

## **ST KILDA TRIANGLE SITE**

### **Meeting Notes**

**Date:** 7 January 2008

**Time:** 12 noon to 2.00pm

**Venue:** St Kilda Room, St Kilda Town Hall

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**In attendance:** Helen Halliday; John Spierings; John Bennetts; Peter Holland; Don Gazzard; Crs: Cribbes & Gross; Stephen McMillan; David Alt-Graham; Brett Montgomery; David Spokes; Rory O'Loughlen.

#### **1. Alternate models for Palais**

Two alternate models were discussed:

- Use of alternate funding source to reduce scale of development
- Excise of Palais out of any lease and allow another to run and manage

Citta comments:

- Reduction in scale may invalidate funding from financiers. Council requires funding to be available.
- Reduction in shops may reduce performance of development as a whole.
- Joint management and marketing (cross promotion) between Palais and remainder of site is envisaged and results in management efficiencies.
- Separate management of Palais is problematic due to:
  - Some aspects of the design and upgrade would be located off-site (eg plant, fire stairs, loading and BOH facilities etc) and separate management may result in physical, technical and operational management difficulties. One management structure for the whole site would result in positive heritage and ESD outcomes.
  - Physical links to hotel, car park and cinema would not be possible.

Unchain St Kilda / Esplanade Alliance response:

- Expenditure on Palais would result in both public and private benefits.

#### **2. Open space**

Unchain St Kilda / Esplanade Alliance view:

- Not all open space areas are beneficial to the public as they provide entries to shops, etc

#### **3. A document entitled “A future for the St Kilda Triangle: A response to the BBC Development Plan from unChain St Kilda & the Esplanade Alliance” was tabled.**

Citta to provide response at next meeting.

There was consensus between the parties that the development must be commercially viable.

#### **4. Deferral of decision**

All parties agreed that the Council meeting scheduled for 24 January should be deferred to a Special Council meeting on Thursday 7 February.

A joint statement will be circulated by the Mayor.

**Next meeting Tuesday 15 January. Time TBC.**