

WHAT IS AN ACTIVITY CENTRE AND WHY DO THEY NEED MORE HOMES?

We need to plan for more homes so that all Victorians, including young people have the opportunity to rent or buy a home, in a place where they want to live

We've identified 60 train and tram zones across Melbourne to encourage more than 300,000 new homes to be built close to transport, jobs and services by 2051.

An activity centre is a place where people work, shop, catchup with friends and have easy access to transport. It's a place where many people want to live.

HAVE YOUR SAY

We're planning for more homes in 60 local communities across Melbourne, in train and tram zones close to transport, open space and services – great places like yours where we know people want to live. You're receiving this letter because you live within, or nearby one of the train and tram zones.

We'll be talking with communities, councils and stakeholders during 2025 and 2026 to help understand where and how we can plan for more homes, while protecting and enhancing the things that make these places so liveable.

We're planning today for the types of homes your community needs in 10, 20 and 30 years, including homes closer to the core of an activity centre and within a surrounding 10-minute walkable catchment.

Any changes would happen gradually over time, but planning now means that change won't be ad hoc and communities can stay lively, inclusive and sustainable places for everyone in the future.

FIND OUT MORE



View the 60 activity centres, visit planning.vic.gov.au/activitycentres



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HOW WE ARE PLANNING FOR MORE HOMES

The Activity Centre Program proposes to update planning controls in your area. This will allow more homes to be built in the heart of the centre, close to the train or tram zone, as well as areas that are within walking distance. This will give more people better access to transport, jobs and services.

Local councils and communities know their neighbourhoods best. Some councils have already been engaging with their communities and developing plans to allow for more homes in activity centres in their municipality. We will work with your council to make sure that community feedback helps to shape our plans.

NO CHANGES TO HERITAGE OVERLAYS

There are no changes to heritage overlays as part of the Activity Centre program. New buildings still have to follow existing heritage controls, as well as relevant state and local policy.

GET INVOLVED

We are planning for two phases of community consultation:

PHASE 1: LEARN



Learn more from locals about where more homes might be situated. Community engagement will begin from 5th May 2025.

PHASE 2: SEEK



Seeking more input as we finalise our plans.

ATTEND A DROP-IN OR ONLINE QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

We're hosting online and in-person sessions near you during May and June to hear your views on how to improve access to homes, while protecting and enhancing your local area.

JOIN A COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP (CRG)

A community reference group (CRG) will be brought together to review the community feedback and make recommendations.

The group will meet in the middle of the year and help the planning to team to understand and consider the needs of community.

Express your interest in participating by contacting activity.centres@transport.vic.gov.au



REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Register your interest in joining the community conversation at engage.vic.gov.au/activity-centres

LANGUAGES

We want to make sure everyone has the opportunity to get involved.

Key information about this project will be available in multiple languages. Scan the code and it will take you to the page to find translated information.



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