

Maldon Historic Central Area Review

FAQs



What is the review of the Maldon Historic Central Area?

Council has been progressively completing the Maldon Streetscape Project, which includes a review of the Maldon Central Historic Area (HO445). The review has been drafted into a report format.

The review redefines the boundaries of the precinct and provides compliant heritage information for the area. The review provides the first citation for Maldon's Historic Central Area (HO445).

What does the review include?

The draft review provides a full precinct citation of the Maldon Central Historic Area, in accordance with planning practice requirements. The precinct citation includes a locality and place history, description and integrity, comparative analysis, assessment of significance, and specific recommendations and proposed controls and/or permit exemptions.

While no additional heritage overlays are being applied to private properties through this project, existing heritage overlays are being better defined through the information in the review. The review recommends including Bill Woodfull Reserve within the precinct.

The significant components and contributory elements of the heritage precinct are identified in the Statement of Significance, on a precinct map, and in a grading table included in the citation.

What recommendations does the review make?

The review recommends that Mount Alexander Shire Council:

- Formally adopts the heritage citations prepared as part of the Maldon Historic Central Area Precinct Review.
- Implements the recommendations of this study by preparing a planning scheme amendment that will revise the listing of HO445 to the Heritage Overlay of the Mount Alexander Planning Scheme with the schedule entries as shown in the citation.
- Revised specific controls have been recommended for some individual places in accordance with Planning Practice Note 01.
- Include the Bill Woodfull Reserve within the precinct.

This work strengthens the heritage protection for the heart of Maldon and provides detailed and accessible heritage information for use by property owners, planners and heritage consultants.

Who prepared the review?

The draft review has been prepared by heritage consultancy group, GML Heritage.

In addition, as part of the review the consultant employed the expertise of local historian Dr Robyn Ballinger who worked with Maldon Museum and Archives Association (MMAA) members to provide research for the town's central historic area.

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Where can I find a copy of the review?

You can read the draft report on Council's website, shape.mountalexander.vic.gov.au, in person at the Maldon Tourist Information Centre, 93 High Street Maldon, or visit Council at the Civic Centre 27 Lyttleton St, Castlemaine VIC 3450, to read a hard copy.

How Can I provide feedback on the review?

If you are concerned about the accuracy of the information or have issue with the recommendations made within the report, please use the feedback form via Council's dedicated webpage, shape.mountalexander.vic.gov.au.

Alternatively, please write to us at strategicplanning@mountalexander.vic.gov.au.

Next steps

A four week community consultation period is happening now, to provide community members time to provide feedback on the draft report.

As part of the process, we will be holding a drop in session at Bank Corner, corner of Main St and High St, on Thursday 1st September between 10.00am – 12.00pm. Feel free to drop in.

Once the community consultation period finishes on Friday 16 September, Council Officers will review and consider the feedback received, and make appropriate changes to the review.

The review, along with feedback received from the community, will be presented to Council for their consideration.