

**ATTACHMENT TO MINUTES
STATUTORY PLANNING COMMITTEE, 11 AUGUST 2008**

Public Question Time – answers to questions taken on notice*

Question/s regarding the St Kilda Triangle site (Serge Thomann, Paul Morgan, Don Gazzard)

The Development Plan 6 August 2008 complies with Council's resolution of 7 February 2008.

Council has discussed strategies to manage site remediation costs with the developer and relevant agencies.

Subsequent to February and the endorsement of the plan, a variety of changes have been made to the Development Agreement to ensure consistency with the Planning decision. This has included some minor impacts on the commercial terms offered to Council. The agreed variations do not alter the original risk allocations. The commercial aspects of the proposal are commercial in confidence.

The Development Agreement has been sought through Freedom of Information legislation. It is Council's intention to release parts of the Development Agreement subsequent to fulfilling statutory obligations provided for in FoI legislation.

Question/s regarding the accommodation of the Arts and Festivals Service Unit (Michael Sabada)

The Arts & Festivals Unit moved out of 202 Bank St in March 2008. Occupational Health & Safety was only one of many considerations in the move. OHS considerations included the number and proximity of toilets; the tread width and length of the stairs; and that the number of staff, volunteers, visitors in the building at any one time could create uncomfortable congestion. Issues were identified at no particular date and were not the subject of formal review; the unsuitability of the premises was felt over a period of time.

It's expected that the office space at 202 Bank St will be let.

Office space in Carlisle Street for Arts & Festivals Unit costs \$7,000 per month plus GST. There is potential for Arts & Festivals service unit to be accommodated at 232 Carlisle Street in the medium term 2-10 years. The costs associated with this will be rent and normal outgoings

The St Kilda Town Hall redevelopment project has been completed. Council staff relocated to the St Kilda Town Hall during February and March 2008. As reported at the July council meeting the forecasted final expenditure for the redevelopment of the St Kilda Town Hall is \$21,692,492.

**Note: answers to any questions in Public Question Time which were answered at the meeting are included in the minutes of that meeting.*