

Request to be heard?: No - Copy of Directions and
Precinct: General

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Affected property:

Attachment 1:

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments: Re - fisherman's bend framework On behalf of Cycling Victoria and its members we wish to commend the taskforce of the framework to date and seek that it considers the impact on urban densification not just within the precinct but the adjacent sites through a lens of health, lifestyle and community connectedness. Of particular interest for cycling is the urgent need to establish a safe place to ride, race and train within urban Melbourne, a place that caters for all ages and all abilities and importantly is removed from the road. Urban sprawl and the shift to inner city living has had a significant impact on cycling and its traditional sharing of road infrastructure to host events. An impact that requires an urban design and infrastructure response to sustain cycling into the future. Captured within the St Kilda Cycling Clubs submission is a criterium track proposal that creates a place for the entire community to come together around an activity that is far more than a sport alone. Cycling is a life skill and a key mode of future sustainable transport a sport and a child's first mode of freedom however for the first time in history we have seen a decline in participation which has been linked to the following factors related to the development - Safety - research has indicated that this is a significant barrier to participation with many parents and schools actively deterring children from riding. The proposal creates a safe environment for this to occur Women's facilities - the lack of facilities is a significant issue as evidenced by a number of sports that are actively reshaping facilities to cater for women. Cycling traditionally excluding track racing has been devoid of even the most basic of facilities. The proposal creates a female friendly environment Proximity to facilities - with increased urban sprawl cyclist can no longer consume the sport within a reasonable catchment or a rideable distance. Urban cyclists are now required to travel over an hour to participate in on road racing. The proposal create a facility within a rideable distance. In summary the proposal creates a facility that represents a key community asset, encouraging a healthy lifestyle, creating a place for community connections and supporting sustainable transport options. We look forward to seeing the outcome of your deliberations. Yours Sincerely