

Strategic Assessment Guidelines Checklist

This checklist is a tool that provides a quick snapshot of the abovementioned information. It may be useful to use while preparing an amendment assessment.

Note: In the 'Comment' field, you must click in the top left part of the field to enter any comments.

Strategic Consideration		Yes	No	N/A	Comment
Why is an amendment required?	What does the amendment intend to do and what is its desired outcome?	☒	☐	☐	Improve understanding on sign applications
	How does it intend to do it?	☒	☐	☐	Further details through local policy
	Is it supported by or is it a result of any strategic study or report?	☒	☐	☐	Yes, Latrobe City Signage Review and Strategy
	Will the planning policy, provision or control result in the desired planning outcome?	☒	☐	☐	
	Will the amendment have a net community benefit?	☒	☐	☐	
	Will the community benefit outweigh the cost of the new control?	☒	☐	☐	
	Does the amendment repeat provisions already in the scheme?	☐	☒	☐	
	Is the planning scheme the most appropriate means of controlling the issue or can other existing regulatory or process mechanisms deal with the issue?	☒	☐	☐	
	Is the matter already dealt with under other regulations?	☐	☒	☐	
Does the amendment implement the objectives of planning and any environmental, social and economic effects?	Does the amendment implement the objectives of planning in Victoria? (Refer to section 4 of the <i>Planning and Environment Act 1987</i>)	☒	☐	☐	
	Does the amendment adequately address any environmental effects?	☒	☐	☐	
	Does the amendment adequately address any social effects?	☒	☐	☐	
	Does the amendment adequately address any economic effects?	☒	☐	☐	
Does the amendment address relevant bushfire risk?	Does the amendment meet the objective and give effect to the strategies to address the risk to life as a priority, property, community infrastructure and the natural environment from bushfire in the Planning Policy Framework (Clause 13.02 of the planning scheme)?	☐	☐	☒	
	Has the view of the relevant fire authority been sought in formulating the amendment?	☐	☐	☒	
	If the planning scheme includes a Local Planning Policy Framework at Clause 20, is the amendment consistent with the Local Planning Policy Framework objectives and strategies that apply to bushfire risk?	☒	☐	☐	

	Is local policy for bushfire risk management required to support the amendment?	☐	☐	☒	
Does the amendment comply with all the relevant Minister's Directions?	- Does the amendment comply with the requirements of the Ministerial Direction - The Form and Content of Planning Schemes? - Do any other Minister's Directions apply to the amendment? If so, have they been complied with? - Is the amendment accompanied by all of the information required by a Minister's Direction?	☒	☐	☐	
Does the amendment support or implement the PPF?	- Does the amendment support or give effect to the PPF? - Are there any competing PPF objectives and how are they balanced? - Does the amendment support or give effect to any relevant adopted state policy? If the planning scheme includes a Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) at Clause 02 and the amendment seeks to introduce or amend a local planning policy in the PPF: - Does the new or amended local planning policy: - respond to a demonstrated need? - implement a strategic direction in the MPS? - relate to a specific discretion or group of discretions in the planning scheme? - assist the responsible authority to make a decision? (assist any other person to understand whether a proposal is likely to be supported?) - Does the amendment affect any existing local planning policy or tool? - Is a local planning policy necessary OR is the issue adequately covered by another planning tool or decision guideline?	☒	☐	☐	
Does the amendment support or implement the LPPF?	- Does the amendment implement or support the MSS? - Does the amendment seek to change the objectives or strategies of the MSS? If so, what is the change?	☐	☐	☒	

	• If so, have the provisions been reconciled? • Does the control capture matters that do not specifically relate to the purpose or objectives of the control or matters that should not be dealt with under planning? • Does the amendment make any existing provision in the planning scheme redundant? • Is the amendment consistent with any relevant planning practice note?	☐	☐	☒	
How does the amendment address the views of any relevant agency?	• Have the views of any relevant agency been addressed?	☐	☐	☒	
Does the amendment address the requirements of the <i>Transport Integration Act 2010</i> (TIA)?	• Is the amendment likely to have a significant impact on the transport system as defined by section 3 of the TIA? If so, explain how the amendment addresses the transport system objectives and decision-making principles set out in Part 2, Divisions 2 and 3 of the TIA. • Are there any applicable statements of policy principles prepared under section 22 of the TIA? If so, assess how the amendment addresses any specified policy principles that apply to the proposal.	☐	☒	☐	
What impact will the new planning provisions have on the resource and administrative costs of the responsible authority?	• Has the council considered the cost implications in implementing and administering the new planning provisions including: – estimated increase in number of planning permit applications – planning staff resources – other miscellaneous costs including legal or other professional advice, for example, heritage advisers – capacity to consider the new application within the prescribed time?	☒	☐	☐	