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- Budget Paper Number 3, page 68, more specifically the \$6.3 million per year over the forward estimates – some \$25m over 4 years - for the establishment of the Priority Precincts Portfolio. I am assuming that establishment includes establishment of a dedicated division in the department. I note the Organisational Structure effective from 15 April 2019 for the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions, shows the structure of the Priority Precincts Division. Minister can you please advise what the annual budget over the forward estimates per year is – for the:

	2019-20 \$(m)	2020- 21 \$(m)	2021- 22 \$(m)	2022- 23 \$(m)
Office of the Deputy Secretary, Precincts and Suburbs				
Precincts and Suburbs Policy				
Precinct Delivery				
Office of Suburban Development				
Fishermen's Bend Taskforce				
Suburban Rail Loop				
Group Performance				
Efficiencies announced in the 2019-20 Budget				

**Answer:**

The breakdown of the \$25 million over four years for the Priority Precincts Portfolio has yet to be determined. It will be allocated, in line with normal budget processes and based on a range of factors including staffing requirements and the proposed work plan over the next four years. Similarly, the Precincts and Suburbs Group have yet to be advised as to how efficiencies announced in the 2019-20 budget will be applied to the Priority Precincts Portfolio.

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2. What is the budget per year over the forward estimates for:

	2019-20 \$(m)	2020- 21 \$(m)	2021- 22 \$(m)	2022- 23 \$(m)
Annual Assemblies for Metropolitan Partnerships				
Consultants				
Communications and Marketing				

**Answer:**

At the time of responding, the budget allocation for Consultants and Communications and Marketing have not been set. Budgets for 2019/20 will be defined and confirmed as part of the normal budgeting process.

Budget allocations relating to Annual Assemblies for Metropolitan Partnerships are not related to the Priority Precincts portfolio.

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3. Budget Paper Number 3, p.241, and the performance measure 'Priority precincts in the design or delivery phase'. This performance measure has a target of '8' for 2019-20. Can you please specify what the 8 priority precincts that are being referred to are and which are at the design phase, and which are at the delivery phase.

**Answer:**

The initial priority precincts include Parkville (including the Melbourne Biomedical Precinct), Arden, Fishermans Bend, Richmond to Docklands and Sunshine. Further areas to be developed as priority precincts by the portfolio are subject to Cabinet decision-making. Priority precincts are unique areas of state-significance that will be designed and delivered to realise important opportunities to improve social and economic outcomes. The phase of development for each priority precinct will depend on these opportunities.

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4. For those in the design phase, what is the completion date for the design phase for each precinct? For those in the delivery phase:
  - a. what exactly is being delivered in each precinct?
  - b. how much has it cost to date – what is the total cost by project, by precinct, and when will each discrete project be finished?

Priority Precinct	Design Phase		Delivery Phase				
	Yes/No	If yes Completion Date	Yes / No	If yes Cost by project by Precinct			
				Project	Expenditure to Date (\$m)	Total Cost (\$m)	Completion Date
1.				Project 1			
				Project 2			
				Project 3			
2.							
3.							
4.							
5.							
6.							
7.							
8.							

**Answer:**

The sequencing of design and delivery across priority precincts is currently under consideration by government. Each priority precinct requires a tailored development approach. The design requirements will vary for each priority precinct and depend on a variety of factors, such as each precinct's stage of development, planned infrastructure investments in the area, community priorities and environmental conditions. The completion date for specific projects, what is delivered and the timing and staging of development will be different for each priority precinct.

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5. Minister, 'the departmental objective indicators' are
- a) priority precincts developed and delivered; and
  - b) community satisfaction in public places.

Can you please explain what the targets for these objective indicators are, and how the community satisfaction in public places is going to be measured – by who – when – what will be asked – who will be asked – and how much will it cost the public purse?

### Answer:

- a) The target for the objective of 8 priority precincts in the design or delivery phase in 2019-20 is 90% of integrated Precinct Plans will be in place (2019-20 Budget). These outputs deliver activities to build vibrant and prosperous precincts that drive economic growth and opportunities through collaboration between government, industry and community stakeholders.
- b) The performance measure "Participants satisfied with their experience at partnership assemblies" on page 241 of budget paper 3 is not a performance measure with relates to the Priority Precincts portfolio

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Does the East Werribee Employment Precinct fall under the new priority precincts portfolio, and if so could the Minister please provide an update on planning for the East Werribee Precinct?

**Answer:**

The Priority Precincts portfolio is responsible, together with the Planning Minister, for whole of government coordination of Victoria's National Employment and Innovation Clusters (NEICs) including Werribee of which the East Werribee Employment Precinct forms part. The East Werribee Employment Precinct covers a wide range of projects and initiatives which are each at different stages of their assessment and development lifecycle.