Planning for Golf in Victoria

- Taskforce - two independent members and representatives from DELWP, Department of Health and Human Services and Golf Victoria


- 164 public submissions
Five challenges identified in discussion paper

- Participation challenge
- Membership challenge
- Supply and demand challenge
- Land use challenge
- Governance challenge
Step 1 – Is there strategic merit in the proposal?

Strategic planning policy issues must be considered, along with consistency with various state and local policies and relevant legislation.

✓ Plan Melbourne 2017-2050
✓ State and local Planning Policy Framework

State and local strategies:
✓ Open space strategy
✓ Housing strategy
✓ Active Victoria Framework
✓ Water for Victoria Plan
✓ Victorian 30-Year Infrastructure Plan
✓ Creating Places for People

Relevant legislation:
✓ Planning and Environment Act 1987
✓ Environment Protection Biodiversity and Conservation Act 1999
✓ Environment Effects Act 1978
✓ Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006
Step 2 – Are there particular site values or constraints?

Nature and values of site must be considered and whether there are environmental or other factors constraining development potential. If so, can these be adequately addressed or mitigated.

✓ High landscape value?
✓ Important biodiversity or wildlife assets?
✓ Part of wider greenspace or wildlife network?
✓ Aboriginal cultural heritage sensitivity?
✓ Provides public access and recreation opportunities?
✓ Provides private amenity value to neighbouring properties?
✓ History and origin of golf course; was land purchased by club, or previously public or gifted to club?
Step 3 – Does the proposal deliver net community benefit?

Assessment of the proposal should identify what other benefits might be provided by the development.

✓ Provides additional public open space, sports or recreational facilities?
✓ Delivers improved golf facilities with public access?
✓ Provides other social or community infrastructure such as libraries, medical or education facilities?
✓ Contributes to other strategic or local housing priorities such as provision of social housing, sheltered housing or crisis accommodation?
How to lodge a submission

Engage Victoria Website

Golf Course Redevelopment Standing Advisory Committee


Submissions close

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