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Date of meeting: * Tuesday 21 September 2021

Agenda item title: Diminished value on apartments & traffic management concerns in laneway

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The proposed amendment to planning would negatively impact the value of apartments within Kira and Siera buildings, and the OC reserves the right to renew the contract for the gym, which the OC tried to exercise but instead, we find ourselves going through this process.

We must acknowledge the nature in which the planning permit was conducted; against the knowledge of the OC. This proposal would decrease rental income and the sale value of each individual dwelling.

Traffic management in Boundary lane is an ongoing issue with many cars stopping at the top of the lane whilst blocking entry and making it unsafe on the main road. Office spaces without parking are potentially the biggest concern with unwanted traffic in the laneway, Uber and Taxi services are the first to block entry onto the lane.

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Monday 20 September 2021

Agenda item title: *

Invitation to Objectors to Attend Future Melbourne – PLANNING PERMIT APPLICATION: TP-2021-538/B

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Unfortunately I am unable to attend this meeting as I committed to a European Client Work Meeting prior to receiving this notification – however I stand firmly with my prior objectionI submitted to council (with reasons previously laid out) in relation to this planning as it will negatively impact on all apartment owners.

Kind regards,

Antoinette De Luca

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Name: * John Gilmore

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Date of meeting: * Tuesday 21 September 2021

Agenda item title: * 6.1 Planning Permit Application: TP-2021-538/B, 179 Boundary Road, North Melbourne

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Please write your submission in the space provided below and submit by no later than 10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. Submissions will not be accepted after 10am.

I wish to make the following points to the Committee.

1. In considering the matter of Car Parking in relation to the first planning permit and with the comment that then there were no car park requirements – that decision was made on the basis, as per the design, that there would be no 'external users' as it was to be a Gym for residents.

With the shift to an office there are going to be external users both for the full day and for occasional access, in addition to deliveries. We already have parking problems in Boundary Lane and this will make the matters worse – even in terms of drop off and pickup. Car parkign needs to be taken into account.

2. The proposal assumes the right of the applicant to determine that a commercial use, with different volumes of waste to the Gym, that it has the freedom to use existing waste arrangements. These are managed by the Owners Corporation and we have not been consulted at all.

3. The proposal fundamentally compromises the security fo the building and it amenity. We have had problems with

theft from letterboxes and the shift of the entry point into the foyer compromises an attractive feature wall and again has not been discussed with the Owners Corporation.

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6.1 – 179 Boundary Road, North Melbourne

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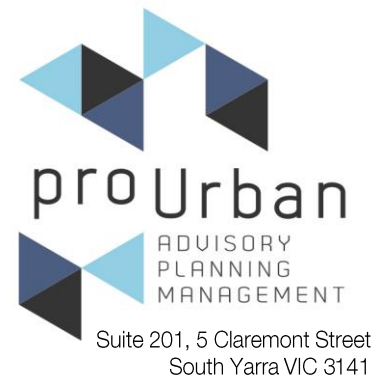


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20 September 2021



SUBMISSION TO COUNCIL MEETING
179 BOUNDARY ROAD, NORTH MELBOURNE

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Thank you Chair and Councillors.

Let me start by thanking you for the opportunity to address the Committee this evening.

I am here in my capacity as a town planner on behalf of the applicant seeking approval for the development of an office at Lot 12, 179 Boundary Road, North Melbourne.

This project provides an exciting opportunity to reinvigorate the frontage of the building while increasing employment opportunities in accordance with the provisions of relevant planning policy.

We have read the officer report and support the recommendation in full.

Planning Merit

Overall, we consider that the proposal is appropriate within its context and will complement the existing uses of the building and surrounding area, and will lead to positive social and economic outcomes. Noting the use of the land for an office does not require a permit in this zone.

In relation to carparking, the application requires the waiver of five (5) car spaces for the new use. This is considered acceptable for the following reasons:

- The proximity of trams (50m) and trains (200m) to the site;
- The tightly controlled nature of any nearby on-street parking;
- The small size of the tenancy;
- The availability of bike spaces within the building; and
- The proximity of car share facilities within 500m of the site.

Objections

We wanted to also speak to the objections raised by the surrounding community.

Concern Raised	Comments
Owners Corporation Lease	The relevant certificate of title identifies the land as being privately owned and not in common property as some objectors have suggested . The relevant Owners Corporations (of which there are two) have either:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • asked for an early release from the current lease agreement; or • have failed to exercise their right to extend or renew the lease agreement for the use of the land. <p>Therefore the applicant has the right to propose (or apply for) an alternative use of the land.</p>
Waste Management	<p>The application includes a waste management assessment, which concludes that the existing facilities are capable of accommodating the waste generated by the new office.</p> <p>The applicant already pays OC fees for the management of waste and therefore no further costs will be borne by current owners or the OC.</p>
Car Parking	<p>The application does not propose the use of any of the existing car spaces within the site and subsequently the new use will have no impact on the availability of these spaces.</p>
Building Security	<p>The development will not alter the current security arrangements on site. The new use will however increase the passive surveillance of the area and subsequently will have a positive impact on the safety of the building and surrounding streets.</p>

That brings me to the end of the submission. With the above in mind, we encourage Councillors to support the recommendation in full.

I am happy to take any questions you may have. Thank you.

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6.2 Submission to the World Heritage Environs Area (WHEA) draft Strategy Plan and Planning Scheme Amendment

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Future Melbourne Committee 21 September 2021

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Community Member Submission

Who am I?

I am a millennial resident of Carlton with two young children, and I am struggling to afford a home in the neighbourhood. The situation is exacerbated by ever-tightening heritage policy. I own a home on Barkly Street, but it is not large enough for my family to live in, so we rent a different home on Canning Street.

My Submission

The Royal Exhibition Building and surrounding gardens are wonderful, deserve significant protection, and are part of the reason my family lives in Carlton. We go to the Carlton Gardens literally daily, my kids attend daycare across the street on Rathdowne Street, and we are currently zoned for Carlton Gardens Primary School. Pre-Covid, my partner and I both walked across the Gardens to walk to work. We are Melbourne Museum members and went there weekly before lockdown. We are invested in the World Heritage Environs Area and want it to be well-maintained.

However, we strongly object to any expansion of planning, and especially height controls in the area. The 26-hectare surrounding park already provides a large 'buffer zone' for the Royal Exhibition Building and expanding this zone will not have any positive value and will only serve to reduce the number of people living and working nearby who can experience the building's beauty on daily basis (like we do).

6. Height controls to the residential area to the north

The proposed mandatory height controls to the residential area to the north of the REB&CG are **supported**. These mandatory height controls replicate the current mandatory height controls which apply within the residential zones. Without the introduction of these new mandatory height controls, there is a risk that - if the suite of standard residential zones were to be amended by the State Government in future - the current mandatory maximum height controls could potentially change or be removed. These controls are an important element in this part of the WHEA.

We own a property on Barkly Street which will be in the revised controls to the North. We have tried and failed to renovate our house earlier this year to accommodate our growing family (see TP-2020-576). Part of the failure was that we were advised that our plans were acceptable by a City of Melbourne Planner, but later a heritage advisor objected and derailed the process. Heritage is valuable, but is far too overvalued in the planning policy already. **Please do not continue to extend protections which prioritise buildings over people.**

7. Area of Greater Sensitivity

Clause 22.21 Heritage Places within the World Heritage Environs Area of the Planning Scheme includes a policy that applies to that part of the WHEA closest to the REB&CG currently known as the Area of Greater Sensitivity. The proposal to remove the distinction between areas of greater and lesser sensitivity to create one buffer zone for the WHEA and the extension of the WHEA boundary to the south and west is **supported** as it will provide guidance for new development in a section of the WHEA where there is currently none.

The proposed area of Greater Sensitivity includes our property on Barkly Street. We do not want or need this. The buffer zone should be limited to the Carlton Gardens and not include people's homes. You cannot even see the Gardens or the Exhibition Building from Barkly Street. The properties in Carlton, like ours, are tiny. To add even one additional bedroom to a 2-bed house is very expensive and challenging to design – more heritage restrictions make this more costly and continue to erode affordability. In our last planning application process, we had to wait 9 months before we received a full heritage advisor report. Adding more restrictions and 'considerations' will only delay this process further. This is not a minor problem for families like ours – we had a dream of making memories in a house with a baby on the way, only to realise 9 months into waiting for a planning decision that we would not be able to see the key milestones of our young kids happen in a home that we owned. Waiting a year for a planning decision may not seem a lot for planners, but a year is a significant time in a young family's life to be waiting around with temporary housing.

3. Rathdowne Street controls continuing to be discretionary

Comment/issue

HV proposes to increase the number of sites to the west of the REB which would be subject to height controls but proposes to maintain the height controls as discretionary. The inclusion of the extra sites is supported, however stronger consideration should be given to mandatory height controls for this area as it directly fronts the Carlton Gardens and is prime 'foreground'.

The Heritage controls are going too far. Rathdowne Street should be allowed to develop and have tall buildings. The Carlton Gardens Primary School is already struggling with renovation because of heritage concerns. Do we not want to allow more people to live in Carlton? Rathdowne Street should be full of apartments, housing people who can walk to the Gardens or the CBD, providing business to the local Carlton vendors. Permanently restricting height is wrong, particularly from an environmental perspective where we *could* allow more people to live here without needing cars. As an example, our family of four only drives about once a week in normal times, and we have driven about once a month during Covid. Everything in Carlton is walkable, more people should be allowed to live here – doesn't this matter more than protecting a large radius around a building that is already protected by a large garden?

See Inner City News Story below on the Carlton Gardens Primary School.


SUMMARY

Carlton Gardens and the Royal Exhibition Building are enhanced by being so close to the CBD. The tall CBD buildings are a cool contrast to the heritage buildings. More tall buildings will fit into this streetscape and area well. And importantly, tall buildings could potentially house more

families like ours who could get the benefits that we get from being so close to the World Heritage Environs Area. If you don't agree with my views, at *least* acknowledge the cost of height restrictions – each additional building storey could hold a few homes. ***If these restrictions pass, we are effectively saying that this building is more important than the people its 'buffer zone' is displacing.***



The area is already surrounded by tall buildings, and that actually makes it better.

 **Inner City News**
June 7 · 🌐

Carlton Gardens Primary School is up against Heritage Victoria and residents on Drummond St in a bid to build a four-storey classroom to accommodate growing student numbers.

The school received \$10.5 million in funding in last year's budget to go towards the building but has been unable to start construction due to heritage concerns.

Principal Tina McDougall said that due to the sheer number of new enrolments the school was in desperate need of new classrooms.

"The kids are crammed like sardines at the moment, we have three classes in one big room," Ms McDougall said.

"It's disappointing the neighbours and Heritage Victoria aren't getting behind the kids."

The plans for the classroom were finalised by the Victorian School Building Authority in June 2020 and the architect 6 Degrees was appointed.

Construction was due to begin in January but the process was halted in August last year while Heritage Victoria assessed community objections and decided whether to grant a permit to build.

Heritage Victoria is currently assessing whether the proposed building would impact the heritage character of the "19th century streetscape" which surrounds the World Heritage Site of Carlton Gardens and the Royal Exhibition Building.

Source: <http://www.innercitynews.com.au/>

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<https://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/about-council/committees-meetings/meeting-archive/MeetingAgendaItemAttachments/956/16971/SEP21%20FMC2%20AGENDA%20ITEM%206.2.pdf>

From: B. McNicholas, heritage consultant Melbourne's Domain Parkland and Memorial Precinct; Friends of Melbourne Observatory, campaign for UNESCO World Heritage nomination of Melbourne Observatory

21 September 2021

Dear Lord Mayor Sally Capp and Councillors,

The CoM report, page 5, states 'Management is supportive of the review and some changes to the WHEA controls:

- Introducing height controls to properties along Rathdowne Street that currently do not have height controls.
- Adding mandatory height controls to the residential area to the north; and
- Extending the WHEA boundary to the west and south."

The above is supported.

Mandatory Height Controls in the WHEA and extended WHEA are supported

The CoM report states: "*Introducing mandatory height controls to the Mixed Use area to the south – further work required before this can be justified.*", however **this is not supported**. Mandatory height controls to the area to the south are important to protect the heritage values of the REB&CG.

The mandating of height limits is critical and it is believed this should not be compromised in any area of the WHEA, including with the Royal Society site and the sites close to the REB&CG. The proposed mandatory height controls to the residential area to the north of the REB&CG are supported.

On 21 July 2021 the World Heritage Committee deleted 'Liverpool - Maritime Mercantile City' from UNESCO's World Heritage List

The UNESCO committee cited this was due to the irreversible loss of attributes conveying the outstanding universal value of the place, which was added to the List of World Heritage in Danger in 2012 following concerns about the proposed development of Liverpool Waters, a project that went ahead along with other developments both inside the

site and in its buffer zone. The Committee considered that these constructions were detrimental to the site's authenticity and integrity.

Liverpool's historic centre and docklands were inscribed in the UNESCO WH list in 2004 for bearing witness to the development of one of the world's major trading centres in the 18th and 19th centuries. The site also illustrated pioneering developments in modern dock technology, transport systems and port management.

<https://en.unesco.org/news/world-heritage-committee-deletes-liverpool-maritime-mercantile-city-unescos-world-heritage-list>

This illustrates the damaging cumulative effects of encroaching development on the values of a world heritage place and serves as a cautionary tale to support more protections for REB&CG including of views and vistas and mandatory height controls and built form guidelines for the WHEA.

Extension of the WHEA

The extension of the WHEA is supported, including the south-western area from the World Heritage site, however it is recommended that Council consider supporting further expansion to the east, from Fitzroy Street to the eastern side of Brunswick St and continue on south to take in more of the parliament area, which is recommended for the continuity of historic context in the WH site setting and that area is all part of HO334 south Fitzroy HO.

Removing the distinction between areas of Greater and Lesser Sensitivity in the WHEA is supported, given, of course, that the higher or maximum protections are then afforded to the entire WHEA (ie there is not a diminishment of protections for any part of the WHEA) and it is recommended that height limits be mandatory.

Height controls, preferably mandatory not discretionary, and built form guidelines and controls to protect the world heritage values and prominence of the REB&CG are strongly supported.

Amendments to support improved protection for key and contributory view lines is strongly supported, for views and vistas both to and from REB&CG as well as protection for glimpses and distant views and cross site views. These frame the places of outstanding significance, embed them in their environs and community, and provide setting and historical connections. Even glimpses can be significant and add value and impact as is evidenced in the common advertising of properties with sea glimpses by real estate agents as a selling point.

Nomination of the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria as a Determining Referral Authority is supported

Nominating the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria as a determining Referral Authority within the Melbourne and Yarra Planning Schemes for certain scales of development and decisions on land **is supported**. This will foster better coordination, a holistic, heritage place-based approach focussing on the universal outstanding values and heritage values and consideration of the importance of the entire setting of the WHEA, of REB&CG, of the adjacent World Heritage site.

In the draft Review Heritage Victoria outlines sound reasons for having the ED HV as the Responsible Authority, including:

‘This is appropriate given the high level of significance ascribed to the protective role of the WHEA, which should elevate heritage above other considerations in any planning decision.’

It is urged that City of Melbourne re-consider their opposition to this. The division of decision-making on land within the WHEA between the two councils (City of Yarra and City of Melbourne) was cited in the draft Review as an issue and source of inconsistency. Further, for example, City of Melbourne has a significant recent history of declared conflicts of interest in relation to decision-making re heritage places and parklands and that could compromise matters that may impact significantly on this place of outstanding world significance.

“In addition there has been a lack of consistent decision making as the role of the Responsible Authority for land within the WHEA is split across the municipalities of the City of Melbourne and the City of Yarra.”

Signage

The proposal to manage signage within the WHEA is supported. Signage controls are warranted. This should apply to REB&CG as well. Council’s submission that HV should note that future signage policy and/or controls must seek to prevent electronic and animated signage is supported. The prevention of other obtrusive signage and excessive signage, including ensuring sensitive use and control of ‘wayfinding’ signage and control of event and promotional/advertising signage, within the REB&CG and the WHEA, is supported.

Whilst increasing public awareness of the WHEA and its importance to the World Heritage setting of the REB & Carlton Gardens is valuable and sensitive signage on key buildings/locations is useful and informative, a cautious and sensitive approach is needed to limit signage clutter and to avoid excessive wayfaring physical signage. Wayfaring can be digital and printed material/flyers.

Lighting controls should also be included.

Public and transport infrastructure guidelines and controls are supported so that there is low-impact, sensitive design throughout REB&CG and the WHEA.

City of Melbourne representative on the WH/Review Committee: Heritage Manager recommended

The City of Melbourne representative on the panel or committee that presented to the public in 2020 was a team leader from the open space area.

REB&CG is, however, *more than* general open space, it is state, national and world heritage listed, formally acknowledged as of outstanding national and international cultural heritage significance so that it will be protected for posterity.

“The REB & Carlton Gardens was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2004 as a site of Outstanding Universal Value that met Criterion (ii):

to exhibit an important interchange of human values, over a span of time or within a cultural area of the world, on developments in architecture or technology, monumental arts, town-planning or landscape design.” (draft Review)

This needs to be the focus of works, plans and management of REB&CG and the WHEA. In consideration of the UNESCO World Heritage listing of the outstanding universal value of the place (above), in view of the on-going changes required to urban environments and gathering in the post-Covid world, given the recent example of the removal of ‘Liverpool – Maritime Mercantile City’ from the UNESCO World Heritage list due to damaging impacts of developments on attributes and authenticity and considering the 1 September 2020 Future Melbourne Committee unanimous resolution to review, centralise and re-prioritise council’s management of Heritage places and parklands, it is suggested a Heritage Manager from council should appropriately be the City of Melbourne representative on the REB&CG WH review committee from now.

The **Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show** is not mentioned in this report. However, as it is an event managed by the City of Melbourne it is timely to remind council that this event needs to be reviewed for its impacts on the heritage values of the place, the Carlton Gardens, which has been its venue in the past including signage, impact on green landscaped heritage garden spaces, views and vistas to and from key parts of the REB&CG, which are significant and are now proposed to be given expanded protection. In the post-Covid world major changes need to be made in relation to this event, both considerable adaptations to its conduct, format and infrastructure and re-considerations of venue. Covid safety and lockdown needs are to have the parks and garden spaces, including Carlton Gardens, available for the public to use in distanced, greenspace, accessible Covid-safe ways, and with lockdowns and restrictions set to be a feature of life for some years to come, it would not be right to deprive the community of its open use as a greenspace park and garden. To close off Carlton Gardens for an event, including for that event, would be unacceptable. Consideration could be given to moving this event with Covid-world adaptations to, for example, the Showgrounds.

This is listed in the WH review public consultation documentation: “Many people want: *re-locating MIFGS to avoid damage to Carlton Gardens*”.

Outstanding Value to Melbourne

REB&CG is a unique and valuable asset for Melbourne, for Victoria, for Australia, in the world. It is the first and only UNESCO world heritage site in Melbourne. It was Victoria’s first world heritage site.

We have a duty of care to preserve REB & CG for posterity and to ensure the management plans developed and put in place, including for the Environs or Buffer Zone, are effective and respected. As outlined in the HV draft review, the WHEA is a critical and essential part of this protection.

“For the purposes of effective protection of the nominated property, a buffer zone is an area surrounding the nominated property which has complementary legal and/or customary restrictions placed on its use and development to give an added layer of protection to the property. This should include the immediate setting of the nominated property, important views and other areas or attributes that are functionally important as a support to the property and its protection.”

“Monuments and heritage sites are the rich essence of diversity and reflection of our culture”.

“Maintaining one’s culture, values and traditions is beyond price. ”

Getano Lui, jnr, Councillor, Torres Straits Islands

“Preservation is in the business of saving communities and the values they embody.” Richard Moe, National Trust for Historic Preservation, USA

“Preserve cultural heritage, it defines the national identity of a country”.

17 Apr 2020 <https://whc.unesco.org/en/about/>

“Heritage is our legacy from the past, what we live with today, and what we pass on to future generations. Our cultural and natural heritage are both irreplaceable sources of life and inspiration.”

Ref. The Burra Charter: The Australia ICOMOS Charter for Places of Cultural Significance, 2013:

Page 3: “**Why conserve?**”

*Places of cultural significance enrich people’s lives, often providing a deep and inspirational sense of connection to community and landscape, to the past and to lived experiences. They are historical records, that are important expressions of Australian identity and experience. Places of cultural significance reflect the diversity of our communities, telling us about who we are and the past that has formed us and the Australian landscape. They are **irreplaceable and precious.**”*

“Article 2. Conservation and management

2.1 Places of cultural significance should be conserved.

2.2 The aim of conservation is to retain the cultural significance of a place.

2.3 Conservation is an integral part of good management of places of cultural significance.

2.4 Places of cultural significance should be safeguarded and not put at risk or left in a vulnerable state.”

Conservation Principles, Article 3, guidelines decisions, urging a “Article 3. **Cautious approach:** “3.1 *Conservation is based on a respect for the existing fabric, use, associations and meanings. It requires a cautious approach of changing as much as necessary but as little as possible.*”

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission.

Sincerely,

B. McNicholas

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Submission to Future Melbourne Committee 21/09/2021

World Heritage Environs Area Draft Strategy Plan

Submission by Protectors of Public Lands Victoria Inc. (PPLVic.Inc)

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World Heritage in Melbourne is extremely important. Neglecting the impacts of nearby development can devalue and put at risk the World Heritage status of the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens. There are already grave concerns about the WH status of the Great Barrier Reef. Bleaching events and climate change have taken a toll. There are also concerns about the status of the Blue Mountains with issues of huge areas burned in bushfires and the issues of the Warragamba Dam. In addition there are UNESCO issues concerning tourism development in the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area.

Our World Heritage of the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens could also be under threat if inappropriate and too tall development goes ahead near it.

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Maritime Mercantile City. This was due to lack of overall management of new developments, important views from the property and buffer zone not being valued and “lack of clearly established maximum heights for new developments, for the backdrops of the World Heritage areas as well as the waterfront.” They have disregarded the requirements under the World Heritage Convention.

It is therefore extremely important for the City of Melbourne to ensure adequate protections of the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens. The current planning provisions have been partially successful in protecting the heritage value of the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens (REB&CG’s), however they could be further enhanced in order to protect this extremely important UNESCO World Heritage site.

We agree with Heritage Victoria that mandatory height controls along Rathdowne St. are needed in order to protect the dominance of the REB, and we consider these heights should be mandatory height limits, and be primarily preferably be low scale so as not to reduce or degrade views to and from the dome.

We also agree to the adding of mandatory height controls in the residential area to the north. In addition, mandatory height controls are needed in the south in order to limit large and tall developments.

We also recommend the extending the WHEA boundary to the west and south in the City of Melbourne.

We also agree that the grounds of the Royal Society site, directly opposite the Carlton Gardens should have a mandatory site limit as it is in a very sensitive location. We believe it should be low scale, no taller than the Royal Society building, in order to not compete for attention with the REB nor the Victorian Heritage Registered Royal Society building and preserve views to and from the dome. This building and the area near it is very important for science and philosophy in Victoria and of immense historical interest.

Concerning the Number 4. Revisions of WHEA Statement of Significance (SoS), we agree it could be incorporated in the Melbourne Planning Scheme so that it can be taken into account in all planning decisions.

PPL Victoria Inc. agree that the distinction between the areas of lesser and greater sensitivity be removed.

In addition we agree with nominating the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria, (Number 5) as the determining Referral Authority, especially for larger scales of development. There is a development bias within the City of Melbourne that may well at times override the heritage factors within the City of Melbourne.

Thank you for considering these issues.

Submission by Fiona Bell

Deputy President Protectors of Public Lands Victoria Inc.

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The historic centre of **Vienna, Austria** has been on the **Danger list** since 2017 with its UNESCO World Heritage listing, due to high rise construction, lack of effective overall governance and inappropriate planning controls.

Also on the **Danger List since 2012** but now, on 21/7/2021 stripped of its World Heritage status, is **Liverpool Maritime Mercantile City**. This was due to lack of overall management of new developments, important views from the property and buffer zone not being valued and “**lack of clearly established maximum heights for new developments**, for the backdrops of the World Heritage areas as well as the waterfront.” They have disregarded the requirements under the World Heritage Convention.

It is therefore extremely important for the City of Melbourne to ensure adequate protections of the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens. The current planning provisions have been partially successful in protecting the heritage value of the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens REB&CG's), however they could be further enhanced in order to protect this extremely important UNESCO World Heritage site.

We agree with Heritage Victoria that **mandatory** height controls along Rathdowne St. are needed in order to protect the dominance of the REB, and we consider these heights should be mandatory height limits, and be primarily preferably be low scale so as not to reduce or degrade views to and from the dome.

We also agree to the adding of **mandatory** height controls in the residential area to the north. In addition, mandatory height controls are needed in the south in order to limit large and tall developments.

We also recommend the extending the WHEA boundary to the west and south in the City of Melbourne.

We also agree that the grounds of the Royal Society site, directly opposite the Carlton Gardens should have a mandatory site limit as it is in a very sensitive location. We believe it should be low scale, no taller than the Royal Society building, in order to not compete for attention with the REB nor the Victorian Heritage Registered Royal Society building and preserve views to and from the dome. This building and the area near it is very important for science and philosophy in Victoria and of immense historical interest.

Concerning the Number 4. Revisions of WHEA Statement of Significance (SoS), we agree it could be incorporated in the Melbourne Planning Scheme so that it can be taken into account in all planning decisions.

PPL Victoria Inc. agree that the distinction between the areas of lesser and greater sensitivity be removed.

In addition we agree with nominating the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria, (Number 5) as the determining Referral Authority, especially for larger scales of development. There is a development bias within the City of Melbourne that may well at times override the heritage factors within the City of Melbourne.

Thank you for considering these issues.

Submission by Fiona Bell

Deputy President Protectors of Public Lands Victoria Inc.

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Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network (MMHN) urges Council to support the management recommendations

MMHN is pleased to note the study acknowledges the unique heritage Status of the Mission to Seafarers (MtoS) and the Yarra waterway.

We applaud the Council's prudent and cautious approach to the re-development of the MtoS.

MMHN is pleased the study recognises the opportunity to elevate the status of maritime heritage by creating a heritage precinct aligned with the Greenline project through Seafarers Rest Park and the adjacent MtoS building

We feel this heritage precinct should extend to incorporate the entire Victoria Harbour precinct

MMHN is also pleased to see reference to benefits which would flow from the establishment of a Maritime Experience Centre at Victoria Harbour

Finally, as Lead of the MMHN Tourism Special ADvisory Group it is encouraging to note that the study recognises the opportunity Melbourne has to extract tourism value and wider public benefit from our rich maritime heritage not only with the recommended Maritime Precinct but also in Victoria Harbour with a Maritime Experience Centre and a new ferry terminal to provide the activation that Docklands and indeed, Melbourne so urgently needs.

Hon Martin Dixon

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MMHN

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Melbourne Maritime Heritage Precinct and Mission to Seafarers

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Melbourne Maritime Heritage Precinct and Mission to Seafarers

OSSA is very mindful of the extent of work behind producing this paper and supports the management recommendations and encourages Councillors to also give their support. We hope Council will be persuasive in inducing State Govt to both restore and update this wonderful building which is iconic to Melbourne and its maritime heritage. In doing so the building will be able to be more fully optimised cementing it as a maritime hub and continuing its invaluable welfare service to seafarers.

OSSA has had its base in the building since our formation 5 years ago. During this time we have held a weekly meeting (when Covid allowed) and many exhibits and events there. The significance of the building and its connection to seafarers and the ships they served on is unique as our members and guests consistently tell us. We have been proud to have our Australian headquarters in the building and look forward to many more years in the future.

The Study clearly acknowledges the value of maritime heritage in this Port City of Melbourne – the economic prosperity of which has been generated by maritime trade – and most importantly - the work of seafarers in the past and still.

In considering this work, OSSA is reassured that provision of welfare services to seafarers has never been questioned - it is integral to the heritage status of the Mission to Seafarers building. OSSA notes there is no financial risk to the CofM in supporting this activity. However OSSA supports the need for government funding to assist with the provision of these essential services throughout Australia in a similar manner to that of New Zealand where a levy is imposed on shipping.

OSSA is pleased to see reference in the Study to benefits which would flow from the establishment of a Maritime Experiential centre at Victoria Harbour which would enable the public to more fully understand the breadth of maritime endeavour – research, innovation, operations etc and its contribution to our future prosperity. Such a Centre, together with the proposed Ferry terminal would obviously serve to enliven the languishing Docklands Precinct.

OSSA believes that the major impact of this Study is that it clearly signals to Melbourne City Council to acknowledge – perhaps for the first time - that Melbourne is a port city. A great maritime city. This Study indicates that the CofM is signalling to the State Govt. for them to recognise, and take pride in this also. Appropriate renovation and management of the Mission to Seafarers will enable Melbourne to properly celebrate this heritage.

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6.4 Melbourne Maritime Heritage Precinct and Mission to Seafarers – Feasibility and Business Case – Final Report

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Mission to Seafarers Victoria (MtSV) appreciates the opportunity to be actively involved in consultations supporting a maritime heritage precinct. MtSV reminds Council that the Mission to Seafarers heritage buildings continue to serve their primary purposes – delivering welfare to all visiting seafarers and raising funds as a social enterprise to do that. MtSV looks forward to those purposes being met through the buildings, alongside other community and heritage activities.

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The Yarra River Business Association represents 160 businesses in the Lower Yarra River (Yarra River Precinct). It is run by a Board and executive team of specialists.

Congratulations to the City of Melbourne and its consultants on the production of such a thorough review of the maritime heritage concepts put forward by various groups in recent years.

The maritime heritage of Melbourne, and specifically how it has contributed to the development of the city, has been long neglected, especially in the developments of Southbank and Docklands during the past 20–30 years. To help overcome this deficit, this Association installed a series of interpretative panels on both banks around 2005.

The potential blending of maritime heritage and modern amenity to meet the needs of the local and visitor market is best exemplified in the South Wharf heritage development. We are also hoping that the Riverlee/Northwharf development, incorporating the Seafarers Rest and the Mission to Seafarers, will complement South Wharf by providing living insight into how our city has developed, blended with facilities to cater for today's residents and visitors.

We are firmly of the view that the interpretation and presentation of our maritime heritage is best achieved through sympathetic and tasteful design of modern amenities

that have everyday use. We do not believe that in Melbourne City there is sufficient market demand for a stand-alone maritime heritage museum, especially as that is already available within the Williamstown Seaport project. As the consultants' report indicates, maritime heritage is a relatively niche area of cultural tourism.

The report's strong recommendation for a maritime heritage trail aligns with this Association's Five Year Strategy to achieve a strong maritime heritage theming for the western end of our precinct (ie South Wharf, Polly Woodside, North Wharf, Mission to Seafarers, Collins Landing).

This grouping provides the quantity and quality of maritime heritage 'product' to sustain a visitor attraction of some note. The loop nature of a trail also accords with the way that most visitors experience a themed tourism product.

Themed walks are harder to develop and certainly much harder to promote when they are stretched over considerable distance and when they link sparsely located sites of interest.

For this reason, we would advise against a potential 5km maritime trail between Princes Bridge and Docklands. Rather, we would suggest that the 5km trail be developed and promoted simply as a environmentally-focused walking path.

As part of that trail, separately looped sub-trails could focus on specific themes, such as the indigenous way of life pre-settlement (Princes Bridge to Spencer St), and the post settlement to 1920s maritime heritage (South Wharf, Australia Wharf, Seafarers, the Mission, Collins Landing). A separate looped trail could be developed for Docklands which highlights the more modern aspects of our maritime history. Development Victoria has already produced an excellent audio tour of the area on this theme.

Our experience shows that this approach would present it as more appetising 'bite' size trails that visitors can enjoy and which accord with the more limited time they have available and the distances they are willing to walk. Of course, for those with the time and walking ability, the entire 5km Greenline trail would provide an excellent activity.

The infrastructure and interpretation for a South Wharf-North Wharf maritime themed loop trail already exists. We would welcome the opportunity to work with Council on developing this as the first of the themed loops that could form part of the overall Greenline trail experience.

Once again, thank you for the initiative to conduct the investigation and congratulations on the quality of the output.

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Agenda item title: Vaccination passports in Melbourne

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Dear Councillors, 20/9/2021

As an Australian. Melbournian mother and grandmother I ask you to consider the introduction of Rapid PCR Testing so that ALL citizens in this DEMOCRATIC country can be included in the easing of CO_VID restrictions and thus have the FREEDOM to enter ALL public places.eg. museums, theatres, cinemas, pubs, shops, schools, places if worship etc.. It is very distressing to witness the violence that is erupting on the streets in this once beautiful and good living city. I say once, because beauty and goodness have to be lived in the deepest way possible. At the moment this is not happening. Instead we are seeing brother fighting brother. Is this what we as Australians want o become ? We usually pride ourselves on not discriminating.on accepting everyone_ eg. race, religion, sex_ and yet a great discrimination is being considered,that of curbing an individual's right to have a choice of when and where they go, and in so doing, in some cases , directly effecting their ability to work and provide for themselves and their family. Shame that this has come to such a closed and narrow place. I urge you to recommend that the Rapid PCR Testing be introduced (as is successfully happening overseas), thereby allowing ALL citizens, not a select part of the population, to be able to live in this city and country in the manner their constitution states. Please take courage and commit yourselves to this democratic decision. Do the right thing and help restore Melbourne to the beautiful and good living place it once was. I thank you for listening and pray that you will follow your hearts. Warm Regards
Susan Gould

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Dear Councillors, I am writing to request this be read out at your meet when the discussion of vaccination passports in Melbourne precinct is discussed. Melbourne is an amazing city made up of citizens from all walks of life, diversity in all forms in which creates a rich and colourful cultural fabric of our city. Melbourne citizens do not discriminate against people of different ethnicity, religions, political views, health status, disability, gender status. That is not who we are. We are a group of people that value our culture, cafes, art, music, and of course coffee. We all know that everybody is desperate to "get back to normal" and support our dear valued business, and all of our cultural norms. How can we do this and support each and every person in our city? One thing Melbourne can do in which has proven very successful in Europe is to offer rapid testing for unvaccinated citizens. This enables all citizens to be part of society in a safe and valued way. I am asking you to be the city that can show this country how we are inclusive and do not discriminate against any citizens. Warmest Regards Jessica Moyes

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Agenda item title: 6.5 Night Time Economy Advisory Committee

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Dear City of Melbourne Meeting Group Team

This is a written response in regards to Agenda Item 6.5 Night Time Economy Advisory Committee.

First, thanks for the time and effort that City of Melbourne, the Lord Mayor and Councillors and staff are putting in to help the musicians, music industry, bars , restaurants, cafes ,clubs. The night time economy.

This is an idea that has merit and is worth discussing. With a room full of vaccinated people, density levels should be at normal levels.

Look at the UK. Reading and Leeds 2021 Music Festival goes ahead, 90,000 people attend jam-packed and having fun.

Victoria is way behind the rest of the world. We were ranked 74th for Vaccination rates by country a month ago.

The exit strategy out of lockdown is too conservative too risk averse.

How does the death rate of normal flu 2015– 2019 compare with Covid-19 death rate 2020–2021??

An approach of lifting targets from 70 to 80 per cent vaccination rates before things open up is mean spirited.

They're opening up the airways between the US and the UK.

The passe solitaire was debated months ago, months ago in Frances National Assembly (Parliament).

Dutch Grand Prix had 70000 people packed into a racetrack by a beach at Zandvoort cheering on their hero Max Verstappen.

Daniel Ricciardo wins the Italian Grand Prix, but he has no Australian Grand Prix to race at. Because of a lack of vision.

Kudos to City of Melbourne for having the guts and vision to try and think positive and get Melbourne back up to speed with the rest of the world.

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Discussion of mandatory covid vaccine

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Dear Councillors,

Please consider choosing to create an inclusive society based on core values that are not discriminatory. Never in history has segregation or discrimination been a positive thing. Please consider rapid testing as an alternative to the proposed draconian mandate. Every human should have the right to choice what happens to their body, participate in society and have the right to work, feed and provide for themselves.

Regards,

Louise Conboy

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Rapid testing

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I wish to put forward a case for rapid testing in stead of mandatory vacation. The uses of rapid testing is proven in many countries in the EU and we should not have any exclusion for people that are not vacated

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