

Minutes

Subject: CLG July 2021 Joint Meeting

Date: 15 July 2021 Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm

Location: Zoom

Attendees			
Jim Williamson (JW)	Chair	Liz Evans (LE)	West Gate Tunnel Project, Major Transport Infrastructure Authority (WGTP MTIA)
Ferdinand Saliba (FS)	Deer Park	Taylor Cations (TC)	WGTP MTIA
Bert Boere (BB)	Brooklyn	Anthony Havers (AH)	WGTP MTIA
Marlon De Leon (MDL)	Tarneit	Dan Gregor (DG)	WGTP MTIA
Dennis Ryan (DR)	Altona North	Shane D'Rozario (SDR)	WGTP MTIA
Kevin Redfern (KR)	Seabrook	Georgina McCormack	WGTP MTIA
Geoff Mitchelmore (GM)	Friends of Lower Kororoit Creek	Zoe Taylor (ZT)	Transurban (TU)
Garry Brennan (GB)	Bicycle Network Victoria	Jack Herbert (JH)	TU
Glen Best (GLB)	Spotswood	Callum Fogarty (CaF)	TU

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Senthill Sundaram (SS)	Point Cook	Vesna Newman (VN)	CPBJH JV
Ian Butterworth (IB)	Hobsons Bay Council	Mario Urban (MU)	CPBJH JV
Con Frescos (CF)	Yarraville	Anthony Moran (AM)	CPBJH JV
Fran Araneda (FA)	Kensington	Sally Pieterse (SP)	CPBJH JV
Paul Baggeridge (PB)	City of Melbourne		

Apologies

Martin Wurt (MW)	Maribyrnong Truck Action Group	John Stirk (JS)	BayWest Bug
Steve Wilson (SW)	Friends of Stony Creek	Adrian Ashford (AA)	Brimbank Council
Sue La Greca (SLG)	LeadWest	Arthur Bregiannis (AB)	Yarraville
Peter Gerrand (PG)	West Melbourne	Victor Ng (VN)	Seddon
Monique Perry (MP)	Concerned Locals of Yarraville	Adrian Havryluk (AHV)	Maribyrnong City Council

Agenda Items

Time	#	Item detail	Owner
5.30pm	1	Welcome, introductions and apologies	Chair
5.40pm	2	Project Update	WGTP MTIA

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5.50pm	3	Actions update	All
6.00pm	4	<p>Members update</p> <p>We would like members to respond to the following questions during their update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What traffic disruption communication tools do you and your communities use when driving? I.e. road signage, traffic email alerts, social media, Victoria's Big Build disruption map. 	Community Members
6.30pm	5	WGTP MTIA update	WGTP MTIA
6.45pm	6	Construction update	CPBJH JV
7.05pm	7	<p>Questions from members</p> <p>Opportunity for members to ask questions regarding any topics covered in the presentation.</p>	All
7.15pm	8	Actions arising and closing	All

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	Welcome introductions and apologies
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JW welcomed new community members Senthill Sundaram from Point Cook and Glen Best from Spotswood who are official members of the CLG West group. The meeting welcomed Zoe Taylor, who introduced herself as the new Project Director at Transurban.
	Project updates
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JH noted the recent announcement that a purpose built facility at Hi-Quality's Eco-Hub in Bulla will be constructed to take soil excavated from the project's tunnel boring machines. Work needs to be completed at the site before soil can be accepted. It is anticipated the tunnel boring machines will be turned on in early 2022.

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3	<p data-bbox="395 241 571 268">Actions update</p> <p data-bbox="395 295 1348 349">AJ10: WGTP MTIA to invite Department of Transport to provide an update on traffic studies progress in early 2021.</p> <p data-bbox="395 376 1428 595">FA expressed that following the meeting with the DoT on 31 May, not all questions were addressed, with DoT committing to provide the additional information to the CLG North group when it is available. Given this FA would like the action to remain open, to ensure DoT responds to this commitment. It was noted no further update has been made since 31 May 2021. LE referred to the objectives of this group and advised that the WGTP would encourage DoT to provide the further information sought and will follow up on their previous response. JW advised AJ10 would remain open on the understanding that there would be follow up with DoT's commitments. Action remains open.</p> <p data-bbox="395 622 1423 676">AJ11: Project parties will respond to AB in relation to queries about LS Precast at Benalla before the next meeting.</p> <p data-bbox="395 703 1120 730">AB was emailed relevant information on 3 June 2021. Action closed.</p> <p data-bbox="395 757 1423 842">AW15: Part 1) CPBJH to provide mud map detailing Paringa Road and Millers Road intersection design work. Note that the map has been provided to all CLG West members. Part 2) Action updated to reflect outcome of the six-week Primula Avenue trial.</p> <p data-bbox="395 869 1428 976">DR questioned if a green turn arrow could be put into the traffic light sequencing on the ramp for Paringa Road. SDR advised that the needs of the intersection, including pedestrian access need to be balanced and are being considered. DR noted that pedestrian access has been closed for a while, with no other options. SP to report back. Action remains open.</p> <p data-bbox="395 1003 1391 1088">AN11 WGTP MTIA to coordinate a meeting with the Department of Transport to discuss mitigating combined noise from rail and road infrastructure at Railway Place, West Melbourne.</p> <p data-bbox="395 1115 1423 1312">DG advised that a meeting had occurred with DoT's noise policy specialist who is satisfied that the WGTP is applying appropriate noise policy requirements. When the WGTP is built, the noise will be assessed at opening. FA questioned what other avenues the community can follow up with, given noise levels are looked at in isolation, rather than on a cumulative basis, which is what impacts the community. SDR will continue to facilitate discussions with DoT although acknowledging that it is unlikely to get a different outcome from this project. Action remains open.</p> <p data-bbox="395 1339 1423 1393">AW14 Project parties (Transurban, CPBJH and WGTP MTIA) to provide information about the decision factors regarding the delivery of superloads via freight versus rail.</p> <p data-bbox="395 1420 1423 1559">MU stated that data indicated it was not possible for superloads to be transported via rail due to capacity requirements. The tonne axel load which is used via rail is only sufficient to carry 35 tonnes with superloads weighing up to 160 tonnes. Another consideration was height with the maximum height for rail not to exceed 4.3metres, the superload height is 5.8metres. Based on weight and height constraints it is not possible for superload deliveries to use rail. Action closed.</p> <p data-bbox="395 1585 1385 1671">AN10 Project parties are requested to provide information with the modelling and data assumptions to demonstrate noise compliance of the Wurundjeri Way extension to residents along Railway Place West Melbourne.</p> <p data-bbox="395 1697 1423 1738">DG informed that project parties are working together on releasing relevant information, which is anticipated to be available for the next August meeting. Action remains open.</p> <p data-bbox="395 1765 1417 1818">AW13 CPBJH JV to provide Stage 2 – Grieve Parade landscape designs with WGTP MTIA to pass on to relevant CLG members once finalised.</p> <p data-bbox="395 1845 1428 1926">GM and IB questioned if landscaping along Kororoit Creek between Hosken Reserve and Grieve Parade bridge has been prepared. IB advised that HBCC received the full landscape package which did not contain this area of the Kororoit Creek Trail and is waiting on the package council</p>

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4	<p>requested landscaping be included and part of the off-set package and off set put in other locations. GM believes this landscaping should be undertaken as part of the full landscaping package and not part of the off-set package. SDR suggested that WGTP MTIA would investigate further and follow up with GM and IB directly. Action to remain open.</p> <p>LW8 HBCC requested that Federation Trail in Brooklyn to be added as a factsheet for landscaping. Action to remain open.</p> <p>AN8 CPBJH to confirm total number of trees to be replaced and removed.</p> <p>CAF advised that CPBJH's environmental manager will be attending the North August CLG meeting to discuss further. GM asked to attend the August meeting. Action to remain open.</p> <p>Member's update - Members reported on local area concerns and responded to the prompt question: What traffic disruption communication tools do you and your communities use when driving? I.e. road signage, traffic email alerts, social media, Victoria's Big Build disruption map.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FA questioned if a decision had been made on the design change to the veloway. SD advised that WGTP MTIA is awaiting further detail from CPBJH on the proposed design change. SD assured that key stakeholder's views are well known and being considered. • FS advised that he seeks cycling disruptions information through Bicycle Network Victoria and Google Maps for real-time travel information. • DR does not use any one communication channel for disruptions consistently • GM noted that tree removal works at Kororoit Creek path have been completed but trail construction activity has stopped and is concerned about the time that access to this section of Kororoit Creek will be unavailable. • GM advised that the WGTP's security compound on Cullen Road has been vandalised and requested it be amended immediately Issue was fixed a few days later. • GM asked if WGTP can liaise with the Western Roads Upgrade (WRU) team to discuss the timeframe of the Geelong Road works as this impacts the shared trail. LE confirmed WGTP would seek information and advise. • BB voiced ongoing concerns at Paringa Road and Primula Avenue with traffic flow. • CF noted traffic congestion on Williamstown Road as a result of vehicles parking on Francis Street and queried if no standing sign could be extended. LE confirmed this is a matter for DoT and would pass on this feedback. • KR found that his community use a variety of resources to learn about disruption communication including VicRoads website, RACV and community bulletins. • SS observed that traffic flow on the West Gate Freeway has been good, with most people using local Point Cook Facebook pages, email alerts and on-road signage as preferred disruption communications tools. • GLB advised he uses WGTP email updates and Facebook to find out about disruptions. He further noted the excess traffic on Williamstown Road in the morning and evening, with drivers getting use to detours. • IB no comment towards disruptions notifications. • PB nothing further to the comments made on the Actions.
5	<p>WGTP MTIA update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LE reminded members that the Major Transport Infrastructure Authority (MTIA) oversees the management and build of Victoria's Big Build projects including Level Crossing Removal, North East Link Project, Metro Tunnel and Melbourne Airport Rail. The authority ensures that a coordinated communication and engagement approach is undertaken, including when an area could be impact by several projects from a disruption's standpoint. GMC demonstrated how to use the Victoria's Big Build disruptions map which provides up to date traffic disruptions information for all MTIA projects. • GMC noted that other traffic disruption tools include social media, on-road signage and email alerts. • CF questioned if there is an app for the Victoria's Big Build disruptions map. GMC advised at this stage there is no app, but the website is mobile compatible. AH noted the Major Transport Infrastructure Authority has been considering how disruption information could be accessible via Google Maps. • SS suggested that geo email alerts would also be useful.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LE asked all members to test the Victoria's Big Build disruptions map as homework and provide feedback.

Construction update

SP provided the following update on the West zone:

- Ongoing nightly closures on Williamstown Road under the West Gate Freeway, while strengthening works continue. Six concrete beams will be installed.
- Progress continues on the Hyde Street ramps that will provide direct access for trucks that cannot use the tunnel. The ramps height will vary with sections elevated to a flat surface. Concrete crossheads and pier columns are being installed on the north and south side of the West Gate Freeway.
- Noise wall concrete panels are being installed in Spotswood between Steel Street and Vernier Street.
- 95% of concrete panels will be installed along the Project alignment by the end of 2021.
- Acrylic panels are been installed at the Millers Road outbound entry ramp.
- FS questioned the design of the noise walls as he has observed that after some time on other freeways, the noise walls deteriorate. SD advised that the required design life of these noise walls is 40 years. JH confirmed that Transurban will be responsible for managing and upkeeping the asset.

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VN provided the following update across the Tunnels zone:

- The soil nailing and shotcreting along the north wall of the open trough area is complete at the Southern Outbound Portal. Excavation and construction of the base slab is now in progress. The first of 6 base slabs have been poured.
- Material is being removed from the southern inbound portal to the Pivot Site Tunnelling Hub location on Whitehall Street.
- Excavation works are nearly completed which will allow the tunnel boring machines to break through.
- MFB access for the tunnel is starting to be built.
- Preservation works continue at the Northern Portal.

AM provided the following update across the East zone:

- Along Footscray Road, the Sims Street falsework has been completed.
- 80% demolition of the Flower Market site which will be used for the storage of precast and steel during the remainder of the project.
- Piling activities taking place for the Wurundjeri Way Extension which are underground supports that will hold the future bridge.
- At the LS Precast facility in Benalla, concrete crossheads are being built and then transported to Footscray Road. There will be precast columns delivered later in July and in August.

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