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To: Christopher Marulli
Subject: RE: TRIM: RE: 99 Brewer Road Bentleigh (Condition 6 Requirement - Public Art)
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Hello Chris

Yes, we discussed the artworks with the Panel . While we still have a bit of concerns, but we consider the design can be approved. I am working on the report and will send through later of today.

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From: Christopher Marulli <Christopher.Marulli@ratio.com.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 18 March 2025 1:55 PM
To: Catherine Zhou <CZhou@gleneira.vic.gov.au>
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Hi Catherine,

Hope you're well and thanks for the response yesterday. Just wondering if you've had a chance to discuss further with the planning panel and had an update regarding the below?

We just had our client wanting an update urgently, so if you could please let us know this afternoon that would be really appreciated.

Kind regards,

Christopher Marulli
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To: Christopher Marulli <Christopher.Marulli@ratio.com.au>
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Hello Christopher

I understand your timeframe is constrained. I am happy to discuss the artworks with the planning panel tomorrow and come back to you.

Catherine Zhou

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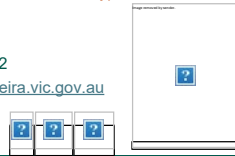
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From: Christopher Marulli <Christopher.Marulli@ratio.com.au>

Sent: Monday, 17 March 2025 9:46 AM

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Hi Catherine,

Understanding Council's comments regarding the artwork, our project team are under constraints for timeframes which mean that we won't have time to design and propose alternative artwork.

This is due to timing with regards to the scaffolding on the building due to the come down at the end of the month and the artist and his assistant are flying over from the UK today via Perth to start the job on Friday.

As such, would it be permissible of Council to approve one of the designs which have been sent through noting the timeframes? While I note that a design closer to what was previously shown on the plans would be of preference, the original proposed artwork was never curated, it was a token design the architect installed as a place holder.

Hope you can understand the constraints of the project in this instance.

Kind regards,

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From: Catherine Zhou <CZhou@gleneira.vic.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 12 March 2025 12:03 PM

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Hello Chris

Further to my previous email, I have now received the feedback from our art curator: they would like to see a more creative and innovative design and some inclusion of locally significant themes including flora and fauna.

Hope the new design can accommodate that.

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From: Catherine Zhou

Sent: Tuesday, 11 March 2025 3:19 PM

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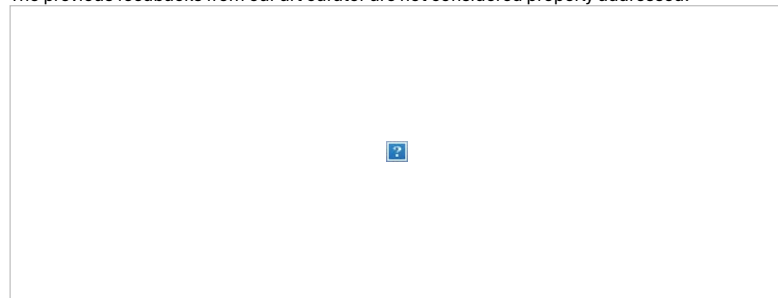
Hello Chris

I have already sent the current design to our art curator and I haven't yet received the feedbacks.

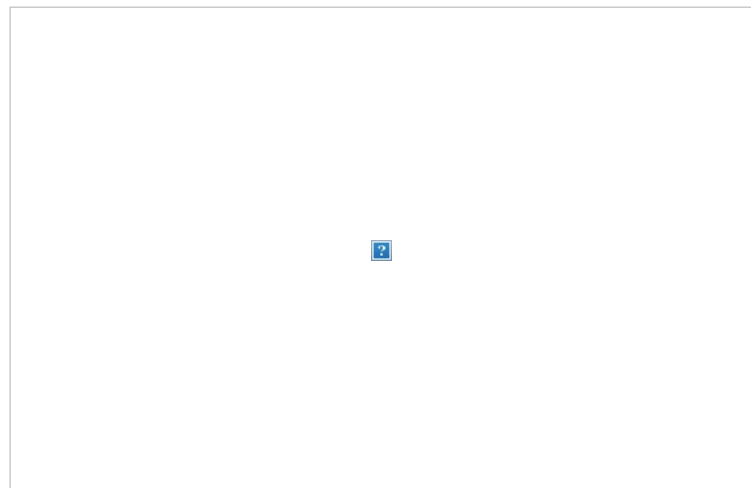
In regarding to the current design, I think our initial concerns still remain: the current design still leaves a large blank area for that wall (even it has a background colour).

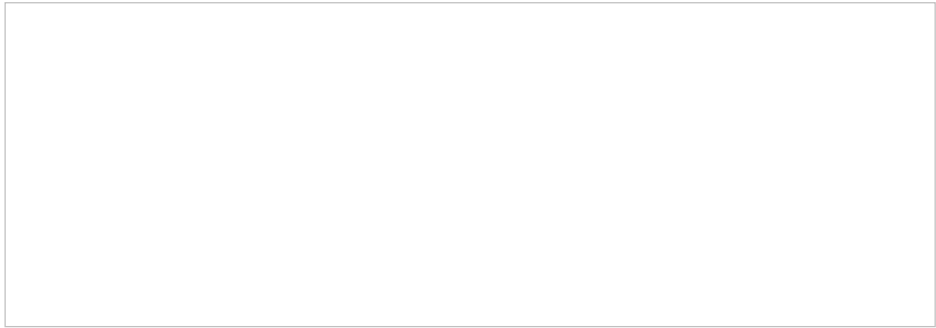


The previous feedbacks from our art curator are not considered properly addressed:



While I am not an artist, from a planner perspective, I would consider the current design as a large business identification sign. Should this be the case, then a planning permit will be required. The previous designs are considered better choices than the current design.





The current design is unlikely be supported. Hope you discuss our feedbacks with the artist and come up with an amended design.

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From: Christopher Marulli <Christopher.Marulli@ratio.com.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 11 March 2025 9:25 AM

To: Catherine Zhou <CZhou@gleneira.vic.gov.au>

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Hi Catherine,

Thanks for the further comments.

Please see the revised documentation and a statement from the artist attached.

Our client currently has scaffolding up for the development (which is under construction). They are requiring approval of the public art by end of the month so the scaffolding will have to come down, making it difficult to have the art installed thereafter.

If Council's curator could please review and process the attached within a timely fashion, that would be really appreciated.

Please let me know if there are any queries.

Kind regards,

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Sent: Wednesday, 26 February 2025 2:42 PM

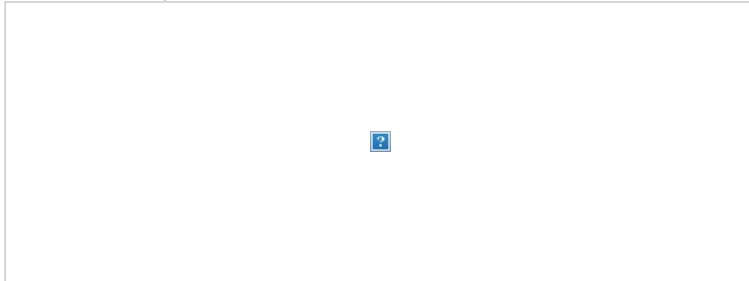
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Hello Christopher

Our art curator has provided the below feedback:



We would like to see the artwork to be a visual attraction rather than a large business identification sign. Hope this helps.

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From: Christopher Marulli <Christopher.Marulli@ratio.com.au>

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Dear Katherine,

Thank you for the email and apologies for the delay in response.

Our team have been working diligently to respond to your comments and have just had some delays with the artist for response. We are expecting to have a finalised version for your review / assessment within the next two weeks.

In the interim, we were hoping to get your thoughts on the attached drafts which detail a new direction for the artwork. Noting that original feedback was regarding the decluttering of the design and expansion of the artwork to minimise blank walls, we have sought to respond to this accordingly.

Just noting regarding the colour palette - red/green/yellow cannot be utilised due to requirements from MTM (being within vicinity to the train line), so if you could please keep that front of mind, that would be appreciated.

Also just lastly noting that whilst it currently shows a green leaf, this could easily be converted to any colour in future if MTM raised a concern.

Looking forward to hearing further and please feel free to contact myself on 0426 719 140 with any queries.

Kind regards,

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Subject: RE: 99 Brewer Road Bentleigh (Condition 6 Requirement - Public Art)

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Hello Applicant

I refer to my email sent to you early January, would like to follow up with the revised design for the artwork.

Please provide an update.

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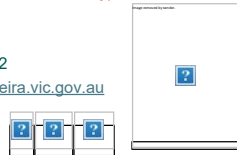
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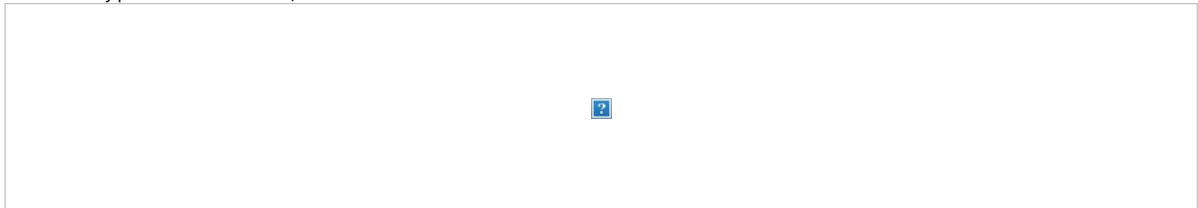
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From: Catherine Zhou
Sent: Wednesday, 8 January 2025 5:25 PM
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Subject: RE: 99 Brewer Road Bentleigh (Condition 6 Requirement - Public Art)

Dear applicant

Further to my previous email below, I have received the feedbacks from our art curator:



Let me know if you have any questions. Otherwise, we look forward to an updated design to address our concerns.

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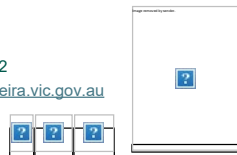
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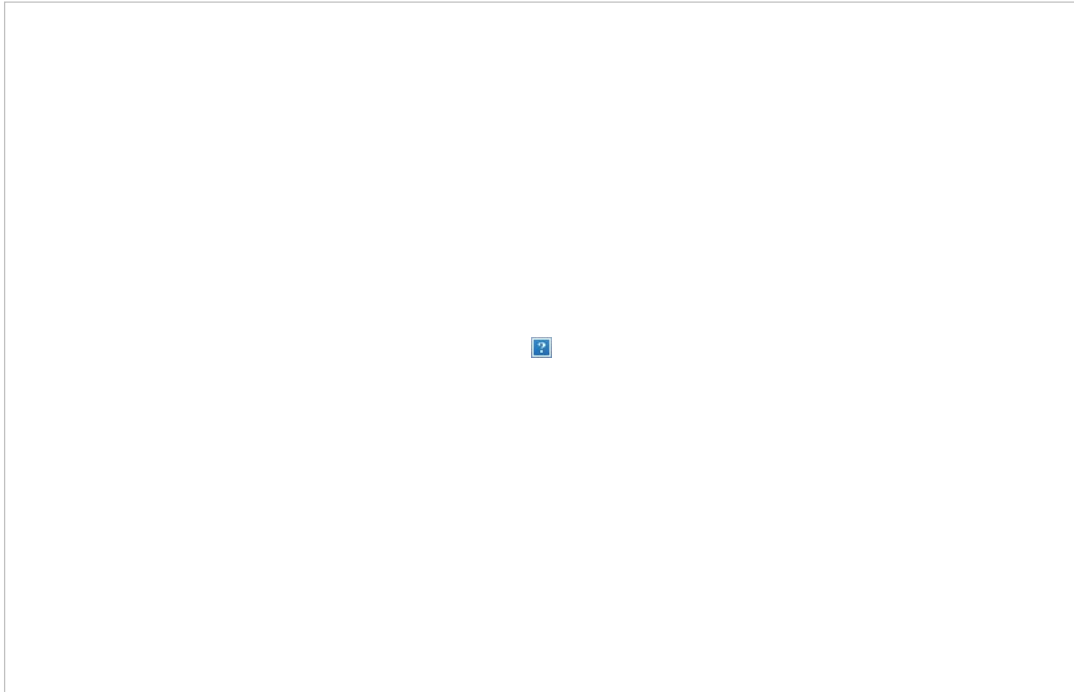


From: Catherine Zhou
Sent: Monday, 23 December 2024 4:42 PM
To: mail@ratio.com.au
Subject: 99 Brewer Road Bentleigh (Condition 6 Requirement - Public Art)

Dear applicant

I refer to the submitted public art documents seeking the endorsement in accordance with Condition 6 of Planning Permit GE/DP-33820/A, would like to request further information for the artwork based on my initial assessment:

- Based on the previous comments provided by our art curator, it is required an artist's statement around the design to be supplied. The statement should explain the design intention and how it will improve the public space.
- I have also noticed that the current proposed artwork is much smaller than the advertised artwork, which leave large blank area for the display area. As the artwork will have high visibility from the railway, Brewer Road and Burgess Street, we would love the artwork to enhance the presentation of the landmark building to the public space. I would recommend the amendment to improve the presentation with simpler design inspiration rather than a mixture of smaller items.



Let me know if you have any questions.

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