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Andrew Grear
Executive Director, Planning Systems and Heritage
Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP)

By email: planning.systems@delwp.vic.gov.au

Dear Mr Grear,

Re: Environmentally sustainable development of buildings and subdivisions: A roadmap for Victoria's planning system

The Eastern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (EAGA) is pleased to provide this response to the Victorian government's consultation for supporting environmentally sustainable development (ESD) through Victoria's planning system.

EAGA is a formal Alliance of eight councils in Melbourne's East, committed to delivering mitigation and adaptation projects and advocating for initiatives that support sustainable, low carbon communities. Our members include:

- City of Boroondara
- Glen Eira City Council
- Knox City Council
- Maroondah City Council
- City of Monash
- City of Stonnington
- City of Whitehorse
- Yarra Ranges Council

EAGA would like to acknowledge the substantial work of the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment (CASBE) to improve sustainability outcomes in the built environment and planning system. EAGA fully supports CASBE's submission¹ to the consultation and would like the State to consider the following recommendations in addition to the issues presented in the CASBE submission:

- Ensure that climate change is addressed as an overarching principle with the same level of concern as other purposes of the planning system, such as provision of affordable housing;

¹ [CASBE submission](#) (24/2/2021)

- Carefully align supporting legislation (including the Climate Change Act, the Planning and Environment Act, and the Local Government Act) including their objectives relating to climate change; and
- Strengthen compliance measures to ensure that outcomes are being measured and reported and non-compliance issues can be appropriately managed.

If you have any questions or queries relating to this letter, please contact Scott McKenry, EAGA Executive Officer, on scott.mckenry@maroondah.vic.gov.au or 03 9298 4250.

Yours sincerely,



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Executive Committee Chair
Eastern Alliance for Greenhouse Action
Councillor, Maroondah City Council



This submission has been approved through EAGA's formal governance structure as described in the EAGA Memorandum of Understanding 2017-21. The submission may not have been formally considered by individual member councils.