

We live in a fast moving world. Change is all around us. Sometimes it is hard to keep up. The coll-e-bulletin will keep you up to date with some of the latest news and information regarding urban planning, urban design and landscape architecture at Collie and in the industry.

The coll-e-bulletin will provide quick highlights of key issues. We know you haven't got time to labour through pages of information. If you want to know more about a particular topic then please give us a call.

We welcome feedback on the content and presentation of the coll-e-bulletin. Let us know what you think by emailing us at feedback@colliepl.com.au.

COLLIE WEB SITE

The successful launch of the new Collie web site has resulted in a range of generous compliments. If you haven't seen it, then we encourage you to check it out at www.colliepl.com.

Recent issues of the coll-e-bulletin will be archived on the web site. Queries about the web site should be directed to Jennifer Collie at feedback@colliepl.com.au.



OLD SCHOOL SK8 JAM AT POINT COOK SKATE PARK

Approximately 300 people attended the Old School SK8 Jam that was held at the recently completed Point Cook Skate Park on 13 February 2005. The skate park is one of the first constructed by a land developer on a new estate. People from across Melbourne have been coming to use the skate facility since it appeared on www.skateboard.com.au. The skate park forms part of a new recreation precinct that includes an observation tower and an interactive playground designed by Collie in association with other specialists and the community.



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PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT (GENERAL AMENDMENT) ACT 2004

The Victorian Parliament has recently approved significant changes to the Planning and Environment Act. The amendments are purported to implement the Better Decisions Faster recommendations, which aim to reduce red tape and improve the planning system in Victoria. The changes to the Act will have important implications for the processing of planning scheme amendments, amending planning applications / permits and Councils requesting further information regarding permit applications. The date for the changes to come into law has yet to be determined.

From our review of the legislation we have concerns that the changes will create more paperwork and further slow down the system. If so, so much for Better Decisions Faster.

For further information about the changes contact John Roney at jdr@colliepl.com.au or Fiona Munn at flm@colliepl.com.au.

MS 24 HOUR MEGA-SWIM

The 'Collie Dugongs' are at it again. A team of 15 swimmers will compete for the second year in the MS 24-Hour Mega-Swim at the Fitzroy Pool. Starting at 6.00pm on Friday 18 February, the Dugongs will join over 25 other teams in an effort to raise money for multiple sclerosis. The Dugongs have been 'training' for months and are ready to go. They welcome any support you can give. If you are passing along Alexandra Parade then drop in and say hello.



For information about the Mega-Swim contact Angela Fetterplace at apf@colliepl.com.au.

coll-e-bulletin QUIZ: WHERE IS THIS?

Here's a place that is an important part of Melbourne's sporting history.

Where is it? - find out in the next coll-e-bulletin.



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