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Draft Boronia Renewal Strategy Precinct 2 – Commercial Edge

The draft Boronia Renewal Strategy seeks to shape the future of Boronia as a connected and resilient place which will realise its potential for future generations.

To achieve this vision, we are proposing changes to the zoning of your property as part of our draft Boronia Renewal Strategy, and proposed Planning Scheme Amendment C192knox.

It is proposed to redraw the Boronia Major Activity Centre boundary and create precincts for the different zones.

Why?

To help shape Boronia's future, the draft Boronia Renewal Strategy has considered the following:

- How to address population growth within Knox and Boronia
- The development expectations associated with a Major Activity Centre identified in the State Government's Plan Melbourne policy
- How to maintain employment and commercial growth within the commercial centre
- The development potential and the ability to accommodate predicted growth
- The existing sense of place and character the community has for Boronia, including the surrounding residential area
- How to achieve a walkable lifestyle in relation to the Major Activity Centre boundary. How to create easy access to shops, services, public transport (train and bus) and key facilities to achieve a reduction in car dependency.
- How to improve the sense of safety within the centre.

What does this mean for you?

Your property has been included in proposed Precinct 2 which will be a commercial edge precinct located along Chandler and Floriston Roads.

The plan provides for a mix of office and commercial opportunities on the ground level and residential housing in upper levels.

This precinct will act as a buffer between the core commercial area of Precinct 1 and the surrounding residential precincts.

Precinct 2 proposal

The draft Boronia Renewal Strategy proposes to:

- Maintain current commercial floor space and consolidate small tenancies to create new opportunities.
- Activate ground floor frontage with retail and offices.
- Introduce new mandatory building height limits varying between 4 to 6 storeys that step down to the surrounding residential area.
- Improve pedestrian movements across the centre by establishing a green shared path along Chandler Road and Genista Avenue.
- Allow for liquor premises only when they are incorporated within other businesses (e.g. supermarket)



Proposed Precinct 2.



Planning Scheme Amendment C192knox proposes to:

- Remove the existing Design and Development Overlay Schedule 7 (DDO7 – Boronia).
- Apply a new Design and Development Overlay Schedule 10 (DDO10 – Boronia) that:
 - Implements a mandatory height (varying between 13.5 metres to 19.5 metres, approximately 4 storeys to 6 storeys).
 To be applied to each individual specific

sites to protect view lines to the Dandenong Ranges from key public space, such as Tormore Reserve.

- Implements design requirements that focus on sustainability, internal amenity, passive surveillance, transition to surrounding residential areas, and architectural articulation of buildings.
- Ensure all properties included within the precinct are zoned Commercial 1 Zone or Mixed Use Zone.

The information above provides a summary and the full set of recommendations and proposed changes are available in the Boronia Renewal Strategy and the Amendment documentation available on the website.

Have your say

The draft Boronia Renewal Strategy and proposed Amendment C192knox changes to the Knox Planning Scheme will be available for comments and submissions from the community from Monday 6 March to Thursday 13 April.

If accepted by the State Government (Department of Transport and Planning), the draft Boronia Renewal Strategy and Amendment C192knox will lead to changes to the Knox Planning Scheme, including new design guidelines for development within the Boronia Major Activity Centre.



Information sessions are being held in Boronia throughout March, see website for details.

Please note the closing date for submissions is **Thursday 13 April at 5.00pm.**

To have your say and make a formal submission, please visit knox.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay, call 9298 8000 or email psamendments@knox.vic.gov.au