



MELBOURNE SOUTH YARRA RESIDENTS GROUP INC.

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UPDATE

CoM Amendment C426: South Yarra Heritage Review (Permanent Controls)

The South Yarra Heritage Review has been completed by the Council's consultants, GML Heritage, and it is now available on the Council's *Participate Melbourne* website. [Click here](#) to go to the council website. All Volumes are important. Volume 4 Part 1 and Part 2 give the history and current details. Also scroll down further to [Sites included in Amendment C426](#) and click [sites affected](#) and you can find your own address. You can also go to the MSYRG website: www.msyrg.com.au On the MSYRG home page scroll down to the heading [Heritage Review – at Last](#) and below the Goodrest photo go to [Stop Press](#) and then click [here](#)

MSYRG's initial reading is that the report makes many excellent recommendations and when it becomes law South Yarra heritage will be better protected. We expect council to shortly be asking for public comments which will then be followed by a Panel Hearing. While we are encouraged with the report, we are currently seeking advice as to whether there are any additional comments or submissions we should be making. We have been actively involve in the entire review process and are considering every aspect of the Review and will be making further submissions assisted by reports from our Street Representatives

MSYRG will continue to keep you up to date as the Heritage Review progresses through its next stage

Neighbourhood Policing initiative

Cars on South Yarra Streets

MSYRG has been in contact with Victoria Police Sergeant Dinah Tremain, Coordinator of the NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING initiative. She has given us the following information about how to deal with noisy luxury vehicles in our streets.

Background information: All vehicles manufactured need to meet ADR decibel compliance levels to be registered. However, manufactures can apply for an exemption to the standard level the ADR mandates, generally this is applied to high performance vehicles, EG Ferrari Lamborghini Holden Special Vehicles, Honda (Motorcycles and cars), Aprilia, Ducati etc.

The EPA (Environmental Protection Act) regulates noise and emissions from light vehicles – under 4.5 T gross. The EPA legislates a 90-dB limit, although motorcycles are

allowed to reach a 94-dB threshold. Those numbers are the standard levels, the vehicles that have the exemptions are louder, for example one model of the Ducati Motorcycle as a 106-dB limit.

McLaren, Porche, Lamborghini, Ford, Holden and Ferrari vehicles have vehicles with just under a 108-dB limit, depending on the model and the year.

Other vehicles that also come under the exemption include cars most people wouldn't think like Hyundai I30 and I20 N models as they are a deemed performance vehicle.

The legislation only covers vehicles in use, on the road.

What you can do: To assist with further investigation on noisy vehicles, record the registration number and type of vehicle and report this to police via Crime Stoppers Victoria, 1800 333 000 or on-line or the Police Assistance Line 131444. Police can then request the vehicle be brought to a police station and if it is deemed too noisy a referral is made to the EPA. The registered owner is then sent a vehicle testing notice and has 28 days to have their vehicle tested at an EPA approved noise tester.

Here is a link to some operations run by Police and the EPA -

<https://youtu.be/jxtuOVBoXMc>

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