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## 6 PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

### **Item 6.1 Petition requesting Planning Application 217/2019 (11-17 Dorcas Street South Melbourne) be referred to The Minister for Environment**

A Petition/Joint Letter containing 5 signatures, was received from residents of Dorcas Street South Melbourne.

The Petition states the following: -

*The Petition of the following named citizens draws the attention of the Council to planning application 217/2019 and its requirements under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act).*

*The EPBC Act requires a developer to self-assess whether their action is likely cause severe impact on the values of a National Heritage listed area.*

*217/2019 is a planning application for 11-17 Dorcas St. South Melbourne 3205 for use and development of a residential building.*

*217/2019 is 50 meters away from the National Heritage listed area named 'Melbourne's Domain Parkland and Memorial Precinct'.*

*The Department of Environment has notified the developer of their legal responsibility under the EPBC Act to self-assess. The developer has notified the Department of Environment that they have self-assessed and found themselves to have no impact on the heritage values of Melbourne's Domain Parkland and Memorial Precinct.*

*To verify the accuracy of the developer's self-assessment, we the undersigned request the City of Port Phillip to refer 217/2019 to the Minister for the Environment for assessment under the EPBC Act.*

*It is The City of Port Phillip's legal requirement to refer the development to the Minister of the Environment if they believe there is even a remote chance or possibility that 217/2019 will impact the heritage values of Melbourne's Domain Parkland and Memorial Precinct. A referral can still be made if you believe the action is not going to have a significant impact, or*



*if you are unsure. This will provide a greater level of certainty that Commonwealth assessment requirements have been met.*

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That the Committee:

1. Receives the Petition;
2. Considers the matters raised in the petition as part of planning report '217/2019 - 11-17 Dorcas Street, South Melbourne - 20 Storey tower, dwellings and retail'
3. Requests that officers notify the petitioner of the outcomes of this matter.

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**ATTACHMENTS** 1. **Supporting Information**