Planning Committee Meeting 22 July 2020

The following statement was submitted prior to the meeting. Submissions made live during the meeting include some variations and can be listened via our live stream webpage: http://webcast.portphillip.vic.gov.au/archive.php

Claire Szymczyk - Item 6.5 C181port: 261, 271-281 Ingles Street, Port Melbourne

On behalf of the applicant, we'd like to thank the officers for their thorough assessment and recommendation of support for this important project at 277 Ingles Street, Port Melbourne.

We've been working on obtaining approval for the redevelopment of this site since the lodgement of the first planning application in 2014, and this project, like many others in Fishermans Bend has endured the changing (and challenging) planning environment since then. Over the last two years, we've worked closely with authorities to revise the project and bring it in line with the recast vision for Fishermans Bend.

The project before you tonight, represents a compliant development, in line with relevant planning policy. The project will deliver key physical and social infrastructure, that will enhance the precinct, including a new road through the site and a network of laneways and open space for the community to enjoy. The mix of uses (including a hotel, retail, residential (with a provision of affordable housing) and office space) will contribute to a vibrant precinct. This includes a significant supply of employment generating floor space that will support the transition of the Sandridge Precinct from its industrial past, into an active, mixed-use area and one of Melbourne's premium commercial locations.

We're excited to see this project come to fruition and appreciate Council's support.

Thankyou