

# Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 5 September 2023  
**Program:** Suburban Rail Loop  
**Title:** Clayton Precinct Reference Group  
**Meeting Number:** 8  
**Chair:** Noël Jones (GHD)  
**Minute Taker:** Samantha Deasy (SRLA)

Attendees	Apologies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noël Jones, GHD</li> <li>Steve Williams, Clayton Traders Association (CTA)</li> <li>Richard Chau, Clayton Traders Association (CTA)</li> <li>John Saunders, Clayton RSL</li> <li>Uyen Tran, City of Monash</li> <li>James Tonkin, SRLA</li> <li>Molly Campbell, SRLA</li> <li>Tim Canterford, SRLA</li> <li>Heather Campbell, SRLA</li> <li>Briony Coultman-Snoey, SRLA</li> <li>Alicia Burnett, SRLA</li> <li>Clint Quealy, SRLA</li> <li>Matthew Chartres, SRLA</li> <li>Samantha Deasy, SRLA</li> <li>Caroline Lucas, Office of Steve Dimopoulos MP for Oakleigh</li> <li>Matt Veale, City of Monash</li> <li>Jenna Brady, Laing O'Rourke</li> <li>Josh Neuman, Laing O'Rourke</li> <li>Nicole Ekert, Laing O'Rourke</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Steve Dimopoulos MP for Oakleigh</li> <li>Sharon Daujat, St. Peters School</li> <li>Gustavo Rueda, City of Monash</li> </ul>

Item	Discussion topic	Who
1.	<b>Welcome and housekeeping</b> Noël Jones (NJ) opened the meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attendee introductions</li> <li>Acknowledgement of Country</li> <li>NJ noted apologies</li> <li>Introduction of agenda</li> <li>Previous minutes noted, update on meeting actions</li> <li>NJ noted still looking for community members for this PRG</li> </ul>	NJ
2.	SRLA provided an update on recent key procurement milestones and Structure Planning: <b>SRL East tunnelling procurement milestone</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The announcement of a preferred bidder, a consortium known as Suburban Connect, for the first package of tunneling works, from Cheltenham to Glen Waverley.</li> <li>The preferred bidder for the first tunnelling contract was announced this week - marking an important milestone for the first main works package for SRL East.</li> </ul>	SRLA

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A 16-kilometre section of twin tunnels between Cheltenham and Glen Waverley will be constructed by Suburban Connect, a consortium of global leaders in tunnelling including CPB Contractors, Ghella and Acciona Construction all with extensive experience in Victoria and Australia.</li> <li>Contract to be formally awarded late this year with a second contract awarded next year for the tunnelling section between Glen Waverley and Box Hill.</li> <li>Tunnel Boring Machines (TBM) will be launched in 2026.</li> <li>Next steps – negotiation phase, contract award, the two unsuccessful bidders from first package will bid on Glen Waverley to Box Hill tunnel package.</li> <li>Laing O'Rourke (LOR) is continuing to prepare groundwork for Main Works, including building tunnel access shafts.</li> </ul>	
3.	<p><b>Structure Planning Update</b></p> <p>SRLA presented an overview of the structure planning process, noting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SRLA uses the principals of Plan Melbourne to create a city of centres for more growth in employment and housing.</li> <li>SRLA approach: it's important that the community is involved and central to the planning process.</li> <li>Structure planning is a high-level process about land use over time.</li> <li>Precinct Discussion Paper, released last week, is about how to take the process forward.</li> <li>SRLA is now moving into a formal process to create a long-term vision for each of the six precincts. Discussion paper outlines what we have heard to date and seeks community and stakeholder feedback.</li> <li>Precinct visions will be released by end of the year and will guide how these areas will be developed into the future.</li> <li>Draft structure plans and draft planning amendments will be released late 2024 – identifies key moves and the new planning settings that will give effect to the precinct visions.</li> <li>Planning Scheme Amendments (PSAs) will be prepared and referred to an independent advisory committee and then public exhibition of the plans in 2025.</li> <li>Aiming for early 2026 to have final structure plans finalised and adopted, with approval and gazettal of Planning Scheme Amendments (PSAs).</li> <li>SRLA is already engaging online through Engage Victoria to provide feedback per precinct, holding listening posts and pop ups as well as online engagement.</li> <li>The scope of SRL Community Panels, highlighting Expressions of Interest is currently out for recruitment for seven panels, one per precinct and a youth panel.</li> <li>Targeted social advertising campaign.</li> </ul> <p><u>Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Steve Williams (SW) CTA asked about the listening posts timeline.</li> <li>SRLA noted the Engage Victoria website has the listening post dates.</li> <li><b>Action: SRLA to provide the Engage Victoria website link to PRG members</b></li> </ul>	SRLA
4.	<p><b>Clayton Community Space Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SRLA noted the release of the engagement report for Clayton Community Space is planned for mid to late September.</li> <li>SRLA provided summary of community feedback during public consultation and SRLA's response. This covered off priorities including design aspects,</li> </ul>	SRLA

	<p>types of valued equipment and safety and accessibility, especially safety between walking and cycling.</p> <p><b>Clayton Community Space relocation timeline</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 2023 - sharing what we heard</li> <li>Early 2024 - design and planning</li> <li>2024 - Design and Planning</li> <li>2025 - New space open to public</li> </ul>	
5.	<p><b>Carinish Road Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public engagement coming soon for changes to Carinish Road.</li> <li>SRLA noted the link to the new station is very important.</li> <li>Design is proposed to close Carinish Road permanently after construction ends.</li> <li>SRLA have been working with Council on how to improve local access and worked through different options to deliver the best outcome for community to access the new station.</li> <li>SRLA noted the next step is gathering broader feedback on the design option to close Carinish Road permanently and create the right turn at Shandeanu Avenue.</li> <li>Information about the consultation will be distributed to residents closest to Carinish Road and Shandeanu Avenue, as they will be most impacted by any changes.</li> <li>Anyone can provide feedback via the Engage Victoria consultation, from early October.</li> <li>The electorate office of Steve Dimopoulos asked if there is traffic modelling to support the design option.</li> <li>SRLA noted SRLA has done extensive modelling, with local and Clayton Road traffic increasing only a small amount.</li> <li>SRLA noted MCC have worked closely with SRLA through this process, and there is good information in the public domain on the traffic modelling.</li> <li>Alicia Burnett (AB) noted the Surface and Tunnel Plan requires approval from the Minister for Planning, which will be lodged after the engagement period.</li> <li>A consultation report summarising the submission, plus the traffic assessment, will be provided to the Minister office.</li> <li>SRLA will make its traffic assessment report available for download on the Engage Vic website to help inform submissions.</li> <li>MC noted SRLA expect engagement to begin early October (TBC), SRLA will let PRG members know when it is live.</li> <li><b>Action: SRLA to update PRG members when the consultation is live on Engage Victoria.</b></li> </ul>	SRLA
6.	<p><b>Initial and Early Works Update</b></p> <p>Laing O'Rourke presented an update including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Site investigations are continuing.</li> <li>Next work is demolition of Clayton Christadelphians church, planned December 2023.</li> <li>The area is just behind the SRLA site compound.</li> <li>Works will be contained but will generate noise and dust.</li> <li>Engagement is planned with nearby residents and local traders about what to expect.</li> <li>LOR will engage with community once truck movements are confirmed.</li> <li>LOR noted next scope of works is in March/April 2024 TBC, involving water and sewer relocation in Remembrance Gardens, these dates not yet confirmed.</li> </ul>	Laing O'Rourke

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SRLA noted works will not occur in the new location for the Remembrance Gardens stone at the cenotaph, which is where any Remembrance Day and ANZAC Day activities occur. John Saunders (JS) confirmed.</li> <li>LOR noted LOR engagement activities are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>door knocking and letterbox drops of work notification and project materials.</li> <li>Emails to key stakeholders</li> <li>SMS alerts</li> <li>Initial and Early works fact sheet</li> <li>Continuing engagement with CTA.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Action: LOR to send Initial and Early Works fact sheet to members.</b></li> </ul>	
7.	<b>Other business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upcoming community events with SRLA attendance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 September – Dinner and Trivia Night at Clayton Church of Christ</li> <li>3 October – Clayton and Monash Community Listening Post, Precincts Discussion Paper engagement, 4pm – 7pm at Clayton Hall.</li> <li>12 November – Clayton Food Safari</li> <li>February 2024 – Clayton Festival.</li> </ul> </li> <li>SW suggested listening posts should be on the street rather than Clayton Hall to access a wider group of people.</li> <li>Richard Chau (RC) suggested a walkway near his store, and that there are other areas that could be useful.</li> <li><b>Action: SRLA to confirm with RC whether a listening post can occur at Hong Kong Supermarket walkway.</b></li> </ul>	All
8.	<b>Questions and actions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SRLA to send listening post details on the 3 October to PRG members.</li> <li>SRLA to provide the Engage Victoria website link to PRG members.</li> <li>SRLA to update PRG members when the consultation is live on Engage Victoria.</li> <li>LOR to send fact sheet to PRG members.</li> <li>SRLA to provide RC's suggestion for listening post at Hong Kong Supermarket walkway and other potential locations for pop up to SRLA's planning team.</li> </ul>	Chairs

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