

# Futures Thinking

## Triumph of the Centres

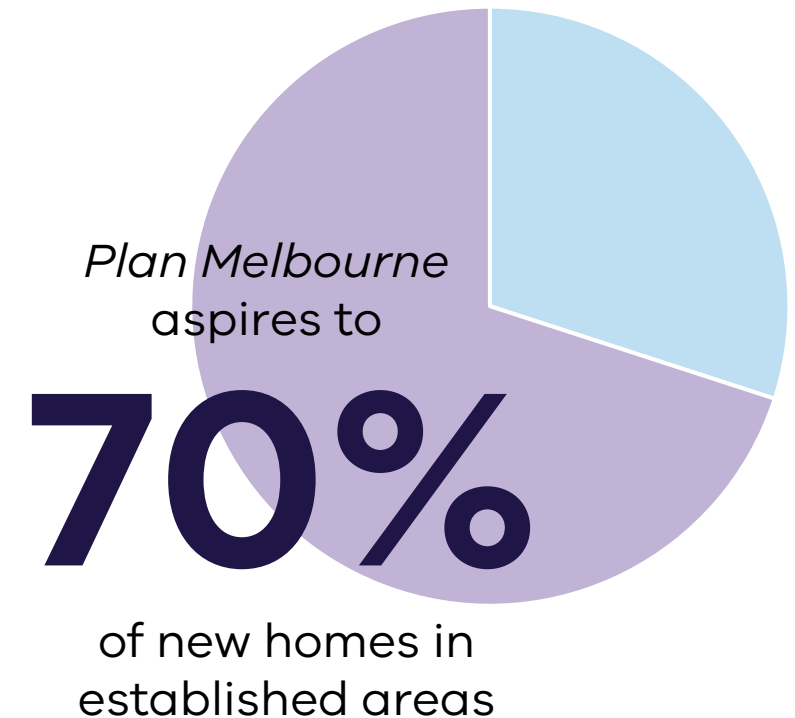
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# Strategic context

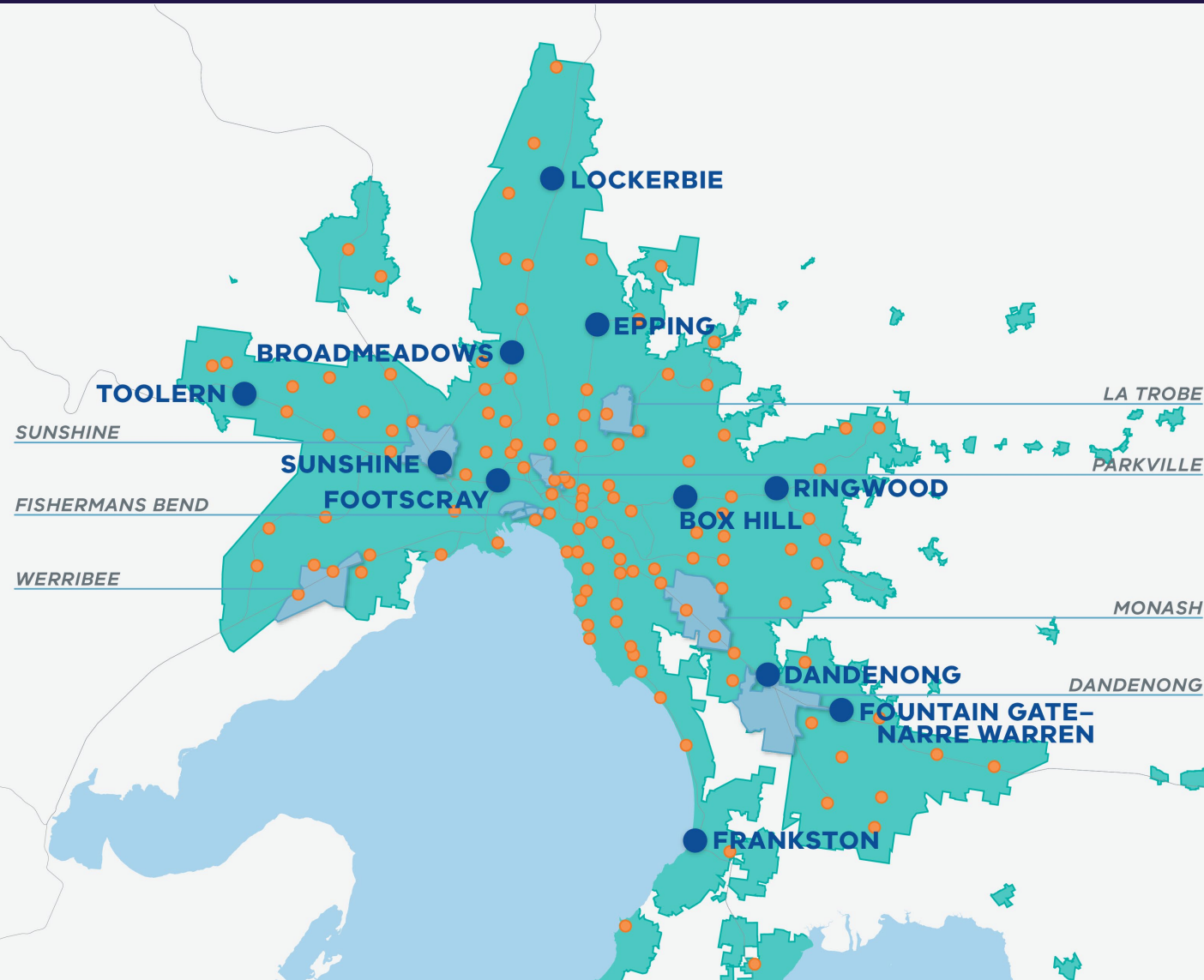
“Facilitate an increased percentage of **new housing in established areas** to create **a city of 20-minute neighbourhoods** close to existing services, jobs and public transport.”

– *Plan Melbourne*

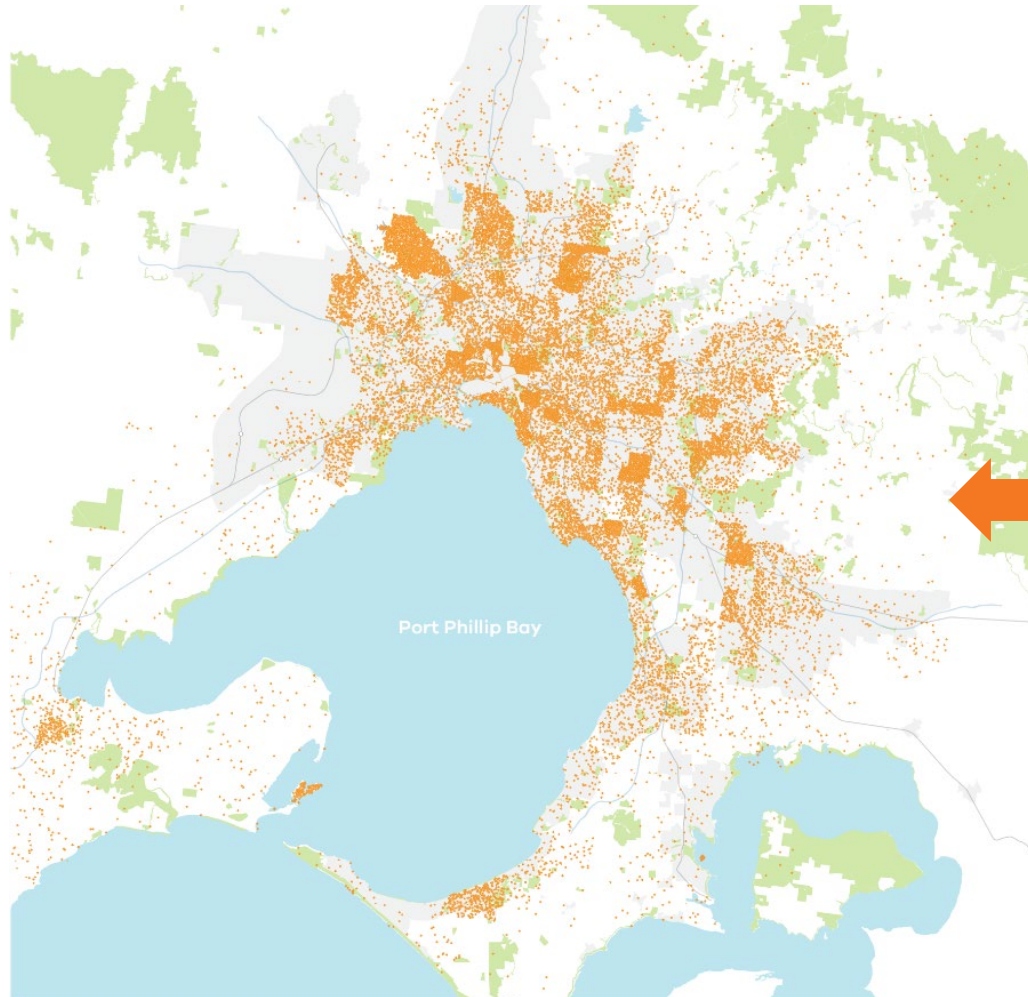


# Melbourne's activity centres

- Urban growth boundary
- National Employment and Innovation Cluster
- Metropolitan activity centre
- Major activity centre



# Job distribution across Melbourne



Suburbs and  
Major Activity  
Centres

53%

Jobs

Central City

17%

National  
Employment &  
Innovation  
Clusters

15%

Metropolitan  
Activity Centres

5%

10%

Industrial Centres



# Living locally

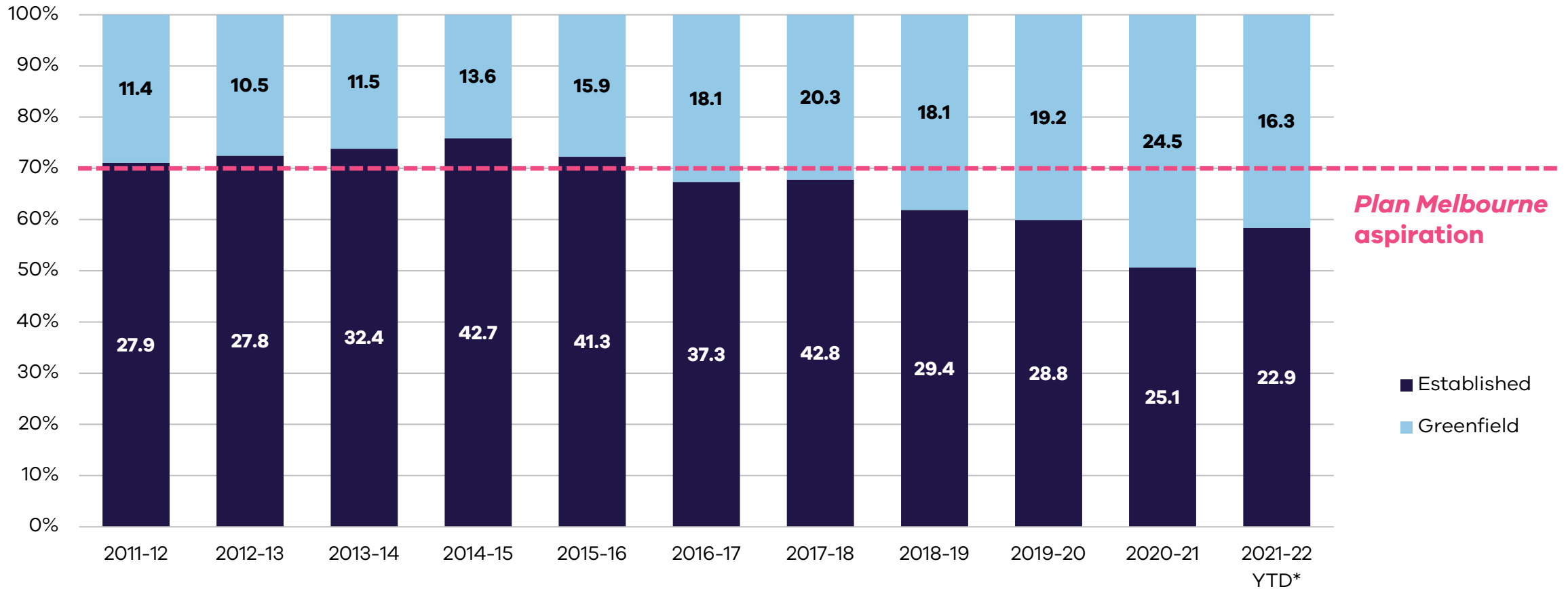
20-minute  
neighbourhood



# Getting to 70 per cent

## New Dwelling Approvals ('000), Melbourne

Established vs. Greenfield Areas



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics (2022). Building Approvals, Australia Based on SA2

# Challenges for a polycentric Melbourne

1. The right jobs in the right centres
2. Building on new and existing infrastructure
3. How to partner, plan and deliver



