

Victorian Town Planning

A Year in Review

Design Matters National Inspo+Expo 2020

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1 | Overview

Gov. Covid Planning Response

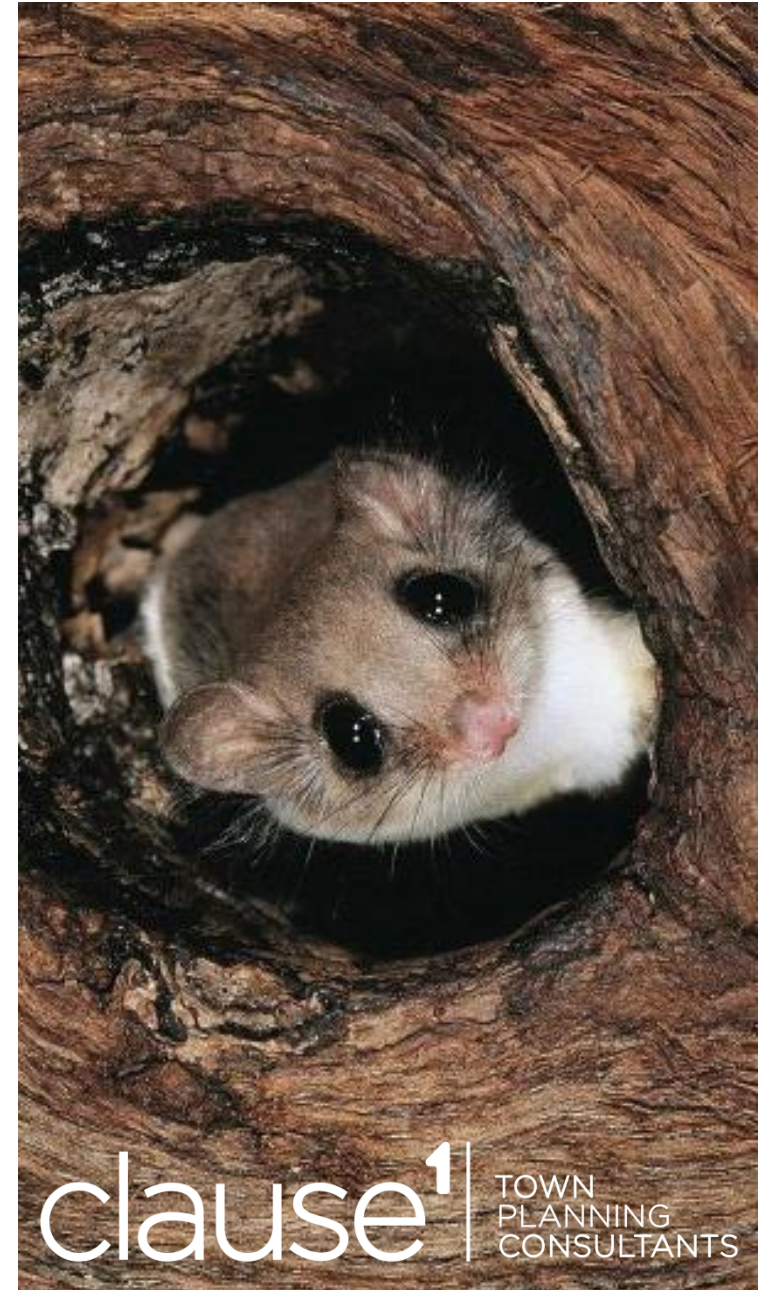
VCAT Reforms

Planning Scheme Amendments

Notable VCAT Decisions

Useful Links

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1 | Government Covid Response

Local Council Planners working from home (file management)

Planning documents required to be online at State and Local planning offices clause1.com.au/?s=covid

Fast Tracking approvals with priority project eligibility criteria
clause1.com.au/?s=priority

Exemptions for delivery of food and other essential goods plus use and development in food and drink premises-new then updated CI 52.18

1 | VCAT Reforms

PED (Planning & Environment Division)

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=reforms>

Electronic Program, Automation

Online Hearings

Timeframes

Short case list	approx. 12 weeks
Major case list	approx. 22 weeks
Standard case list	approx. 34 weeks



1 | Planning Scheme Amendments

Amendment VC169 - Housing strategy

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=Structure+of+all+Victorian+Planning+Schemes+to+Change>

Structure of all Victorian Planning Schemes to Change (VC148)

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=AMENDMENT+VC148>

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=VC148+part+2>

Bushfire Exemptions

i) Change to mapping v municipal boundaries (VC176)

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=bushfire>

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=tree+removal+exemptions>

ii) Clause 13.02 (VC140 2019)

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=hidden+controls>

1 | Scheme Amendments

Industrial buffers/threshold distances (VC175)

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=buffers>

Land Use definitions VC159

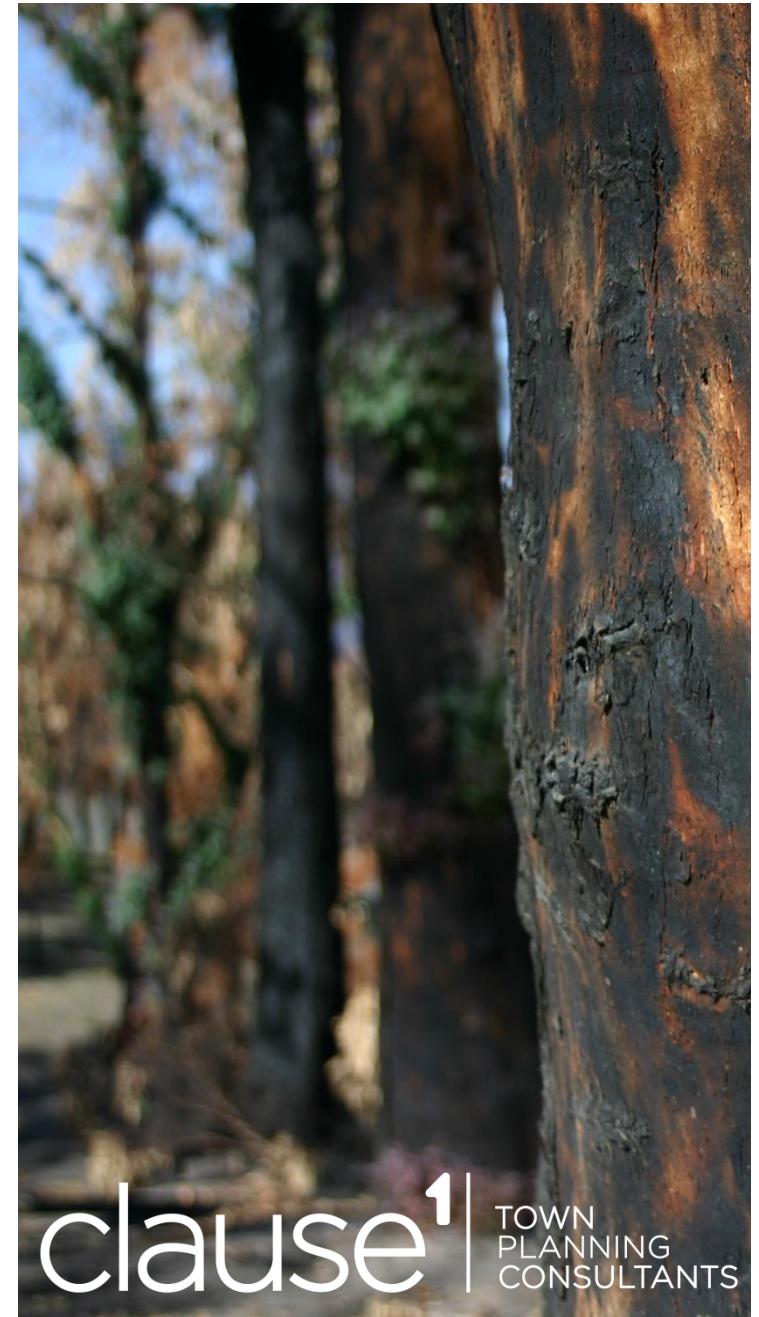
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Upcoming Changes

Code Assess/VicSmart 2nd Dwelling

clause1.com.au/?s=c190

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=pilot+program>



1 | Notable VCAT Decisions

Garden Area Requirements

i) The Lot/Multiple Lots <https://clause1.com.au/?s=the+lot>

iii) Getting an Exemption clause1.com.au/getting-an-exemption-to-the-garden-area-requirements/

Mandatory Height Controls v Mandatory Garden Area

clause1.com.au/?s=height+

Auditing potentially contaminated land when there is no land

Almia Pty Ltd v Port Phillip CC (Red Dot) [2020] VCAT <https://clause1.com.au/?s=Contaminated>

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Removal of single dwelling covenant

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=covenant>

Residential solar panels

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=solar>

CHMP small lot exemptions

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=multiple+small+lots>

Getting an objector appeal struck out

<https://clause1.com.au/?s=objector>



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[Australasian Legal Information Institute](#)

[VCAT](#)

[Planning Schemes Online](#)

[Scheme Amendments online](#)

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