

OPEN SPACE STRATEGY & CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY

More open space for our growing community

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Our growing community needs more open space

for playing, resting and enjoying time with friends and family. Improvements to the quality, number and accessibility of our open spaces will enhance our city's liveability.

Maribyrnong City Council has developed a plan to guide future provision, design and management of open space in the city. The plan, called the Open Space Strategy, is supported by changes to the planning scheme called Amendment C137.

New development will contribute new open space or improvements to existing parks.

The plan will ensure everyone in Maribyrnong has access to high-quality open space and developers provide their fair share.

Council welcomes your input on the plan.

Here you will see an overview of how the contributions process will work, find out more about the plan and read how to have your say on Amendment C137.

I welcome your input.

Cr Nam Quach

Mayor

City of Maribyrnong



HAVE YOUR SAY!

How will this policy affect you?

If you plan to subdivide property in the City of Maribyrnong, you could be affected by this policy.

To see the details of the proposed policy changes in Amendment C137, visit our website or contact us using the information on the back of this document.

maribyrnong.vic.gov.au/amendmentc137



Improving access to high-quality open space

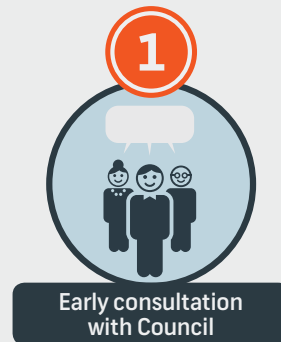
OPEN SPACE STRATEGY

- Sets clear priorities for improvements to our open spaces over the next 18 years
- Provides more open space in areas that are currently underserved
- Provides a continuous open space network along the Maribyrnong River and Stony Creek





CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY: HOW IT WORKS

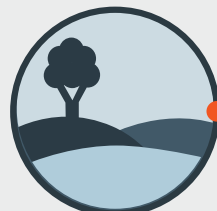
- 1. Consult early with council** to find out whether your site is required to accommodate public open space as cases may vary



- 2. Identify your site** on the map

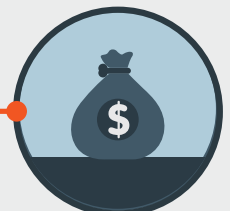
 **Land preferred areas:** additional open space is needed for the future population

 **Cash preferred areas:** funds will be used to improve existing open space



land preferred area?

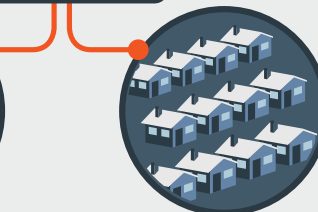
cash preferred area?



- 3. How large** is the development?



less than 10 new lots?



10 or more new lots?

- 4. Less than 10** new lots:
5.7% of land area contribution
- 10 or more** new lots:
negotiation may be required for a larger contribution than the standard rate



Land contribution:
5.7% of site value

No

Larger contribution required?

Yes

Land contribution:
greater than 5.7% of
site value

Cash contribution:
5.7% of site value

OPEN SPACE CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY

CONTRIBUTIONS: LAND OR CASH

Our growing community needs more open space. It is well established that new development should contribute to open space in some way. The Open Space Contributions Policy establishes clear guidelines and expectations for how those contributions work.

Land preferred areas

The Open Space Strategy determined we lack enough open space for the future population. In these areas, developers will contribute land for open space toward making up the shortfall. In some circumstances a cash contribution may be preferred, so make sure to consult early with Council.

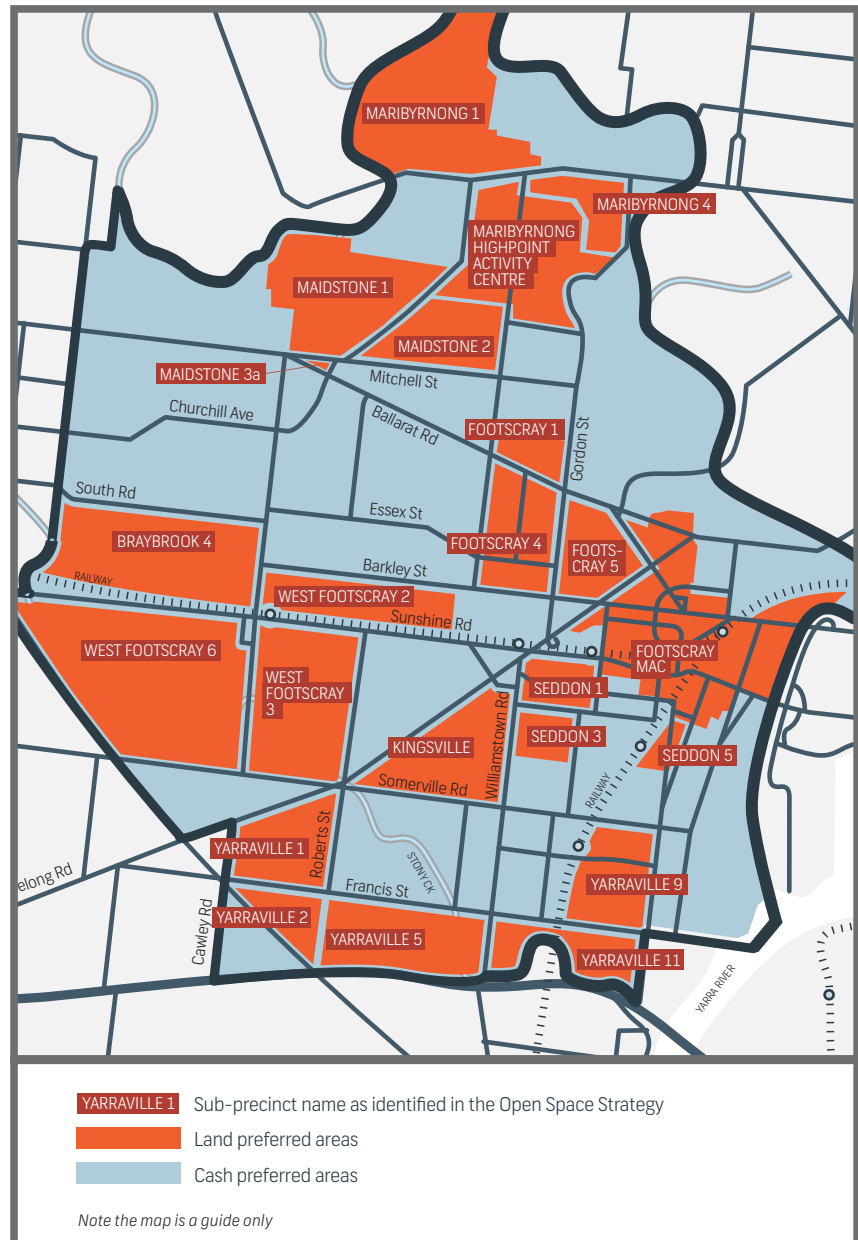
New open space must meet criteria including minimum size, sun access, accessibility, as well as nature and heritage values.

Cash preferred areas

In cash preferred areas, our Open Space Strategy determined that improvements to existing open spaces is the best way to provide for the future population. In these areas, developers will make a cash payment for open space improvements.

The Policy also includes provisions to ensure the open space contributions process is fair and transparent for developers and the community.





See the full details and find out more: www.maribyrnong.vic.gov.au/amendmentc137





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TIMELINE

-  **2013-2014**
Council develops Open Space Strategy, consulting widely with the community
-  **2 July to 3 August 2015**
Public exhibition of Open Space Strategy and Contributions Policy (Amendment C137)
-  **Late 2015**
Submissions considered by Council and potential referral to independent Planning Panel
-  **Early 2016**
Council considers adoption of the Policy

COME TO A PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

Two information sessions will be held at the Footscray Town Hall (cnr of Hyde and Napier Streets, Footscray) to provide an opportunity for the public to speak with Council officers on the Amendment.

WEDNESDAY 15 JULY 2015
5.00 – 7.30pm and

MONDAY 20 JULY 2015
1.00 – 4.00pm

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

If you plan to subdivide property in the City of Maribyrnong, you could be affected by these changes, collectively known as Amendment C137.

Amendment C137 proposes to introduce a local planning policy for open space contributions.

HOW TO MAKE A SUBMISSION

Council wants to hear your comments regarding Amendment C137. Submissions must be in writing and include your contact details. You can lodge your submission in person, by email or post.

- **In person:** Footscray Town Hall Customer Service
cnr Hyde and Napier Streets, Footscray
- **Email:** amendmentc137@maribyrnong.vic.gov.au
- **Post:** Maribyrnong City Council
City Strategy Amendment C137
PO Box 58
Footscray VIC 3011

The consultation period is from 2 July to 3 August 2015.
The deadline for submissions is Monday 3 August 2015.

FURTHER DETAILS

Find out more about the Policy and Amendment C137

- **Online:** www.maribyrnong.vic.gov.au/amendmentc137
- **In person:** Footscray Town Hall Customer Service
or any council library
- **Email:** amendmentc137@maribyrnong.vic.gov.au
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