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Dear Stuart,

ARDEN STRUCTURE PLAN AND PLANNING PACKAGE (Amendment C407melb)

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback to the Victorian Planning Authority (VPA) in relation to the recently released Arden Structure Plan and Planning Package.

I wish to acknowledge the extensive work of our teams, together with the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and the Melbourne City Council. I am pleased that through this collaboration, we have a planning framework that will implement the Arden Vision and contribute to significant urban renewal in Melbourne.

DoT commends the VPA on the preparation of the land use planning framework which sets the foundations for an exemplar urban renewal precinct at Arden, providing for broad community benefits, including large public open space areas, community facilities, provision of affordable housing, flood management, environmentally sustainable design, connectivity throughout the precinct and capped car parking supporting active and public transport.

Thank you for your ongoing work over the past two years as the Victorian Government seeks to leverage its investment in the Metro Tunnel and the new Arden Station by implementing a new Arden Structure Plan.

Arden's mandate is to develop into a curated innovation precinct that creates and captures a range of economic, environmental, and social outcomes. The Arden Structure Plan and Planning Package will support the State's economic prosperity through the development of an international innovation and technology precinct that leverages Victoria's capabilities and investment in high growth knowledge-based industries.

My team will continue to work closely with the VPA in the finalisation of planning controls for the Arden Precinct.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact me on [REDACTED] or alternatively [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely

Deputy Secretary – Policy, Precincts and Innovation
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