

Date: Thursday 2 September 2021 **Time:** 1:45pm-3:00pm
Location: Microsoft Teams Meeting
Program: Suburban Rail Loop (SRL)
Title: SRL Cheltenham Precinct Reference Group (PRG)
Security Classification: [Public](#)

Attendees

- The Hon. Jacinta Allan MP, Minister for Transport Infrastructure and Minister for the Suburban Rail
- Nick Staikos, Member for Bentleigh
- Nina Taylor, Member for Southern Metropolitan
- Suzanne Waddell, GHD
- Frankie Carroll, CEO Suburban Rail Loop Authority (SRLA)
- James Tonkin, Executive General Manager Strategic Communications and Engagement, SRLA
- Charles Windeyer, Precinct Director, SRLA
- Yogeeta Silva, Precinct Director (Cheltenham), SRLA
- Tom Moore, Senior Project Engineer, SRLA
- Jesse Overton-Skinner, Manager Government Relations, SRLA
- Kelsey Southwood, Communications and Engagement Support Officer, SRLA
- Juliana Aya, City of Bayside, Acting Manager Sustainability and Transport
- Henry Lee, City of Bayside, Acting Transport Planning Coordinator
- James Kearney, City of Kingston, Senior Project Manager
- Frank Hellier, President, Cheltenham Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Derek Screen, President, Pennydale Residents Action Group
- Dylan Styles, President, Kingston Residents Association
- Rory Sackville, Community representative
- Daniel Czech, Community representative

Apologies

- Ric O'Connell, Westfield Southland

Key discussion points

Sub-heading	Description
Project overview	<p>Nick Staikos (NS) welcomed everyone to the meeting</p> <p>Minister Jacinta Allan (JA) provided a project overview, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRL journey and timeline so far • SRL Business and Investment Case key findings • Population growth by 2056 • Already significant demand for orbital travel • Suburban Rail Loop network map • SRL will deliver productivity, connectivity and liveability outcomes • Delivering on Plan Melbourne • Creating a city of centres • Transport and connectivity benefits for Cheltenham to Melbourne Airport • Travel time savings • Jobs for Victorians • Regional benefits

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Sub-heading	Description
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRL East from Cheltenham to Box Hill
Introduction	Suzanne Waddell (SW) coordinated a round of introductions amongst Cheltenham Precinct Reference Group members
SRL Cheltenham Station	<p>SRLA provided an overview of the Cheltenham Station, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Station located in Sir William Fry Reserve Station box Two level station located underground Platform approx. 17 metres below ground level Station entry facing Bay Road Connectivity to Metro Trains Melbourne (MTM) Station, Southland Shopping Centre and local amenities Bus interchange to south east of station box Interchange between SRL Station and existing Southland Station Modifications to Bay Road to improve connectivity to the station and the area <p>Charles Windeyer provided a Cheltenham precinct overview, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of expected passengers boarding at Cheltenham Station Travel time to Box Hill Travel time savings Increase in jobs and households expected by 2056 Relieve crowding on existing rail lines Improved liveability outcomes
PRG expectations and terms of reference	<p>SRLA presented on PRG expectations and terms of reference, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established to provide local input and feedback during the planning, development and delivery of SRL East Provide forum for Suburban Rail Loop Authority (SRLA) and contractors to directly engage with stakeholders and community Term of reference Membership and expectations for stakeholders and for SRLA Noted confidential information will be shared, asked confidential information not to be shared
Environment Effects Statement	<p>SRLA provided an Environment Effects Statement (EES) overview, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of the EES process Public exhibition late 2021 Independent inquiry hearings early 2022 Final assessment mid 2022 Accompanied by Draft Planning Scheme Amendment (PSA) SRL East planning assessment and approvals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Management Framework Urban Design Strategy EES technical investigations <p>Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daniel Czech (DC) enquired about the PSA scope <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRLA response: PSA scope is refined to the SRL East rail infrastructure Precinct Structure Planning process will be separate to EES and will include a 1600 metre radius around the station
Engagement update	<p>SRLA provided an engagement overview, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timeline of engagement to date since May 2019 Engage Victoria engagement from 2 June 2020 to 15 February 2021 Cheltenham what we've heard so far (2 June 2020 – 15 February 2021) How we are using stakeholder and community feedback Community engagement lookahead

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Initial Works update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRLA provided an Initial Works update, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial Works description Initial Works purpose Initial Works community consultation
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Derek Screen (DS) enquired whether Initial Works will be covered by similar principles used in the EES, noting they won't be assessed in the EES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRLA response: the Initial Works would be subject to similar parameters as those used in the EES – planning process is happening for initial works. SRLA clarified there are no planned Initial Works in Cheltenham. However, there are Early Works proposed for Cheltenham which will form part of the EES DC enquired whether the high-pressure gas pipe in Sir William Fry Reserve would be impacted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRLA response: SRLA are still assessing service relocations Dylan Styles noted residential concern with the stabling facility. Enquired whether the stabling facility has a PRG or similar forum SRLA response: Updated on ongoing engagement to date with Heatherton residents and advised this would continue. Noted the opportunity for residents to raise concerns via the EES process DS enquired about <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why SRL East doesn't include a connection to Sandringham Why the SRL Cheltenham Station is not being built underneath Westfield Southland Concern regarding impact to Bay Rd/Nepean Highway petrol station SRLA response: took questions on notice DC enquired whether MTM Highett Station would be impacted or demolished as part of SRL works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRLA response: MTM Highett Station is not part of SRL scope, however, cannot comment on future works by other agencies DS enquired whether MTM Southland Station would be moved closer towards the SRL Cheltenham Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRLA response: advised of ongoing conversations with Department of Transport regarding an interchange between the stations Suzanne Waddell action – invite Minister Allan back to have further discussion with group
Close	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nina Taylor thanked everyone for attending and for their questions.

Actions – new

#	Action	Owner	Due	Status	Update
1.	SRLA to invite Minister Allan to future meeting	SRLA		Open	
2.	Questions from DS taken on notice	SRLA		Closed	