



## New Residential Zones

The state government of Victoria, Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD), is introducing three new residential zones to replace the existing three zones. A draft of the new zones is available from the DPCD website: [www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/planning/residentialzones](http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/planning/residentialzones). Submissions from the public are invited until 9<sup>th</sup> April 2009.

The three new zones are:

- The Substantial Change Zone – provides for housing growth by a mix of housing types that includes medium to higher density housing in appropriate locations.
- The Incremental Change Zone – allows for a variety of housing types including medium density housing, provided that it respects the character of the neighbourhood.
- The Limited Change Zone – enables specific characteristics of the neighbourhood to be protected through greater control over the new housing development.

Quite clearly, the naming of these zones indicates that they are designed for the re-development of existing urban land, not for green-field sites. For the development of large-scale green-field sites, the Urban Growth Zone applies, although for small infill developments, councils will be able to choose the most appropriate residential zone.

If you would like to contribute to a TCPA submission, please phone Ray Walford on 9817 4684.

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## Forum: Sustainable Cities, Sustainable Transport

In collaboration with Australian Fabians  
Sponsored by Metlink and GHD

Forum Convener: Roger Taylor

March 26, 2009

8.30 am – 5.30 pm

DOT Theatre, Level 5, 121 Exhibition St.  
Melbourne

What kind of world should we be planning our cities and transport systems for?

Do we understand the extent to which global change will shape our cities? How liveable will our cities be in the future? What will they look like? How many people will be living in them by 2050 and 2100? Where will the food come from to feed them? What resources will be available to maintain and operate city services and infrastructure? How much of the infrastructure we are building today will have value in the future? Do we really know what future we should be planning for?

These are critical questions that should be reflected in government policy yet almost all of today's planning policies continue to be based on business as usual approaches.

This forum aims to address the following questions and consider the implications for city and transport planning.

### Forum Facilitator

**Dr Norman Swan** - host of the Health Report, on ABC Radio National, presenter of Health Minutes on ABC NewsRadio, health commentator, speaker and facilitator, Dr Norman Swan, is a multi-award winning broadcaster and journalist.

### Speakers

**Dr Ian McPhail** - the inaugural Commissioner for Environmental Sustainability for Victoria. Dr McPhail was previously Deputy Director-General of the Queensland EPA, and the inaugural Executive Director of the Commonwealth EPA.

**Professor Will Steffen** is Executive Director of the ANU Climate Change Institute at the Australian National University (ANU), Canberra, and is also Science Adviser, Department of Climate Change, Australian Government.

**Dr John Finnigan**, Director, CSIRO Centre for Complex System Science

CSIRO Marine and Atmospheric Research  
Canberra.

**Dr Graham Turner** is a senior scientist at CSIRO sustainable Ecosystems, Canberra. His work involves whole of system analysis of long-term physical sustainability of the Australian environment and economy.

**Dr Damon Honnery** is Associate Professor Laboratory for Turbulence Research in Aerospace & Combustion Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Monash University.

**Dr Peter Brain** is one of Australia's best known economists in the development and application of macroeconomic models. Since co-founding NIEIR in 1984, Dr Brain has participated in over 200 economic consulting projects, most of which he has directed or co-directed.

**Dr Peter Newton** is a Research Professor in the Cities, Housing and Environment Program within the Institute for Social Research at Swinburne University of Technology in Melbourne where he leads research on sustainable built environments and city futures. From 2001 through 2006 he was Director of the Sustainability Program within the Co-operative Research Centre for Construction Innovation.

**Professor Graeme Currie** holds Australia's first professorship in public transport based at the Institute of Transport Studies, Monash University where he researches and provides training in public transport planning. He has 30 years experience as a transit planner and is a member of the US Transportation Research Board committees on Bus Transit, Light Rail Transit and Transit Development and Planning.

**Professor Nicholas Low** is the co-Director of GAMUT, the Australasian Centre for the Governance and Management of Urban Transport. His book (with Brendan Gleeson) *Justice, Society and Nature* won the Harold and Margaret Sprout Prize of the International Studies Association 1998 for the best book published on ecological politics in that year.

**John Stanley** is an economist and Adjunct Professor at the Institute of Transport and Logistics

Studies, University of Sydney. He previously spent nine years as Executive Director of Bus Association Victoria, after eight years as Deputy Chair of the National Road Transport Commission and, prior to that, Chair of Victoria's Recycling and Resource Recovery Council.

Registration from 8.30

### Registration

Only 200 places are available for this significant event. Register interest online today and a full program outline and online registration will be forwarded.

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<http://www.fabian.org.au/985.asp?eventId=2450>

Full Cost: \$35 (including lunch)

Concession: \$25 (AFS Members, Students, Pensioners)