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MEMBER MICRO NEWS UPDATE: 30 June 2014

Update - New Residential Zones Stage 1

The City of Port Phillip has been advised that due to processing delays within the State Government, the new residential zones in Port Phillip will not be approved on 1 July, 2014. (Council submitted all required documentation within the timelines set by the Department of Transport, Planning and Local Infrastructure.) On 1 July, 2014 the existing Residential 1 Zone will be replaced with the General Residential Zone across Port Phillip. However this will be on an interim basis. Council is working with DTPLI to achieve Ministerial approval of Stage 1 translation as quickly as possible.

The General Residential Zone is the closest fit to the existing Residential 1 Zone. Council's housing policy and other planning controls such as the Heritage Overlay and Design and Development Overlays (height controls) will continue to apply. The main implication is that the 'transitional provisions' (which allow an exemption from meeting the mandatory height and density controls) will continue to apply to applications lodged after 1 July, 2014 until the new zones are approved. Council will continue with Stage 2 of its implementation of the New Residential Zones. They anticipate that they will report back to Council at the end of August with the outcomes of the Stage 2 consultation. (JAAG made a further submission to Council 11/6/14 on Stage 2.). For more information go to http://www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/new-residential-zones.htm

ST KILDA'S QUITE REMARKABLE MUMS

Not many may know of the highly successful local community operation called St Kilda Mums, that is making a remarkable difference assisting parents with babies, who face hardship gain access to a range of pre used nursery items including cots, prams, bassinettes, clothing and gates and more.

St Kilda Mums is a not for profit group established five years ago run by five mothers from the St Kilda area and driven by the efforts of more than 400 volunteers with the City of Port Phillip chipping in some community funds to keep the operation afloat. They moved last year into a Vale Street, St Kilda warehouse and have recycled nearly 20,000 nursery items that may have needed fixing-up, cleaning and checking before sending them out the door again to accredited maternal child health nurses or social worker to provide to families doing it tough. website: http://www.stkildamums.org/home

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