

INFRASTRUCTURE VICTORIA

Introduction

Established in 2015, Infrastructure Victoria is an independent statutory authority with 3 core functions:

- publishing original research on infrastructure-related issues
- preparing a 30-year infrastructure strategy for Victoria, which is reviewed and updated every 3 to 5 years
- advising the Victorian Government on specific infrastructure matters.

In March 2025 Infrastructure Victoria released Victoria's draft 30-year Infrastructure Strategy which identified six strategic objectives:

- Victorians have good access to housing, jobs, services and opportunities
- Victorians are healthy and safe
- Aboriginal people have self-determination and equal outcomes to other Victorians
- Victoria has a thriving natural environment
- Victoria is resilient to climate change and other future risks
- Victoria has a high productivity and circular economy

43 recommendations support these objectives.

Position

IPWEA Victoria is an engineering association with a commitment to enabling better public works. Most of its members work with or for Victorian Councils so IPWEAV is well-placed to support recommendations falling within local government jurisdiction.

Statement

IPWEAV supports and will advocate for the following eight recommendations:

5. *Build libraries and aquatic centres for Melbourne's growing communities*
15. *Build safe cycling networks in Melbourne and regional cities*
17. *Invest in maintenance, upgrades and expansions of community health facilities*
24. *Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from infrastructure*
25. *Advance integrated water management and use more recycled water*
27. *Better prepare infrastructure for climate change*
35. *Prepare and publish infrastructure sector plans to shape Victoria's cities*
37. *Improve asset management of all government infrastructure*