



MEMBER MICRO NEWS UPDATE: 14 February, 2014 JAAG's community website has posted some new items:

NEW RESIDENTIAL PLANNING ZONES Port Phillip Council at its Council meeting on the 11th February, 2014 approved the release for community consultation of the draft proposed new Residential Planning Zones for Port Phillip. The State Government has released three new residential zones, and requires Port Phillip Council to apply these new zones across all existing residential areas by the 1st July, 2014. **The three new zones are:**

- **RESIDENTIAL GROWTH ZONE** – allows for increased housing growth and densities.
- **GENERAL RESIDENTIAL ZONE** – allows for some multi-unit development in areas with good access to shops, services and transport.
- **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESIDENTIAL ZONE** – provides for limited growth in established residential areas where heritage and neighbourhood character are highly valued.

These new zones are one of the most significant changes to the planning rules in the last 10 years. The new zones may change the type of development that is allowed in your street and neighbourhood. As the different zones will affect building heights, the density of development and, therefore, neighbourhood character, Council wants to provide the community with an opportunity to comment on the proposed changes.

Detailed information on the proposed application of the new residential zones will be available for comment from 14 February until 14 March, 2014. This information will show how your property and street will be affected.

Where to find out more:

Visit Council's website at www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/new-residential-zones.htm (look at the map which will show which of the three new residential zones is proposed for your property and street. Note the specific number of the area that you are in (for example, Neighbourhood Residential Zone 1 – NRZ1) as different rules apply to different areas. Read the New Residential Zones Guide and the relevant Zone Fact Sheet to find out more about the zone you are in, the rules that will apply and what it means). Visit Council Service Centres and libraries to see the plans and get a copy of the Guide and Fact Sheets.

Phone the Council's Strategic Planning Unit on 9209 6237 or go to the St Kilda Town Hall to talk with a Strategic Planner.

Attend a drop-in session

Drop-in sessions will be held so you can talk to a Council planner one on one about the new zones and what is proposed for your property. Sessions will be held in different locations throughout Port Phillip. Visit Council's website for details of times and locations.

How to make comments

Go to Council's website or Have Your Say page for a comments form.

Email your form to newresidentialzones@portphillip.vic.gov.au

Post your form to the Strategic Planning Coordinator, City of Port Phillip, Private Bag 3, St Kilda Vic 3182.

JAAG's motto of **STRENGTH IN NUMBERS will no doubt be required to make our voice heard with respect to these new residential zones and strategic planning for our area. We currently have 250 members and are always looking to add to this, so if your neighbors are not members of JAAG please let them know about our community group and welcome them to join us by completing the easy online application at <http://jaagstkilda.com/online-application/>**

JAAG Steering Committee

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