

Meeting Minutes

Southern Community Liaison Group

Date	28/01/2022	Time	10:00am – 12:00pm
Chair	Mike Marasco	Meeting no.	1 of 2022
Location	via Zoom	Minute taker	Nadia Hollins

Attendees

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Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Mike Marasco (MM)	Independent Chair	Judith Voce (JV)	Community representative
Frank Freschi (FF)	Community representative	Glennys Jones (GJ)	Community representative
Paul McMorran (PM)	Community representative	Clare Davey (CD)	Boroondara City Council
Alexander Law (AL)	Community representative	Natalie Pearson (NP)	NELP
Matthew Hill (MH)	NELP	Nadia Hollins (NH)	NELP
Tara Buckley (TB)	NELP	Frances Wickerson (FW)	NELP
Michael Hobbs (MH)	NELP	Nic Morton (NM)	NELP
Tara Larkin (TL)	Spark	Clement Lee (CLL)	CPB
Glen Preema (GP)	CPB	Melissa Read (MR)	CPB
Deanna Hadid (DH)	CPB		

Apologies			
Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Tina Garg (TG)	Community representative	John Van Delft (JVD)	Community representative
Ben Dawson (BD)	Community representative	Liz Lambropoulos (LL)	Manningham City Council
Leah McGuinness (LM)	Whitehorse City Council	Anitha Viswanathan (AV)	VicRoads
Mark Judge (MJ)	Department of Transport	Chris Logan (CL)	CPB

Actions

No.	Action	Owner	Due	Status	Update
1	JV asks about ball net fencing at Freeway Golf Course (FGC) and that NELP should be responsible for funding this on top of existing works at the site.	NP	28/01/22	Ongoing	CD Boroondara CC and NELP are currently in discussions and will update the group of the outcome.
2	NELP to report back to the group regarding the bicycle trail connecting to Rosemary Bridge.	NELP	28/01/22	Pending	
3	DH to send the works notification regarding sewer works at the golf course to JV.	CPB	28/01/22	Closed	Works notification sent
4	NP to find out when service relocations work will take place near Doncaster Road.	NELP	28/01/22	Closed	NP emailed TG
5	NP to provide further information about the UDLP process to the group.	NELP	28/01/22	Completed	NP emailed CLG members.

Key discussion points/decisions

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Mike Marasco (MM)	<p>Welcome and outstanding business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MM welcomes the group and confirms the apologies. • MM read through outstanding items and actions that remain unresolved. • MM confirms that the previous minutes have been read and adopted. • MM introduced the presenters from CPB, Spark, NELP tunnelling and southern packages.
Glen Preema (GP), Melissa Read (MR) Deanna Hadid (DH), Clement Lee (CLL)	<p>CPB Works update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPB provides a presentation on the early works package. • CLL updates the members on the YEMS timelines milestones and key target completion dates of the works. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Construction of the maintenance hole has started in Avon Street. Sewer reticulation works at Manningham Hotel is completed. Installation of ball net fencing at Trinity Grammar has finished, and the Marcellin College sports field works started in December and are ongoing and are due to end in March. ○ Reticulation sewer construction continues at the Freeway Golf Course, Bulleen Park, Veneto Club and Bulleen Road (south of Golden Way). Boroondara Tennis Centre and Carey Grammar school maintenance hole works continue. Installation of ball net fencing around the eastern side of Dunshea Oval next to Bulleen Road complete. • MR gives a presentation on Bulleen Park & Ride. Work recommenced in early January at Bulleen Park and Ride. The site shed was installed, and the earthworks and excavation

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	<p>supported upcoming structural and concreting works. Communication for Kampman Street closure will be out to the community soon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GP: Eastern Freeway service investigations around Chandler Highway, Doncaster Road and Burke Road are complete, and Yarra Flats continue. The electrical assets have been converted to underground connections, and reinstatement works are underway at Mountain View Road, Balwyn North, Page Avenue & Willow Grove, Kew East. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Two main water relocations located in Carron Street, North Balwyn and Estelle Street, Bulleen, are rescheduled as part of the major upgrades to the Eastern Freeway in 2024 for efficiency and lessen the impacts to the community. • DH provides an update of the community engagement. There have been Eleven works notifications since the last CLG meeting. Night works to continue soon with respite and relocation support available. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Q: MM, when the works notifications go out to the community, could this group be also advised of those works? NELP agrees to send work notifications to the CLG members. They are also available on the NELP website. ○ Q: JV, has there been an extension to the completion date for the Freeway Golf Course works? This should have been completed in September. The delays have been mainly due to covid delays for supplies, materials, and the weather. CPB is in discussions with NELP to finalise the completion dates and potentially hand over the Freeways Golf Course at different stages, which is still to be confirmed. Council confirms they are working towards an opening date of the end of March. • MM thanks CPB for their works update.
Matthew Hill (NELP), Francis Wickerson (NELP)	<p>North East Link Tunnel and Eastern Freeway Package update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MH introduces himself and presents the Eastern Freeway Package update. • MH: North East Link, including the Eastern Freeway Upgrades will be taken out to market during 2022. Expressions of interest for the Burke Road to Tram Road package have been received and we will be working with potential bidders over the coming months. Once the preferred bidder is announced the detailed design and construction will be carefully staged so the whole project can open around the same time in 2027/28. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Q: JV, has the southern boundary changed since the original concept plan? JV has been told that the footprint may be changed, and additional land may be needed from the golf course. The southern package is being redesigned to tie into the new tunnel plan but at this stage, no additional land will be acquired. NELP will confirm once more information becomes available. ○ GJ, the images that have been shown so far of the Southern Package are not clear, particularly the bike and walking pathways across the southern interchange. ○ FF would like MH to be forthcoming and provide regular information, as we will make assumptions due to the lack of disclosure of the detail. NELP will work to providing a high-level overview of the Southern Package at the next meeting. ○ Q: JV, is it correct that in the third quarter of this year the proponent will be appointed and then work will start? No, there is a two-stage tendering process. The initial stage is putting prices and responses together for our scope from bidders. Next step, NELP works with the preferred bidder's deliverables for twenty-four weeks. Then, by the second quarter of next year, if everything goes well, the contract will be awarded to the preferred bidder, who will compile and complete their designs.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FW provides an update on the Urban Design Landscape Plan (UDLP), the formal planning approval process stages and the requirements. Spark will be the lead on the UDLP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Currently, the UDLP is developed with key stakeholders and will take a couple of months, Spark is the lead on the UDLP. Once developed, the UDLP will be ready for public exhibition for 21 days. Finally, the UDLP is revised in response to the public submissions, and the independent consultation summary report is prepared to submit to the Minister for Planning. ○ Q: FF, could show the UDLP stages clearer e.g., which month, to understand when impacts will occur during the year? and it's important make sure that all effected stakeholders, not only the listed and have an opportunity to engage. It will take a few months before public exhibition. NELP will provide a clearer time frame at the next meeting once we have a clearer understanding of the work that is required beforehand. NELP will make sure that everyone has the opportunity to respond. ○ The UDLP will include a site layout plan, architectural and landscape plans, and an explanation of how the UDLP is following the approved Urban Design Strategy (UDS) and complies with the Environmental Performance Requirements (EPRs) for North East Link. ○ Through the EES, extensive consultation has been done, and at this stage, significant design elements cannot be altered, including tunnel length, interchange locations, and ventilation structure locations. The UDLP process will give local people a chance to see and comment on urban design, and landscaping aspects of the design including, new and returned parklands, wetlands, local road and walking and cycling connections. ○ Q: JV, will the UDLP show the project implementation time lines? When the UDLP is exhibited, it will show the finished design, including the construction timelines. ○ Q: GJ, is the UDLP is just only for the tunnelling project or the whole NELP? Each project will have their own UDLP, Northern, Central Tunnel packages, and each Eastern Freeway packages. This UDLP is for the North East Link Tunnelling Package only. ○ Q: GJ, how do we ensure we provide quality input, feedback, and recommendations if we do not know how each UDLP project package will look? The packages will work together to provide an overview of the Central and Southern Packages integration. Noting that all packages ensure there is continuity in each design package. ○ The group openly discussed that it would like MH to be familiarised with the approved CLG design submissions that are not allowed to be altered by NELP and attributed in the ESS. In addition, the group commented on knowing how much of that submission document has been or will be implemented. There will be gaps in the packages, and the overarching issues will get lost now that the project is broken into packages. MH agreed he will look over the document and bring that information knowledge to the next meeting. • MM thanks MH and FW for their presentation.
Mike Marasco (MM)	<p>Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NP reminded members of her previous request asking for suggestions for inclusions in a proposed tour of the project. Suggestions to NP by 18 February. • MM thanks everyone for the updates and presentations. • Next meeting will be held 11 March 2022.

Actions - new

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1	Completion date updates for the Freeway Golf Course works.	NP	Ongoing		NP will share JV details to MH for any FGC updates.
2	High level view of Southern package to be provided at next	NELP	11/03/22		
3	JV would like to know the final project boundary/footprint around the interchange of the Freeway Golf Course (FGC) and Bulleen Road.	NELP	11/03/22		NP to share JV details to MH. MH will update JV of any changes.
4	UDLP clearer timelines to be provided at next meeting	FW	11/03/22		
5	Suggestions to Natalie for inclusions in tour	CLG Members	18/02/22		