

Planning and Health: Building Sustainable Communities on the Urban Fringe

City of Casey, 19 August 2002

SEMINAR DETAILS

Date: Monday 19 August 2002
Time: 9:30 am sharp – 3.30pm
Venue: Reception Room
City of Casey, Majid drive, Narre
Warren (just in front of the Fountain
gate Shopping Centre).
Melways ref: 110 D4

Cost: \$30 including GST
Registration includes morning tea
and lunch.

Places are limited so early
registration is recommended. To
secure a place, full payment must be
received with your registration.

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Parking: all-day parking available.

For further information about this
Seminar and the presenters please
log on to the website:
[http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/phd/local
gov/buildinglinks.htm#events](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/phd/localgov/buildinglinks.htm#events)

PIA members: This workshop will
attract four (4) CPD points.

This seminar builds on momentum generated at three seminars held since November 2001 and organised by the Department of Human Services (DHS), VicHealth, and the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA).

A key aim of the forum is to enable planners from different disciplines to exchange ideas, and brainstorm strategies for dealing with challenges and enhancing collaboration. Topics will include:

- Local case studies highlighting the relationship between planning, community development and wellbeing
- Examples of successful integrated planning
- Exploring strategies for achieving integrated local planning
- Using the latest Census data for local planning

9.30 am	Welcome – Mayor, City of Casey
9.45am	Why Built Environment? The relationship between health/well-being and urban planning
10.00am	Panel Discussion: Local Perspectives on Planning and Community Development. <i>Case studies and discussion</i>
11.15	Morning Tea
11.30	Presentations: What Can Happen When Planners Work Together <i>Four Urban Fringe councils will showcase examples of integrated planning, followed by discussion</i>
1.00pm	Lunch
1.45pm	Strategies for Integrated Local Planning <i>Panel Discussion and brainstorming to explore actions that can help influence change within local government.</i>
2.45	What Does the 2001 Census Tell Us About the Need for Strong Local Planning? <i>Bob Birrell (Director, Centre for Population and Urban Research, Monash University)</i>
3.15pm	Summary / Close



Why Built Environment?

A strong link exists between the built environment, health and wellbeing. The built environment impacts on our senses, our emotions, our opportunity to partake in physical activity, and the way we participate in community life. Built environments can vary across a range of characteristics, such as the quality of infrastructure, public spaces, a sense of safety and amenity, availability of healthy foods and services, which influence individual and collective behaviour. Our sense of community and general wellbeing are affected as a result.

As the focus of planning professionals is to design and create a sound built environment, and the emphasis of public health professionals is to increase opportunities for physical activity and improve community life, the two groups' objectives are intrinsically linked.

Through a shared recognition of these links, these forums aim to help identify ways in which sustainable partnerships can be created between urban, social and health planners at a state and local level to improve the health and wellbeing of the community.

Local Perspectives on Planning and Community Development:

Mental health issues in the urban growth corridor

Sally Everitt, Cardinia Shire

Isolation is a major issue on new estates. Two of the six health goals in the Cardinia Community Health Plan 2001-2006 have highlighted depression and family support as priority issues for attention.

Building New and Developing Housing Estates Into Communities

Caroline Bell, City of Casey

Casey's Community Development staff run a number of programs to tackle isolation and parenting issues, including information evenings for new residents, social events, and helping establish new residents' groups.

Place Attachment and Well Being

Jenny Macaffer, Mornington Peninsula Shire Council

'Place' links to housing, health and community participation, and is identified as a key factor in the Mornington Peninsula Health and Well Being Plan.

What Can Happen When Planners Work Together:

City of Casey C21 Strategy

Greg Bursill, City of Casey

Casey's population is expected to double within a generation. C21 provides an integrated city development model that encompasses land use, community development, environment, economic development, provision of infrastructure, opportunities for recreation and leisure and a full range of 'people services'.

Yarra Ranges 2020 Community Plan

Karen Martin & Mark Doubleday, Shire of Yarra Ranges

Through the Vision 2020 Community Plan, Council has formed the Sustainability Group, bringing together those responsible for the environment, economic development, social planning, strategic land use planning and township development.

The Wyndham Household Panel

Ross Goeman and Emma Williams, Wyndham City Council

Based on a demographically representative panel of 400 households, this innovative approach by Wyndham City Council has produced a more reliable and less costly community consultation process, enhanced Council planning, and won a 2001 National Award for Innovation in Local Government.

Biosphere, Sustainability and the Benefits of 'Connected Planning'

Dr Michael Kennedy, CEO, Mornington Peninsular Shire Council

The Mornington Peninsula and Western Port region has been proposed as a Biosphere reserve. The Shire's Sustainable Peninsula approach compliments the Biosphere proposal.

Strategies for Integrating Local Planning: Panel Discussion

What actions can help influence change within local government? Panel members will include representatives from urban fringe 'Interface Councils', the Urban and Regional Land Corporation, Delfin Lend Lease, and DHS.

What Does the 2001 Census Tell Us About the Need for Strong Local Planning?

Dr Bob Birrell, Centre for Population and Urban Research, Monash University

The Centre for Population and Urban Research investigates population movements in Australia and their social, economic and environmental implications. It provides a focus on both population and urban issues. The Centre has been working with Casey in its future planning.

REGISTRATION

Please complete the following details and return to the Planning Institute of Australia before 9th August 2002

To register, please send a cheque of \$30.00 (includes GST) payable to Planning Institute of Australia. Address to: Frank Spranger, Planning Institute of Australia, Level 1, 70 Jolimont St, Jolimont 3002. Fax 9650 4435, email vic@planning.org.au. There will be no refunds on cancellation after Friday 9th August 2002.

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