response and business continuity process capabilities. A broad range of projects is currently in progress to support the sustainable delivery of these outcomes. A key scope of work completed was the development and adoption of an IT Strategy that underpins the Council's core service delivery to the community and ensures future initiatives are closely aligned with the organisations identified objectives. One key initiative currently in progress is the redevelopment of Council's corporate Wide Area Networks and Local Area Networks (WAN/LAN). This will deliver a contemporary and best practice WAN/LAN that provides Council with greater bandwidth and capacity between all Council sites. Additionally, this will provide core service redundancy, and critical connectivity to Council's cloud-based datacentres, ensuring Council can continue to provide and deliver core services to the community in a timely and effective manner and contributing to high levels of satisfaction with Council's customer service, even in times of disaster, emergency response and/or business continuity through the additional capabilities and resilience that mobile computing can provide.	In Progress	©	2024-25	Corporate Services	Information Technology
∢		providing digital services associated with planning permits that will improve the overall customer experience	Additional services to be considered include the ability for customers to lodge plans and documents for endorsement via the Council's online portal, method of mail delivery to the community and lodgement of Further Information online. New processes to improve the existing digital planning process will allow staff and the community to benefit from improved efficiencies with the processes.	In Progress	(3)	2020-21	Development & Amenity	Statutory Planning
	59	Develop and implement the Workforce People and Culture Plan 2021-2025 that provides a road map for the development, implementation, review and measurement of services, activities and systems that enable the organisation to deliver exceptional	In 2020/21, Council will continue the development of a new Workforce People and Culture Plan Strategy for the 2021-2025 period. Key areas of focus will include the strategic alignment of workplace people and culture strategies with Council objectives; strategic workforce planning; investing in workforce skills and competencies; improving organisational efficiency and effectiveness, and effectively managing a diverse and multi-generational workforce. Structured consultation sessions are being held with all Service Area Managers in order to identify and assess contemporary issues; anticipated strategic issues during the next 5 year period; organisational interdependencies; and potential strategic themes. Once the necessary consultation processes have been completed the Plan will be able to be finalised as the basis for prioritising future actions and investments.	In Progress	(3)	2021-25	Corporate Services	Workplace People & Culture

### Council Plan 2017-2021

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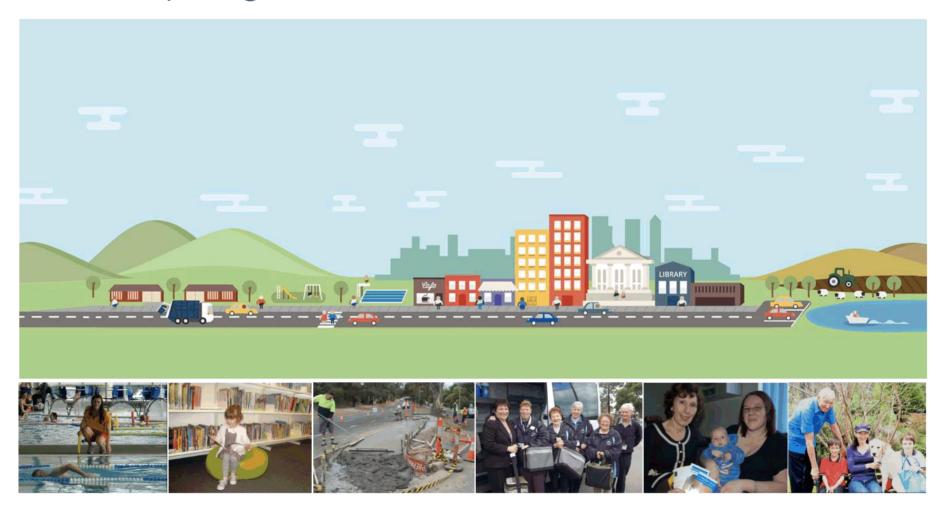


Maroondah 2040 Outcome	#	Council Plan Priority Action	Progress Comment	Project Status	On Track	Target completion	Directorate	Service Area
	60	Advocate for Maroondah to become a "Smart City"	The term 'smart cities' has emerged in recent years to describe the transformative effect modern technology is having on the way urban infrastructure is used, operated and managed. Council commenced a 12- month Smart City pilot project in June 2020. The pilot includes the installation of two gateways and three types of LoRaWAN Internet of Things (IoT) smart sensors fitted to a range of community assets to capture real-time data about capacity and usage. The sensors include: a bin sensor to monitor usage and capacity, a carpark sensor to monitor the usage, and people counters to monitor visits and the duration of visits. It is anticipated that the pilot will demonstrate how Council can better: collect real-time data about asset capacity and use, identify usage patterns and trends for improved asset efficiency and service provision, advocate for community needs and interests based on data findings and community feedback, and promote evidence-based, transparent decision making.	In Progress	©	2022-23	Development & Amenity	Engineering & Building Services
community	61	Develop and implement a risk management approach to public health operations that will improve effectiveness of operations	The project to develop and implement a risk management approach to public health operations has been delayed due to the increased focus on COVID-19 related priorities for the Community Health team.	Deferred	$\rightarrow$	2021/22	Development & Amenity	Health Local Laws & Emergency Management
i empowered	62	Work in partnership with the Victorian Electoral Commission to coordinate a Council Election in October 2020 for the 2020-2024 period	Council has entered into a new contract with the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) in order to conduct the elections for Council in October 2020 in order to ensure compliance with the Local Government Act 2020 and Regulations.	Complete	<b>√</b>	2020-21	Corporate Services	Finance & Governance
A well governed and empowered community	63	Implement the Council Caretaker Policy for the Council election in October 2020 and transition to the new Council following the election	In the lead up to Local Government elections, the Victorian Local Government sector adopts an election period mode (or caretaker mode) to avoid actions and decisions that may be interpreted as influencing voters or binding an incoming Council. Specific provisions have been incorporated into the Local Government Act (1989) and Local Government Act (2020) which prohibit Council making major policy decisions or publishing or distributing electoral matter during the election period. Marcondah City Council is committed to the principle of fair and democratic elections and has adopted the Election Period Policy (2020) at the Council Meeting held on Monday 31 August 2020. This policy was implemented ahead of and during the 2020 Council Election held on 24 October 2020. Transition of the new Council has commenced, including the implementation of a program of induction activities as prescribed by the Local Government Act (2020).	In Progress	©	2020-21	Executive Office	Communicatio ns & Engagement
	64	Review and update Council's Business Continuity Plan to enable Council to continue to provide key services to the community in the event of a disaster	As part of its risk management program, Council will conduct a test of the Business Continuity Plan to ensure its risk mitigation strategies are effective and that Council will be able to continue to provide key services to the community in the event of a disaster.	In Progress	(3)	2020-21	Corporate Services	Finance & Governance
	65	Package Council's wide range of integrity policies, action plans and processes into a comprehensive Integrity Framework to deliver high ethical standards organisation wide	Council will be implementing its integrity framework to ensure fraud and corruption controls are as effective as possible.	In Progress	©	2022-23	Corporate Services	Finance & Governance

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# Local Government Performance Reporting Framework 2020/21 Reporting Year





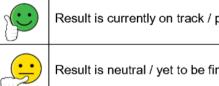
SERVICE PERFORMANCE INDICATOR RESULTS - YTD Quarter 3 (1 January – 31 March 2021)

# Introduction

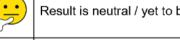
The Local Government Performance Reporting Framework (LGPRF) is a key initiative to improve the transparency and accountability of council performance to ratepayers and to provide a more meaningful set of information to the public. The framework is made up of a range of performance measures and a governance and management checklist items which together build a comprehensive picture of council performance.

The following report provides the prescribed Local Government Performance Reporting Framework service performance indicator results for end Q3 2020/21.

The following status icons may assist in interpreting these service performance results



Result is currently on track / progressing as expected / within expected range for the reporting period



Result is neutral / yet to be finalised / being monitored



Result is currently not on track / not progressing as expected / outside expected range for the reporting period



Result not available / New measure with no comparison available



# Animal Management

Provision of animal management and responsible pet ownership services to the community including monitoring, registration, enforcement and education

Service Indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	Q3 YTD 2020/21	Q3 YTD 2019/20	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
Timeliness Time taken to action animal requests	Number of days taken to action animal requests Expected range: 1 to 10 days	1.01 days	1.01 days	1.02 days	1.02 days	The time taken to action animal requests is tracking in accordance with previous financial years.	
Service standard Animals reclaimed	% of collected animals reclaimed Expected range: 30% to 90%	40.15%	64.17%	62.55%	76.87%	The number of animals reclaimed by their owners has decreased as the overall number of impounds have increased for the last quarter as a result of a high volume of unowned kittens that have been surrendered during the period.	
Service cost  Cost of animal management service	\$ direct cost of the animal management service per registered animal Expected range: \$3 - \$40	\$2.41	\$2.37	\$4.03	\$5.49	The lower cost of animal management services is attributed to a salaried position in animal management remaining vacant, less agency staff being used in favour of redeployed staff.	©
Health and safety  Animal management prosecutions	No of prosecutions Expected range: 50% - 200%	No prosecutions	100%	100%	N/A	The YTD figure will not be available during the first quarter and would be expected to be added as the financial year progresses.	?
Service standards  Animals rehomed	% of animals rehomed Expected range: 20% to 80%	47.45%	51.25%	51.90%	N/A	The number of animals rehomed has decreased due to more residents returning to the workplace and not being home to be reunited with their animals.	<b>©</b>



# Aquatic Facilities

Provision of Indoor and outdoor aquatic facilities to the community and visitors for wellbeing, water safety, sport and recreation

Service Indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	Q3 YTD 2020/21	Q3 YTD 2019/20	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
Service standard  Health inspections of aquatic facilities	Number of health inspections per Council aquatic facility Expected range: 1 to 4 inspections	No inspections	1 inspection	2 inspections	3 inspections	Inspections are carried out by Council's Community Health team on each aquatic facility twice a year. Quarterly data can vary based on the phasing of inspections.	©
Utilisation Utilisation of aquatic facilities	Number of visits to aquatic facilities per head of municipal population  Expected range: 1 to 10 visits	1.22 visits	7.55 visits	7.57	10.11 visits	The YTD utilisation of aquatic facilities remains low due to COVID-19 capacity restrictions and facility closures.	©
Service cost  Cost of aquatic facilities	\$ direct cost less any income received of providing aquatic facilities per visit Expected range: \$0 to \$30	\$14.68	- \$0.19	\$0.81	\$0.39	The cost of aquatic facilities per visit has increased significantly when compared to the same time in the previous financial year due to COVID-19 capacity restrictions and facility closures.	©

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Provision of food safety services to the community including registrations, education, monitoring,

Service indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
Timeliness Time taken to action food complaints	Number of days taken to action food complaints Expected range: 1 to 10 days	1.77 days (calendar year)	1.70 days (calendar year)	2.01 days	1.24 days	The number of days taken to action food complaints is tracking in accordance with previous financial years.	<b>©</b>
Service standard Food safety assessments	% of registered class 1 food premises and class 2 food premises that receive an annual food safety assessment Expected range: 50% to 120%	13.82% (calendar year)	18.84% (calendar year)	100%	100%	The percentage of food safety assessments has decreased slightly this quarter due to a significant increase in gastro outbreaks across Victoria. Maroondah has received 11 gastro outbreaks in the first quarter of 2021 calendar year, compared to 2 in the 2020 year and 14 for the 2019 year. In addition, employee turnover has also affected the number of inspections completed in this quarter.  This measure follows a calendar year basis to align with reporting	
Service cost  Cost of food safety service	\$ direct cost of the food safety service per registered food premises Expected range: \$300 to \$1,200	\$471.52 (financial year)	\$496.63	\$690.11	\$689.36	to DHHS  The cost of food safety services has decreased due to the number of food premises increasing bringing the overall costs per premises down, a reduction in salaries (employee turnover), and in the reduced cost of agency staff compared to the same time in the previous financial year.	

#### Health and safety

Critical and major non-compliance notifications

% of critical and major noncompliance outcome notifications that are followed up by council Expected range: 60% to 100%

100% (calendar year)

92.11% (calendar year)

100% 99.06% The percentage of critical and major non-compliance notifications followed up is tracking in accordance with previous financial years.



This measure follows a calendar year basis to align with reporting to DHHS

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#### Governance

Provision of good governance to the community including making and implementing decisions with reference to community engagement, policy frameworks and agreed practice

Service indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	Q3 YTD 2020/21	Q3 YTD 2019/20	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
Transparency  Council resolutions at meetings closed to the public	% of Council resolutions made at meetings closed to the public Expected range: 0% to 30%	3.13%	7.75%	6.59%	8.52%	The YTD percentage of Council resolutions at meetings closed to the public has decreased due to a lower number of tender evaluation recommendations as well as only 2 Council meetings in Q3.	
Consultation and engagement Satisfaction with community consultation and engagement	Satisfaction rating out of 100 Expected range: 40 to 70	Not available	Not available	56	58	Satisfaction is measured as part of the annual Community Satisfaction Survey, with results to be made available in June 2021.	3
Attendance  Council attendance at Council meetings	% of Council attendance at ordinary and special Council meetings Expected range: 80% to 100%	94.44% attendance	85.19% attendance	85.47%	88.89%	The percentage of attendance at Council meetings increased due to there being a new Council which had the ability to meet in person when compared to the previous year during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.	
Service cost  Cost of elected representation	\$ direct cost of the governance service per councillor Expected range: \$30,000 to \$80,000	\$33,345	\$38,457	\$47,451	\$48,960	The cost of elected representation decreased due to a reduction of expenditure and use of allowances due to COVID impacts.	<b>©</b>
Decision making Satisfaction with Council decisions	Satisfaction rating out of 100 Expected range: 40 to 70	Not available	Not available	59	62	Satisfaction is measured as part of the annual Community Satisfaction Survey, with results to be made available in June 2021.	?



#### Libraries

Provision of print and digital based resources to the community in a variety of formats including collection services, e-services, research tools and interactive learning programs

Service indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	Q3 YTD 2020/21	Q3 YTD 2019/20	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
<b>Utilisation</b> Physical library collection usage	Number of physical library collection item loans per library collection item Expected range: 1 to 9 items	4.07 loans	8.08 loans	9.15 loans	10.47 Ioans	The number of physical collection loans decreased due to borrowers being unable to access libraries during COVID-19 restrictions.	<b>©</b>
Resource standard Recently purchased library collection	% of recently purchased library collection that has been purchased in the last 5 years  Expected range: 40% to 90%	76.09%	71.25%	68.81%	72.39%	The percentage of the library collection recently purchased increased due to a backlog of orders following easing of COVID-19 restrictions and a methodical review process carried out to remove old items in preparation for the new Library Management System migration.	
Service cost  Cost of library service	\$ direct cost of the library service Expected range: \$10 to \$90	\$12.99	\$13.73	\$18.59	\$18.26	The cost of library service decreased reflecting the reduction on Council's first quarter contribution when compared to the same time in the 2020/21 financial year.	<b>©</b>

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						This measure now calculates the municipal population instead of number of visits.	
Participation Active library members	% of the municipal population that are active library members Expected range: 10% to 40%	13.75%	13.84%	15.88%	16.26%	The number of active library borrowers within the municipality can be expected to vary over time. Borrowing can include print material, but also audio visual and digital materials which have recently become popular during COVID-19 restrictions due to ease of online access.	<b>©</b>



### Maternal and Child Health

Provision of universal access to health services for children from birth to school age and their families including early detection, referral, monitoring and recording child health and development

Service indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	Q3 YTD 2020/21	Q3 YTD 2019/20	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
Satisfaction  Participation in first  MCH home visit	% of infants enrolled in the MCH service who receive the first MCH home visit Expected range: 90% to 110%	93.99%	98.93%	98.17%	N/A	The percentage of infants enrolled in the Maternal Child Health Service who participated in the four-week key age and stage (KAS) visit generally remains at 100%. Anything below 100% reflects appointments made but not yet attended within the quarter and may explain the difference when compared to Q3 (2019/20).	
Service standard Infant enrolments in the MCH service	% of infants enrolled in the MCH service Expected range: 90% to 110%	101.80%	100.89%	100.99%	101.06%	All birth notifications received by Council result in an MCH enrolment, however, the phasing of birth notifications and enrolment across reporting periods can result in the reported figure being less than or greater than 100%.	<b>©</b>
Service cost  Cost of the MCH service	\$ cost of the MCH service per hour of service delivered Expected range: \$50 to \$200	\$201.52	\$82.55	\$82.83	\$87.20	The cost of the Maternal Child Health service is calculated per hour of service delivered. In addition, the cost has increased due to several factors including: more nurses taking leave post COVID-19 lockdown; extended appointments to include COVID Safe cleaning and increased parent anxiety; additional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) training (10 hours per nurse); two vacant positions have been filled (Maternal Child Health Team Leader and Service Support Officer); more casual staff used due to four staff resignations; an additional Maternal and Child Health calendar has been	©

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Participation  Participation in MCH service by Aboriginal children	% of Aboriginal children enrolled who participate in the MCH service Expected range: 60% to 100%	49.41%	71.43%	76.24%	72.63%	Participation rates for aboriginal children vary over time due to Aboriginal families moving in and out of Maroondah and children entering home care.
Participation Participation in MCH service	% of children enrolled who participate in the MCH services Expected range: 70% to 100%	41.01%	74.71%	76.18%	78.11%	created (additional 0.4 EFT) to accommodate appointments (this calendar cease once COVID-19 restrictions ease); and funding received later than normal.  This measure captures participation of children in key age and stage appointments which can vary due to timing of appointments during the financial year. Increased cancellation of appointments due to COVID-19 restrictions and rescheduling of these appointments into the next quarter may account for the decrease in participation.  Full year participation rates are in line with the Victorian State average. A broad range of enhanced services are also being delivered to support local families.



#### Roads

Provision of a network of sealed local roads under the control of the municipal council to all road users

Service Indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	Q3 YTD 2020/21	Q3 YTD 2019/20	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
Satisfaction of use Sealed local road requests	Number of sealed local road requests per 100 kilometres of sealed local road  Expected range: 10 to 120 requests	65.42 requests	88.91 requests	115.87 requests	108.04 requests	The number of sealed road requests has reduced due to less motorists being on the road due to COVID-19 restrictions, as well as better overall management of the road network where Council is working to proactively mitigate potential sealed road issues.	<b>©</b>
Condition							
Sealed local roads below the intervention level	% of sealed local roads that are below the renewal intervention level Expected range: 80% to 100%	98.85%	99.27%	99.06%	97.31%	There was a very minor variation in the result for this indicator compared with the equivalent quarter in 2019/20.	<b>©</b>
Service cost						The value is reflective of	
Cost of sealed local road reconstruction	\$ direct reconstruction cost per square metre of sealed local roads reconstructed Expected range: \$20 to \$200	\$223.54	\$0.00		\$221.08	completed road reconstruction projects. In contrast, projects in in the previous financial year were not completed by Q3 (2019/20). One project has been completed in Q3 (2020/21).	<b>©</b>
Service cost							
Cost of sealed local road resealing	\$ direct resealing cost per square metre of sealed local roads resealed Expected range: \$4 to \$30	N/A	\$0.00		\$19.99	No road resealing projects have been undertaken.	?
Satisfaction						Satisfaction is measured as part	
Satisfaction with sealed local roads	Satisfaction rating out of 100 Expected range: 50 to 100	N/A	N/A	64	70	of the annual Community Satisfaction Survey, with results to be made available in June 2021.	?

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# Statutory Planning

Provision of land use and development assessment services to applicants and the community including advice and determination of applications

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Service indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	Q3 YTD 2020/21	Q3 YTD 2019/20	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
Timeliness Time taken to decide planning applications	Days between receipt of a planning application and a decision on the application  Expected range: 30 to 110 days	27 days	28 days	28 days	34 days	The time taken between receipt of planning application and a decision being reached decreased due to a reduced number of incoming applications and systems improvements in issuing final decisions.	<b>©</b>
Service standard  Planning applications decided within 60 days	% of planning application decisions made within required timeframe days Expected range: 40% to 100%	86.68%	90.09%	88.60%	81.63%	Increased work in Q3 (2020/21) with VCAT matters has slightly extended these timeframes.  Maroondah continues to be among the leaders in meeting this requirement in comparison to the Metropolitan Council Average of 66.5%.	
Service cost  Cost of statutory planning service	\$ direct cost of the statutory planning service per planning application Expected range: \$500 to \$4,000	\$1,877	\$1,802	\$1,851	\$1,870	The direct cost of statutory planning service increased compared to the same time in the previous quarter due to there being a reduction in the number of planning applications.	<b>©</b>

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Planning decisions upheld at VCAT

% of decisions subject to review by VCAT that were not set aside Expected range: 30% to 100%

**84.85%** 91.03%

92.59% 90.24%

a lower percentage of decisions upheld compared to the same time in the previous financial year, which may reflect the smaller number of decisions being considered by the Tribunal and lengthy VCAT timeframes as a result of COVID-19. In addition, increased wait times we are seeing a number of applicants further negotiating with Council during the course of an appeal resulting in an increased number of consent orders.

The measure showed





# Waste Collection

Provision of kerbside waste collection service to the community including garbage and recyclables

Service indicator/measure	Measure expressed as:	Q3 YTD 2020/21	Q3 YTD 2019/20	EoY 2019/20	EoY 2018/19	Comment	Status
Satisfaction  Kerbside bin collection requests	Number of kerbside bin collection requests per 1000 kerbside bin collection households  Expected range: 10 to 300 requests	59.73 requests	51.08 requests	68.93 requests	71.9 Requests	There was an increased level of kerbside bin collection requests for this indicator compared with the equivalent quarter in 2019/20 due to more people being at home due to COVID-19 restrictions.	<b>©</b>
Service standard  Kerbside collection bins missed	Number of kerbside collection bins missed per 10,000 scheduled kerbside collection bin lifts Expected range: 1 to 20 bins	4.74 bins	3.85 bins	4.1 bins	3.5 bins	The number of kerbside garbage and recycling bin collection requests has increased due to more residents being at home due to COVID-19 to report missed bins to Council. During pre-COVID times, bins would have been emptied before residents returned home from work.	<b>©</b>
Service cost  Cost of kerbside garbage collection service	\$ direct cost of the kerbside garbage bin collection service per kerbside garbage collection bin Expected range: \$40 to \$150	\$82.51	\$80.35	\$107.56	\$106.11	There was only minor variation in the result for this indicator compared with the equivalent quarter in 2019/20.	
Service cost  Cost of kerbside recyclables collection service	\$ direct cost of the kerbside recyclables collection service per kerbside recyclables collection bin Expected range: \$10 to \$80	\$59.10	\$50.36	\$71.43	\$62.59	The cost of the kerbside recyclables collection service has increased due to an increase in the cost of disposal for recyclable materials.	<b>©</b>
Waste diversion  Kerbside collection waste diverted from landfill	% of garbage, recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins that is diverted from landfill Expected range: 20% to 60%	57.39%	56.57%	56.83%	53.66%	There was an increase in waste diverted from landfill due to an increase in the collection of garden organics.	