



Expert Evidence & Advocacy

Tract offers high quality advocate and expert witness services to VCAT, planning panels, advisory committees, and other tribunal services.

As an advocate, we co-ordinate, prepare and deliver submissions that presents our clients case in a strong and thorough manner, drawing on our understanding of statutory planning systems, planning policy and case law. We provide a cost effective alternative to the engagement of legal representation.

Our multi-disciplinary approach provides us with a comprehensive understanding of contentious planning issues, such as housing targets, neighbourhood character, and native vegetation planning. In representing many Councils, authorities and developers over many years, we understand the processes of the tribunal and the scope of issues that are important to members in making decisions.

Our process begins with a comprehensive review of the key issues, and includes advice on the engagement of expert witnesses, review of expert statements, and coordination of documentation. We have represented both public and private clients in a wide range of cases including small to large scale residential, commercial, industrial, and infrastructure. Our full range of services in this area include representation at directions hearings, mediations, and correspondence management.

Alternatively, Tract can offer independent expert planning evidence to review development proposals. We seek to review, critique and recommend changes to development proposals to ensure the best opportunity for approval at the Tribunal. Our experienced planners offer a range of specialities that can add value to the process and provide a credible alternative opinion.



Projects Examples

- Burwood Square MAC, VIC
- East Brunswick Activity Centre, VIC
- Edgewater On The Maribyrong, VIC
- Eynesbury Station, Melton South, VIC
- Metro 3175, Saleyards Redevelopment, VIC
- Moonah Links Recreational Development, VIC
- Pentridge Plaza, VIC
- Pentridge Village, VIC
- The Edge & Waterfront Apartments, VIC