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Yes

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not answered

Q10. The discussion paper includes the option (option 5, page16) that Plan Melbourne better define the key opportunities and challenges for developing Melbourne and outlines some key points for considerations in Box 1. Are there any other opportunities or challenges that we should be aware of?

Q11. The discussion paper includes the option
(option 6, page 18) that the United Nations
Sustainable Development Goals be included in
Plan Melbourne 2016. Do you agree with this
idea? If so, how should the goals be
incorporated into Plan Melbourne 2016?

not answered

#### Q12. Please explain your response

not answered

Q13. The discussion paper includes the option (option 7, page 18) to lock down the existing urban growth boundary and modify the action (i.e. the action under Initiative 6.1.1.1 in Plan Melbourne 2014) to reflect this. Do you agree that there should be a permanent urban growth boundary based on the existing boundary?

Strongly disagree

### Q14. Please explain your response

Unless it can be shown that that there is more biodiversity (as distinct from native vegetation) in the current green wedges than in the current development corridors. Also underutilised railway infrastructure in the green wedges e.g. Wattle Glen, contributes nothing to alleviating global warming. Some green wedges may be, but Nillumbik green wedge is not the lungs of Melbourne.

Q15. The discussion paper includes the option (option 8, page 18) that Plan Melbourne 2016 should more clearly articulate the values of green wedge and peri-urban areas to be protected and safeguarded. How can Plan Melbourne 2016 better articulate the values of green wedges and peri-urban areas?

Better identify the diversity of species. Most pristine areas are low in biodiversity.

Q16. The discussion paper includes the option (option 9, page 18) to remove the concept of an Integrated Economic Triangle and replace it with a high-level 2050 concept map for Melbourne (i.e. a map that shows the Expanded Central City, National Employment Clusters, Metropolitan Activity Centres, State-Significant Industrial Precincts, Transport Gateways, Health and Education Precincts and Urban Renewal Precincts). What other elements should be included in a 2050 concept map for Melbourne?

not answered

Q17. The discussion paper includes the option
(option 10, pages 18) that the concept of
Melbourne as a polycentric city (i.e. a city with
many centres) with 20-minute neighbourhoods
(i.e. the ability to meet your everyday (nonwork) needs locally, primarily within a 20minute walk) be better defined. Do the
proposed definitions adequately clarify the
concepts?

## Q18. Please explain your response

not answered

Q19. The discussion paper includes options
(options 11-17, pages 23 to 27) that identify
housing, climate change, people place and
identity and partnerships with local
government as key concepts that need to be
incorporated into Plan Melbourne 2016. Do you
support the inclusion of these as key concepts
in Plan Melbourne 2016?

not answered

### Q20. Please explain your response

not answered

Q21. Any other comments about chapter 2 (growth, challenges, fundamental principles and key concepts)?

not answered

### Q22. Climate change comments

not answered

Q23. The discussion paper includes the option (option 20, page 30) to revise the Delivering Jobs and Investment chapter in Plan Melbourne 2014 to ensure the significance and roles of the National Employment Clusters as places of innovation and knowledge-based employment are clear. How can Plan Melbourne 2016 better articulate the significance and roles of the National Employment Clusters as places of innovation and knowledge-based employment?

not answered

Q24. The discussion paper includes two options (page 30) relating to National Employment Clusters, being:Option 21A: Focus planning for National Employment Clusters on core institutions and businesses. Option 21B: Take a broader approach to planning for National Employment Clusters that looks beyond the core institutions and businesses. Which option do you prefer?

not answered

Q25. Please explain why you have chosen your preferred option

Q26. The discussion paper includes the option (option 22, pages 30) to broaden the East Werribee National Employment Cluster to call it the Werribee National Employment Cluster in order to encompass the full range of activities and employment activities that make up Werribee. This could include the Werribee Activity Centre and the Werribee Park Tourism Precinct. Do you agree with broadening the

not answered

### Q27. Why?

not answered

**East Werribee Cluster?** 

Q28. The discussion paper includes the option
(option 23, pages 30) to broaden the
Dandenong South National Employment
Cluster to call it the Dandenong National
Employment Cluster in order to encompass the
full range of activities and employment
activities that make up Dandenong. This could
include the Dandenong Metropolitan Activity
Centre and Chisholm Institute of TAFE. Do you
agree with broadening the Dandenong South
National Employment Cluster?

not answered

### Q29. Why?

not answered

Q30. The discussion paper includes options (options 24 to 30, pages 34-35) that consider the designation of Activity Centres and criteria for new Activity Centres. Do you have any comments on the designation of Activity Centres or the criteria for new Activity Centres as outlined in the discussion paper?

not answered

Q31. The discussion paper includes the option (option 31, page 35) to evaluate the range of planning mechanisms available to protect strategic agricultural land. What types of agricultural land and agricultural activities need to be protected and how could the planning system better protect them?

not answered

Q32. The discussion paper includes the option (option 32, page 36) to implement the outcomes of the Extractive Industries Taskforce through the planning scheme, including Regional Growth Plans, to affirm that extractive industries resources are protected to provide an economic supply of materials for construction and road industries. Do you have any comments in relation to extractive industries? Reference page 36.

Q33. Any other comments about chapter 3 (delivering jobs and investment)?
not answered

Q34. The discussion paper includes the option (option 34, page 42) to include the Principal Public Transport Network in Plan Melbourne 2016. Do you agree that the Principal Public Transport Network should inform land use choices and decisions?

not answered

### Q35. Why?

not answered

Q36. The discussion paper includes the option (option 35, page 43) to incorporate references to Active Transport Victoria (which aims to increase participation and safety among cyclists and pedestrians) in Plan Melbourne 2016. How should walking and cycling networks influence and integrate with land use?

not answered

Q37. Any other comments about chapter 4 (a more connected Melbourne)?

not answered

Q38. The discussion paper includes the option (option 36A, pages 46) to establish a 70/30 target where established areas provide 70 per cent of Melbourne's new housing supply and greenfield growth areas provide 30 per cent. Do you agree with establishing a 70/30 target for housing supply?

not answered

Q39. Why?

not answered

Q40. What, if any, planning reforms are necessary to achieve a 70/30 target?

not answered

Q41. The discussion paper includes the option (option 36B, page 46) to investigate a mechanism to manage the sequence and density of the remaining Precinct Structure Plans based on land supply needs. Do you agree with this idea?

not answered

Q42. Why?

Q43. The discussion paper includes the option (option 36C, page 46) to focus metropolitan planning on unlocking housing supply in established areas, particularly within areas specifically targeted for growth and intensification. Do you agree with this idea?

not answered

# Q44. Why?

not answered

Q45. The discussion paper includes options (option 37, page 50) to better define and communicate Melbourne's housing needs by either:Option 37A: Setting housing targets for metropolitan Melbourne and each sub-region relating to housing diversity, supply and affordabilityOption 37B: Developing a metropolitan Housing Strategy that includes a Housing Plan Which option do you prefer?

not answered

Q46. The discussion paper includes the option (option 38, page 52) to introduce a policy statement in Plan Melbourne 2016 to support population and housing growth in defined locations and acknowledge that some areas within defined locations will require planning protection based on their valued character. How could Plan Melbourne 2016 clarify those locations in which higher scales of change are supported?

not answered

Q47. The discussion paper includes the option (option 39, page 52) to clarify the direction to 'protect the suburbs'.

How could Plan Melbourne 2016 clarify the direction to protect Melbourne and its suburbs from inappropriate development?

not answered

Q48. The discussion paper includes the option (option 40, page 56) to clarify the action to apply the Neighbourhood Residential Zone to at least 50 per cent of residential land by:Option 40A: Deleting the action and replacing it with a direction that clarifies how the residential zones should be applied to respect valued character and deliver housing diversityOption 40B: Retain at least 50 per cent as a guide but expand the criteria to enable variations between municipalitiesWhich option do you prefer?

Q49. The discussion paper includes the option (option 42, page 58) to include an action in Plan Melbourne 2016 to investigate how the building and planning system can facilitate housing that readily adapts to the changing needs of households over the life of a dwelling. In what other ways can Plan Melbourne 2016 support greater housing diversity?

not answered

Q50. A number of options are outlined in the discussion paper (page 58) to improve housing affordability, including:Option 45A: Consider introducing planning tools that mandate or facilitate or provide incentives to increase social and affordable housing supply.Option 45B: Evaluate the affordable housing initiative pilot for land sold by government to determine whether to extend this to other suitable land sold by government.Option 45C: Identify planning scheme requirements that could be waived or reduced without compromising the amenity of social and affordable housing or neighbouring properties.What other ideas do you have for how Plan Melbourne 2016 can improve housing affordability?

not answered

Q51. Any other comments about chapter 5 (housing)?

not answered

Q52. The discussion paper includes the option (option 46, page 69) to introduce Strategic Environmental Principles in Plan Melbourne 2016 to guide implementation of environment, climate change and water initiatives. Do you agree with the inclusion of Strategic Environmental Principles in Plan Melbourne 2016?

not answered

Q53. Why?

not answered

Q54. The discussion paper includes the option (option 47, page 72) proposes to review policy and hazard management planning tools (such as overlays) to ensure the planning system responds to climate change challenges. Do you agree with this proposal?

not answered

Q55. Why?

not answered

Q56. The discussion paper includes options (options 48 and 49, page 72) to update hazard mapping to promote resilience and avoid unacceptable risk, and update periodically the planning system and supporting legislative and policy frameworks to reflect best available climate change science and data. Do you have any comments on these options?

Q57. The discussion paper includes the option (option 50, pages 73) to incorporate natural hazard management criteria into Victorian planning schemes to improve planning in areas exposed to climate change and environmental risks. Do you agree with this idea?

not answered

Q58. Why?

not answered

Q59. The discussion paper includes the option (option 51, page 75) to investigate consideration of climate change risks in infrastructure planning in the land use planning system, including consideration of an 'infrastructure resilience test'. Do you agree that a more structured approach to consideration of climate change risks in infrastructure planning has merit?

not answered

Q60. Why?

not answered

Q61. The discussion paper includes the option (option 52, page 76) to strengthen high-priority habitat corridors throughout Melbourne and its peri-urban areas to improve long-term health of key flora and fauna habitat. Do you agree with this proposal?

not answered

Q62. Why?

not answered

Q63. The discussion paper includes options (options 53 and 54, pages 78 and 79) to introduce strategies to cool our city including: increasing tree canopy, vegetated ground cover and permeable surfaces; use of Water Sensitive Urban Design and irrigation; and encouraging the uptake of green roofs, facades and walls, as appropriate materials used for pavements and buildings with low heat-absorption properties. What other strategies could be beneficial for cooling our built environment?

Q64. The discussion paper includes the option (option 56A, page 80) to investigate opportunities in the land use planning system, such as strong supporting planning policy, to facilitate the increased uptake of renewable and low-emission energy in Melbourne and its periurban areas. Do you agree that stronger land use planning policies are needed to facilitate the uptake of renewable and low-emission

not answered

### Q65. Why?

not answered

energy?

Q66. The discussion paper includes options
(options 56B and 56C page 80) to strengthen
the structure planning process to facilitate
future renewable and low emission energy
generation technologies in greenfield and
urban renewal precincts and require
consideration of the costs and benefits of
renewable or low-emission energy options
across a precinct. Do you agree that the
structure planning process should facilitate the
uptake of renewable and low-emission
technologies in greenfield and urban renewal
precincts?

not answered

## Q67. Why?

not answered

Q68. The discussion paper includes the option (option 57, page 81) to take an integrated approach to planning and building to strengthen Environmentally Sustainable Design, including consideration of costs and benefits. Do you agree that an integrated planning and building approach would strengthen Environmentally Sustainable Design?

not answered

Q69. Why?

not answered

Q70. Any other comments about chapter 6 (a more resilient and environmentally sustainable Melbourne)?

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n	ot answered
	The discussion paper includes options (options 58A and 58B, page 84) to evaluate whether new or existing planning tools (zones and overlays) could be applied to National Employment Clusters and urban renewal areas.
	Do you have any comments on the planning tools (zones and overlays) needed for National Employment
	Clusters and urban renewal areas?
n	oot answered
Q73.	The discussion paper includes options (options 59A and 59B, page 84) to evaluate the merits of code
	assessment for multi-unit development, taking into account the findings from the 'Better Apartments' process,
	to either replace ResCode with a codified process for multi-unit development or identify ResCode standards that
	can be codified. Do you have any comments on the merits of code assessment for multi-unit development?
n	ot answered
Q74.	Any other comments about chapter 7 (new planning tools)?
n	ot answered
	The discussion paper includes the option (options 1 and 61, pages 14 and 90) of Plan Melbourne being an enduring strategy with a long-term focus supported by a 'rolling' implementation plan. Do you agree that separating the long-term strategy from a shorter-term supporting implementation plan is a good idea?
n	oot answered
Q76.	If a separate implementation plan is developed for Plan Melbourne 2016 what will make it effective?
n	oot answered
Q77.	Any other comments about chapter 8 (implementation)?
n	oot answered
n	ot answered