

Highett Gasworks

Residential
Development Project



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Community Engagement

Development Victoria values public involvement in all our projects. The Highett Gasworks project is no different. We will work closely with the community to ensure future development of the site carefully balances project needs with what's important to the local community.

Planning for a development of this size is complicated. Many factors guide the different decisions that need to be made. Decisions such as:

- The number and diversity of housing options.
- How to make public spaces friendly and safe for all.
- Understanding and addressing the urban heat island effect.
- How to design adaptable ground floor spaces that encourage community interaction but can change with the times.
- Balancing development costs and benefits to the community.
- How best to respond to site constraints and challenges including car parking solutions.
- Minimising environmental impacts.

In this round of engagement, we will carefully consider your feedback along with technical assessments. We will report back to you on what we heard and how your feedback has influenced the project along the way.

In late 2020 we will undertake a second round of community engagement to seek feedback on draft Development Plan and identify how your feedback has been considered.

About the project

- We are now preparing a new Development Plan for the Highett Gasworks Site at 1136-1138 Nepean Highway, Highett.
- The Development Plan will guide the future changes on the site and provide the community with information about what can, and cannot happen on the site.
- Learn more about what is being planned at Highett Gasworks at the [project website](#).

What we know is important to the local community

Previous community engagement related to the site and local area led by State Government departments and Kingston City Council delivered a range of key themes which we will consider in the design process. These include:

Key themes to consider when preparing the Development Plan:

The need to plan for a growing population.

The need to provide more affordable and diverse housing options.

How taller buildings and increased population may impact where people live.

Trees, plants and green spaces to enhance public areas.

The ability to safely walk or ride a bike around the community.

The need for adequate parking, community facilities and services.

The desire to have nearby community facilities, public open space and local businesses such as cafés.

We have used these insights to help draft the key themes that we will be testing with you during the first phase of engagement between August and September 2020.

How to get involved

We value community involvement and feedback across all of our projects. We will work closely with the community to ensure future development of the site carefully balances project needs with what's important to the local community.

While our preference is for face-to-face consultation, due to COVID-19 we are currently undertaking all engagement activities online. This is consistent with the Victorian Government's public gathering restrictions in consideration of the safety and well-being of the community and our team.

There will be two opportunities to participate in the preparation of the Development Plan for the site. These are:

AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER 2020

Learn about the design process and provide feedback on key themes we are currently exploring for the site.

NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER 2020

Learn about the preferred option and provide feedback on the Development Plan.

We will provide clear information on the feedback we have collected after each phase of engagement. This will be published online and emailed to our mailing list.

Some of the ways people will be able to share their views on the project include:

- Attending online information sessions over the coming months.
- Visiting our [project website](#) to learn more about the project and provide feedback online.
- Call our project hotline to talk to a project team member.
- Sending us an [email](#) with your feedback or ideas.
- Registering your email to be kept up to date on the project.

Find more information

For more information about the Highett Gasworks Project and how you can provide feedback, please contact Development Victoria at:

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