Building Generationally Intelligent Communities for Low Income Earners

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Clifton Hill: experimental ageing

- 'Know-how for life'
- 'Intergenerational sustainability'
- 'Socially valued lifestyle'
- 'Community transformation'
- 'Preventative intelligence'

News from Gerontology

- 'Older people tend to spend more time at home and in the immediate outdoor environment than do younger people' Oswald et al (2005)
- may feel an even greater sense of being trapped or disadvantaged by urban decay, and that this may limit their ability to maintain a sense of self-identity' Scharf et al (2005)
- Without adequate intergenerational ties this can evolve into an experience of being pushed out or left behind in a hostile environment (Biggs & Tinker, 2007)

London Pilot: Age Friendly Environments

- Think beyond families
- Local environments & short distances
- Shared interests between generations
- Lifecourse: stability and change
- The absence of 'neighbourhood' and the need for community spaces



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BSL's Working Definition for Inclusion

 'A social inclusion approach involves the building of personal capacities and material resources, in order to fulfil one's potential for economic and social participation, and thereby a life of common dignity.'

(Smyth, 2007)



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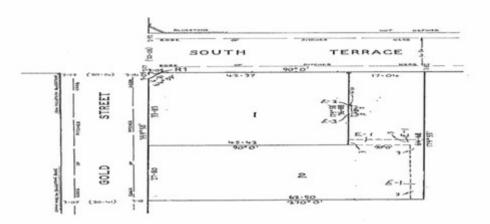
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AT CLIFTON HILL
CITY OF COLLINGWOOD
PARISH OF JIKA
COUNTY OF BOURKE

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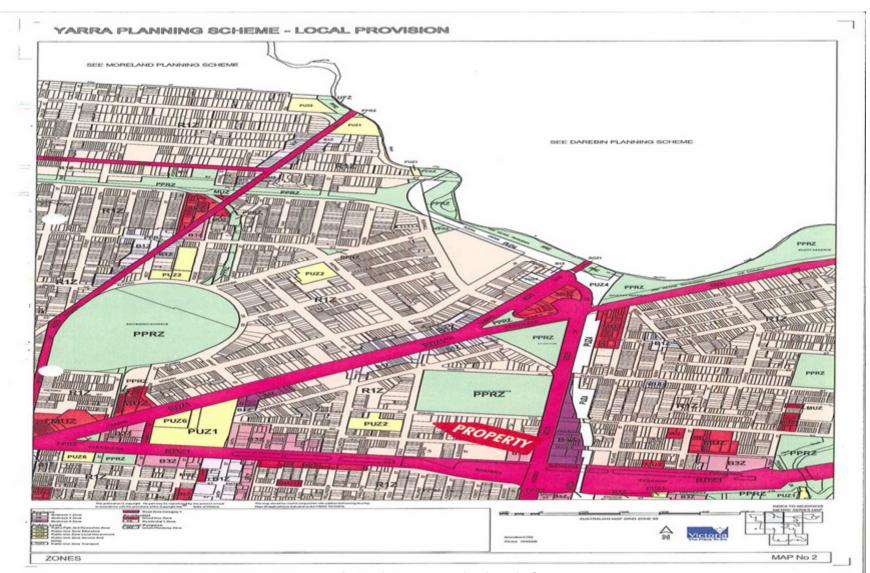
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SOUTH TERRACE pedestrian entry unit 7 unit 8 GOID STREET unit 17 central courtyard pedestrian unit 18 unit 23 community integration space unit 22 communal space unit 21

Conceptual Site & Ground Floor Plan

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	1-Bedroom Apartment
Ground Floor	23
First Floor	27
Second Floor	25
Total	78
Total Site Area	4132m²



Typical 1-bedroom unit floor area - 50sqm

Clifton Hill Target Group

- Low income isolated older adults
- Vulnerable to social fragmentation and exclusion
- Can't afford to 'buy into' retirement communities
- Need flexible work-life opportunities
- 'Know-how for life'

Generating Clifton Hill

- What does it mean to live a 'good long life'?
- Need a space for experiment and for taking risks (two words not commonly associated with old age)
- What do sustainable intergenerational relations look like?
- How are these things reflected in the built environment?

New Hope for Old Age



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