



Attention: Anthony Savenkov - Head of Property Projects
Re: Proposed Sale of 8 York Street St Kilda West

The Community Alliance of Port Phillip has a number of concerns and questions in relation to Council's intention to sell the property at 8 York Street, St Kilda West.

1. We note that the property market has been weakened in the current Coronavirus crisis and 8 York Street is unlikely to attract its maximum value. Council may be well advised not to pursue a sale at this time for this reason alone.
2. The property has been used for childcare/extended hours kinder and maternal and child health purposes for many years and its sale will be a loss to children's services in the municipality. It is clear that the property has been allowed to run down in recent years and has been unused for some time. We note that the report to council advises that the property is not suited for redevelopment as a childcare centre due to the size of the land. However government regulations now permit the building of two storey childcare facilities and this may be an opportunity to relocate the Eildon Road Centre to new premises.
3. If redevelopment for a new childcare facility is not possible, CAPP believes that any proceeds from the sale of the property should be redirected to Council's children's services budget and in particular to the support of Council run or Council supported childcare centres.

CAPP asks for the opportunity to address this submission (in writing, if required) when the matter is listed for Council consideration.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rhonda Small'.

Rhonda Small
CAPP Convenor