

Record of Proceedings

Melbourne 2030 Implementation Reference Group (IRG), Meeting 17

1 June 2006, 2:00pm – 4:15pm, Level 4, 8 Nicholson Street, East Melbourne

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1. WELCOME TO MEMBERS, APOLOGIES AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Chair welcomed IRG members and departmental observers to the meeting and noted the apologies received. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 April 2006 were accepted.

2. MELBOURNE 2030 IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

The Executive Director of the Strategy Development Division (DSE) gave a verbal update on current activities. Matters discussed included:

- Growth Areas Authority establishment and role
- *Meeting our Transport Challenges* (the Transport Liveability Statement).
- Urban Development Program – 2006 Forums
- Regional Housing Statements
- Out of centre retail guidelines
- Melbourne 2030 policy 9.3 commitment:
“*Melbourne 2030* must be assessed against new or emerging trends. Minor changes to it may occur at any time, while formal reviews – with full community involvement – will be carried out at five-year intervals to assimilate these minor changes and to check whether major change is needed.”

Members provided preliminary feedback on the approach and scope of this review.

3. MEMBERS BRIEF ‘PERSPECTIVES’ PRESENTATIONS

At the February meeting it was agreed that members would provide an overview of their organisation’s viewpoint in relation to Melbourne 2030. Representatives from the Development Industry, Save Our Suburbs, Victorian Council of Social Service and the Property Council of Australia provided overviews.

4. REPORT BACK ON ‘CHALLENGES TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ACTIVITY CENTRE POLICY’

The Director of the Policy Development Branch (Strategy Development Division, DSE) gave a report back on initiatives to address the Group’s report *Challenges to the implementation of the activity centre policy*.

Matters discussed included:

- Structure Planning Practice Note
- Development of a Targeted Help Program for councils
- Transit Cities Coordination Committee

- Initiatives under way to streamline the planning process: Out-of-Centre Assessment criteria, Priority Development Panel etc
- Improved access to Integrated Transport Plans and Travel Smart programs
- Regional Housing Statements and initiatives to address housing constraints
- Work with MAV to implement sustainability principles
- Demonstration projects (e.g. Proposition 3047 design competition in Broadmeadows)
- Initial report of the Streamlining the Planning Process – Cutting Red Tape Review.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

6. MEETING CLOSED at 4:14pm

7. SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

Item Number	Action	By Whom
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Members to provide comments to DSE by 30 June 2006 on the review of Melbourne 2030.	Members
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DSE to provide a report to the Group later in 2006 on actions undertaken against each priority in the report <i>Challenges to the implementation of the activity centre policy</i>.	DSE