

Meeting Minutes

Community Reference Group (CRG)

Subject: June Yan Yean Road Upgrade CRG meeting

Date: Monday 7 June 2021 **Time:** 6.30pm-8pm

Location: Online Microsoft Teams meeting

Meeting number: 6

Chair: Paige Krygger

Minute-taker: Charlotte Claney

Attendees

Attendees (Name/Organisation)	Apologies (Name/Organisation)
Adam Mitchell (AM), MRPV	Grant Hollins (GH)
Barbara Marshall (BM)	Mark Jackson (MJ)
Charlotte Claney (CC), MRPV	Tony Nesci (TN)
Fu-Ho Chung (FC), MRPV	
George Barratt (GB)	
Joanne Jamieson (JJ)	
John Yeomans (JY)	
Kelvin Bennetts (KB)	
Matt Knight (MK), Arup	
Paige Krygger (PK), MRPV	
Pam Hoyne (PH)	
Richard Wilson (RW)	

Tori Harvey (TH), MRPV	
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Actions - previous

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5.1	Review the IAC report and Minister's Assessment for reference to GB Bannons Lane extension proposal and any related recommendations or considerations. Discuss at June CRG meeting.	IAC report did not contain findings or recommendations in relation to a four-leg intersection at Bannons Lane, but the report acknowledged a number of EES submissions had requested a four-leg intersection treatment. Minister's Assessment did not recommend Bannons Lane become four-leg intersection but encouraged MRPV to liaise with the CFA to investigate if further improvements could be made. MRPV in the process of investigating potential intersection treatment options, including a four-leg intersection option. MRPV will soon be able to advise intersection treatment for Bannons Lane. FC confirmed MRPV liaised with CFA while developing design options. Action remains open. Progress update to be provided at next meeting.
5.2	Book local venue for June CRG meeting.	CC booked Yarrambat Park Golf Course for remainder of 2021 meetings. Attempted to book Orchard Road Community Centre as per GB's recommendation but venue did not respond to booking enquiry. June meeting being held online due to Melbourne lockdown. Action closed.

Key discussion points

Agenda item	Discussion summary
Item 1 – Welcome & apologies	Introduced MK, senior landscape architect at Arup and author of the landscape strategy exhibited as part of the EES. No known apologies but GH, MJ and TN absent.
Item 2 – Confirm the agenda	Agenda confirmed. No new topics added to other business. Closed out previous actions 5.1 and 5.2.
Item 3 – Project update	<p>FC – Draft reference design developed and undergoing technical review. There are clouds around some areas where the design needs to be further developed to meet Minister's Assessment recommendations e.g. Bannons Lane, Jorgensen Avenue and Bridge Inn Road intersections.</p> <p>FC - Construction timeframes still being developed for the project. Project will be complete by end 2025.</p> <p>FC – Engaging a golf course designer and project manager to help us develop an acceptable solution for the Yarrambat Park Golf Course redesign. Met with golf course consultant in mid-May 2021.</p>

	<p>FC - MK assisting in developing a Bridge Inn Road Surplus Land Use Plan, as per the Minister's Assessment recommendation.</p>
<p>Item 4 – LP&E update</p>	<p>MK – Senior landscape architect at Arup developed the landscape strategy.</p> <p>MK gave a presented to the group about the landscape strategy and considerations for the landscape plans for the project.</p> <p>KB expressed discontentment that Yarrambat Primary School was not consulted about landscape plans. PK explained that the landscape strategy is a guiding document and MK is presenting how the landscape strategy will assist in the development of the landscape plans and engagement with key stakeholders will be ongoing as part of the development of the plans. TH clarified further that the landscape strategy is a publicly available document that has been available online since August 2020 and was consulted on as part of the EES. TH reassured KB that key stakeholder engagement will take place as the landscape plans are developed.</p> <p>KB instructed PK to inform the group about the meeting tomorrow to discuss the Yarrambat Primary School car park or he would. PK advised the group the project would impact the number of spaces available in the car park accessed from Ironbark Road and engagement is ongoing with the school and the landowner (Department of Education) to find a suitable resolution. KB stated MRPV committed in June 2018 to asphalt and line mark the car park accessed from Yan Yean Road. PK reminded KB that he requested the additional scope of works, but the project was not funded at that time and no commitment was made. PK suggested the meeting tomorrow would be the better forum for the discussion. KB restated that he believed a commitment was made but agreed the discussion would be best continued at the meeting tomorrow.</p> <p>MK – Minister's Assessment requested a Surplus Land Use Plan be developed to manage the additional parcels of land that will be created by realigning the Bridge Inn Road intersection. Six land parcels have been identified. Land uses and landscaping plans will be developed in consultation with key stakeholders and the community. Parcel one most likely to be incorporated into expansion of Doreen Recreation Reserve to offset impact from road upgrade.</p> <p>TH reminded the group that the landscape strategy and guiding documentation is still available on the MRPV website.</p> <p>CRG had no immediate questions for MK so PK encouraged the group to email CC if they had any questions after the meeting.</p>
<p>Item 5 – Other business</p>	<p>BM – Has been receiving a lot of feedback from Hurstbridge, Cottles Bridge, Nutfield and rural parts of Doreen about east/west traffic and the impact traffic is having on Hurstbridge traders. BM concerned no strategy in place to manage traffic going east/west via Doctors Gully Road, Arthurs Creek Road and Bannons Lane that will appease Hurstbridge traders and locals. PK advised technical report touches on traffic impact now and in the future.</p> <p>FC acknowledged BM's concerns were valid, but the project is limited in scope from Kurrak Road to Bridge Inn Road. Project must manage traffic during construction. The contractor will develop a Traffic Management Plan in consultation with the Department of Transport and local Councils. One of the EPRs requires MRPV to work closely with Councils on traffic issues. Traffic modelling demonstrates that the road upgrade won't have negative impacts, expectation is more traffic will use Yan Yean Road after the upgrade. Additionally, the Bridge Inn Road Upgrade should assist in catering to traffic. Overall net benefit for the community and traffic flow from these projects.</p>

	<p>BM understands not part of our brief, but concerns remain as those roads feed into Hurstbridge Township and the through traffic, particularly of large vehicles, is affecting Hurstbridge traders. FC suggested probably Nillumbik Council matter and happy to pass on BM's feedback at next coordination meeting.</p> <p>Action 6.1 created.</p> <p>JJ added that Yan Yean Road isn't the issue, the issue is overdevelopment of estates with poor traffic planning in Whittlesea. PK again committed to raise with the appropriate people to make sure those concerns are heard because outside of our project scope.</p> <p>GB asked FC what the results of the traffic surveys were from late April 2021. One counter was in Laurie Street and one was in Bannons Lane. FC – we also did traffic counts around the west side of Yan Yean Road near the Doreen Business Precinct. Completed via tube counts and surveyors and cameras, various methods used. GB asked if results will ever be public. FC to consider request and get back to GB. GB particularly wanted data to bolster his proposal to Council to restrict traffic movements at Laurie Street.</p> <p>Action 6.2 created.</p>
Item 5 – Close	<p>Next meeting to be held in person on 9 August 2021 at Yarrambat Park Golf Course.</p> <p><i>Meeting concluded at 7.30pm</i></p>

Actions – new

#	Action	Owner/s	Due
6.1	Discuss east/west traffic with Nillumbik Council at next monthly coordination meetings and report discussion back to BM	FC	9 August 2021
6.2	Investigate if results of local traffic counts from April 2021 can be shared with GB and rest of CRG. If no issue, share the data prior to the next CRG meeting	FC	9 August 2021

