Golf Course Redevelopment – Standing Advisory Committee

Public Briefing | 12 September 2019

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Terms of Reference
Signed 11 August 2019 – outline the role of the Advisory Committee and the method through which it will undertake its work

The Advisory Committee is comprised of the following Members:

• Lester Townsend (Chair)
• Geoff Underwood (Deputy Chair)
• Michael Malouf
• Shelley McGuinness
• Gabby McMillan

More information about the members can be found by reading biographies on the Engage Victoria website.
Purpose (Clause 5):

Part 1 - ‘to review the draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment, which includes a decision-making framework that will be used to assess proposals for the future redevelopment of surplus golf course land primarily within metropolitan Melbourne and advise how the guidelines can be given effect in the Victorian Planning Systems’

Part 2 - ‘advise whether proposals for the rezoning of golf course land within the Urban Growth Boundary of metropolitan Melbourne to facilitate redevelopment for urban purposes satisfy the planning guidelines and are consistent with state and local policy.’
Recognising golf course land within Urban Growth Boundary may be considered for rezoning, the Government seeks to ensure new proposals for redevelopment are assessed according to consistent criteria outlined in a planning decision-making framework.

The Advisory Committee process will occur in two parts – currently in Part 1 of the process.
Part 1: Review of draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment

Scope

- The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) has prepared draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment (clause 16).

- The Advisory Committee is to provide advice on the draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment (clause 17).
Advisory Committee Process

Stage 1 - Exhibition (Current)

- Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) gave notice of draft Planning Guidelines inviting written submissions within a 20 business-day exhibition period (clause 18)
Submissions

• Public Briefing provides an overview of the draft guidelines and information on the Advisory Committee process

• Submissions collected by Planning Panels Victoria (clause 35) and will be made publicly available online after the submission period closes
Stage 2 - Workshops

- *May* conduct workshops or forums to explore issues or other matters *(clause 19 and clause 37)*

- Any workshops or forums will be held in public *(clause 19 and clause 37)*
Stage 3 - Outcomes

Produce a report which provides (clause 20):

- An assessment of the draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment and decision-making framework including any recommended changes

- An assessment of submissions about the Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment

- Recommendations on how the guidelines could be operationalised in the Victorian Planning System

- A list of people who made submissions considered by the Advisory Committee and a list of people consulted or heard
Stage 3 - Outcomes

Required to submit its report as soon as practicable but:
• No later than 40 business days from the collection of submissions

or

• 20 business days from the completion of workshop or forums

(clause 43)
Part 2: Review of redevelopment proposals

Referral
• Redevelopment proposals can be referred to the Advisory Committee by the Minister for Planning (or delegate)

• May be in the form of changes to the planning scheme or a combined planning scheme amendment or planning permit (clause 21 – 24).

No redevelopment proposals have been referred to this Advisory Committee yet.

Scope
The scope of the Advisory Committee in Part 2 is outlined in Clause 25.
The process for Part 2 is outlined in the Committees Terms of Reference.

If a proposal is referred to the Advisory Committee from the Minister for Planning (or delegate) Part 2 includes:

• **Stage 1 – Exhibition** - DELWP will give notice of the proposal for at least 30 business days.

• **Stage 2 – Public Hearing** - The Committee will carry out a public hearing and provide all submitters with an opportunity to be heard.

• **Stage 3 - Report** - Committee to produce a written report to the Minister for Planning as soon as practicable but no later than 40 business days from completion of its hearings.
Navigating Engage Victoria

The Advisory Committee’s website, available through Engage Victoria, hosts all relevant documentation and provides the most up to date information

Introduction

Golf is one of Australia’s most popular organised recreational activities. The sport is experiencing big changes in demand. Overall, traditional golf club membership is in decline and clubs are facing changing leisure patterns and increasing operating costs. Some golf clubs have been forced to merge or close. This trend has drawn developer interest in golf course land.

Recognising that golf course land, especially within Melbourne’s Urban Growth Boundary may be considered for rezoning, the Victorian Government seeks to ensure new proposals for redevelopment are assessed according to consistent criteria outlined in a planning decision-making framework.

Golf Course Redevelopment Standing Advisory Committee

The Advisory Committee was appointed in August 2019 to review and provide the Minister for Planning advice on draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment and advise on proposals for redevelopment of golf courses within the Urban Growth Boundary limits.
Part 1 Standing Advisory Committee Process: Review of draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment

View the proposal – draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment

The draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment (August 2019) prepared by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) can be viewed here:

Draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment (PDF)
PDF (5.39 MB)

Draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment (Word)
MS Word (31.93 KB)
**Stage 1 – Exhibition and submissions**

You are invited to make a submission to the Advisory Committee on the draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment. Submissions may address any matter relevant to the draft Planning Guidelines, including whether the draft Guidelines are supported or objected to or any recommended changes.

Submissions are invited over a 20 business day period.

**Make your Submission**

Submissions opened on 2 September 2019. Submissions can be made until 5.00pm on 30 September 2019 using the form below.

Please contact Planning Panels Victoria on 8392 5120 if you would like to make a hard-copy submission or have issues with this form.

**Public Briefing**

A public briefing will be held at 10.00am on Thursday 12 September 2019 at Planning Panels Victoria, located on the Ground Floor (just past the security desk) at 1 Spring Street, Melbourne in Hearing Room 1.

The purpose of the briefing will be for DELWP to present an overview of the background and work done on the planning for Golf Strategy and the draft Planning Guidelines for Golf Course Redevelopment.

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**Stage 2 - Workshops**

At the close of exhibition, the Advisory Committee will consider the submissions received and may conduct workshops or forums with submitters to explore issues or other matters. Any workshops or forums held will be public and could be with all or groups of submitters.

If workshops or forums are held these will be informal and will likely take place in the week beginning the 21 October 2019.

The Advisory Committee will advise if any workshops or forums are held and the dates and locations of these, shortly after the close of exhibition.

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**Stage 3 – Report**

The Advisory Committee is required to submit its report to the Minister for Planning as soon as practicable but no later than 40 business days from the collection of submissions or 20 business days from the completion of workshop or forums.
Collection notice

Please note that your submission will be treated in accordance with the Privacy Collection Statement (which can be accessed through Document Library) which will include placing your submission on this website, providing it to other parties (the Proponent (if applicable), each relevant council and the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning) and displaying it in the workshops or forums. Submissions may also be provided to other submitters upon request. You should not include any other personal information in the body of your submission, such as addresses, email and phone details, unless that information can be made publicly available. You can request access to your personal information held by the Department by contacting the Freedom of Information Unit on (03) 9637 8186 or FOLUnit@delwp.vic.gov.au

Make your submission

☐ I have read the Privacy Collection Statement Required

☐ I agree for a copy of my submission to be published in its entirety, on the Engage Victoria website or other Victorian Government website Required

☐ Where personal information about other people (including photos) is included in my submission, I have notified them of the contents of this Privacy Collection Notice and obtained their consent to their personal information being disclosed to DELWP. Required

☐ I am entitled to deal with the intellectual property rights (incl. copyright) of all material (both mine and any third party's) in my submission and have obtained necessary consent(s) from any and all third parties owning the copyright for such dealings. Required

Full Name Required

Organisation
If applicable. If not applicable just leave blank.

Address (Line 1) Required
Attaching submission and request to attend workshops

Add your submission Required
Type your submission into the text box. If your submission is more than 500 words, please upload your submission as an attachment below. Do not include any other personal information in the body of your submission, such as addresses, email and phone details, unless that information can be made publicly available.

Upload your submission and / or supporting documents
Files can be sent to us if they are in ZIP, PDF, DOC or DOCX formats. Files preferably should be less than 6 Mb in size but should be no bigger than 20 Mb in size.

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Following the close of submissions, the Advisory Committee may conduct workshops or forums to explore issues or other matters. If workshops or forums are held by the Committee would you be interested in attending?
Required
If workshops or forums are held these will be informal and will likely take place in the week beginning the 21 October 2019.

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You may now lodge your submission by pressing the button below. Please make sure all required fields are completed before submitting.
What about paper submissions?

- Lodgement of electronic submissions is strongly encouraged.
- If you do not have internet access, paper submissions are accepted but these **must** have a hard copy cover sheet which outlines the privacy information.
- Please see Amy Selvaraj, Senior Project Officer, for a paper cover sheet, or contact Ms Selvaraj at 8392 5120 Planning.Panels@delwp.vic.gov.au
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