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Dear Cr Hopper

**MORELAND AMENDMENT C123 COBURG ACTIVITY CENTRE ZONE**

I refer to Amendment C123 to the Moreland Planning Scheme which was submitted for approval under Section 31 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

The amendment applies the Activity Centre Zone to the Coburg Activity Centre. I have decided to approve Amendment C123 with changes.

The Activity Centre Zone, schedule 1 as approved provides for preferred rather than mandatory heights and setbacks. As outlined in the original letter to council to authorise the amendment, mandatory heights in activity centres is only supported in exceptional circumstances and the planning panel did not believe that exceptional circumstances applied in this instance.

As discussed with council officers other changes to the amendment documents include to the land use table in the Activity Centre Zone schedule, to the Municipal Strategic Statement and the inclusion of the schedule to the parking overlay at Clause 45.09.

I have also returned the responsible authority status for Pentridge Precinct to council as I believe that council is best placed to make planning permit decisions in the local area.

I would like to congratulate council on the strategic work completed in the preparation of this amendment and the extensive program of community consultation undertaken.

The amendment will come into effect when notice of its approval is published in the Victoria Government Gazette.

If you have any queries, please contact Rachael Joiner, Director, Planning Services and Impact Assessment, Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning on (03) 8392 6731.

Yours sincerely

**HON RICHARD WYNNE MP**  
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