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To: [REDACTED]
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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for providing Heritage Victoria with an opportunity to comment on the Planning Scheme Amendment C217ball – Ballarat 11 Waterways.

As a city central to Victoria's Gold Rush, Ballarat has many rich historical archaeological deposits and subsurface archaeological features. For example, it is known that remnant features of the Yarrowee channel (designed as part of mining sludge attenuation work) survive beneath parts of the city. It is also likely that unrecorded historical archaeological deposits exist.

While the proposed amendments will not a direct effect on any places on the Victorian Heritage Inventory, Heritage Victoria requests that council considers the protection and preservation of both known and unrecorded historical archaeological sites in preparing flood management/mitigation measures and associated infrastructure work.

The recently completed *Historical Archaeology Management Plan, Ballarat* (report to the Heritage Council of Victoria; Heritage Victoria 2024) provides information about historical archaeological sites and features in parts of the city which will be of use in developing the Planning Scheme Amendment. I have attached this report for your convenience.

Please also be advised that historical archaeology is afforded blanket protection under the *Heritage Act 2017*. Should the Amendment recommend installation of subsurface infrastructure at a known archaeological site, approval from Heritage Victoria in the form of a Consent may be required. Further, if any previously unknown archaeological sites are discovered during works, the activities must cease and this office must notified immediately.

Ballarat is also home to several places on the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) due to their state-level significance. Please also find attached our guidelines on minimum standards for maintenance and repair of heritage places, which references water ingress and damage. Should the Planning Scheme Amendment recommend any maintenance or mitigation works at VHR places, a pre-application meeting should be booked with Heritage Victoria to discuss the proposal.

Kind regards,

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We acknowledge all Traditional Owners across Victoria, their Elders past and present and recognise their continued connection to the land, waters and sky. I am committed to building genuine partnerships with Traditional Owners to progress and achieve their aspirations.

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From: [REDACTED] >

Sent: Thursday, 23 April 2026 4:59 PM

To: Heritage Permits (DTP) <Heritage.Permits@transport.vic.gov.au>

Subject: NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT C217BALL - BALLARAT 11 WATERWAYS

To Whom It May Concern,

Please find attached the formal notice of exhibition for Ballarat Planning Scheme Amendment C217ball – Ballarat 11 Waterways.

The letter provides details of the amendment, exhibition period and how submissions may be made.

If you have any questions or require further information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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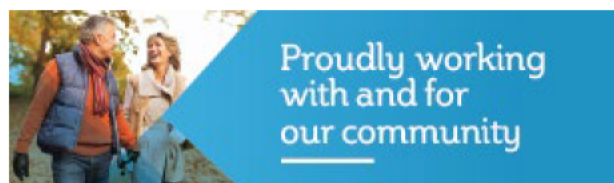
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The City of Ballarat acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land we live and work on, the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung Peoples, and recognises their continuing connection to the land and waterways. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and extend this to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

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