Amendment VC71
The revised State Planning Policy Framework

This Advisory Note provides information about changes to the *Victoria Planning Provisions* and planning schemes made by Amendment VC71.

What does VC71 do?

Amendment VC71 introduces:

- a revised State Planning Policy Framework (SPPF)

- policies from *Melbourne @ 5 Million* and the *Victorian Integrated Housing Strategy* into the SPPF

- a new Particular Provision 52.46 for brothels

- a change to the Particular Provision 52.02 Easement, Restrictions and Reserves.

The revised SPPF

The revised SPPF is a policy neutral translation of the existing SPPF policies with new themes, a new structure and updated references to various documents.

The revised SPPF replaces the existing Clauses 10 to 19 as follows:

Clause 10: Operation of the State Planning Policy Framework

Clause 11: Settlement

Clause 12: Environmental and landscape values

Clause 13: Environmental risks

Clause 14: Natural resource management

Clause 15: Built environment and heritage

Clause 16: Housing

Clause 17: Economic development

Clause 18: Transport

Clause 19: Infrastructure

Advisory Note 27: The new State Planning Policy Framework (September 2010) provides more information about the revised SPPF and is available on the Department's website www.dpcd.vic.gov.au

New SPPF policies

Amendment VC71 introduces *Melbourne @ 5 Million* planning policies into Clauses 11, 12, 16, 19 and 81 by:

- introducing the multi-centres city structure and employment corridors policies to the development of Melbourne

- changing the average overall residential densities in the growth area to a minimum of 15 dwellings per net developable hectare

- clarifying the contents of the strategic directions of Growth Area Framework Plans
- updating the objectives for precinct structure planning
- identifying the importance of the Western Plains Grasslands and Grassy Eucalypt Woodland
- identifying Beveridge Intermodal Freight terminal
- updating the reference document *Precinct Structure Planning Guidelines* (Growth Areas Authority, 2009)
- updating the incorporate document *Activity Centres and Principle Public Transport Network 2010*
- introducing the reference documents: *Melbourne 2030: A planning update Melbourne @ 5 Million* (2008) and *The Victorian Transport Plan* (2008).

Amendment VC71 also introduces a new Integrated Housing policy in Clause 16 that reflects the Government's recently approved *Victorian Integrated Housing Strategy* (2010).

Particular Provisions

Amendment VC71 introduces a new Particular Provision 52.46 for Brothels and makes a change to the Particular Provision 52.02 Easement, Restrictions and Reserves as a result of a tidy up of SPPF policies.

The new Particular Provision 52.46 Brothels includes a new requirement to implement the proposed changes to the *Prostitution Control Act 1994*. It requires a responsible authority to impose a condition on a planning permit that the operation of the brothel must not commence until a licence is issued under the *Prostitution Control Act 1994*.

A new objective and decision guidelines have been added to Particular Provision 52.02 Easement, Restrictions and Reserves as a consequential change of the SPPF review.