SCHEDULE 4 TO THE SIGNIFICANT LANDSCAPE OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as SLO4.

MENZIES CREEK VALLEY

1.0

Statement of nature and key elements of landscape

The Menzies Creek valley is a small steep-sided valley, the area of which is generally bounded by Jacksons Hill Road, Belgrave Road, Ridge Road and a section of Menzies Creek. The landscape is significant as it provides a variety of scenic views from the Belgrave-Gembrook Road and the Puffing Billy railway line and is recognised as one of the most scenic tourist routes in the Dandenong Ranges. The eastern end of the valley on the Menzies Creek walking track contains one of the most southerly record of Mountain Ash in the Dandenong Ranges and the limited stands of native vegetation along the creek provide viable habitats for native animals. Much of the area has been cleared and limited residential development has been established. Additional development would require sensitive siting and design to avoid significant intrusion into the predominantly rural landscape.

2.0

Landscape character objective to be achieved

- To protect and enhance the environmental, scenic and visual values of the Menzies Creek valley.
- To ensure that any new development is located and designed to avoid detrimental effects on the key characteristics of the landscape.
- To retain and conserve vegetation as an important element within the classified landscape.

3.0

Permit requirement

An application to construct a building or construct or carry out works must be accompanied by the following information:

- The location of any existing buildings and works.
- Details of elevations, including external colours, materials and finishes.
- The location of any existing vegetation and any vegetation proposed to be removed.
- Details of the location and extent of any earthworks.

In accordance with Section 52(1)(c) of the Act, notice of an application to construct a building or construct or carry out works (including an advertising sign) must be given to the person or body specified as a person or body to be notified in Clause 66.06 or a schedule to that clause.

A permit is required to remove, destroy or lop any vegetation. This does not apply if:

- The vegetation is an environmental weed known as Sweet Pittosporum (*Pittosporum undulatum*).