

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS IN SUMMARY

CULTURE Heritage and Narrative	Collaborative Establish a protocol for on-going collaboration with Traditional Owner groups to help tell the story of the Aboriginal connection to the Birrarung.		
	C1A	Establish a protocol for on-going collaboration with the Traditional Owner groups to establish an Aboriginal cultural narrative of the Birrarung.	
	C1B	Commission further research of historical data with a focus on the botanical aspects of Indigenous vegetation	
	Visible Increase the public visibility of Aboriginal intangible heritage and the history of the Birrarung through interpretation and information.		
	C2A	Increase the public visibility of the Aboriginal history of the Birrarung through information and interpretation.	
	C2B	Recognise the historical and Aboriginal cultural importance of the Yarro Yarro Falls.	
	Maritime Recognise the historical and contemporary importance of the maritime uses of the Birrarung.		
	C3A	Recognise the historical and contemporary importance of the maritime history of the Birrarung.	
	ECOLOGY Habitat and Water	Riparian greening Re-introduce a riparian zone to improve water habitat, biodiversity and create a healthy river ecosystem.	
		E1A	Introduce riparian vegetation to shallow sections of the river.
E1B		Create floating habitat in the urbanised river sections.	
Ecologically connected Optimise the urban vegetation along the river banks prioritising an Indigenous palette to improve local biodiversity and ecological networks.			
E2A		Prioritise a diverse landscape palette with a native focus on the river banks.	
E2B		Encourage a wildlife corridor along the river that connects city users with nature.	
E2C		Create saltmarsh habitat conditions to attract a selection of wetland birds.	
Resilient Address flood risk and improve water quality			
E3A		Investigate the reinstatement of the Falls to provide fresh water closer to the central city.	
E3B		Explore potential water retention measures in public spaces on the river edge.	
E3C		Include water sensitive urban design (WSUD) and other initiatives in the river precinct to improve water quality.	

PLACE
Activity and
Character

Inviting	
Prioritise Northbank renewal to create an inviting destination immediate to the City.	
P1A	Create an attractive backdrop to the Central City through major upgrade works to Northbank.
P1B	Activate deserted zones through a program of events and activities.
Multi-functional	
Celebrate character areas and encourage new economies: a range of civic, educational, cultural, hospitality and water dependant uses.	
P2A	Encourage a range of civic, educational, cultural, hospitality and water dependant uses.
P2B	Build on diverse character districts to create a series of unique experiences.
Public	
Sustain the civic focus of the river by encouraging activation that offers broader inclusion and supports a public waterfront.	
P3A	Ensure generous public waterfront access along the banks of the river.
P3B	Encourage waterfront buildings to address the water.
P3C	Promote activities that support a public waterfront.
Legible	
Rationalise clutter and on-water infrastructure to ensure unobstructed vistas and views.	
P4A	Rationalise clutter to ensure unobstructed appreciation to identified views and landmarks.
P4B	Develop a technical guide for waterfront treatments to establish a consistent palette.
P4C	Provide additional bridges only where cross river connectivity is critical.

MOVEMENT
Journey and
Connection

Slow	
Distinguish the river as a slower paced environment by creating safe, alternative north and south bicycle routes.	
M1A	Reduce modal conflicts through development of a safe, alternative Northbank bicycle route.
M1B	Continue delivery of the alternative Southbank bicycle route.
Integrated	
Transform the condition of key 'barriers' to address the gaps to the north-west and integrate access with the City.	
M2A	Better integrate pathways along and leading to the waterfront by creating direct crossing arrangements and amenity improvements.
Accessible	
Raise the quality and universal accessibility of riverfront pathways.	
M3A	Deliver universal accessibility at key waterfront access points
M3B	Develop a wayfinding and signage strategy to ensure easy waterfront navigation.
M3C	Ensure pathway widths, physical conditioning and maintenance safely caters for everyone.
Diverse water activity	
Encourage more water related activity and greater diversity of vessels, particularly more non-motorised crafts	
M4A	Seek diversification of vessels, operators and encourage more non-motorised water transport use.
M4B	Consolidate central city berths and reduce exclusive berths in the longer term.