

**IMAP Implementation Committee**  
**Progress Report**  
**IMAP Communications and Governance**

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## **Purpose**

1. To advise the IMAP Implementation Committee of the progress of IMAP Communications and Governance during the last 3 month period.

## **Governance**

2. The IMAP Councils recently considered an amendment to the IMAP Terms of Reference to include a "New Members" clause and to invite the Maribyrnong City Council to become full members of the Inner Melbourne Action Plan Implementation Committee. The four partner Councils approved these changes by Council resolution as follows:

City of Stonnington on 18 March 2013

City of Melbourne on 26 March 2013

City of Yarra on 5 March 2013

City of Port Phillip on 25 March 2013

On 19 March 2013 the Maribyrnong City Council considered more formal participation with IMAP and resolved:

*That Council:*

*1. Supports, in-principle, Maribyrnong City Council becoming a full member of the Inner Melbourne Action Plan.*

*2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to take further steps to investigate the opportunities and benefits of Maribyrnong City Council becoming a full member of Inner Melbourne Action Plan.*

*3. Notes that subsequent Council approval will be sought prior to Maribyrnong City Council formalising full membership of the Inner Melbourne Action Plan.*

An invitation to join IMAP has been sent to the City of Maribyrnong, advising them of the decision of the 4 partner Councils. **Refer Attachment 2b.**

3. A Draft report has been prepared for the Maribyrnong City Council to establish their IMAP Special Committee, under the Terms of Reference, and to approve membership, delegations and return exemptions for a start date of 1 July 2013. The Maribyrnong City Council will consider the report on 18 June 2013.
4. Draft reports have been prepared for the 4 IMAP Councils to:
  - a. reaffirm the establishment and funding of the IMAP Implementation Committee as a special committee of Council with the same Terms of Reference and Delegations as exists for the five member councils;
  - b. reaffirm Membership of the Council's Special Committee;
  - c. confirm Delegations for the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to be the Council's representatives on all 5 special committees; and
  - d. *exempt all members of the special committee who are not councillors and officers of the City of Stonnington Council from being required to submit a primary return or an ordinary return under section 81(2A) and (2B) of the Local Government Act. (This provision is to reduce duplication and meet requirements of audit).*

The IMAP Councils will consider their reports after 18 June 2013 following confirmation of the City of Maribyrnong's membership.

## Communications

4. During the last 3 months the following activities have involved the Executive Officer and others in IMAP communications:
  - Action 3.5 Reduced Through Traffic
    - Sinclair Knight Merz held workshops on 22 March and 23 April to advance this project. Their final report will be presented at the August IMAP meeting
  - Action 5.2 Affordable Housing – Community Land Trust (CLT) Manual
    - Copies of the Community Land Trust Manual have been printed and distributed to the 5 IMAP Councils (2 per Council) and to the Housing Associations involved in the first phase of this study. Copies were also made available to DHS at the meeting held with IMAP representatives and the Deputy Secretary/Director of Housing on 14 May.
    - Arrangements have been made for Dr Louise Crabtree and Prof Peter Phibbs from the Universities of Western Sydney and Sydney to attend the briefing of the IMAP Councils and Housing Associations on 31 May following the IMAP meeting. All Councillors have been advised of the meeting. Arrangements have also been made to brief state government officials from DHS, Places Victoria and DPCD in the afternoon.
  - Action 5.3 Housing Infrastructure Working Group
    - Representatives of IMAP met with Arthur Rogers, Deputy Secretary and Director of Housing, DHS and Meg Bartels, Acting Chief of Staff, Minister's Office on 14 May 2013 to discuss IMAP's consultant report on establishing a Collaborative Framework in relation to state government housing developments and to present the CLT report. **Refer to Attachment 2a for the Minutes of that meeting.**
  - Action 7.2 Support Creative Businesses
    - In March, Sebastian Santana Ballesteros was appointed on a student internship from the University of Melbourne to undertake the consultation on this project to prepare an inventory of current programs being undertaken by the inner Melbourne Councils with the creative business sector. Following a number of interviews, the draft report is currently in preparation.
  - Action 9.3 WSUD
    - Staff from the IMAP Councils undertaking the WSUD policy work met with staff from the Moonee Valley City Council in March to discuss MVCC's planning amendment and to ensure alignment between the proposed policies. The IMAP Executive Officer and officers from the IMAP Councils prepared letters of support for MVCC in anticipation of their forthcoming panel hearing. **Refer Attachment 2b for the letter of support sent from IMAP.**
  - Action 9.4 The Growing Green Guide
    - Attended 2 PCG meetings for this project. Good progress is also being made by the reference groups established to develop policy guidelines and the Growing Green Guide details. **Refer to the update report on this agenda.**
  - Action 11 Regional Tourism
    - The IMAP Project team held 2 strategic planning workshops during March and May to update their strategic direction and identify a detailed Action Plan for the 2013-14 financial year. **Refer to the update report on this agenda.**

- Other
  - IMAP's request for a submission to be prepared on the Live Music venues has been referred to the City of Port Phillip
  - Three quotes have been received to establish the IMAP GIS system for 1 July. A number of queries relating to the services provided are being followed up prior to finalising the provider
  - Briefing arranged for the new CEO at City of Port Phillip
  - A further meeting of the Melbourne Visitor Signage steering group was held on 29 April. IMAP has made provision for this project in the Three year Implementation Plan. ***Refer to the Progress Report and Project Brief on this agenda***
  - Draft Council reports have been prepared for Council staff at the 5 Councils for updating the delegations to the IMAP Implementation Committee
  - Attended the City of Melbourne's Cycling City Forum held on 17 April.

***Recommendation***

5. That the IMAP Implementation Committee resolves to **note** this Communications and Governance Briefing Paper