

# **Visitor Information Centre Building**

## **Community Meeting**

**30 November 2021**

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**GM Community Health & Wellbeing**

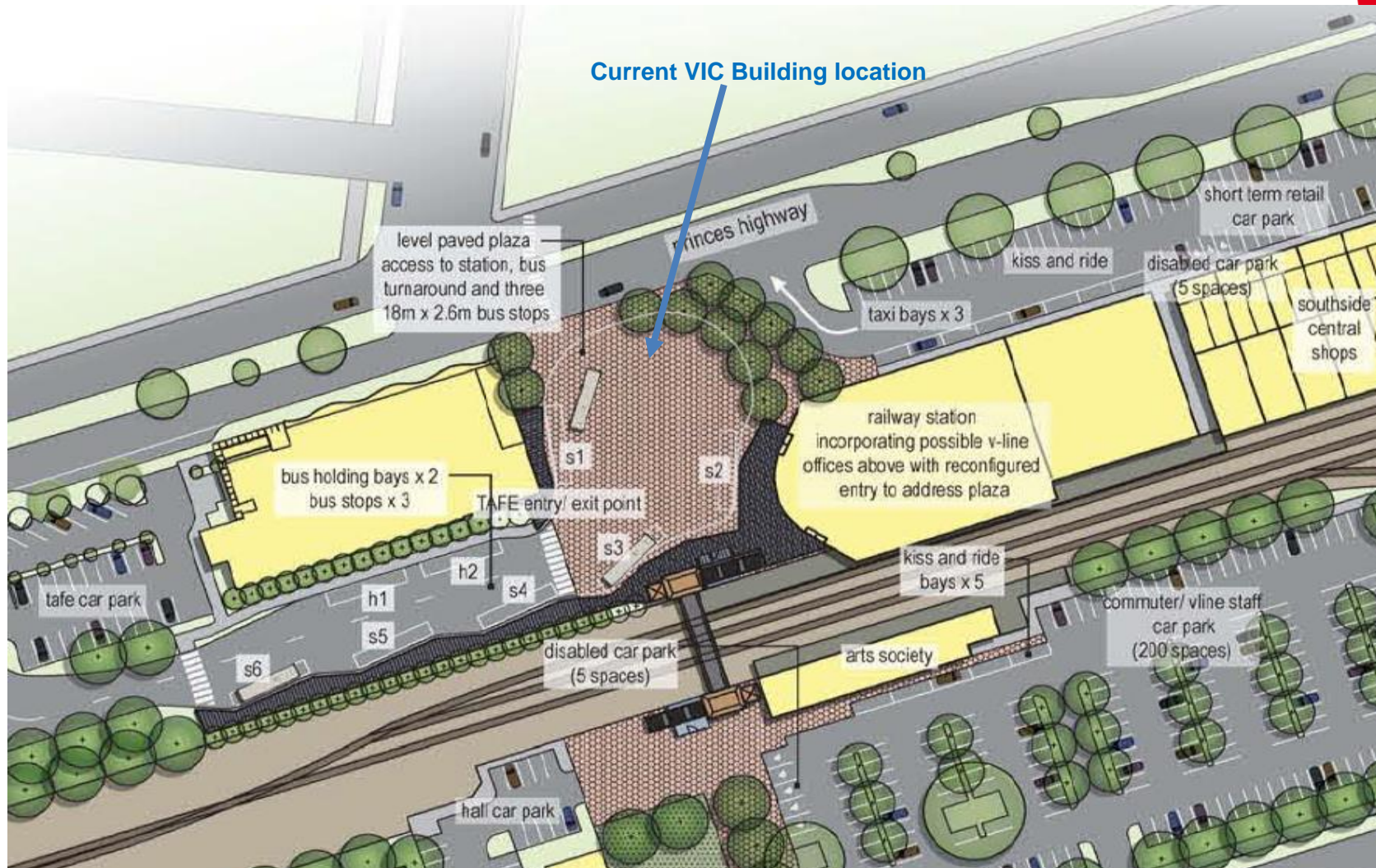
# Management of VIC site

- Council owns the VIC building
- Land is owned by the Department of Transport (DoT)
- Council had a lease agreement with the DoT - now expired
- Council has obligations through clauses in lease:
  - *To remove or carry away the building and to make good the site*
- DoT remain committed to Traralgon Station Precinct Master Plan
- Council resolution 3 April 2018

## *That Council:*

1. *Continues to provide Visitor Information Services from the existing outlet in Traralgon until the service can be co-located within the new Performing Arts Centre of the Latrobe Creative Precinct; and*
2. *Considers the matter of the future of the existing Old Church building at that time.*

# Traralgon Station Precinct Master Plan 2011



# Traralgon Station Precinct Master Plan 2011 - Heritage

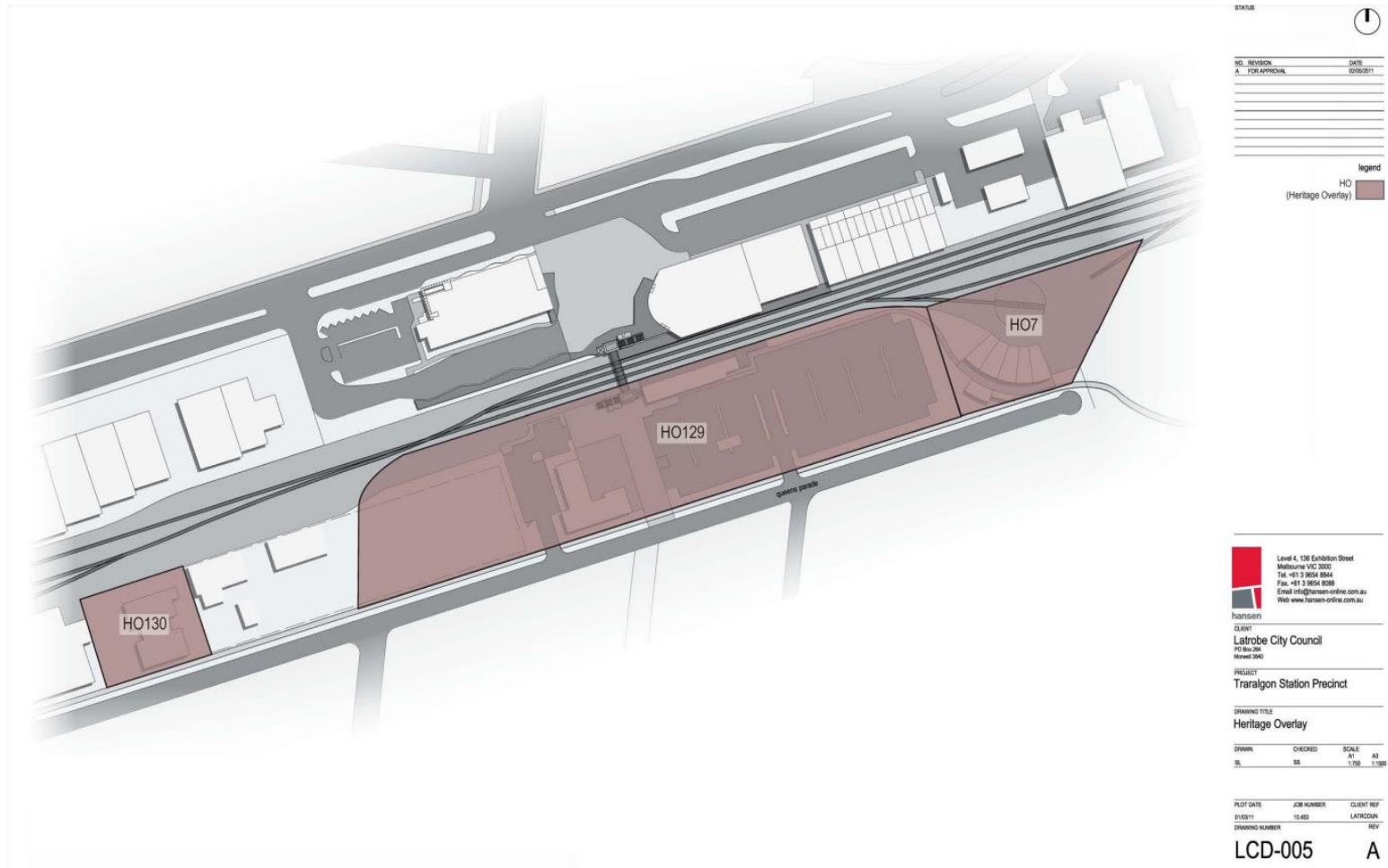
An analysis of heritage values within and surrounding the Traralgon Station Precinct was undertaken by an independent heritage adviser. This analysis identified the key features regarding heritage in the area.

The following sites were deemed to have some heritage significance:

- The Engine House and Turntable
- The Old Station Building, Queens Parade
- The Footbridge
- The Victorian Railway Industry Hall (VRI hall), Queens Parade
- The former Army Drill Hall, Queens Parade

The Methodist church has been relocated twice and had a number of refurbishments

# Traralgon Station Precinct Master Plan 2011 - Heritage





# VIC Structural Assessment report

Relocation costs include

- Preparing building
- Traffic Management
- New foundations
- Service connections
- Making good old site
- Transport
- Site works
- Reassembling building
- Repairs to building

Structural engineers advice - building is not suitable for relocation without undergoing extensive repairs and remedial works including:

- Significant Bracing to prepare for relocation
- Significant removal and replacement of cladding
- Repairs of internal wall framing
- Demolish and remove a storage room causing building lean
- New floorboards
- Window, doors frame repairs

2 x Independent Quantity Surveyor estimates on costings for relocation

Company 1 = \$676,000

Company 2 = \$674,000

# Consultation

Met with the community groups who had shown interest in the building

- Traralgon and District Community Association
- Traralgon Historical Society

Not their preference to demolish

Recognised the challenges Council were facing to commit this level of funds

## Further Information

- Here to listen tonight
- Further Questions – [vicbuilding@latrobe.vic.gov.au](mailto:vicbuilding@latrobe.vic.gov.au)
- Q&A Sheet which we can collate & distribute following tonight