#### RESPONSE TO COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS MEETING OF THE PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL

# Item 7.1 Joint Letter Response – Restrict public access to Lane R2243, Princes Street, Port Melbourne

# **Question from Councillor Nyaguy:**

Has this approach been taken for any other laneways?

### Response:

Officers cannot locate an instance where this same approach has been taken (i.e. a lease to the interested parties), however, a <u>similar</u> approach has been used to restrict public access to a laneway in St Kilda.

- Lane R3577 (Rowland S Howard Lane) adjoins Inverleith Court, St Kilda.
- Early in 2019, officers received a series of complaints from residents regarding antisocial behaviours in the Lane.
- Following consultation, the Lane was temporarily closed under Schedule 11, Clause 10 of the Local Government Act 1989 to block access in the endeavour to reduce antisocial behaviour.
- Gates restricting access to the Lane were installed by Fulton Hogan in 2019 (see below) and CoPP maintain ownership of the Lane.

## Photography of Road



Laneway Aspect (from Rowland S Howard Lane)



Laneway Aspect (from Inverleith Court)

The installation of gates restricting public access to Lane R3577 has been effective in reducing anti-social behaviour.

\*Please note: answers to any questions in Public Question Time and Councillor Question Time which were answered at the meeting are included in the minutes of that meeting.