

INDUSTRIAL SUB STATION TO BE BUILT IN MIDDLE OF ST KILDA JUNCTION



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Residents have just heard Public Transport Victoria (PTV) intends to construct a substantial industrial power substation in the middle of the St Kilda Road reserve at St Kilda Junction.

The substation will be roughly equivalent to 3 double garages end to end – nearly 100 sq. metres in size and not dissimilar in appearance to a toilet block.

The industrial structure will be smack bang in the middle of St Kilda Junction and will dominate what is now the grassy/treed open reserve. The prominence of the structure will also be an obvious canvas for graffiti.

PTV has failed to engage in any initial community consultation. We also note the Port Phillip Council does not support the location, however PTV is not required to obtain a planning permit for this project.

We understand other sites were suggested and it appears PTV has opted for the easiest way out at this prominent location.

PTV has not acknowledged an eventual Master plan for St Kilda Junction or any sense of orderly planning for the Junction. This bulky industrial substation structure is likely to produce a poor urban design and architectural outcome and would obstruct future potential urban design opportunities which are very much needed for this important gateway to St Kilda and St Kilda Road Boulevard to the CBD.

What can you do?

***PTV is holding a 'Public Information Session' on Thursday 4th May, 6 to 8 pm
at the St Kilda Sports Club, 66 Fitzroy Street, St Kilda (The St Kilda Bowling Club)***

We encourage all JAAG members and supporters to attend the 'Public Information Session' and let PTV know we are not satisfied with the location of this unsightly Substation and their failure to engage in community consultation.

There are many other design and location options PTV should consider before constructing a bulky industrial container like structure in the middle of our unobstructed approach to St Kilda Road.

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