



# Draft Balaclava Walk Masterplan

The draft Balaclava Walk Masterplan sets out City of Port Phillip's vision to integrate the future design of Balaclava Station with key projects in the surrounding area. The aim of the draft masterplan is to improve access to nearby transport, increase safety and enhance urban design to the immediate environs surrounding Balaclava Station. Council is currently inviting community feedback on the draft Balaclava Walk Masterplan.

## Location



## Background

Council is committed to supporting and guiding the development of the Balaclava Walk area. The draft Balaclava Walk Masterplan is identified in the Carlisle Street Activity Centre Structure Plan, which was approved by the Minister and is a Reference document to the Port Phillip Planning Scheme.

## Key projects

The draft masterplan identifies current and future projects surrounding Balaclava Station including:

- Balaclava Station upgrade and accessible tram stop (Public Transport Victoria projects) and Carlisle Street gateway
- development of Marlborough Street housing (a community and private housing project)
- improvements to Balaclava Walk; the walkways that run parallel to the railway embankment between Marlborough and Nightingale Streets
- prospective plans for high quality civic space in Nightingale Street to form a gateway to Balaclava Walk
- develop Balaclava Walk Southern Link; a walkway running on the western side of the railway line to create a pedestrian connection between Balaclava Station and Ripponlea Station.

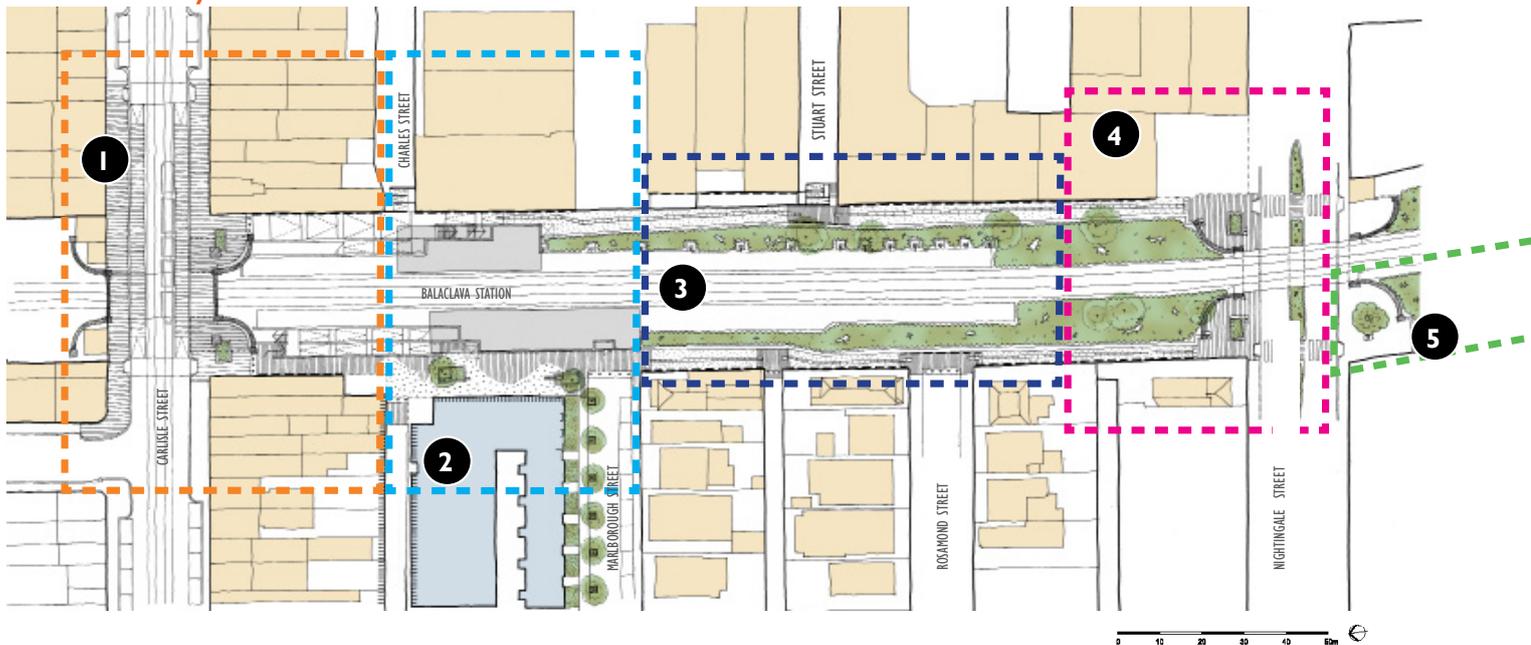
The City of Port Phillip is working closely with key agencies to ensure these projects are consistent with Council's broader vision for the area.

## Public space

The draft masterplan outlines ways to improve public safety, access and aesthetic appeal in the above areas including:

- general improvements to walkways including widening of walkways and use of blue stone paving
- improvement of waste management in the area
- upgrades to lighting and signs in the area
- planting of new trees and ground cover planting
- use of artwork along Balaclava Walk and on blank walls surrounding Balaclava Station.

## Area of study



- 1** Gateway to Balaclava Station and Balaclava Walk. It is proposed that this precinct will provide a high quality civic space for shoppers, commuters and residents alike.
- 2** The current station car park will be redeveloped as mixed private and community housing. The precinct also covers Balaclava Station's platforms and access ramps.
- 3** Balaclava Walk, proposed high quality walkways that run either side of the railway embankment, between Marlborough Street and Nightingale Street.
- 4** Nightingale Street proposed minor civic space to form the southern gateway to Balaclava Walk.
- 5** Balaclava Walk Southern Link, a generous and safe walkway that will ultimately link Nightingale Street with Ripponlea Station.

## Have your say

- To view the draft masterplan and have your say visit [www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay](http://www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay)
- Come along to our information stands outside Balaclava Station to discuss the masterplan and find out more:

Wednesday 11 July                      8 – 9 am and 5 – 6 pm

Wednesday 25 July                      8 – 9 am and 5 – 6 pm

- Consultation closes on Thursday 2 August 2012.

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