

VICSES Broadmeadows

Update from the Emergency Services Infrastructure Authority

Project Update | December 2020

- Moreland City Council (MCC) had previously approved the planning application, however due to the significant redesign imposed by Heritage Victoria (HV), a revised schematic design was re-submitted to MCC on 20 July 2020, noting the reduction from a Type D facility to a Type C.
- The amendment was advertised, with no objections received. An amended permit was then issued with conditions including revised treatment to the Sydney Road façade, in the form of a decorative screen, and a requirement for a 20kw solar array.
- Architects commenced detailed design ahead of the resolution of the permits for the project. This progresses the schematic design into drawings, plans and specifications (from site excavations to the type of door handles, lighting, power points and furniture required).
- An independent review of communications requirements contained a recommendation for use of roof mounted antennae instead of a tower. VICSES advised 12 antennae are to be provided, as well as maintenance walkways. This solution will require further amendments to HV and MCC permits.
- A shortlist of building contractors has been finalised and the request for tender will be issued to the shortlist in early 2021.
- ESIA expects the building contract to be awarded in August 2021.



VICSES Broadmeadows Unit design render

Next Steps

- Revise documentation incorporating revised eastern façade and 12 antennae and then submit to HV and MCC for approval.
- Architects to progress detailed design.
- Prepare tender documentation for release to potential building contractors.

Project Timeline

Site identification

Complete

Site due diligence

Complete

Land acquisition

Complete

Concept designs

Complete

Schematic design

Complete

Town planning and zoning approvals

HV permit granted.

Town planning permit amendment in progress

Detailed design

November - December 2020

Procure and appoint construction firm

April - August 2021

Construction commences

Late August 2021

Construction concludes

May 2022

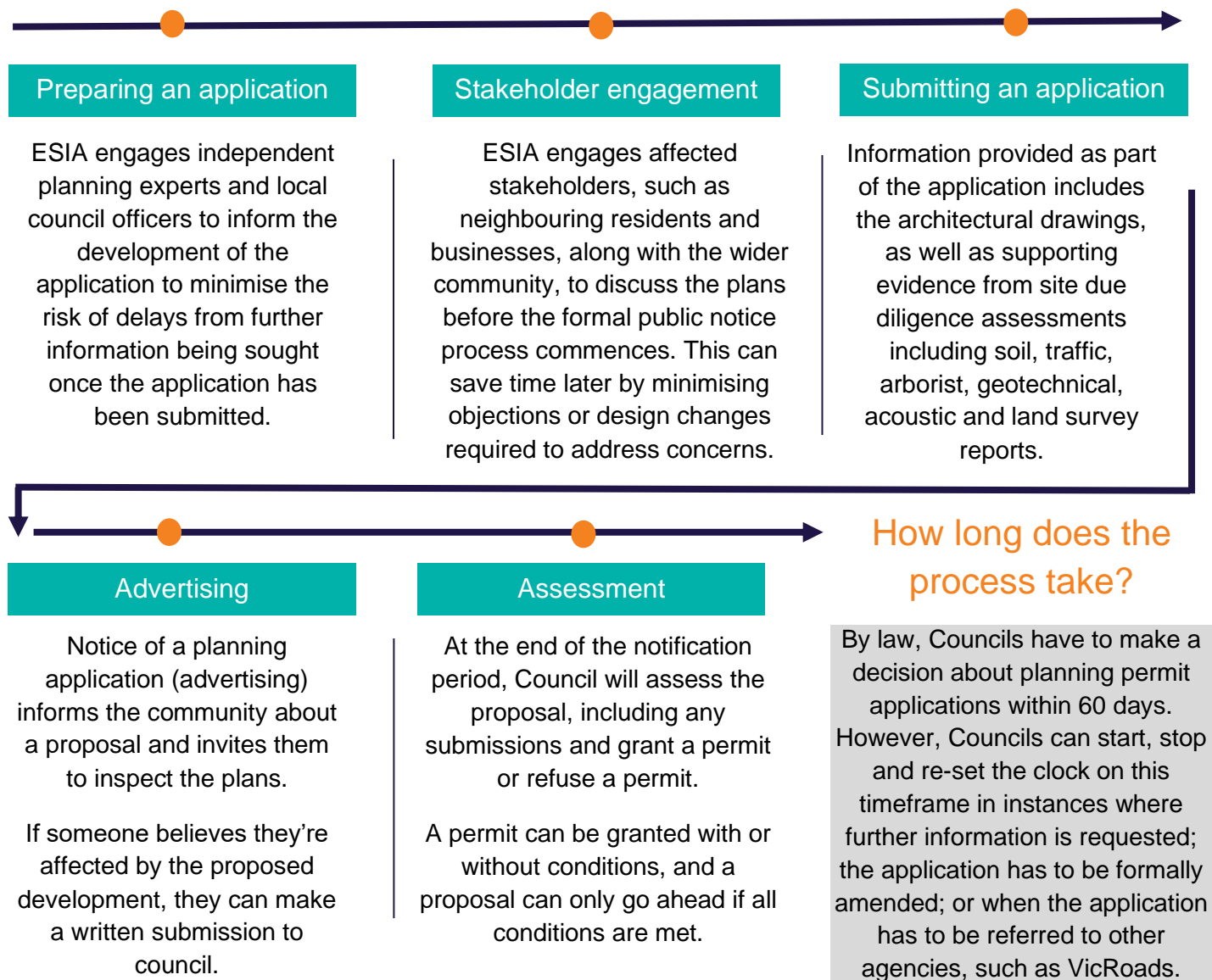
Commissioning of facility

June 2022

Planning permit application

Planning schemes regulate the development and use of land. They do this by requiring permits before certain types of development or land use can commence. Requirements for permits vary for each local council and the planning permit process can be simple or complicated depending on many variables that can occur during the process. Planning assessment might include rules about respecting neighbourhood character, achieving good urban design outcomes, protecting reasonable amenity, management of noise emissions or enhancing heritage significance.

The permit process



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