## 1.5 New squares, promenades and parks

## Sandridge Bridge

Restoration of the Sandridge Bridge and introduction of public activities linked with the commercial recovery of the vaults on the north bank, west of Flinders Street Station, will continue this process of city/riverfront integration. Queensbridge Square adds a well-located urban space, sheltered from surrounding traffic, to central Melbourne's relatively limited range of public squares.

## New promenades

New promenades at Yarra's Edge, NewQuay and future Victoria Harbour precinct at Docklands offer waterfront areas with a mix of residences, work places, shops, bars and restaurants. The active frontages and attention to detail of the ground floor facades and building podium levels add considerably to the attraction of the harbour front.

RMIT's Urban Spaces Strategy involved the incremental transformation of a series of neglected spaces between buildings to create a well-organised series of interconnected, small and large, open and closed, public spaces throughout the campus block between Swanston and Russell Streets. The strategy offers a model for providing more universally accessible, sheltered, well-conceived and varied public spaces in and around buildings in other areas of the city.









