

Request to be heard?: No

Precinct: General

Full Name: John Stansfield

Organisation:

Affected property:

Attachment 1:

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Comments: Dear Sirs, Without prejudice. I wish to object to the plan for a tram bridge across the Yarra from Collins St to Docklands and Fishermans bend which has been in and out of the plans from the start. It shouldn't be built at all. It is not just the Marina but the whole aesthetic of this beautiful area, which is one of the reasons I purchased here. The noise for the already built apartments, the restrictions to river transport are just a few of the reasons. The current plan shows the bridge causing an intersection across Lorimer St, an already far too busy road and aren't the present Government spending billions to remove such crossings? A longer term view would be to plan a tunnel to include tram and train and in the short term a bus and tram loop in Fishermans bend, linking back to a point on the tram line to Port Melbourne. You would need to change vehicles at this point or increase the schedule on the line to Port Melbourne. The over development of the new suburb, all we hear about is enormous large scale high rise! The buildings planned for 85 Lorimer St, are a perfect example and they are smaller than originally planned thanks to Mr Wynn. When does their permit run out? If they don't start construction can we make them apply under the new arrangements? When are we going to see some plans for low to medium buildings that are more inclusive? There are already many good points to cross the river for bicycles and pedestrians, you only need to travel a few hundred metres. Whilst there are still almost weekly criticisms of Docklands, something that has been happening since I came to Docklands almost ten years ago, those issues get worse as time goes on, we don't seem to learn. Look at all the buildings that weren't part of the original plans or framework. So far it seems to me that we are repeating the problems of Dockland, fivefold, and the only thing that seems to matter is development, at any cost! If we had a plan for a tunnel to link the city to Fisherman bend it could then continue on to cross under the river and provide much needed infrastructure for the west, which is needed. If we provide proper infrastructure "they" will come I hope you will consider my submission and thank you for the opportunity. I support the push for the OC's in Yarra's Edge to serve the government with a 300 to 500 million compensation claim should they decide to continue with the bridge proposal. Yours sincerely, John Stansfield.