

**A1 ST KILDA FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S CENTRE/ST KILDA TOWN HALL
PRECINCT PLAN
(See Supplementary Report)**

Purpose

Council to consider a new St Kilda Family and Children's Centre in the context of community/civic facilities in the St Kilda Town Hall Precinct.

MOVED Crs Ray/Logan

That Council suspends Standing Orders to allow members of the public to make verbal submissions in relation to this item.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

The following speakers made a verbal submission in relation to this item:

1. *Trevor Ward – member of the St Kilda Play Group 5 years*
 - *Sought changes to the membership (in particular the inclusion of Childcare Access Group) and terms of reference of the proposed St Kilda Family and Children's Centre Steering Committee*
 - *Questioned merits of proposal at 171 Chapel Street St Kilda in relation to value for money*
2. *Carolyn Hutchens –West St Kilda*
 - *Questioned why Council still does not have an accurate child care waiting list.*
 - *Sought changes to the membership of the proposed St Kilda Family and Children's Centre Steering Committee to include the Childcare Access Group.*
 - *Requested Council to review its original plans to accommodate community groups at the South Melbourne town Hall*

****The Chief Executive Officer added that under the terms of the option that Australian National Academy of Music were offered they have until June to indicate their intentions. Council has been in touch with them subsequent to the budget and Council has been waiting to receive some formal advice from them as to their intentions. Once we have that we will be in a position to consider future options***

3. *Kieran Vesely*
 - *Questioned where the children will go during the proposed development and what will happen to the outdoor area. Is it going to decrease in space and increase in numbers?*
4. *Helen Halliday*
 - *Questioned what is in the draft Carlisle Street structure plan and if there are any alternate sites.*

Cr Gross arrived at 7.13pm.

MOVED Crs Ray/Bolitho

That Council resume Standing Orders.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

MOVED Crs Bolitho/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve:

- 1.1. That Council notes that the Draft Carlisle St Structure Plan, which will be presented to Council in the July 2008 meeting cycle, incorporates a St Kilda Town Hall Community and Civic Precinct.
 - 1.2. That the Council recognises that the St Kilda Town Hall Community and Civic Precinct provides a range of social, cultural and civic functions for St Kilda and the broader City of Port Phillip community.
 - 1.3. That council supports the enhancement and redevelopment of the following social and cultural components of the precinct:
 - 1.3.1. A new St Kilda Family and Children's Centre located on the existing children's centre site at 171 Chapel St, St Kilda.
 - 1.3.2. The St Kilda Parish Mission site on the corner of Chapel St and Carlisle St, St Kilda
 - 1.3.3. St Kilda Library
 - 1.3.4. St Kilda Primary School
 - 1.4. Council re-affirms its responsibility to plan and coordinate the provision of family and children's services, including long day childcare, within the municipality. This responsibility includes ensuring an appropriate match between supply and demand and that appropriate location and planning criteria are met.
 - 1.5. Council notes that the State government is fully committed to the integration of Family and Children's services for the early years and that the Federal Government is rapidly moving in the same direction. The move by these two levels of government is consistent with the City of Port Phillip's Municipal Early Years Plan and Council's Childcare Review.
 - 1.6. Council commits to working in partnership with the other two levels of government and the community to establish new integrated family and children's centres in St Kilda and Port Melbourne.
 - 1.7. That Council supports the development of a new family and children's centre on the existing children's centre site at 171 Chapel Street, St Kilda. Council notes that this proposal has been subject to a feasibility design, costed at \$7 million, but that the final design, including the configuration of services, will be determined by Council following advice from the St Kilda Family and Children's Centre Steering Committee established below.
 - 1.8. That Council supports the future development of the St Kilda Parish Mission site, consistent with the objectives of the precinct plan including facilitating the co-location of community services, as defined by the Carlisle St Structure Plan.
 - 1.9. That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the purchase of land owned by the Uniting Church and currently used by the St Kilda Children's Centre.
 - 1.10. That, as part of negotiations with the Uniting Church, Council considers its capacity to make available a number of car parking spaces to support development of the Mission site.
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- 1.11. That Council notes that there is \$100,000 proposed in the 2008/2009 capital works budget to support a project to analyse the future needs of the St Kilda Library. This project also includes an assessment of how best to treat the forecourt area on Carlisle St, in order to both physically and strategically link the library with the newly redeveloped St Kilda Town Hall.
- 1.12. Council resolves to establish the St Kilda Family and Children's Centre steering committee, which would advise council on detailed design and configuration of the proposed centre. The steering committee will include representation from:
- 1.12.1. Users of St Kilda Children's Centre and Maternal and Child Health
 - 1.12.2. St Kilda Playgroup Inc
 - 1.12.3. City of Port Phillip Family and Children's Services
 - 1.12.4. State and federal government officers, as appropriate
- 1.13. That the Council notes and re-affirms the following parts of its decision of 23 October 2007 on the Albert Park College Precinct Master Plan, where council resolved
- "... to adopt, in principle the following elements of a Albert Park College Precinct Master Plan*
- 1.13.1. *Albert Park College Childcare Centre would be relocated to 83 – 85 Liardet St Port Melbourne.*
 - 1.13.2. *A re-located and enhanced Albert Park College Childcare Centre should be planned to complement the existing Lady Forster Kindergarten, which adjoins the Liardet St site. Possible enhancements would consider Maternal and Child Health and Playgroup requirements.*
 - 1.13.3. *Department of Education and Early Childhood Development funding, which would otherwise be used for childcare at the APC site, would be used for the development of the new Family and Children's Centre at Liardet St."*
- 1.14. That Council supports the development of a new family and children's centre at 85 Liardet St, Port Melbourne. Council commits to continuing ongoing consultation with all the relevant stakeholders in developing a proposal for the new centre.
- 1.15. Council notes that the two proposals outlined will increase the number of long day childcare places in the City of Port Phillip beyond that already outlined in council's 5 year plan for childcare capital works.
- 1.16. Council resolves to explore the need for, and location of, additional children's services places and other family and children's services within the City of Port Phillip.
- 1.17. Council notes that the new childcare waiting list, currently under test, will provide valuable information to assist in the evaluation of the need for additional childcare places, in the City of Port Phillip. Council therefore requests that the Chief Executive Officer gives the highest priority to bringing forward the implementation of the new waiting list software

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.
