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VC37**HERITAGE**

This policy applies to all buildings, sites, places and landscapes identified as being of cultural heritage significance in the Shire, including those listed in the schedule to the Heritage Overlay.

Policy Basis

Nineteenth century heritage buildings and streetscapes are an integral element of the built form of the shire's urban settlements. Conservation, protection and maintenance of this heritage are of community, economic and cultural significance to the Shire. This policy builds on the MSS objectives in Clauses 21.10 and 21.11 relating to the conservation and enhancement of heritage places and the development of the Shire's tourist potential.

Objectives

- To encourage sympathetic design and construction of "in-fill" developments in the vicinity of listed buildings and heritage precincts and areas.
- To protect and enhance the cultural significance and visual character of heritage buildings, site and places.
- To protect and manage Aboriginal cultural heritage values.

Policy*Exercising discretion*

Where a permit is required for development, it is policy to:

- Encourage new development to be sited and designed having regard to the heritage character and values of adjacent sites, buildings, places and landscapes.
- Encourage proposals for new development to demonstrate how the design of the proposed development, including building mass, scale and bulk, retains and/or enhances the heritage character and context of a locality.

Decision guidelines

It is policy that the responsible authority will consider as appropriate:

- The current Aboriginal heritage study document for the municipality.
- The Aboriginal cultural resource management grid map and guidelines provided by Aboriginal Affairs Victoria.
- Where applicants are proposing to develop land in areas where there is a known site or a potential Aboriginal archaeological site, a report from a suitably qualified archaeologist demonstrating that the impact of proposed developments on Aboriginal cultural heritage values has been addressed.

Reference documents

The following reference documents may be considered in the assessment of planning applications:

Shire of Bet Bet Conservation Study 1987.

Talbot & Clunes Conservation Study 1987.

City of Maryborough Heritage Study, 1992.

Tullaroop District Heritage Study - Stage One – 1999.

Maryborough - A Social History 1854-1904, B Osborne and T Du Borg.

Against the Odds, Maryborough 1905-1961 Maryborough; B Osborne (1995).