

Meeting Minutes

Date: 20 August 2025
Program: Suburban Rail Loop
Title: Burwood Precinct Reference Group
Meeting Number: 16
Chairs: Emily Box (GHD) & Matt Fregon MP for Ashwood
Minute Taker: Tyson Garlick

Attendees	Apologies
- Emily Box, Facilitator, GHD (Co-Chair) - Matt Fregon MP for Ashwood (Co-Chair) - Arash Dalir, Melbourne Water - Tanya Tescher, Whitehorse Ratepayers and Residents Association - Graham Ross, KooyongKoot Alliance - Graham Scott, Community Representative, Friends of Gardiners Creek - Jordan Turner, TV - Leah McGuinness, Whitehorse City Council - Mojib Rashidzada, Laing O'Rourke (LOR) - Rob Mair, Terra Verde (TV) - Bec McHutchison, Suburban Rail Loop Authority (SRLA) - Hamish Beere, SRLA - Adam Mellino, SRLA - Tyson Garlick, SRLA	- Matthew Duke, Presbyterian Ladies' College - Tali Borowski, Mount Scopus

Item	Discussion topic	Who
1.	Welcome and housekeeping Emily Box (EB) welcomed attendees, provided an Acknowledgement of Country and went through previous actions and minutes.	EB/MF
2.	Engagement update from LOR, noting: - SRLA noted the current and upcoming engagement in Burwood. Structure planning update by SRLA, noting: - SRLA discussed the engagement timeline, noting key high-level dates. - SRLA went through the themes contained in the submissions from the recent public exhibition period. - SRLA explained the function on the Independent Advisory Committee. - SRLA noted the next steps, with public hearings to commence from next week. Matters arising: - Graham Ross (GR) noted that it would be beneficial if SRLA created renders to illustrate how the proposed heights would look like in the community. - GR noted that it has been difficult to access information about structure planning for smaller groups and individuals. - Graham Scott (GS) noted his concerns around wind and Burwood 'becoming a wind tunnel' and highlighted the benefits of open space. SRLA discussed the Gardiners Creek naturalisation SRLA will be delivering. - GS queried when the Independent Advisory Committee would be complete. SRLA noted by 2026. ACTION: SRLA to send PRG members information about the public hearings and Independent Advisory Committee.	

	Works update from LOR, noting: - LOR went through the upcoming and current works in Burwood. - LOR went through the timeline of works. - Excavation of the TBM launch site complete. - Conduit install works on Sinnott Street are ongoing until September. Matters arising: - GS asked when works at the network support facility would be complete. LOR noted towards the end of the year. - Matt Fregon thanked the Initial and Early Works contractor, Laing O'Rourke and SRLA for all work completed to date. Tunnels North update by SRLA, noting: - Terra Verde outlined the scope of works. - Terra Verde outlined the preliminary works required to be undertaken. - Terra Verde explained the works packages. ACTION: SRLA to send list of upcoming site investigations to Matt Fregon, MP and the office. Matters arising: - GR queried the wells. Terra Verde noted they were installed to inform design, some wells are being decommissioned, and others are to be installed. GS noted that he went on a tour of the Victorian Tunnelling Centre. GS queried how many people are involved in operating the TBMs. Terra Verde noted up to 9 individuals.	
3.	Matt Fregon MP and Emily Box closed the meeting.	MF/EB

Item	Stakeholder	Details	Status / due	Owner
ACTIONS				
1.	PRG members	SRLA to send PRG members information about the public hearings and Independent Advisory Committee.	Complete	SRLA
2.	Member for Ashwood	SRLA to send list of upcoming site investigations to Matt Fregon MP electorate office.	Complete	SRLA