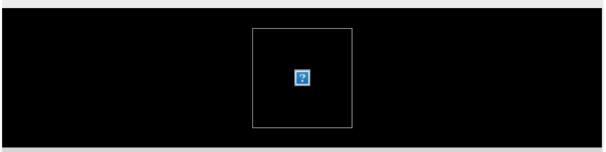
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Regarding Arden structure plan.

Line 2 designing a distinctive place: your claim to be reflecting the identity and characteristics of North and West Melbourne is belied by the artists impression shown on page 9. There is almost nothing in North or West Melbourne that is of the heights suggested in the diagram.

The heights and densities are almost identical to the city fringe at one edge of the diagram. The images on other pages and claims are almost identical to the claims for the Docklands planning designs.

The pretty diagrams of what Arden Street might look like fails to acknowledge the electricity infrastructure that uses both sides of Arden Street above ground and the middle of the road underground.

The Arden Station construction site completely wiped away all the heritage of that area.

Perhaps some effort could be put in to keeping some structures to reflect the heritage of the other areas.

Regarding 'street alignments' the area around the station could reflect the heritage siding arrangements by having a main road coming off Arden Street near the rail line and having streets branch off like the rail sidings did. This creates unbuildable spaces for micro parks at every corner. An old aerial photo would give ideas on where to put these streets.

The access to the creek is severely limited by city link and the upfield rail line. What efforts are being considered to address this as the plan claims to want to make the Moonee Ponds Creek part of the development.

The heights proposed are too high. They make the development look like a repeat of Docklands and not a distinctive area. Having a lower rise plan would create a distinctive development. Auckland NZ has a low rise plan in its Docklands area which has created a zone that is distinctive from the rest of its CBD.

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