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Architecture is a tool for bettering the way we live and work. We believe architecture should be aesthetically ageless, hold a sense of quality through its finished materiality and have meaning beyond its physical attributes. We are a design focused architecture and interior design studio with an intent on creating meaningful relationships through its work. We strive to explore connections between solid and void, inside and outside, and ones affinity to the city in our ongoing pursuit for timeless and uncomplicated architecture.

As architects, we have a great responsibility to help shape the future built environment. We believe in the commitment to a level of social and environmental viability on each project. Well-considered design makes enormous impact on peoples' overall wellbeing, and we aim to design buildings intelligently for the future, we look to challenge convention, utilise passive design principals and strategies, collaborate with our clients, inhabitants and builders to craft buildings that are reflective of their local and global context and the philosophy of its users.

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Site Frontage 40M LOUISE STREET APPROX. 30M QUEENS LANE APPROX.

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Council Property Number **168580**

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PROJECT TEAM

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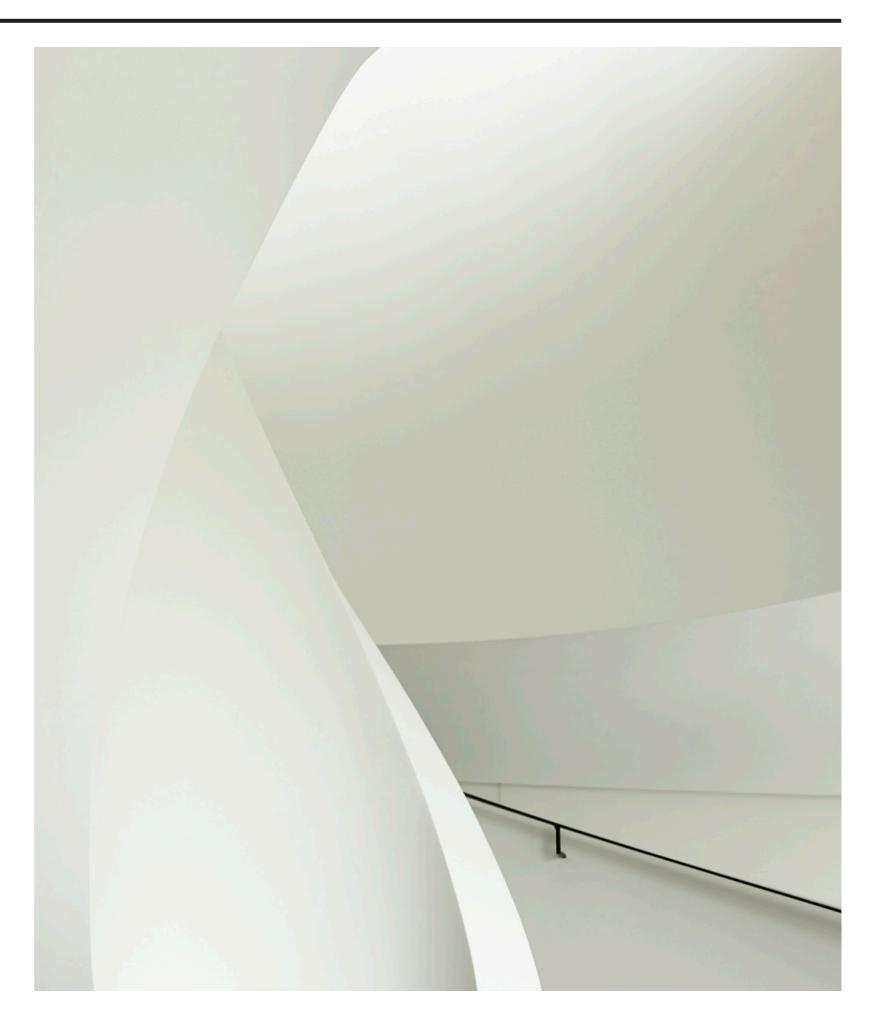
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Sustainability **ARK RESOURCES**

Traffic/Waste

Landscape ACRE





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SITE ANALYSIS









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PLANNING CONTROL

Planning Zone

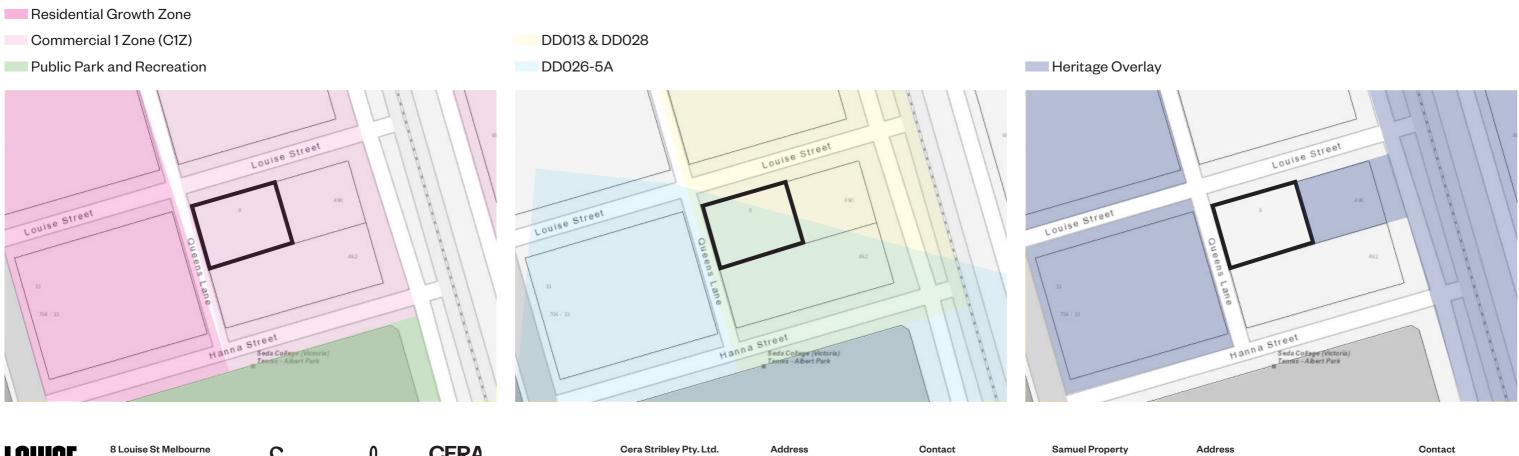
Commercial 1 Zone (C1Z)

Planning Overlays

Design and Development Overlay Schedule 13 (DD013) Design and Development Overlay Schedule 28 (DD028) Design and Development Overlay Schedule 26-5A (DD026-5A)

Heritage Overlay

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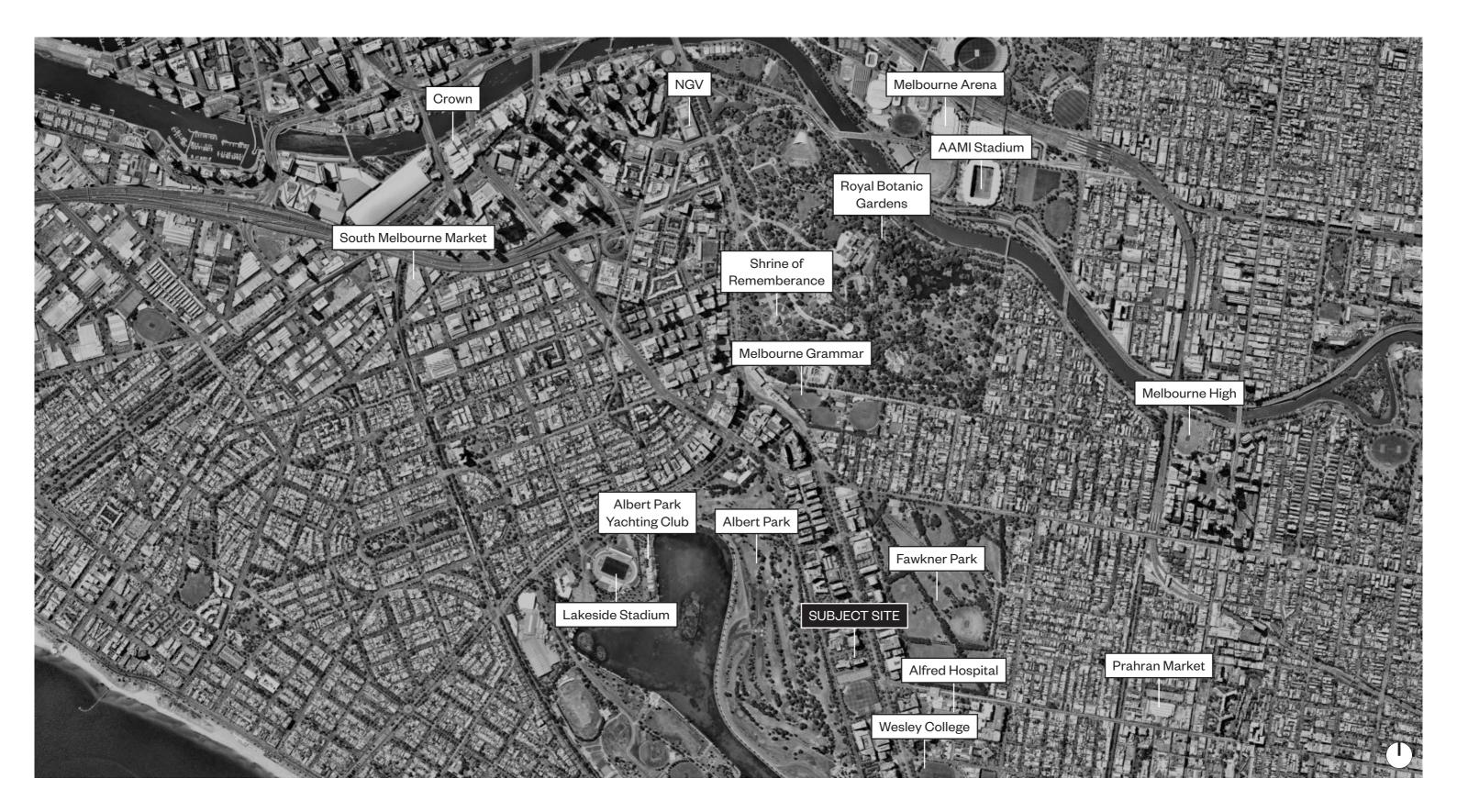
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HISTORY OF ST KILDA ROAD

ST KILDA ROAD WAS ORIGINALLY NAMED BAXTER'S TRACK AFTER MELBOURNE'S FIRST POSTMASTER.

Originally a botanical reserve, the thoroughfare was landscaped in 1859 to provide a tree-lined gateway into the rapidly developing city of Melbourne. In the mid 19th-century, the bluestone institutions of Melbourne Grammar School and the Victorian Barracks were developed and which remain distinct landmarks of the area today.

The gold rush of the mid 19th-century brought wealth to the area, with the first residential allotments presenting lavish architecture accompanied by large gardens. Melbourne became the richest city in the world, and St Kilda Road showed off its wealth, lined with the city's most lavish properties housing the most influential families.

The nearby Albert Park Lake and surrounding parkland was formed in 1864 to become a significant Melbourne attraction, with Albert Park Sailing Club introduced in 1871 becoming Victoria's first sailing club. The Shrine of Remembrance was erected in 1934 to become a landmark of the thoroughfare which was visited by many via tram - with cable tracks put in place along St Kilda Road in 1888. The National Gallery of Victoria opened in 1968, which became the start of the Arts Precinct, with further developments appearing soon after, such as The Arts Centre and the Victorian College of the Arts.

Between the 1950s and 1980s many mansions were demolished making way for office towers, and today, residential mid and high rise towers dominate most of St Kilda Road's skyline.



The first trees planted along St Kilda Rd, c. 1901



Historic mansion 'Armadale' at 461 St Kilda Rd, c. 1880



Albert Park Sailing Club, c. 1900



Historic mansion 'Offington' St Kilda Rd, c. 1880





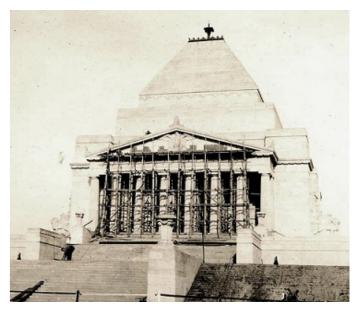




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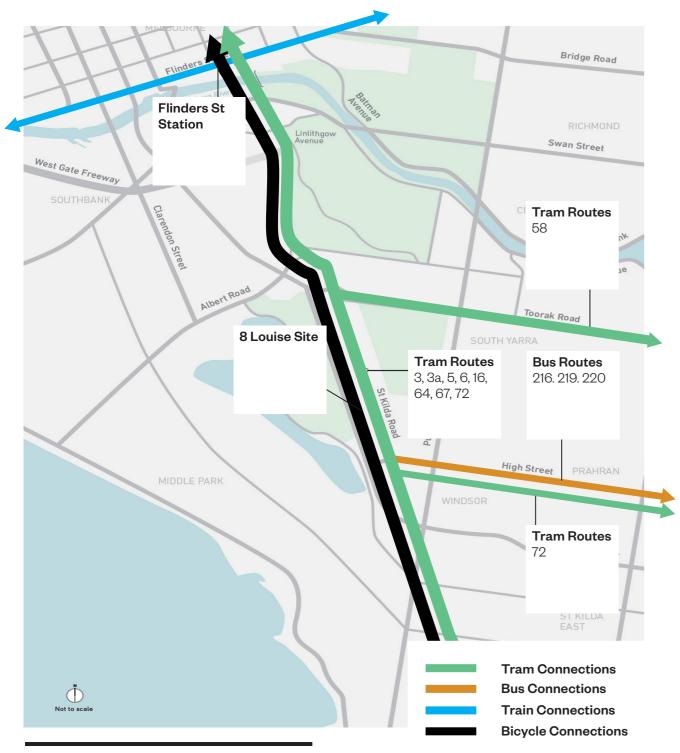
Looking south over Princes Bridge, c. 1902



Shrine of Remembrance under construction, 1934

Images Source: State Library of Victoria

BUILDING HEIGHTS AND CONNECTIVITY



CONNECTIVITY

The site is within a short walk's access to multiple tram routes either city bound, St Kilda bound, or east bound towards nearby South Yarra. Tram routes 3, 3a, 5, 6, 16, 64, 67, and 72 run north and south bound along St Kilda Road from the nearest stop to the site - Commercial Rd/St Kilda Rd. It is a ten minute tram journey from the site to Flinders Street Station. The 72 tram or alternative bus routes connect the site to nearby Windsor, South Yarra and Prahran via Commercial Road, whilst the 16 tram connects the site to nearby St Kilda. Bicycle lanes are available along the length of St Kilda Road.

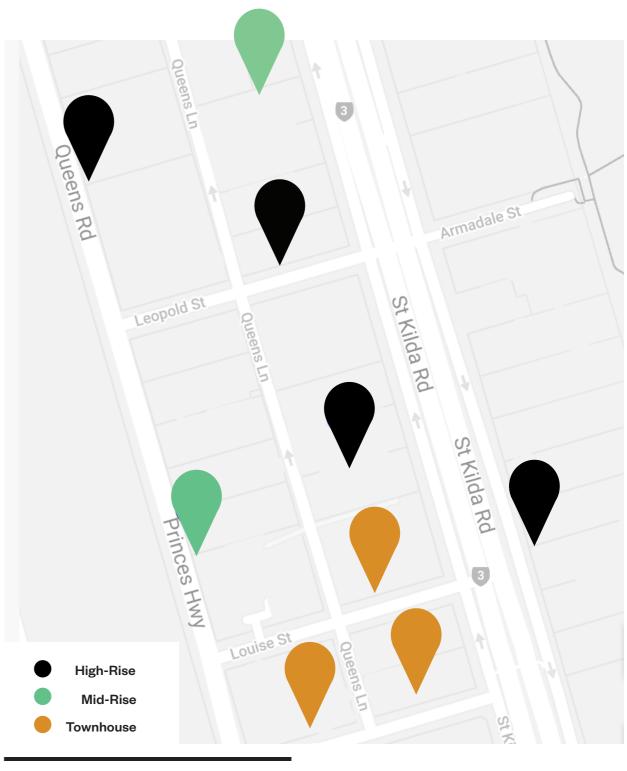








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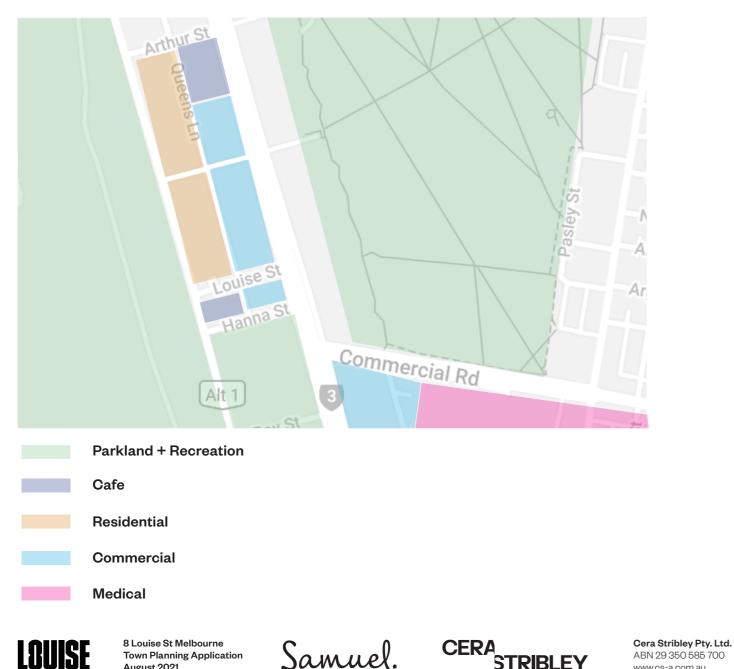
The St Kilda Road precinct is largely dominated by mid and high-rise residential and office buildings, as well as a number of townhouse buildings in the adjacent streets. The emerging height of the precinct follows the existing skyline, with most being residential buildings with commercial use - majorly cafes and convenience stores - on the ground floor. A number of smaller 2-4 storey heritage sites remain in the precinct. There are height restrictions in place for the area under the Shrine Vista Control which preserves the vista of the Shrine of Remembrance. The Shrine Vista height control formula prescribes building heights for sites ranging from 180 to 200 metres.

EXISTING CONTEXT

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THE SITE IS WITHIN ST KILDA ROAD'S PRECINCT 5 - ST KILDA ROAD SOUTH OF KINGS WAY. THE LAND USE WITHIN THIS PRECINCT MIXES BUILT FORM WITH LARGE SEGMENTS OF PARKLAND.

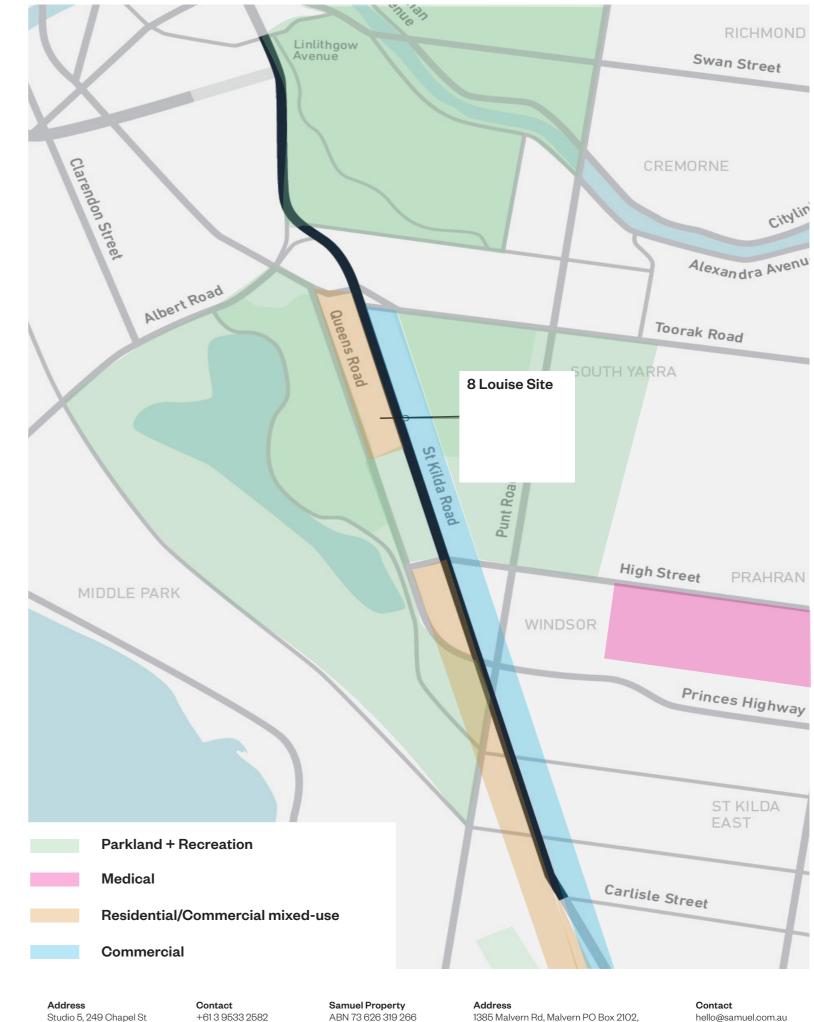
The site sits amongst mid to high-rise residential and office towers, as well as low-rise townhouse buildings. Many of these buildings have a combined commercial use for cafes and convenience stores on the ground floor. The precinct reserves a large segment of land for the use of parkland and sports recreation facilities, with Albert Park Public Golf Course and surrounding land utilising the majority of the precinct's space. To the east of St Kilda Road sits Fawkner Park, another large segment of parkland and recreational space, whilst Albert Reserve Tennis Courts and Albert Cricket Ground utilise the land just south of Louise Street between Hanna Street to to Roy Street. To the south of Fawkner Park is the Alfred Hospital, and surrounding land is used largely for office buildings and commercial stores - mainly cafes, and restaurants.



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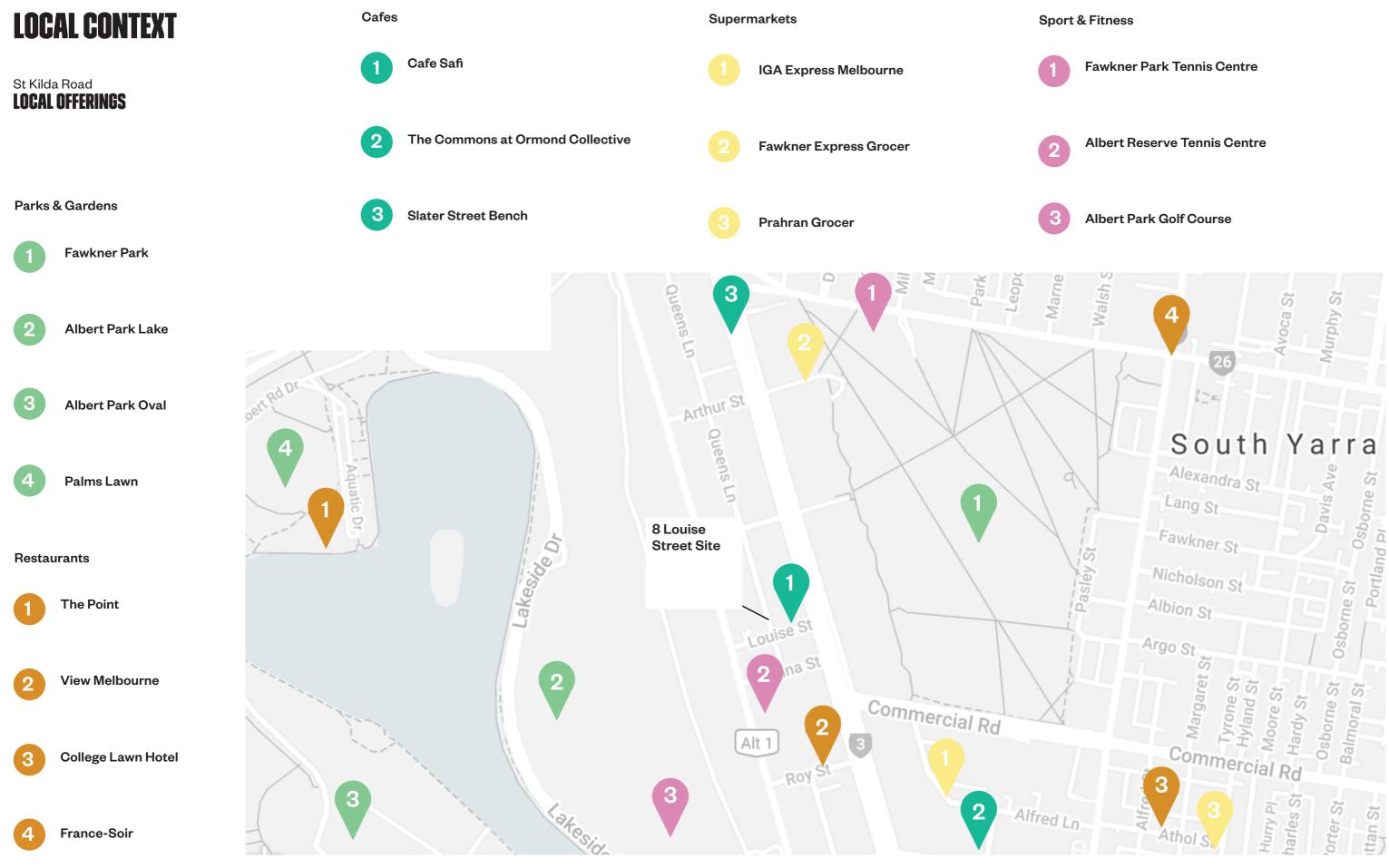
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