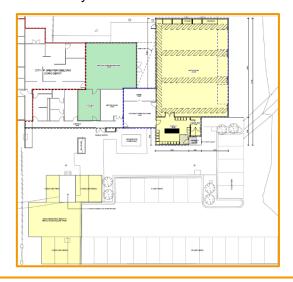


## **Project Update | August 2021**

- The existing facility at 299 Anakie Road, Lovely Banks, will be extended and refurbished to provide a fit for purpose VICSES facility for the Corio volunteer members.
- The Schematic Design approved by the Sector Coordination Group is under review to address feedback from the City of Greater Geelong (CoGG).
- Additional site due diligence regarding existing infrastructure services and assessment of traffic operations are underway.
- The outcome of these assessments and design solutions will be presented to CoGG and VICSES.
- Town Planning application will be progressed following endorsement of the design review.
- The team at ESIA would like to thank you for your patience and collaboration as we carry out planning and development of the VICSES Corio facility.



## **Next Steps**

- Present schematic design review findings to CoGG and VICSES.
- Update project design and timeline based on outcome, and present to the Sector Coordination Group (SCG) for approval.
- Prepare endorsed design for the town planning permit application.

This update is current at time of distribution, however due to unforeseen circumstances, changes may occur.

### **Project Timeline**

Site due diligence In progress

Concept, schematic, and detailed design development In progress

**Town planning approval**Pending design
endorsement

Procure and appoint construction firm In planning

Construction commences
Mid 2022

Construction concludes
Late 2022

Handover of facility Late 2022







## **Planning permit application**

Planning schemes regulate the development and use of land. They do this is 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

#### Preparing an application

ESIA engages independent planning experts and local council officers to inform the development of the application to minimise the risk of delays from further information being sought once the application has been submitted.

#### Stakeholder engagement

ESIA engages affected stakeholders, such as neighbouring residents and businesses, along with the wider community, to discuss the plans before the formal public notice process commences. This can save time later by minimising objections or design changes required to address concerns.

#### Submitting an application

Information provided as part of the application includes the architectural drawings, as well as supporting evidence from site due diligence assessments including soil, traffic, arborist, geotechnical, acoustic and land survey reports.

#### Advertising

Notice of a planning application (advertising) informs the community about a proposal and invites them to inspect the plans.

If someone believes they're affected by the proposed development, they can make a written submission to council.

#### **Assessment**

At the end of the notification period, Council will assess the proposal, including any submissions and grant a permit or refuse a permit.

A permit can be granted with or without conditions, and a proposal can only go ahead if all conditions are met.

# How long does the process take?

By law, Councils have to make a decision about planning permit applications within 60 days. However, Councils can start, stop and re-set the clock on this timeframe in instances where further information is requested; the application has to be formally amended; or when the application has to be referred to other agencies, such as VicRoads.

Contact

esiases@justice.vic.gov.au

Website

www.esia.vic.gov.au





