## APPENDIX 1 RELEVANT DOCUMENTS AND POLICIES

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### Landscape Assessment, Docklands
- **Year**: March 2009
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### Landscape Assessment, Docklands
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### Melbourne Docklands ESD Guide
- **Year**: 2006
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### Melbourne Docklands Sustainability Sites
- **Year**: 2010
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### Melbourne Docklands Tree Strategy
- **Year**: 2009
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### Melbourne Docklands Wayfinding Signage Manual
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### Melbourne Docklands Wind Mitigation Guidelines
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### Melbourne Open Space Strategy
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### Parking Strategy for Docklands
- **Year**: 2008
- **Location**: City of Melbourne
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Place and Community
- **Year**: 2006
- **Location**: VicUrban
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Places for Everyone
- **Year**: 2002
- **Location**: Melbourne Docklands/City of Melbourne
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Port Interface Landscape Masterplan
- **Year**: 2012
- **Location**: Port of Melbourne Corporation
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Moonee Ponds Creek Strategic Plan
- **Year**: 2010
- **Location**: Moonee Ponds Creek Coordination Committee
- **Type**: Draft

### The Hub of Victoria: A history of Melbourne Docklands
- **Year**: 1996
- **Location**: Melbourne Docklands
- **Type**: Endorsed

### The Victorian Transport Plan
- **Year**: 2008
- **Location**: Department of Transport
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Transport Strategy Planning for Future Growth
- **Year**: 2012
- **Location**: City of Melbourne
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Two Rivers Strategy: The Yarra and the Maribyrnong
- **Year**: 2008
- **Location**: Parks Victoria
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Urban Forest Strategy
- **Year**: 2012
- **Location**: City of Melbourne
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Conservation Management Plan
- **Year**: 2012
- **Location**: City of Melbourne
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### Victoria Harbour Docklands
- **Year**: 2012
- **Location**: City of Melbourne, Places Victoria
- **Type**: Endorsed

### Water Traffic Modelling Study
- **Year**: 2010
- **Location**: City of Melbourne
- **Type**: Endorsed
The recommendations outlined in the Docklands Public Realm Plan have been informed by an understanding of many relevant spatial, socio-economic and environmental factors. The design of excellent public spaces and streets requires consideration of conditions beyond the immediate site boundary. Appendix 2 of this Plan includes selected background material in a mapped summary format.

Heritage
Docklands has a rich physical and social history intimately linked to the waterways, including pre-settlement and post-settlement communities. Maritime heritage in Docklands provides a direct insight into the foundation of the city.

The low-lying land and its proximity to the city and river supported industry, seafaring and railway related-activity. Heritage buildings and remnants of this industrial past remain.

The integration and reuse of heritage buildings such as goods sheds enrich the diversity of the built form in Docklands. Wharves, mooring bollards and rail lines also contribute to the sense of place and yet few have statutory protection.

There is a concentration of port heritage at the western end of Victoria Harbour and railway heritage on the corner of Spencer and Collins streets (Batman’s Hill). Engaging the public in the site’s heritage stories is particularly important in these locations. Existing heritage interpretive signs provide valuable historical information.

Residential populations
In 2012, the estimated population of Docklands was around 7,000 people⁷ and approximately 40% of households were couples with no children and 37% were lone person households⁸. Residents and workers in Docklands are predominantly young people in the age range of 25–34 years⁹. This profile is expected to change over time as additional residential and community facilities are provided in Docklands. Children now make up about 8% of Docklands’ population and this will increase to about 10% in the next decade¹⁰.

Employment populations
In 2012, the estimated number of workers was around 25,000 people¹¹ with a forecast of 40,000 for 2020. There are concentrated catchments of service (finance, insurance, real estate) employee populations in the Victoria Harbour area and retail employees in the Harbour Town area.

¹ City of Melbourne Census of Land Use and Employment.
³ Ibid.
⁴ Ibid.
⁵ City of Melbourne Census of Land Use and Employment.
⁶ City of Melbourne Census of Land Use and Employment.
Visitors
Visitor surveys (City of Melbourne, 2009) indicate that almost half of the visitors to Docklands are first-time visitors. The main public spaces used by visitors are the waterfront promenades, Docklands Park and NewQuay Central.

City growth areas
Docklands is the largest forecast population of several urban renewal and growth areas planned for Melbourne’s long-term future including Arden Macaulay, City North, E-Gate (red) and Fishermans Bend with four precincts (magenta).

Melbourne Open Space context
This Plan coincides with the release of the Melbourne open space Strategy (2012). The directions for all Melbourne precincts include:

- maintain and expand a quality open space network
- provide distributed open space within easy walking distances
- improve community health and wellbeing
- additional Capital City open spaces in urban renewal areas
- additional Municipal open spaces in urban renewal areas, including Docklands
- urban heat island mitigation and environmental improvements.

The Melbourne open space Strategy (2012) provides specific directions and recommendations for Docklands including:

- improvements along the Moonee Ponds Creek corridor
- provision of convenient small local open spaces
- provision of new Municipal open space with community sports and recreation facility
- continued waterfront links to enhance access to key public spaces.

Other key policy context documents are referenced throughout this document and listed in Appendix 1.
Waterways: harbour, river, creek
Docklands addresses three significant public waterfronts: Victoria Harbour, Moonee Ponds Creek and the Yarra River. This ‘blue space’ makes up 44 hectares of the Docklands area.

Considerations for water-related design include:
• tidal variations
• silting, particularly the Yarra River bed
• designated uses: berths, fairways, events, transport
• conditions of remnant infrastructure (wharves, piers)
• water ecology
• land access
• governance
• ownership arrangements.

Ground level uses – public realm interface
Ground and first-level uses have a significant impact on public spaces. Animated uses that engage positively with public streets, waterways and spaces are encouraged.

Fig 6.06 Victoria Harbour, Moonee Ponds Creek, and Yarra River.

Fig 6.07 Existing ground-level uses, 2010.
Active and passive recreation

Active recreation refers to organised sporting activities, programmed recreational activities, health and fitness and structured play spaces.

Passive recreation refers to informal and unstructured activities including social gatherings and the provision of spaces for quiet reflection. Generally does not require physical infrastructure or programming.

Current active recreation in public spaces within Docklands includes two structured play spaces and organised public boating events (dragon boat racing and yacht school).

Public space activities – land

The following is a summary of existing activities in key public spaces in Docklands and nearby Royal Park, Flagstaff Gardens and Westgate Park.