

Meeting Minutes

CLG South

Date	10/06/2021	Time	10:00-11:30am
Chair	Mike Marasco	Meeting no.	9
Location	Zoom	Minute taker	Nic Morton

Attendees

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Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Mike Marasco (MM)	Independent Chair	Natalie Pearson (NP)	NELP
Alexander Law (AL)	Community representative	Nic Morton (NM)	NELP
Frank Freschi (FF)	Community representative	Michael Hobbs (MH)	NELP
Glennys Jones (GJ)	Community representative	Frances Wickerson (FW)	NELP
Judith Voce (JV)	Community representative	Bill Himonas (BH)	NELP
Tina Garg (TG)	Community representative	Michael Crossman (MC)	NELP
Paul McMorran (PM)	Community representative	Chris Logan (CL)	CPB
Ben Dawson (BD)	Community representative	Isolde Piet (IP)	CPB
John Van Delft (JVD)	Community representative	Glen Preema (GP)	CPB
Liz Lambropolous (LL)	Manningham Council	Carle Rutledge (CR)	CPB
Surman Uluca (SU)	Whitehorse Council	Malcolm Potts (MP)	CPB
Clare Davey (CD)	Boroondara Council		
Leah McGuinness (LM)	Whitehorse Council		
Anitha Viswanathan (AV)	VicRoads		
Mark Judge (MJ)	Dept of Transport		

Actions – previous

No.	Action	Owner	Due	Status	Update
1	CL to provide GJ information regarding traffic control measures and communication materials intended for cyclists, for works along the Eastern Freeway	CL	04/06	Outstanding - TBC as works progress	CL to respond to GJ with details on communications as works progress on the Eastern Freeway
2	GP to respond to GJ about the design options of a possible detour in relation to the United Energy works, once these details are known	GP	04/06	Outstanding - TBC as works progress	Works are still in the planning stage and more information will be provided when a contractor has been appointed
3	JV asks about ball net fencing at Freeway Golf Course (FGC) and that NELP should be responsible for funding this on top of existing works at the site	NP	16/07	Outstanding	Following further clarification, NP to speak with JV and CD regarding ball net fencing query
4	GP to follow up with CD on the details of signage at Koonung Creek Reserve and Freeway Golf Course as a planning permit may be required due to the possibility of signage being considered advertising	GP	10/06	Completed	
5	MP to deliver feedback to GJ, FF and the group on their submissions made regarding the Bulleen Park and Ride UDLP, with particular focus on e-bike facilities	MP	10/06	Completed	

Key discussion points/decisions

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Mike Marasco (MM)	<p>Welcome & Outstanding Business</p> <p>MC explains that three trees were removed at Borlase Reserve, following all necessary approvals. Tree canopy measurements were taken but were not consistent with other methods used on the project, showing an underestimated loss of tree canopy. Canopy loss will be recorded consistently from now on.</p> <p>MP comments that a robust method has now been developed which utilises aerial photos and will produce more accurate canopy measurement results.</p>

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	<p>CD asks if these robust methods will be applied across the project to prevent accidental tree removal (such as two trees removed near the Eastern Freeway). MP responds that many steps are involved in every tree that is removed, further improvements are being worked through with NELP to ensure this won't happen again. JV adds that this robust system should have been adopted from the project's beginning.</p> <p>GJ asks that significant trees have been tagged in previous projects and will this be done for this project. MC responds that tree tagging has been adopted by CPB to provide an extra level of assurance.</p> <p>MM addresses outstanding items. Outstanding items 1 and 2 taken on board respectively by CL and GP, to be actioned as works progress on Eastern Freeway (item 1) and when contractor is appointed (item 2). Following further clarification, NP to speak with JV and CD regarding outstanding action item 3.</p> <p>Other outstanding items have been addressed.</p>
<p>Chris Logan (CL), Isolde Piet (IP), Glen Preema (GP)</p>	<p>CPB Works Update</p> <p>Items to be addressed include Yarra East Main Sewer (YEMS) update, Eastern Freeway works update and Bulleen Park and Ride update.</p> <p>IP gives an update on YEMS and outlines key milestones and corresponding target dates. The shaft at Greenaway street is shown and the process of works is explained to the group. An image of TBM, 'Izzy', breaking through on 24 May into the Marcellin College receival shaft is shown. 'Izzy' will now make its way back to Trinity Grammar. The TBM launch shaft at Boroondara Tennis Centre (BTC) is shown to the group, and will launch mini TBM, 'Valerie', next week. Third TBM, 'Athena', is on its way to the BTC receival shaft from Freeway Golf Course.</p> <p>Work has commenced on the construction of a reticulation sewer and 4 maintenance holes on Bulleen Road. Geotechnical works have been completed and signed off by engineers. A detour will be in place for the duration of these works and the area will be restored and revegetated following the sites' completion.</p> <p>IP briefly outlines other works currently underway or soon to commence at Carey Bulleen Sports Complex, Veneto Club, Bulleen Park Oval 1 and Manningham Hotel & Club.</p> <p>JV asks about the depth of the TBM at Greenaway St. IP answers that it is 19m deep and 8m deep at Freeway Golf Course.</p> <p>GP gives an update on Melbourne Water & Yarra Valley Water Works in Carron Street and outlines key milestones and target dates. GP explains works for the installation of water mains under the Eastern Freeway. The launch shaft is complete at Carron St and is ready to be fitted out with thrust walls and equipment ready for tunnelling. Work has also started on the receival shaft at Estelle St. Exclusions zones are in place on site to limit the impact on vegetation by restricting the movement of heavy vehicles.</p> <p>Eastern Freeway United Energy works are explained. The tender period to identify a contractor has been extended. Tenders are being evaluated and work will start in August. The project boundary has also been slightly altered and has been out for public comment. There will be a one-way entry and exit to access this worksite at the Tram Rd onramp. Traffic control measures are explained in detail, with measures guided by traffic modelling. A traffic management plan image is shown to the group.</p> <p>Works to dig and identify underground CitiPower assets is being done through various methods. This work will be fairly low impact between July and October 2021.</p> <p>CL outlines Bulleen Park and Ride works that have now commenced, with Geotechnical investigations underway and timber hoarding in place. A detour is in place and stakeholders have been informed through various methods. The procurement phase is now underway to appoint the contractor for earthworks that will begin in late July.</p>

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	<p>GJ asks if anti-graffiti measures will be used on the hoarding. CL answers that no measures are in place but that graffiti will be dealt with in a timely matter.</p> <p>CL outlines community engagement that has been undertaken across the sites. This includes key works areas at Avon Street/Greenaway Street, Trinity Grammar School, Bulleen Road Manholes A-D, Bulleen Park, Veneto Club, and Bulleen Park and Ride. Minimal complaints have been received across these sites and have been followed up in a timely manner when received.</p> <p>LL adds that native and indigenous vegetation will be the basis of revegetation efforts following the Manhole A-D works on Bulleen Road.</p> <p>JV asks if many residents have attended the NELP Information Hub in Bulleen. MH responds that the centre only receives around 3-5 visitors a week but that this can be put down to the location and purpose of the facility.</p>
<p>Frances Wickerson (FW)</p>	<p>Tree Survey Update</p> <p>FW updates the group on the process of priorities for early tree planting. The first priority is to plant as many trees along the project corridor as possible, second priority is to plant as many trees within 400m of the project corridor, third priority is to plant as many trees within the six council areas that North East Link will pass through.</p> <p>Tree planting survey report will be distributed following the restrictions put on communications activities during lockdown. Approximately 800 responses were received from 100 suburbs. Around 30% of responses were from Council areas towards the southern end of the project. Responses reflected a need to plant trees in wildlife corridors, nature reserves and parks. Top reasons to plant trees were shown to be for cleaner air, wildlife habitat and shade/cooling. 280+ planting locations were suggested for consideration.</p> <p>A map is shown that explains the proposed locations for early tree planting. This will be distributed as part of the summary report. Locations close to the project area have been prioritised.</p> <p>Studley Park Gum trees will be planted as some will be impacted through major construction. Tree planting has already begun and fencing, and signage has been installed to protect them until they mature. Ongoing reporting and communication will take place that will outline the trees' performance.</p> <p>CD adds that the Boroondara Tree Canopy Replacement Plan was shortlisted in the Victorian chapter of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) awards. Whilst the plan did not win, CD is pleased that Boroondara Council and NELP have been able to work together on this project.</p> <p>PM asks if a long-term tree monitoring program (post 10 years) will be in place across the project. FW answers that monitoring will occur across the project, and that the first two years are typically the most crucial times for maintenance. FW adds that the canopy replacement plan is a 2045 target and that this will also contribute to ongoing monitoring.</p> <p>GJ asks about the tagging scheme for trees and if there is a formal handover of information to the final contractor regarding new plantings and existing trees, and if this information will be available to councils in the area. NP to follow up this query.</p>
<p>Mike Marasco (MM)</p>	<p>Other Business</p> <p>No other business to discuss</p>

Actions – new

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1	NP to follow up with GJ regarding the tagging scheme for trees and formal handover of information to the final contractor regarding new plantings and existing trees, and if this information will be available to councils in the area.	NP	16/07	Outstanding	