The Department of Health and Human Services is redeveloping the Ascot Vale Estate as part of the Victorian Government’s $185 million Public Housing Renewal Program.

The program will replace the ageing homes and increase the amount of public housing on the site. These new homes will improve the lives of returning and new residents.

This project update covers both the renewal of both the Dunlop Avenue and the Shared Vision for the Ascot Vale Estate.

We encourage all estate residents and neighbours to be actively involved in our engagement activities over the coming months.

Get involved in the Dunlop Avenue renewal

We are holding a community engagement day on our latest ideas for the renewal on Saturday 15 September 2018.

The project team will be on site to answer your questions and take feedback from 10am – 3pm with project presentations at 11am and 1pm. We will have translators and translated materials at the event.

On the day, we will have 6 different stations each dedicated to a theme of the project. These themes are:

- building design
- safety and security
- setbacks, height and privacy
- traffic
- trees and open spaces
- tenant mix

We will also run some fun activities on the day including:

- small group tours of an existing apartment – every half hour
- free children’s face painting
- sign up to have a ‘Coffee with a Cop’

Look for our marquee on Dunlop Avenue, near Vasey Street.

Figure 1: Location of the Dunlop Ave and Shared Vision project areas
Dunlop Avenue, Ascot Vale

We have identified the land at 24-42 Dunlop Avenue, Ascot Vale to be redeveloped as a separate project.

What we have heard

We consulted with the community in late 2017 and early 2018 on high level plans for Dunlop Avenue. We considered the feedback from the community and have decided to:

- reduce the building height from 4 to 3 storeys to respond to concerns about overlooking and building height
- include lifts to assist people accessing their homes
- reduce the number of dwellings from 240 to 200 to better suit the character of the area
- build 2 and 3 bedroom dwellings with a separate toilet
- plan for a space on the site for a publicly accessible park or open space
- provide communal spaces at the ground level of buildings, rather than on the roof
- try and protect as many trees as possible
- plant mature vegetation as a buffer to increase neighbour amenity
- locate car parking in basements and semi-basements
- not use the rear laneway for access; and
- only provide vehicle access in three places, two on Dunlop Avenue and one on Rothwell Street.

How to get involved

We are holding a community engagement day on our latest ideas for the renewal on Saturday 15 September 2018 from 10am – 3pm with project presentations at 11am and 1pm.

Online engagement

Whether you can attend or not, we encourage you to share your ideas about the renewal through our online survey. The survey will available from 3 September to 14 October 2018.

surveymonkely.com/r/dunlopavenue

How we will use the feedback

The feedback we receive during the September engagement will inform the plans and elevations as required for a planning permit. During the planning permit stage, interested residents and neighbours will be given another opportunity to comment on the design through Council’s formal notice period.

Dunlop Avenue project timeline

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Ascot Vale Estate Shared Vision

We will redevelop the Ascot Vale Estate to better support residents with modern housing and well-designed community spaces and facilities. The Ascot Vale Renewal will see the ageing housing replaced with new and sustainable homes.

The renewal program will increase the amount of housing available on the site. It will also introduce privately-owned dwellings to create an integrated community.

How to get involved

If you would like to take part in creating the shared vision, we have many opportunities available for you to participate.

Regardless of what your first language is, you will be able to share your thoughts in small group conversations that we are hosting on the dates shown below. If you need language assistance, please let us know. We will have translators and translated materials at the event.

- Thursday 20 September, 6 - 8pm
- Thursday 4 October, 10am - 12pm
- Friday 5 October, 1 - 4pm.

Drop in to a ‘pop-up’ stand or events at the Wingate Avenue Community Centre. You will be able to get more information, ask questions and have your say on these dates:

- Thursday 27 September, 11am - 12.30pm
- Saturday 13 October, 11am - 2pm.

Online engagement

Whether you can attend or not, we encourage you to share your ideas about the renewal through our online survey. The survey will available from 3 September to 14 October 2018.

surveymonkey.com/r/ascotvalevision

Are you aged between 12 - 25 years?

If so we would like to hear and see your stories about your neighbourhood.

We are running three fun workshops designed to help you create and share stories about your life in the Ascot Vale Estate. These will involve storytelling, basic filmmaking skills, editing and post-production and media coordination and mastering.

To find out more about the workshops, the Ascot Vale Renewal and opportunities for your involvement, please telephone 0477 588 913 or email ascotvaleestate@capire.com.au
Fiesta

The Fiesta will conclude all other engagement activities for the Ascot Vale Shared Vision and will run on 12 and 13 October 2018.

The Fiesta will bring all corners of the community together to celebrate the estate’s people, diversity and the future.

How to get involved

At the Fiesta, you will be able to take part in lots of fun activities with your neighbours, including:

- **Dinner with friends** will be run at the Wingate Avenue Community Centre on:
  - Saturday 13 October 2 - 3pm

- **Tours of the estate** will be commencing at the Wingate Avenue Community Centre on:
  - Friday 12 October 4 - 5pm and 7 - 8pm
  - Saturday 13 October 10 - 11am and 2 - 3pm

- **Community garden tours** and seedling giveaways will take place at the community garden on:
  - Friday 12 October 4 - 5pm
  - Saturday 13 October 11am - 2pm.

- **‘Place making’ activities** will be run with residents in the open space near the skate park and men’s shed on:
  - Saturday 13 October 11am - 2pm

- **Kids activities** will be run throughout the day on Saturday 13 October.

Are you an existing resident on the estate?

No estate resident relocations will be taking place for at least 18-24 months (other than those living on Dunlop Avenue). Any redevelopment is likely to be staged over a number of years and will provide opportunities for residents to relocate temporarily within the local area before moving into new accommodation. Estate residents will be consulted well in advance of any future relocations and will be provided with one-on-one support, with relocation costs met by the department.

Estate residents can contact:

Mark Corbett, Tenant Engagement and Relocations Officer on 0447 842 369 or relocations.west@dhhs.vic.gov.au

To register for an event or for further information

To find out more about the Fiesta, the Ascot Vale Renewal and opportunities for your involvement, feel free to contact us.

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Email us ascotvaleestate@capire.com.au
Drop in to the Wingate Avenue Community Centre (13A Wingate Avenue, Ascot Vale).