

22 October 2024



# Meeting Minutes

## Southern Business Liaison Group

Date	22/10/2024	Time	5:30pm - 7:30pm
Chair	Mike Marasco	Meeting no.	8 of 2024
Location	Veneto Club	Minute taker	Helena Vun

## Attendees

Attendees		Apologies	
Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Mike Marasco (MM)	Independent Chair	Alison Tobias (AT)	Alot of Good Stuff
Nic Morton (NM)	NELP, Senior Communications and Stakeholder Relations Advisor	Andrea Lomdahl (AL)	Boroondara Council
Helena Vun (HV)	NELP, Communications and Stakeholder Relations Advisor	Clare Davey (CD)	Boroondara Council
Tim Sligo (TS)	Executive Director, Heide Museum of Modern Art	Mia McMahon (MMc)	Spark, Manager Community Engagement
Paul McMorran (PM)	Bulleen Art and Garden	Nathan McAvaney (NMc)	Topgear Cycles
Frank Freschi (FF)	Veneto Club		
Cam Gardenia (CG)	Commercial Property Owner		
Ivan Zarezkij (IZ)	Spark, Senior Communications Advisor		
Sean Larkin (SL)	NELP, Graduate		
Jaimie Ledwidge (JLe)	Burke to Tram Alliance, Senior Communications and Community Relations Manager		
Renato Marnich (RM)	NELP, Trader Engagement Specialist		

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Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Simon Scrase (SS)	Economic Development Officer, Manningham City Council		
Soula Grouios (SG)	Arthurs Fish & Chips		
Ben Scott (BS)	Cut and Cover Manager, SPARK		

## Actions – previous

No.	Action	Owner	Due	Status	Update
SB25.5	Spark and NEL to look into potential changes to carparking outside Bulleen Road traders	IZ, NM	22/10/24	CLOSED	Update provided in presentation of traffic calming measures implemented to make area safer. To be discussed further at next meeting. 22/10 meeting included new action 28.1 Next step to investigate line marking options.
SB27.1	Marketing to present data on past seasonal marketing campaign with breakdown of performance for each channel	TSI	22/10/2024	CLOSED	NM provided a marketing breakdown to TS
SB27.2	Next SBLG meeting to include media team to present how MRPV handle incidents	NM	22/10/2024	CLOSED	NM: Due to the nature of the road fatality incident on 5 August, Victoria Police were the emergency services 'incident controller' and worked with Department of Transport to implement the associated lane closures and to coordinate the information that was distributed more broadly.
SB27.3	Introduction to Disruptions Marketing to be presented again at next SCLG	TSI	22/10/24	CLOSED	NM advised this action has been moved to the SCLG forum.
SB27.4	Organise Bulleen traders meeting to discuss safety concerns of parking in front of Bulleen shops and report back to next meeting	SPARK/ RM	22/10/24	CLOSED	IZ and RM spoke to traders on 14 Oct on the Bulleen Road shop strip. Discussion points included cars and trucks on Bulleen Road coming down at high speeds and interfacing with the car park. New traffic calming measures of 40km have recently been implemented. VMS signage of the new 40km speed limit is in place up until Golden Way
SB27.5	SPARK to engage with CG in relation to truck parking concerns and proximity to his commercial property	SPARK	22/10/24	CLOSED	IZ advised SPARK to have implemented 'No project parking' signage and communicated to teams to not park there. CG suggested council signage and monitoring. IZ advised final design of this will be shifted further north.

No.	Action	Owner	Due	Status	Update
SB27.6	SPARK to conduct site visit to inspect road surfacing at Manningham Road	SPARK	22/10/24	CLOSED	IZ advised traffic team has driven through northbound on Bulleen Road towards Heide. No major road surfacing issues were identified, and SPARK will be working through this area again which will include further resurfacing. In the meantime, if there are major road surface issues, SPARK will fix this before major works.

## Key discussion points/decisions

Owner	Discussion
Mike Marasco (MM)	Welcome and Introductions Acknowledged apologies Previous meeting minutes read and adopted Outstanding actions to be completed in the presentation
Ivan Zarezkij (IZ)	<b>North East Link Construction Update</b>
Ben Scott (BS)	<b>Presentation covered:</b> Manningham Update, 6 month works timeline, mined tunnelling update, SEM tunnelling begins, Yarra Link Green bridge preparations, Manningham Lane reductions Nov 2024, SB 26.1 Bulleen Road permanent design, trader update  Update provided as per presentation  MM asked if there is anything in the final permanent design of Bulleen Road that addresses the interface issues of trucks/cars driving in close proximity to parked cars.  IZ responded Bulleen Road will be wider in final design and the current line marking is not reflective of the final design. This road area will be reline marked, resurfaced, better adapted to the area with the car parks in place. There will be larger and longer traffic island between two sides of traffic  TS noted the danger is still there and need to focus on interim measures such as reduced speed limits, temporary signage and VMS. TS also suggested to create more space by cutting into the pavement/footpath.  IZ responded that speed has been reduced in the area to 40km and there is visible signage. Advised it is not in the current scope of the design and to redesign this would implicate further disruptions to the traders.  MM advised best outcome is for designers or traffic team to come out and explain the permanent design  SG noted concern of customers reluctant to park outside the shops due to closeness to live traffic.  RM advised the project teams will continue to investigate further considerations on how this can be improved in addition to the newly implemented traffic calming measures. One of the considerations is to investigate line marking measures to move traffic more towards the centre of Bulleen Road.

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	<p>MM noted key stakeholders involved in this decision would be Council, DTP and project team. MM noted there is a lack of DTP representation at the SCLG and would like to reinstate DTP attendance in future SBLG meetings.</p> <p>FF asked if some recreational/reserve spaces can be used to realign Bulleen Road. NM advised that the questions has been asked and that the design is final. The first step at this stage is to work with traders and focus on further interim measures.</p> <p>IZ also noted when this section of the road is widened it needs to have the ability to tie into the existing road infrastructure and the whole alignment of Bulleen Road.</p> <p>FF noted disappointment and noted Bulleen shopping strip is here to stay and wants to further understand why Bulleen Road can't be realigned to allow more space.</p> <p>MM asked who designed the final design. NM advised SPARK are the designers. MM suggested to bring in the design or traffic team to come to next SBLG to talk about what can and can't be done and talk about the safety aspect of the final design.</p> <p><b>ACTION 28.1</b> - SPARK/NELP to investigate further traffic calming measures at Bulleen Road shop strip to move traffic towards the centre further away from parking bays.</p> <p><b>ACTION 28.2</b> - NELP to get asset owner DTP/VicRoads representative to attend future SBLG meetings to discuss Bulleen Road shop strip parking and arterial road.</p> <p><b>ACTION 28.3</b> - SPARK or NELP to get a representative from the design team or traffic to discuss permanent design at Bulleen Road shop strips. Discuss constraints and opportunities.</p>
<p>Jamie Ledwidge (JLe)</p>	<p><b>Eastern Freeway BTA Update</b></p> <p><b>Presentation covered: Upcoming works, Construction Update, Changes to Shared User Paths, Community and business engagement and UDLP for Eastern Fwy</b></p> <p>Update provided as per presentation</p> <p>FF asked if there will be elevated ramps near the KCR compound. JLe confirmed one of the elevated ramps will be around there.</p> <p>FF asked what happens to the land of the all the worksites long term. JLe advised the reserve that the current work sites are on gets returned to the community after the project is completed. 28% of the current construction area will be used as part of the final design. Along the edge of the Eastern Freeway will have shared SUP and will be revegetated before being returned to the community.</p> <p>FF asked where vibration is on community engagement breakdown. JLe responded it's under noise category.</p> <p>FF asked if Belle Vue Primary School has been engaged and if they raised any concerns. JLe updated last engagement with Belle Vue was on Fri 18 Oct to provide an update to the principal and no concerns were raised at this point in time. BTA will continue to provide regular updates every month with the school via face-face meetings.</p> <p>MH noted a lot of work is being done to support Marcellin College during their exam period to increase additional noise monitoring inside the exam hallways to test decibel levels.</p> <p>TS asked about vandalism on site. JLe answered one incident which was cleared by next morning and hoarding may become a target for vandalism.</p>

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Mike Marasco (MM)	<p><b>Other Business</b></p> <p>TS mentioned recent theft of Heide sculpture and concerns around a trend of this type of behaviour in the area.</p> <p>MM advised of upcoming site tour in December and to keep an eye out for an invite.</p> <p>MM updated Jeni Coutts will be the chair for the next <b>SBLG</b> meetings.</p> <p>Closed meeting</p>

## Actions – new

No.	Action	Owner	Due	Update
SB28.1	To investigate further traffic calming measures at Bulleen Road shop strip - to move traffic more towards the centre, away from parking bays.	SPARK/NELP	29/11/2024	OPEN
SB28.2	NELP to get asset owner DTP /VicRoads representative to the next SBLG discuss Bulleen Road shop strip parking and arterial road.	NM	29/11/2024	OPEN
SB28.3	To get a representative from the design team or traffic to discuss permanent design at Bulleen Road shop strips. Discuss constraints and opportunities	SPARK	29/11/2024	OPEN

## Additional information