St Patrick's Cathedral Precinct Renewal

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – INFRASTRUCTURE

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule	
Parties	Commonwealth Victoria
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2030 or when all project deliverables outlined in this Schedule have been completed and acquitted.
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of Stages 1A and 1B of the St Patrick's Cathedral Light into the City Project in East Melbourne. Stage 1A includes restoration of the cathedral and Stage 1B includes community spaces, amenities and public realm improvements to the St Patrick's Cathedral precinct. The community spaces, amenities and public realm improvements will include: • New multi-purpose building(s) • Event/conference space(s) • New public restrooms • Café • Cathedral shop • Parish office(s)
Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the State of $60,000,000 in respect of this Schedule. The profile for the total financial contribution is presented in Table 2.
Additional terms	**Funding arrangements** The State's role includes submitting claims for payment to the Commonwealth. The claims must be supported by the information outlined in Table 3, to be provided by the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, a third-party proponent, directly to the Commonwealth. Consistent with Clauses 22 and 40-41 of the *Federation Funding Agreement – Infrastructure*, the Commonwealth will make payments subject to performance reports demonstrating relevant milestone achievement and assessments by the relevant Commonwealth Minister or their delegate. The Commonwealth will notify the State of the

	outcome of each milestone assessment and the authorisation of the related payment. The Commonwealth will provide a once-off payment of $60,000 to the State to administer its agreed responsibilities under this Schedule over the life of the project. This amount is included in the Commonwealth's contribution to the project. The State will not be required to pay back any unused portion of this funding. The Commonwealth's financial contribution is capped at $60,000,000. Notwithstanding Clause 31 of the *Federation Funding Agreement—Infrastructure*, the State will not bear the financial risk should the cost of the initiative exceed the estimated costs as set out in this Schedule, or should the third-party proponent fail to secure additional funding contributions. **Commonwealth funding recognition** In addition to the requirements set out in Clause 21 of the *Federation Funding Agreement – Infrastructure,* the Parties agree to: a) Recognise the Commonwealth's funding contributions to the project in publications, promotional and advertising materials, including project signage, and public announcements and activities in relation to the project as appropriate. b) Provide reasonable opportunity for each Party to contribute to developing communications strategies for the project. c) Provide equal access to products that they obtain for use in the development of promotional material for the project, including but not limited to project data, footage and images. **Signage guidelines** The Parties commit to adhering to the Commonwealth's signage guidelines for projects funded through the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts, unless otherwise agreed with the Commonwealth. The Parties will communicate on signage design consistently with the guidelines, and Commonwealth agreement is required before project signage is installed. **Project meetings and reporting** The Parties commit to regular communication to support administration of the project in respect of this Schedule. This includes the sharing of information necessary to ensure that both Parties are reasonably informed of the status and progress of the project and any key issues, in order to perform their respective roles and responsibilities. In particular, this will include: a) Regular project oversight meetings between the Commonwealth and the third-party proponent, with the frequency to be agreed

	by officials. The State will be invited to meetings as an optional attendee. b) Six-monthly progress reports, submitted directly by the third-party proponent to the Commonwealth and the State, including at a minimum, updates on project costs, timings, risk register, key achievements, public communication and media activities, and progress against milestones. c) Additionally, the Commonwealth may seek relevant information on the status and progress of the funded project in accordance with the performance milestones at Table 3, and on request, with reasonable notice.

Table 2: Financial contributions to the state						
($)	**2026-27**	**2027-28**	**2028-29**	**2029-30**	**2030-31**	**Total**
Estimated total budget	**TBC**	**TBC**	**TBC**	**TBC**	**0**	**136,000,000**
Less estimated National Partnership Payments	20,000,000	20,000,000	17,000,000	3,000,000	0	**60,000.000**
Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	**76,000.000**
- Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	**30,000,000**
- Unsecured non-Commonwealth contributions	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	**46,000,000**

Notes:

- The Archdiocese contribution includes $10,000,000 supplied by itself and $20,000,000 of secured fundraising over the life of the project.
- The Archdiocese is working to secure the additional $46,000,000 (marked 'Unsecured non-Commonwealth contributions' above) via further fundraising.

Table 3: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary		
Performance milestones	**Report due**	**Payment**
Milestone 1 – State Administration Costs Execution of FFA Schedule between Commonwealth and Victoria	On execution (2026-27)	$60,000
Milestone 2 – Execution of delivery contract for Stage 1A and completion of project risk register Execution of main delivery contract between the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne and appointed contractor for Stage 1A and completion of comprehensive risk register covering Stages 1A and 1B, demonstrated by: • Executed contract for delivery of Stage 1A, signed by both parties • Project risk register that includes identified risks, likelihood and impact ratings, risk owner and mitigation strategies, covering Stages 1A and 1B • Risk management plan outlining process for review, maintenance and updates of the risk register for the life of the project (Stages 1A and 1B)	Within 1 month of execution of this Schedule (2026-27)	$16,940,000
Milestone 3 – Completion of business case and lodgement of planning permit application for Stage 1B Completion of Stage 1B business case, schematic design activities and lodgement of planning permit application, demonstrated by: • Completed Business Case, or equivalent, outlining Stage 1B cost, scope, delivery method and required regulatory approvals • Schematic design for planning permit application for Stage 1B • Lodgement receipt for Stage 1B planning permit application	26 February 2027	$3,000,000
Milestone 4 – Stage 1A commencement of restoration Commencement of restoration activities on Stage 1A, including: • Submission of the Construction Management Plan for approval by relevant approving agency • Commencement of site establishment works including installation of site offices, temporary fencing and hoardings, site access point(s), and delivery and laydown area(s) • Commencement of procurement of major trade package(s) and long-lead material(s). Demonstrated by: • Evidence of submission of Construction Management Plan	30 July 2027	$12,000,000

• Geographically identifiable and date-stamped photographic evidence of site establishment activities and any other works to date • Documentation confirming activities commenced and status of procurement of long lead material(s), such as independent quantity surveyor report(s) or signed purchase order(s).		
Milestone 5 – Readiness to tender for Stage 1B Completion of Stage 1B planning approval and readiness to tender, demonstrated by: • Planning permit • Completion of detailed design to a level suitable for tender • Revised cost estimate for Stage 1B works • Tender documentation for main delivery of Stage 1B	31 December 2027	$4,000,000
Milestone 6 – Execution of delivery contract for Stage 1B Execution of construction contract between the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne and appointed contractor, demonstrated by: • Executed contract signed by both parties including Stage 1B delivery • Updated delivery program for Stages 1A and 1B • Updated delivery cost for Stages 1A and 1B	28 April 2028	$4,000,000
Milestone 7 – Completion of Assembly Building earthworks and foundations Completion of the new assembly building earthworks and foundation construction, demonstrated by: • Geo-tagged and date stamped photographic evidence • Record from contractor confirming completion	30 November 2028	$10,000,000
Milestone 8 – Completion of Assembly Building frame Completion of new assembly building frame, demonstrated by: • Geo-tagged and date stamped photographic evidence • Record from contractor confirming completion	27 April 2029	$7,000,000
Milestone 9 – Completion of construction and submission of Post Completion Report (PCR) Completion of construction of Stages 1A and 1B, demonstrated by: • Practical completion certificate(s) for Stage 1A and Stage 1B construction works • Geo-tagged and date stamped photographic evidence of completed Stage 1A and Stage 1B	30 April 2030	$3,000,000

• Acceptance by the Commonwealth of a Post Completion Report (PCR) covering Stages 1A and 1B that includes: ○ Details of the use of Commonwealth funds, and ○ Confirmation of all project scope elements having been delivered and any agreed changes from the initial scope.		
	Total	**$60,000,000**

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

Signed *for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by*

The Honourable Catherine King MP
Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government
[Day] [Month] [Year] 28.10.26

Signed *for and on behalf of the State of Victoria by*

The Honourable Nick Staikos MP
Minister for Housing, Building and Precincts
[Day] [Month] [Year] 2/11/2026