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To: amendments
Subject: Re: East Pakenham PSP

Thank you to VPA
for presenting the opportunity for residents of Nar Nar Goon
with the opportunity to see and discuss the PSP on the 13/02/18.

Some ideas that are being incorporated are to be commended, such as:
the enhancement of environmental corridors
along the Princes Hwy, Deep Creek and Hancocks Gully.
the retarding basin areas along the M1 that could become welcoming places for the now scarce
Growling Grass Frog.
the walking and cycling paths and provisions between the sports fields.
the preservation of the hilltops for public open spaces.

Of concern is that it appears that the VPA's planners were not to look outside the PSP area,
when designing the PSP, but though this may have been a practical approach it may have limited the
possibilities of making connections with communities outside East Pakenham, for example:
though the metropolitan train line will be electrified to just south of the PSP area, there has been no analysis
of the option for a metro train station that could have been accessed via a pedestrian bridge over the M1 via
Oakview Lane.
there was also an opportunity to incorporate cycle access along the railway line to Nar Nar Goon and the
Chairo Christian School via the same pedestrian bridge, which would have helped to better incorporate the
Healthy by Design principles into the local community.
the Nar Nar Goon Primary School has a large number of students from Cardinia Lakes as well as the
Cardinia Lakes Shopping Centre being the closest supermarket to Nar Nar Goon, the placement of a large
shopping complex that has more land area than the Arena on Cardinia Road, and proposing four new
schools in the PSP, may have a negative impact on the plans for the supermarket and private school that
were being considered at Nar Nar Goon.

The railway towns have been in existence for well over a hundred years with low levels of amenity and
services that are in need of upgrading to an acceptable standard.
It appears that the VPA has given little consideration to the needs of the communities between Nar Nar
Goon and Longwarry, and how the 20-22,000 people moving in over the next 20 years will impact on the
existing businesses and schools along the railway towns that may be forced to close.

Yours sincerely,

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