

**Date:** 15 September 2022 **Time:** 10:30am – 11:25am  
**Location:** Microsoft Teams Meeting  
**Program:** Suburban Rail Loop (SRL)  
**Title:** SRL Monash Precinct Reference Group  
**Security Classification:** Public

Attendees	Apologies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Steve Dimopoulos, Member for Oakleigh</li> <li>Dominic Luddy, GHD</li> <li>Molly Campbell, Deputy Paul Hunter, Senior Project Manager, Suburban Rail loop Authority (SRLA)</li> <li>Will Roberts, Deputy Director Strategic Communications and Engagement, SRLA</li> <li>Jesse Overton-Skinner, Manager Strategic Communications and Engagement, SRLA</li> <li>Alister Campbell, Senior Planning and Environmental Manager, SRLA</li> <li>Vanessa Campbell, Precinct Director, Monash and Clayton, SRLA</li> <li>Isabella Di Nello, Project Support Officer, SRLA</li> <li>Nicole Russo, Engagement Advisor, SRLA</li> <li>Nicole Ekert, Laing O' Rourke (I&amp;EW)</li> <li>Matthew Veale, Project Manager, City of Monash</li> <li>Ishka de Silva, President of Monash Student Association</li> <li>Michael Benson, Monash University</li> <li>Nandini Sengupta, Notting Hill Neighbourhood House</li> <li>Colin MacRae, CSIRO</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brad Mountford, Head of Engineering, The Australian Synchrotron</li> <li>Nick Davis, State Manager Victoria and Tasmania Business and Infrastructure Services, CSIRO</li> </ul>

## Key discussion points

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Welcome and housekeeping	<p>Steve Dimopoulos (SD) welcomed everyone to the rescheduled Monash PRG meeting and thanked them for their patience and understanding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dominic Luddy (DL) advised minutes from previous meeting were distributed and all previous actions have been closed.</li> <li>DL provided outline of meeting agenda.</li> <li>DL facilitated PRG member introductions.</li> </ul>
Environment Effects Statement (EES)	<p>SRLA provided an overview and update on the SRL East Environment Effects Statement (EES) process and noted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital EES was the first of its kind, allowing people to find targeted information on the elements of the project that mattered most to them.</li> <li>Public hearings:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>39 days.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Received 366 submissions.</li> <li>○ 47 witnesses and experts were heard.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Minister's assessment released 10 August 2022.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Minister's assessment supports the project, finding the project's effects on the environment will be acceptable, subject to recommendations.</li> <li>○ Assessment is available online.</li> <li>○ Outlined recommendations including providing more robust measures to address construction impacts such as noise, air quality, dust, odour, traffic provision of replacement open space and additional business support measures.</li> <li>○ AC also noted recommendations for a Voluntary Purchase Scheme for residents, changes to surface and tunnel plans (around permanent road closures and pickup and drop off areas) and Council representation on the Urban Design Advisory Panel (UDAP).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• SRLA provided an overview of outcomes and recommendations relating to SRL East at Monash, including:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Support's SRL East's EES Independent Advisory Committee's (IAC's) finding that assessment of cycle flows along Normanby Road and pedestrian flows into Monash University should be undertaken.</li> <li>○ Supports IAC's finding that potential Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) impacts to sensitive equipment will be appropriately mitigated through the EMI Environmental Performance Requirements (EPRs).</li> <li>○ Support's IAC's findings that there will be positive impacts on businesses around the SRL East Monash station.</li> <li>○ Commends Monash University and SRLA for constructive approach to resolving issues.</li> <li>○ SRLA will continue to engage with stakeholders and community over the coming months as the project progresses with approvals.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• SRLA noted engagement and support initiatives for impacted landowners and tenants, including:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SRLA has been in regular contact with impacted landowners and tenants over past two years.</li> <li>○ SRLA will reach out to discuss process, timeframes and available support once formal process is underway.</li> <li>○ Case Managers will be appointed once formal process is underway and provide dedicated support to those impacted.</li> <li>○ Voluntary Purchase Scheme for residents, businesses and commercial properties. Scheme will be available throughout planning, construction and operation of SRL East.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• SRLA provided an overview of changes to business support measures, including:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Support to displaced businesses, including language, financial planning, account and management assistance.</li> <li>○ Localised business disruption mitigation plans – developed for each precinct.</li> <li>○ Business Support Guidelines were assessed as part of the EES and changes will be adopted to the guidelines.</li> <li>○ Dedicated Landowner and Business Support team already working with businesses and implementing initiatives to support them.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SRLA noted SRLA regularly engages with businesses along Howleys Road. SRLA encouraged PRG members to raise any ideas or matters they are hearing in this forum.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ DL asked SRLA how PRG members should raise these matters outside of meetings.</li> <li>▪ SRLA responded that PRG members can send an email to the PRG inbox.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Ishka De Silva (IDS) noted that university students would be receptive to voucher schemes in future.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ SRLA thanked IDS for input and noted that there may be opportunity given the trader voucher scheme in Clayton.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• SRLA are continuing to work on next steps and updating relevant planning documents for approval.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Planning Scheme Amendment (PSA) and Major Transport Projects Facilitation (MTPF) project area declaration will progress through approvals.</li> <li>○ Noted secondary approvals that are required from the Minister prior to construction, including the Environmental Management Framework (EMF), Urban Design Strategy (UDS) and Public Open Space Framework (POSF). SRLA intends on submitting these documents in the coming months.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Questions/comments</b></p> <p>Nandini Sengupta (NS) noted that Notting Hill Neighbourhood House have had discussions with SRLA and Monash City Council on Monash University's proposal to relocate the childcare centre to the open space adjacent to the Neighbourhood House. NS noted that this area is of great interest to their community given planting activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michael Benson (MB) acknowledged that the university is aware of the matter.</li> <li>• SD noted the childcare facility relocation site must be carefully considered, noted ongoing process underway, but depending on where that lands, looking at options through planning processes.</li> <li>• SRLA noted that SRLA and Monash City Council (MCC) met with Notting Hill Neighbourhood House recently on the matter and that the proposed land for relocation is owned by Monash University so it is up to them to determine how to develop their land.</li> <li>• SRLA noted that SRLA is committed to working collaboratively with stakeholders including NHH, MU and MCC on the matter.</li> <li>• NS thanked SRLA and MCC for the opportunity to speak with MCC about the matter.</li> <li>• MV noted that a planning application is with Council and will be open for public comment in due course.</li> </ul>
Initial and Early Works update	<p>Laing O'Rourke (LOR) provided an overview of Initial Works in Monash to date.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site Investigations in Notting Hill occurred in May 2022 for about four weeks.</li> <li>• Currently, no additional Site Investigations planned in the precinct.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If further works are required, the surrounding community will be notified well in advance of those works commencing.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• LOR asked the group if they have any feedback on the communication and engagement activities to date.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ MV noted that Council have been happy with how Laing O'Rourke have approached and delivered communication and engagement activities.</li> </ul>
Other business	<p>DL opened the floor for other business items to be raised by the group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No other business items were raised.</li> </ul> <p>DL noted that there were no actions raised as part of today's meeting.  SD thanked PRG members for their attendance and participation.  Next PRG meeting to be held in December 2022.  <b>-Meeting closed at 11:25pm-</b></p>

### Actions – new

			Due	Status	Update
N/A	Nil				