

Inner Melbourne Action Plan
Progress Report
Action 9.4 Green Demonstration Projects

Purpose

1. To update the Committee on the progress of the Growing Green Guide for Melbourne: a how-to guide for green roofs, walls and facades project.

Background

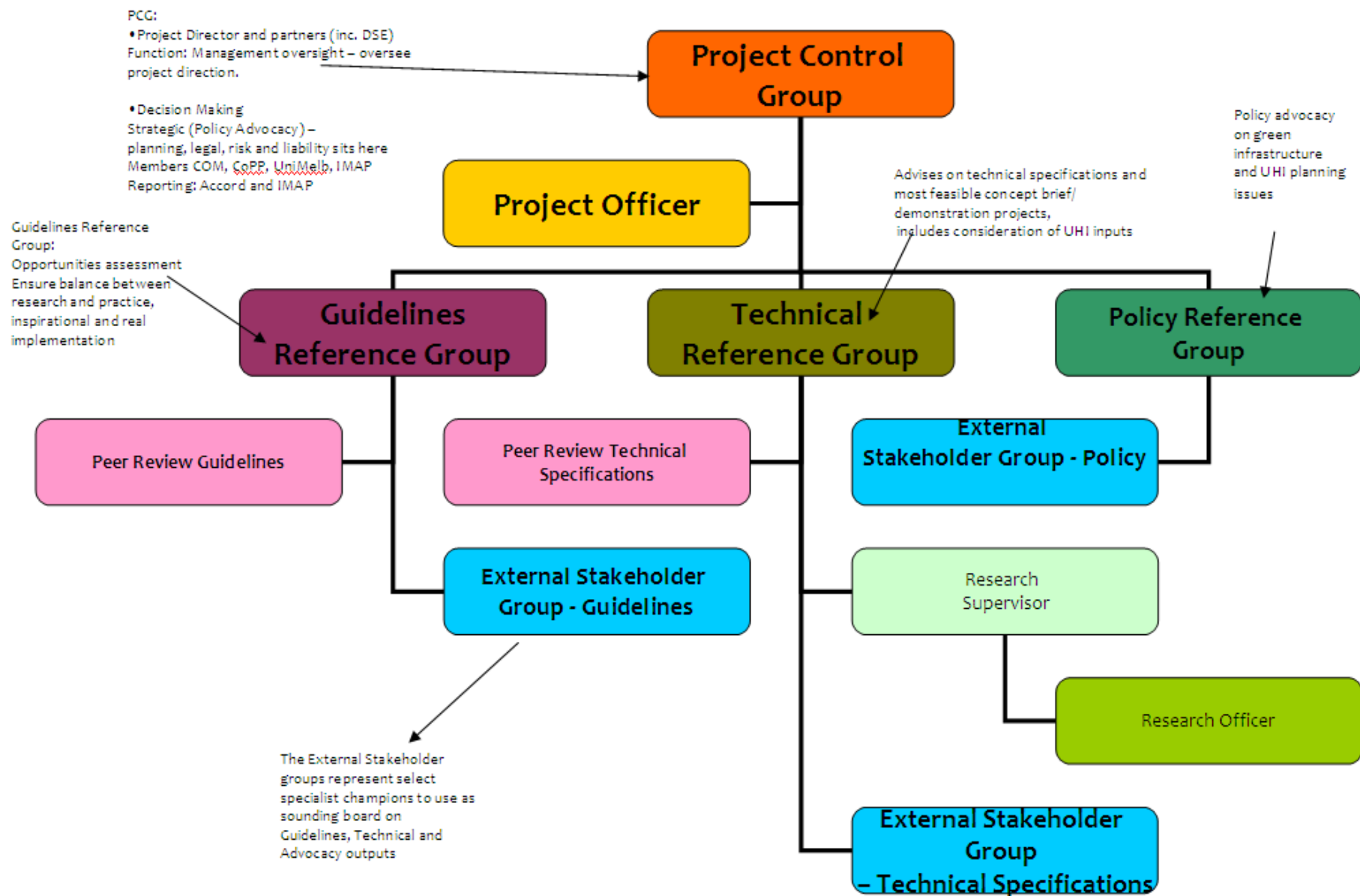
2. This 30 month project is a partnership between the Cities of Melbourne, Port Phillip, Stonnington and Yarra (through IMAP) and the University of Melbourne.
3. Using a collaborative approach between government, commercial and research sectors, the Guide includes best practice guidelines and policy recommendations that can be readily utilised by councils, building developers and planners across Victoria.
4. The Department of Sustainability and Environment Local Sustainability Accord awarded \$250,000 to this project in August 2011 and IMAP councils committed \$130,000 contribution at an IMAP Executive Forum on 18 October 2011.
5. This project is aligned with IMAP Action 9.4: Green Demonstration Projects.

Progress to date

6. A Project Control Group has been set up to oversee the project's progress and includes representation from four IMAP councils, University of Melbourne and the Department of Sustainability and Environment. A governance structure has been established for the project. See **Attachment 1**.
7. A project officer has been employed to coordinate the project. To ensure capacity building within municipalities is shared, the role will be split between councils. The role sits at the City of Melbourne (lead Council) for the first twelve months.
8. An agreement has been entered into between the City of Melbourne (on behalf of IMAP councils) and the University of Melbourne to confirm the outputs the University of Melbourne will provide throughout the project. Key commitments include employing a research officer, attendance at Project Control Group meetings and writing the technical specifications.
9. A comprehensive project plan for the project has been drafted and is currently being finalised. This plan will guide the project and includes a strategic vision for the project, detailed work activities list, budget breakdown and communications plan.
10. A Gantt chart has been developed which shows the key activities proposed across the projects timeline. See **Attachment 2**.

Recommendations

11. That the IMAP Implementation Committee note the progress of the Growing Green Guide for Melbourne project.

Attachment 1**GGGM Governance Structure**

Date: December 2011

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