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Questions taken on notice and further information agreed to be supplied at the hearings

Portfolio:	Minister for Suburban Development
Witness:	Hon Marlene Kairouz MP
Committee member:	Mr Danny O'Brien MP
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Mr D O'BRIEN: What is the interaction between your portfolio and the priority precincts portfolio, if any, given that we note that the minister said this morning that there were five priority precincts, all of which are in metropolitan Melbourne?

Ms KAIROUZ: Thank you very much for your question. I think this is the third attempt for somebody to answer this question. I understand that the Minister for Planning was also asked a similar question—

The CHAIR: And alas, Minister, I apologise for interrupting, but that question will have to be answered on notice.

Answer:

The Planning, Suburban Development and new Priority Precincts portfolios are fundamental to the Victorian Government's approach to managing population growth, maintaining Melbourne's liveability and driving a stronger economy that creates jobs.

The Victorian Government views these three portfolios as playing complimentary and critical roles in helping manage the city's future growth and development.

Each portfolio plays a unique and distinctive role in shaping the city's future:

- Planning (state-wide focus) through strategies such as Plan Melbourne, sets key directions for future land use and infrastructure investment and manages statutory planning systems; and
- Suburban Development (metropolitan wide focus) primary focus on community engagement through the metro partnerships to identify local priorities; and
- Priority Precincts (targeted areas) develops and delivers strategically significant precincts in ways that optimise outcomes for Victoria's economy and future growth.

The Suburban Development portfolio is working closely with the Priority Precincts portfolio, particularly through the Metropolitan Partnerships, to provide community input into the development of priority precincts. To ensure strong links between the Suburban Development and Priority Precincts portfolio — the Office for Suburban Development has been co-located within the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions — Precincts and Suburbs Group.

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