



A PLAN FOR MELBOURNE'S GROWTH AREAS

The Minister for Planning has recently released a document called 'A Plan for Melbourne's Growth Areas' to manage the planning and development of the Casey-Cardinia, Hume, Melton-Caroline Springs, Whittlesea and Wyndham growth corridors.

Amongst other things, the plan:

- amends the Urban Growth Boundary;
- establishes a new Growth Areas Authority (GAA) to oversee strategic planning in each of the growth areas;
- introduces additional development contributions to help fund State-supported infrastructure.

Many questions remain unanswered. When will the GAA commence operation? What will be its specific powers and responsibilities? Will the GAA 'streamline' the process or just add another layer of complexity?

One of the roles of the GAA will be to identify the appropriate level of development contributions in each growth area. DSE estimates that contributions will be in the range of \$40,000 to \$80,000 per hectare, depending upon location. No date has been specified when these contributions will be applied.

Collie has reviewed the Minister's announcement and identified a variety of significant implications for a range of clients. For further details about how these recent changes could affect you, please call John Roney or email him on jdr@colliepl.com.au

AN AWARD WINNING YEAR

Collie, together with its project partners, has recently received a number of prestigious awards for the Tenterfield and Lancaster Gate residential developments. Awards were received from the following institutes / associations.

Planning Institute of Australia (Victoria), 2005 Award for Planning Excellence

Tenterfield received a commendation in the Environmental Planning and Conservation category for the water sensitive urban design (WSUD), wetlands and environmental works components of the development. These works are completed for some stages and continuing for others.

For further details call Mike Collie or e-mail him on mjsc@colliepl.com.au



Tenterfield - Burnside Heights

Stormwater Industry Association (Victoria), 2005 Awards for Stormwater Excellence

Tenterfield was the winner of the urban development category for the WSUD, wetlands and environmental works components of the development. Enquiries to Pru Smith at Collie (pds@colliepl.com.au).



Lancaster Gate - Bundoora

Australia Institute of Landscape Architects (Victoria), 2005 Award for Excellence in Environment

Lancaster Gate received the Peter Todd prize for exemplary use of plant material within the landscape

Tenterfield received also a commendation for the WSUD, wetlands and environmental works components of the development.

Enquiries to Nichole Zaro at Collie (ntz@colliepl.com.au).

STAFF NEWS

Congratulations to Mark Frisby (Project Director and Senior Landscape Architect) on his recent appointment as Vice President of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA), Victorian Chapter. Mark has been Treasurer of the Victorian Chapter for the past two years and his appointment is a continuation of his involvement in AILA and other industry groups.



Collie is pleased to announce that Amanda Roberts has recently joined our team as an urban designer / urban planner. Amanda has previously studied architecture, landscape architecture and urban design and is currently completing a Post Graduate Diploma in Urban Planning. Amanda has extensive working experience as a designer in the private and public sectors in South Australia, Western Australia, Victoria and the United Kingdom.

**The Collie office will close 23 December and reopen 4 January 2006.
We look forward to seeing you in the new year.**

coll-e-bulletin QUIZ: WHO ARE THEY?

Which Collie project directors really enjoyed Christmas as children?

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The answer to the last quiz is Tenterfield.

Tenterfield is a 1000 lot community in Burnside Heights. The tall Tenterfield poles create a distinct landmark in Melbourne's outer western suburbs. Collie Pty Ltd is engaged as the Urban Planners, Urban Designers and Landscape Architects for the project.

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