

# information bulletin

## Kingston Council flags potential acquisition of 11 Remo Street, Mentone

Kingston Council is writing to keep you updated that we have flagged a nearby property for potential future acquisition.

Council has launched a planning process to flag that it may wish to acquire 11 Remo Street Mentone in the future. We have met with the property owner to explain the process, and are now writing to surrounding properties and community groups to ensure a transparent process.

**Does this mean Council is acquiring the property now:** No. The Planning Scheme Amendment Process is required to simply flag that Council may look to acquire the property in the future.

**Why might Council want to acquire the property in the future:** The Mentone Structure Plan sets out a long-term vision for how the area will grow and change, including improved community spaces and neighbourhood connections. Council already owns the other Remo Street properties between Brindisi Street and Venice Street, with this property the only one remaining. This process seeks to protect the future option for Council to acquire the land for community purposes.

**What does flagging it for potential acquisition mean:** Council is proposing an amendment to the Kingston Planning Scheme to apply a Public Acquisition Overlay (PAO4) to 11 Remo Street, Mentone. If the property owner chooses to sell the property, the overlay gives Council the first right to purchase the site. If Council chooses not to purchase, the owner is free to sell it on the open market – with the new owner aware of the overlay which is noted on the property title.

**What is the Planning Scheme Amendment Process?** Before an amendment can be prepared, it must be authorised by the VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT'S Minister for Planning. It will then be placed on public exhibition for at least a month, with anyone able to make a written submission on the proposal. If there are submissions which cannot be resolved by the planning authority, Council will request the Minister for Planning to appoint an independent panel to consider the submissions and make recommendations. Council must consider the panel's report before deciding whether or not to adopt the amendment. If Council makes a final decision to adopt an amendment, the amendment is then forwarded to the Minister for Planning for approval. The process can take over 12 months.

**How can I find out more:** Read the full proposed Amendment at [www.delwp.vic.gov.au/publicinspection](http://www.delwp.vic.gov.au/publicinspection) or [www.kingston.vic.gov.au/Property-and-Development/Planning-Scheme-Amendments/Current-Amendments](http://www.kingston.vic.gov.au/Property-and-Development/Planning-Scheme-Amendments/Current-Amendments)

**How can I make a submission?** Submissions must be made in writing, provide your name and contact details and the grounds on which you support or oppose the Amendment. Submissions can be made quoting the Amendment number C227King via email at [strategic.planning@kingston.vic.gov.au](mailto:strategic.planning@kingston.vic.gov.au) or post, Kingston City Council, Strategic Planning Unit, PO Box1000, Mentone 3194. The closing date for submissions is close of business **28 November 2025**.

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