

Meeting Minutes

Northern Community Liaison Group

Date	30/09/2022	Time	10 AM
Chair	Jeni Coutts	Meeting no.	7 of 2022
Location	Montmorency RSL	Minute taker	Jacqueline Weedon

Attendees

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Name	Organisation Name		Organisation		
Jeni Coutts (JC)	Independent Chair	Vaughan Garner (VG) Traffic Engineer	VicRoads		
Stephen Paul (SP)	Community Representative	Allan Hunter (AH)	Community Representative		
Michelle Giovas (MG)	Community Representative	Michelle Molinaro (MM)	Community Representative		
Luke Minton (LM) Precinct Lead Communications and Engagement	Spark	Ivan Zarezkij (IZ) Communications & Stakeholder Relations - Graduate	NELP		
Kathleen Petras (KP) Transport Planning & Projects Coordinator	Banyule City Council	Jim Needham (JN) Manager, Communications and Stakeholder Relations	NELP		
Natalie Pearson (NP) Senior Manager, Community Partnerships	NELP	Renato Marnich (RM) Trader Engagement Specialist	NELP		
Apologies					
Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation		
Shaarang Bandekar (SB) Traffic Engineer	VicRoads	Sarah Maguire (SM)	Watsonia Traders representative		
Mark Judge (MJ) Manager Project Integration & Assurance	VicRoads	Scott Lambert (SL) Senior Communications & Stakeholder Relations Advisor, Enabling Works	NELP		
Mick Marcevski (MMa)	VicRoads	Adriano Murone (AM)	1) Community Representative		
Remo Marinucci (RM)	Community Representative				







Key discussion points/decisions

Owner	Action				
Jeni Coutts (JC)	 Welcome and Introductions Jeni welcomed the group to the meeting Outstanding issues and actions – actions N1-2 and N6-4 were closed. 				
Luke Minton (LM)	Tunnelling Package Update - Presentation covering changes to Greensborough Road and activities at other site compounds.				
	Greensborough Rd Realignment				
	SP: Have you had any feedback from residents regarding the Greensborough Rd realignme Yes, we are working closely with nearby residents to keep them advised of upcoming works and h we can support them during the works.				
	SP: Can people get around that area? Yes, the service road is open northbound with a detour around Richards Ave/Powley Pde for people going southbound.				
	MG: How do you go south from Watsonia shops during those weekends? You can go up to Elder St and perform a U-turn or take Watsonia Rd to Grimshaw St and turn right to take you back to Greensborough Rd.				
	MM: Will signage be in place to remind drivers that U-turns need to give way? Detour signage will be in place and, although already allowed, we can provide feedback to DoT that there is a concern regarding u-turns.				
	VG: During the midweek peak will capacity be as normal? Lanes will be open as normal during the week. There will be decreased capacity during weekend works as the two lanes will be reduced to one which may result in delays, we have an extensive communications and engagement approach regarding this. Full capacity will not be restored until the 24 th .				
	AH: Will the right turn time from Grimshaw St onto Greensborough Rd be extended during this time? Not as part of these temporary works but we can provide feedback to DoT regarding this. We will have VMS boards across a broad area advising people of the Greensborough Rd works to encourage them to seek an alternate route if they are coming from out of the area.				
	Watsonia Compound Construction				
	MG: How deep and noisy will the piling be? The piles will be between 25 – 40 meters, we will be using bored piling so the noise will be approximately the same as other machinery on site.				
	MG: Will these works be scheduled for during the day? Yes, the works will usually take place between 7am – 6pm although there may be times when work continues until 10pm. We only have a limited timeframe to bore the pile, insert a steel cage and pour concrete, which must be done in one stage.				
	Yallambie Construction				
	MG: Have the residents' concerns regarding truck drivers using Borlase St instead of haul roads been addressed? Yes, we address this with truck drivers regularly but we are aware of some light vehicles and utes being parked there.				
	MG: I've seen trucks. We will address this with our traffic team as we have detailed maps for drivers. Some vehicles do need to currently use Borlase Street to enter the site via Drysdale St so they can go further north within the site, but this is avoided wherever possible.				
	MG : Can we address the issue with the kangaroos? We were alerted that some kangaroos had entered the site on Sunday Morning. Our environmental team worked with qualified ecologists and handlers to manage this and they were removed prior to works commencing on Monday.				
	MM : Acknowledged that Spark has been open to listening to the community and taking on board some of the issues that have been raised and reviewing processes as required.				
	MG : Raised that she has received feedback that there was a lack of communication regarding the loss of trees which has caused distress to some residents.				
Winsor Reserve Compound					



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	MG: Will trucks go on and off Greensborough Rd? Yes
	MG: What are the acoustic shed dimensions? 18m high x 80ms wide x 140m long.
	SP: When will construction start on the acoustic shed? Construction will start in Q1 2023.
	MG: Will there be a noise wall on the south end on Tuckfield Cres? Yes, there will be a 6m high wall up to the acoustic shed which will act as a noise wall.
	SP: Does the shed finish at the oval? Yes, in close proximity to the goal posts. The playground and walking track will stay open.
	Trader Engagement
	SP: Have you had discussions with Macleod traders? We have started discussions regarding how we can support them.
	JC: How many workers are currently onsite? Unsure of the exact number of workers on-site but we would be approaching 1000 workers inducted.
	MG: Is Diamond Village included? Not at this stage.
	Tree Planting Vouchers
	MM: Raised that she has heard positive feedback from Streeton Primary students regarding this event.
	MG: Why didn't Spark explore using a local nursery for this? We had an existing relationship with Yarra Views nursery but this doesn't limit who we work with in future.
	MG: Raised that it is important the trees survive. We have experts working with recipients to ensure suitable plants are selected and providing them with information on maintenance to help them grow successfully.
	Community Engagement:
	MG: Commented that the community drop-in sessions are a good idea and should be advertised and held more often with longer hours. The upcoming sessions are mainly targeted at people closer to the piling works.
	MG: Have the people that potentially will be badly impacted by piling works been offered relocation? No as these works will be during the day, however, if there is a change, we will notify residents at that time and discuss what support can be offered.
	MG: What noise levels can they expect in DB? <i>It depends on what activity we are doing, each out of hours activity goes through a reporting and permit process.</i>
	MG: Does the report go to an independent environmental auditor? Yes, it goes to the IREA and North East Link. A Spark Environmental Manager can present at a future meeting if people would like more information on the works and mitigations.
	NP: Commented that there will also be North East Link Community Info sessions held in Viewbank and at Macleod and Kingsbury markets during October.
Ivan Zarezkij	Landowner Engagement
(IZ)	MG: Can we get the numbers of homes that may be eligible for Voluntary Purchase Scheme? Final numbers are not available yet as some of the plans in the area are still being finalised. Louisa can provide an update at the next meeting.
	MM: Was the drop in session well attended on Wednesday night? Approx 12 people attended. MM: Commented - these sessions are great so residents know in advance of works and people learn about the project.
Renato	Trader Engagement
Marnich (RM)	MG: Diamond Village Shopping Centre will be impacted, have you met with them? I have visited the centre and they will be indirectly impacted by traffic changes. We are looking at including them in the Trader Directory for the Grimshaw St MTM Compound.
Jeni Coutts (JC)	Other business



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	NP: CLG Refresh: Members have been asked to stay on for the remainder of 2022. Recruitment for new members will occur over December and January with the aim of the refreshed group starting in early 2023. Current members are welcome to reapply.		
	NP: North-East Community Fund update: We had a great response to the program and are working through the assessment process. Hope to advise applicants as soon as possible.		
	JC: Confirmed next NCLG meeting will be held in person at Montmorency RSL on 11 November 2022 from 10am – 12pm. There will be a pause at 11am to mark Remembrance Day.		
JC: Thanked CLG-North members and presenters and closed the meeting at 11:2			

Actions and issues register

No.	Date raised	Action/Issue	Owner	Status	Date closed
N1-2	12 November	Greensborough Historical Society (GHS) to present to CLG-North in a future meeting	NELP	CLOSED Will be revisited later in program	30.09.22
N1-7	21 January	Request for traffic numbers to be shown at a future meeting.	NELP	OPEN More traffic data provided to the group when available.	
N6 - 1	19 August	LM to contact Spark traffic team and request VMS signage on Greensborough Highway near Grimshaw St wording to be simplified	LM	OPEN LM to contact Spark traffic team	
N6 - 3	19 August	Spark sustainability team to present at a future meeting	LM	OPEN LM to arrange	
N6 - 4	19 August	Worker vehicles parking on Yallambie Rd	LM	CLOSED LM advised internal parking had been extended and reminders given in Toolbox meetings	30.09.22
N6 - 6	19 August	Luke to follow up status of chainsaw artist proposal	LM	OPEN LM to provide further info at next meeting	
N7 - 1	30 September	MG has requested further information on the Matted Flax Lily planting: Update on trans location progress How many were planted? Where are they located? How are they progressing?	JN	OPEN NELP to provide update at next meeting	
N7 - 2	30 September	MG has requested further information on the Studley Park Gum planting: How are they being maintained? Where are they located? How are they progressing?	JN	OPEN NELP to provide update at next meeting	
N7 - 3	30 September	JC has requested a presentation on the North East Community Fund 2022/2023 round	NP	OPEN NP to present at next meeting	



N7-4	30 September	NELP Community Info sessions dates to be	NP	CLOSED	17.10.22
		advised		JW sent with minutes	

