

## URBAN WIND TURBINES

### A General Guide for Residents and Industry

**This guide is intended for residents and industry representatives interested in installing one or more urban wind turbines within the City of Port Phillip.**

The City of Port Phillip is committed to the creation of a sustainable built environment and encourages the development and installation of renewable energy systems, including urban wind turbines. Council must ensure that the planning process achieves outcomes that are environmentally sustainable, financially viable, socially cohesive and culturally relevant. Because of this, satisfying some of the key considerations does not guarantee approval of your application.

The following are some key considerations Council regards as important:

- A planning permit will typically be required if the system is visible from a street (other than a lane) or a public park. Specific heritage controls may also apply.
- The historic fabric of a building should not be unnecessarily disturbed or destroyed, in line with minimum intervention and reversibility principles.
- Every effort should be made to minimise the visibility of the system from the street and its impact on surrounding properties, and public areas.
- Systems should not include any form of private advertising or branding.
- Shadows should be minimised, with less bulky systems preferred.
- Council and the community prefer the installation of silent or ultra-quiet systems.
- Avoid placing the system on or near the property boundary without first obtaining consent from the adjoining property owner(s).

Before commencing works please contact our Planning Department directly (see above) to determine if a permit is required for your proposal and if any specific requirements apply.

A Building Permit may also be required for the installation of your system, for more information contact Council's Building Department on 9209 6253.

### Streamlining the process

Council now waives the application fee associated with obtaining a planning permit for various sustainable design initiatives, including urban wind turbines, with these typically processed through our Fast Track service and completed in less than 3 weeks.



**Our enquiries counter at the St Kilda Town Hall is open at the following times:**

**8.30am – 6.00pm Monday only**

**8.30am – 5.00pm Tuesday to Friday**