

Theme 4: Neighbourhood Character and Heritage

Strategic objective: Protect the heritage and respect the character of Boroondara, while facilitating appropriate, well-designed development.

Strategies

Council's Role

- **4.1 Boroondara's heritage places are protected** through ongoing implementation of heritage protection controls in the Boroondara Planning Scheme.
- **4.2** The history of Boroondara's heritage places is respected and celebrated through community education.
- **4.3 Development does not adversely impact heritage places** through the application of controls and policies set out in the Boroondara Planning Scheme.
- **4.4** New development positively contributes to amenity and liveability through design excellence.
- **4.5 Better development outcomes are achieved** through advocacy to State Government and industry bodies for changes to planning controls and policies.

Strategic indicators

- number of heritage planning scheme amendments considered by Council
- average number of days to process a planning application
- percentage of 'demolition consents' under section 29A of the Building Act by Building Services checked within 15 business days
- percentage of Council planning decisions upheld and decisions successfully mediated at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).

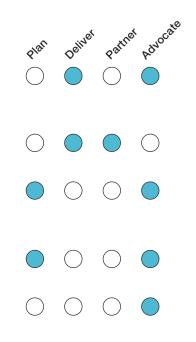
Services

SERVICE CATEGORY

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Asset Protection

• protect public assets under the control of Council to minimise the impact of works by others on the community.



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Building Services	 encourage desirable building design outcomes for amenity protection and to maintain consistent streetscapes through the Report and Consent process assess building permit applications, conduct mandatory inspections and issue occupancy permits/final certificates for buildings and structures provide property hazard and building permit history information to designers, solicitors, private building surveyors and ratepayers 	 maintain a register of swimming pools and spas located within the municipality and conduct safety barrier compliance inspections when required to ensure a safer built environment administer and enforce the <i>Building Act 1993</i> and Building Regulations, including investigation of illegal and dangerous buildings to ensure public and occupant safety provide building regulatory and technical advice to residents and ratepayers in relation to local planning policy
	 conduct fire safety inspections and audits on public and/or high-risk buildings to ensure safety of occupants and the public 	• assess section 29A demolition requests in accordance with the <i>Building Act 1993</i> .
Strategic and Statutory Planning	 process and assess planning applications in accordance with the <i>Planning and Environment</i> <i>Act 1987</i>, the Boroondara Planning Scheme and Council 	 defend Council planning decisions at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) advocate for and prepare land-

policies

 provide advice about development and land

of these proposals

necessary

use proposals, as well as

information to assist the

• investigate non-compliances

with planning permits and

the Boroondara Planning

 assess applications to subdivide land or buildings under the Subdivision Act 1988

Scheme and take appropriate enforcement action when

community in its understanding

- advocate for and prepare landuse policy and standards within the context of Victorian State policy
- promote sustainable design and development and heritage conservation
- manage the Municipal Strategic
 Statement
- develop policies and plans to guide land use and development
- assess traffic, parking and drainage implications of planning permit applications.