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Dear Ms Weatherill

PROPOSED STONNINGTON PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT C316 MALVERN HERITAGE REVIEW

I refer to your council's application for authorisation to prepare an amendment to the Stonnington Planning Scheme. The amendment proposes to implement the findings of the Malvern Heritage Review through the application of permanent heritage controls and updating the strategic justification for places already within the Heritage Overlay.

Under delegation from the Minister for Planning, in accordance with section 8A of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* (the Act), I authorise your council as planning authority to prepare the amendment.

DELWP officers have made minor changes to the Explanatory Report. Please refer to the tracked changes copy sent to the planning officer.

The amendment must be submitted to the Minister for approval.

The authorisation to prepare the amendment is not an indication of whether or not the amendment will ultimately be supported.

Please note that [Ministerial Direction No. 15](#) sets times for completing steps in the planning scheme amendment process. This includes council:

- giving notice of the amendment within 40 business days of receiving authorisation; and
- before notice of the amendment is given, setting directions hearing and panel hearing dates with the agreement of Planning Panels Victoria. These dates should be included in the explanatory report ([Practice Note 77: Pre-setting panel hearing dates](#) provides information about this step).

The direction also sets out times for subsequent steps of the process following exhibition of the amendment.

The Minister may grant an exemption from requirements of this direction. Each exemption request will be considered on its merits. Circumstances in which an exemption may be appropriate are outlined in [Advisory Note 48: Ministerial Direction No.15 – the planning scheme amendment process](#).

In accordance with sections 17(3) and (4) of the Act, the amendment must be submitted to the Minister at least 10 business days before council first gives notice of the amendment.

Please submit the amendment electronically using the Amendment Tracking System (ATS).

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If you have any further queries in relation to this matter, please contact Meredith Gammie, Planner, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, on 03 8392 5482 or email meredith.gammie@delwp.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Close', written in a cursive style.

Jason Close
Manager
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