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Dear Cr Sharpe

MOONEE VALLEY RACECOURSE REDEVELOPMENT

I am writing to inform you that I have decided to appoint an Advisory Committee to provide advice on all relevant matters associated with the proposed redevelopment of Moonee Valley Racecourse, 33 Dean Street, Moonee Ponds.

I am pleased to enclose draft Terms of Reference for your consideration. Please forward any comments you have within two weeks of the date of this letter to:

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Manager West Sector, Planning Statutory Services
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1 Spring Street
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Or via email at: cathy.philo@dpcd.vic.gov.au

I also refer to your Council's request for interim heritage controls via Amendment C126 and permanent heritage controls via Amendment C124 to buildings and structures on the Moonee Valley Racecourse site.

The consideration of all matters, including those of heritage will be addressed by the Advisory Committee.

On balance, I believe intervention in heritage matters in advance of an Advisory Committee process would not result in the fair, orderly and sustainable consideration for development of the land and the authorisation of permanent heritage controls should be considered with the wider proposal for the racecourse site. The heritage matters will form part of the Advisory Committee's consideration.

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The Advisory Committee process will allow the merits of the proposal to be debated in an open, transparent, public forum. The Advisory Committee will also be able to provide specialist technical input during the course of the hearings, and when forming its recommendations.

Further, please note that the responsible authority status for the site still remains with Council despite the Advisory Committee report to both your Council and myself.

If you have any further queries in relation to this matter please contact Jane Monk, Director, Planning Statutory Services on telephone, 03 9098 8914.

Yours sincerely



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Minister for Planning

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