

Planning Panels Victoria

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30 April 2024

Dear Party

## Precincts Standing Advisory Committee – Referral 1: Fishermans Bend Infrastructure Funding Planning Scheme Amendment

The Committee held a second Directions Hearing for the above matter on 30 April 2024 to consider a request from DTP Precincts to adjourn the Hearing until mid October 2024 (at the earliest).

The Committee has determined to **grant** the request to adjourn the Hearing set down for 27 May 2024, noting that:

- DTP Precincts had explored a range of options for keeping the current hearing dates, including whether anyone else from Mesh Consultants or DTP Precincts was able to step in for Ms Fisher, and none of those options were considered practical.
- The adjournment request was supported by City of Melbourne, City of Port Phillip, Melbourne Water and APA, subject to the Hearing being reconvened at dates convenient to the parties and their experts.
- Both City of Melbourne and City of Port Phillip indicated they need further information from DTP Precincts to properly prepare their cases, and an adjournment would allow more time for that information to be provided and properly considered by the Councils and their experts.
- No party objected to the adjournment.

The Committee's directions dated 18 April 2024, including the Hearing commencement date of 27 May 2024, are vacated.

The Committee will convene a third Directions Hearing as soon as possible to consider revised Hearing dates and directions for the conduct of the Hearing.

Parties are directed to:

- advise Planning Panels Victoria as soon as possible of dates in the weeks of 6 May, 13 May and 20 May they are **not** available for a third Directions Hearing (parties should allow 2 hours for the third Directions Hearing)
- advise Planning Panels Victoria and the parties in writing at least 2 business days before the third Directions Hearing (date to be confirmed) of:
  - any concerns with DTP Precincts' proposed timetable and procedural steps set out in Harwood Andrews' letter dated 29 April 2024, along with proposed alternatives
  - any further directions the parties intend to seek
  - availability constraints between 14 October 2024 and 20 December 2024 for a reconvened hearing.

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If you have questions, please contact Planning Panels Victoria on (03) 8508 0888 or <u>planning.panels@delwp.vic.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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Sarah Carlisle Committee Chair