

# **Meeting minutes**

**Date:** 20 February 2024 Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Location:Quest MoorabbinProgram:Suburban Rail Loop

Title: Heatherton Community Reference Group

Meeting Number: 5

Chair: Kim Jordan

In-person attendees (Name, Organisation)	Apologies (Name, Organisation)
Andrew Dawson, Residents Against Inappropriate Development	Dishan Rajaratnam, Heatherton Christian College
Carol Dawson, Residents Against Inappropriate Development	Andrew Taylor, Kingston Heath Golf Club
Giuseppe Sottile, Community representative	
Guy Davidson, Community representative	
Hugh Rutledge, SRLA	
Isolde Piet, Suburban Connect (SC)	
Jenna Brady, Laing O'Rourke (LOR)	Online attendees (Name, Organisation)
Julian Birthisel, Kingston City Council (KCC)	Meng Heang Tak MP of the District of Clarinda
Kelly Marshall, SC	Simon Cox, SRLA
Kelsey Southwood, SRLA	
Kim Jordan, Independent Chair	
Mark Lawson, SRLA	
Martin Powles, Community representative	
Michael Lanigan, SRLA	
Michelle Hornstein, Kingston Residents Association	
Mitch Getson, SRLA	
Nicole Ekert, LOR	
Nicole Strickland, LOR	
Ryan Parker, SRLA	









### **Meeting minutes**

#### Discussion

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#### Introductions:

- Kim Jordan (KJ) welcomed attendees and opened the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country.
- SRLA recapped previous actions
- KJ provided the opportunity for SC representatives to introduce themselves.
- KCC provided an update regarding Kingston Road drainage pit ownership, noting that this was presented to the KCC maintenance team
- Meng Heang Tak MP advised he is awaiting a response on the Henry Street site

#### Presentation from SRLA and project contractors, including:

- Residential support guidelines
- Upcoming and current works
- Air quality and noise monitoring
- Stabling network support facility Urban Design and Landscape Plan (UDLP).

#### Matters arising:

- A community member queried if temporary relocation would include pets
  - SRLA advised temporary relocation will be considered on a case by case basis reflecting the resident/s needs
- A community member queried the escalation pathway for temporary relocation should residents be unhappy with what is proposed
  - SRLA advised escalation would be via the Public Transport Ombudsman
- A community member queried how enquiries are prioritised via the contact centre
  - SRLA advised the contact centre triages enquiries when they are received and directs them to the right person
- A community member queried how long residents will need to be relocated due to impactful works
  - KJ noted that this had been covered previously and information will be shared when it is available.
- A community member noted concern with site investigations at Kingston Road/Old Dandenong Road intersection, including traffic congestion and bus pedestrian access
  - LOR advised
    - Traffic management and concrete barriers are required for both worker and community safety
    - Excessive traffic congestion on Kingston Road has not been observed by LOR
  - ACTION: LOR to raise Kingston Road traffic congestion and pedestrian access with the traffic team and provide a response
  - A community member raised the grass could be mowed north of Kingston Road to improve pedestrian access the bus stop
  - ACTION: LOR to provide rationale for traffic management and barrier locations at Kingston Road/Old Dandenong Road intersection for site investigation works
- A community member noted sightline concerns exiting Pine Lane due to traffic management signage
- A community member noted sightline concerns due to concrete barriers around 217 Kingston Road, Heatherton
- ACTION: LOR to review sightlines exiting Pine Lane and around 217 Kingston Road, Heatherton, using vehicles of various sizes
- A community member enquired about the rationale for the Elder Street South closure and access track
  - $\circ$  LOR advised the access track is for worker access from Dingley Bypass
- Community members raised concern the Elder Street South closure will block residential access and impact local traffic movements
  - LOR advised Elder Street South residents will be directly contacted ahead of works occurring and impacts will be minimised as much as possible
  - ACTION: LOR to provide a map showing the access track at Elder Street South and closure, including the traffic plan









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- ACTION: LOR to provide a presentation on how traffic assessments are undertaken at a future CRG.
- A community member noted Elder Street South should remain open once the project is complete as it is a connection to the future chain of parks and a permanent closure was not noted in the EES.
- A community member noted the CRG has not been consulted on the Kingston Road U-Turn design
  - SRLA noted technical nature of the U-turn does not allow for community consultation; noted working with Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) on the U-Turn on technical requirements
  - o ACTION: LOR to provide indicative design of the proposed U-turn on Kingston Road
  - A community member gueried if KCC would be consulted
  - KCC noted they would be consulted; however, the DTP is the decision-making authority
- ACTION: SRLA to provide December 2023 January 2024 air-quality report
- A community member queried why there was a gap in reporting from 22 December 2023 to 15 January 2024 on the December-January Air Quality Report
  - LOR advised this was the Christmas shut-down period, however, additional controls were in place during this period
- A community member queried if the recent storm events would be captured in the report
  - LOR advised external factors will be noted in the reports
- A community member queried if the air-quality and noise monitoring will be extended to the Delta site
  once under SRLA ownership
  - LOR advised monitoring will be extended to these sites once in SRLA possession and Initial and Early Works commence
- A community member enquired if noise monitoring is reported monthly
  - LOR advised there is no requirement to report noise monthly
  - ACTION: SRLA to add standing agenda item for noise monitoring results
  - SRLA noted noise modelling and results are reviewed by the Independent Environmental Auditor (IEA)
- A community member queried if LOR works with Lantrak to manage impacts
  - LOR advised Lantrak still own and manage their site
- A community member queried what was sprayed onto the dirt stockpile
  - LOR advised it was a dust suppressant
- A community member queried who is responsible for the Delta site once it is under SRLA possession.
  - SRLA advised there will be a contractor appointed to manage the site once it is owned by SRLA
  - ACTION: SRLA to provide contractor details for the Delta site once available.
- A community member enquired who stakeholders can contact when there are multiple sites
  - SRLA noted stakeholders should call the contact centre
- A community member asked if noise and air-quality mitigations are in response to the 24-hour average or are triggered immediately
  - LOR advised monitoring is constant, and mitigations are implemented when an exceedance occurs
- A community member queried if weather warnings are part of the monitoring process
  - LOR advised planning and mitigations take into account future weather conditions
- A community member enquired if SRLA or LOR have noted a change in the water table recently
  - LOR and SRLA advised the water table is not currently being monitored and that during the period that it was, no changes had been observed.
- A community member asked why the monitoring devices are only located in the north and south sections
  of the site and don't include the east and west
  - LOR noted the devices monitor the up and down wind conditions of the site, which have been verified by the IEA
  - o ACTION: LOR to provide rationale regarding monitoring locations.
- A community member queried the height of the Stabling network support facility
  - o LOR advised the height of the 66kV building is 10.6 metres
- A community member asked if the Stabling network support facility security fence was located within the site
  - LOR confirmed the security fence is located within the boundary of the site
- A community member enquired if the 66kV building was permanent
  - LOR confirmed the 66kV building is permanent
- A community member asked if noise dampening is built into the design
  - o SRLA advised there are noise dampening requirements under the construction standards









#### Discussion

- ACTION: LOR to provide further detail on how noise dampening built into the design of the 66kV building.
- Community members noted the UDLP community notification was not received in certain streets
  - ACTION: LOR to confirm distribution area of UDLP community notification
- A community member enquired if a green/living roof could be implemented on the network support facility
  - ACTION: LOR to advise if a green/living roof or the colour green could be incorporated into the Stabling network support facility design
  - A community member noted that the finish of the network support facility should be focused on longevity rather than aesthetics
  - SRLA noted that the finishes noted in the UDLP specify enduring materials to reduce maintenance requirements
- A community member asked if the 66kV building is the only substation on the site
  - SRLA confirmed the 66kV building is the only substation on the site.
- KCC advised they will be making a submission to the UDLP
  - o A community member raised concern that KCC's views don't reflect the community views
  - KCC advised that feedback on the UDLP would be in line with KCC's Heatherton advocacy strategy
  - o KJ gueried if KCC has been engaged on the UDLP
  - SRLA confirmed KCC has been engaged on the UDLP, including via the SRLA Urban Design Advisory Panel (UDAP)
  - ACTION: SRLA to provide a presentation on UDAP in a future meeting
- A community member queried the status of the open space offset for the Stabling Facility
  - SRLA advised the offset location is still to be finalised
  - ACTION: SRLA to present on public open space offset process and timeline
- A community member queried what the role of Suburban Connect will be
  - SC explained they will be delivering the twin-tunnels from Cheltenham to Glen Waverley
- A community member noted concerns from local residents that Voluntary Purchase Scheme (VPS)
  enquires are not being responded to
  - ACTION: SRLA to follow up responses to VPS enquiries.
- A community member enquired whether the speed limit could be lowered on Kingston Road to assist with residential access during Project works
  - o ACTION: LOR to investigate lowering the speed limit along Kingston Road.
- LOR has in-principal agreement for the implementation of keep clear line marking at the intersections of Kingston Road/Nicholas Grove and Kingston Road/Golf View Road to help residents exit their street; asked the CRG for their feedback
  - ACTION: CRG to provide feedback on proposed keep clear at Nicholas Grove and Golf View Road at next meeting
- A community member noted they have images of trucks queuing on Elder Street South
  - LOR advised the community member to provide the images; once provided LOR will respond to the community member
- · A community member requested future agendas be distributed earlier
  - ACTION: SRLA to provide the CRG agendas ahead of time.

#### Closing items and next steps:

- KJ thanked CRG members for the attendance.
- SRLA noted that they are currently confirming dates for the next meeting, noting that the next meeting is scheduled for 21 May.
- KJ requested that the remaining meeting dates to be confirmed for 2024
  - o ACTION: SRLA to confirm the remaining dates for 2024.
- Meeting closed.



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## **Actions**

#	Actions	Owner	Due	Status
1.	SRLA and Kingston City Council to discuss ownership of drainage pit mentioned in the CRG.  Kingston City Council is investigating and will report back to the CRG	SRLA	Future CRG	Pending
2.	Future presentation opportunities: 1. 631 bus route – Department of Transport and Planning 2. Traffic assessment process 3. Urban Design Advisory Panel 4. Public Open Space offset process and timeline	SRLA	Future CRGs	Pending
3.	Meng Heang Tak MP to confirm when the Henry Street site will be available for public use as open space.	Meng Heang Tak MP	Next CRG	Pending
4.	LOR to raise Kingston Road traffic congestion and pedestrian access with the traffic team and provide a response.	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
5.	LOR to provide rationale for traffic management and barrier locations at Kingston Road/Old Dandenong Road intersection for site investigation works	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
6.	LOR to review sightlines exiting Pine Lane and around 217 Kingston Road, Heatherton, using vehicles of various sizes	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
7.	LOR to provide a map showing the access track at Elder Street South and closure, including the traffic plan	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
8.	LOR to provide indicative design of the proposed U-turn on Kingston Road	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
9.	SRLA to provide December 2023 – January 2024 air-quality report	SRLA	Before next meeting	Closed
10.	SRLA to add standing agenda item for noise monitoring results, LOR to update CRG at next meeting.	LOR	Recurring	Ongoing
11.	SRLA to confirm contractor managing the Delta site once available	SRLA	TBC	Pending
12.	LOR to provide rationale regarding monitoring locations.	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
13.	LOR to provide further detail on how noise dampening built into the design of the 66kV building.	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
14.	LOR to confirm distribution area of UDLP community notification	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
15.	LOR to advise if a green/living roof or the colour green could be incorporated into the Stabling network support facility design	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
16.	SRLA to follow up responses to VPS enquiries	SRLA	Before next meeting	Closed









17.	LOR to investigate lowering the speed limit along Kingston Road.	LOR	Before next meeting	Closed
18.	CRG to provide feedback on proposed keep clear at Nicholas Grove and Golf View Road at next meeting	SRLA	Next CRG	Pending
19.	SRLA to provide the agenda to CRG meetings ahead of time.	SRLA	Next CRG	Pending
20.	SRLA to confirm the remaining dates for 2024.	SRLA	Before next meeting	Closed

#	Action responses
	Action:  LOR to raise congestion and pedestrian access with the traffic team and provide a response.
4.	Response: The sign along Kingston Road on the approach to the bus stop has been removed to improve pedestrian access. The variable messaging sign further west of the bus stop needs to remain. The section of nature strip adjacent to Nellie Kelly between Old Dandenong Road and the bus stop has been mowed by LOR. The section directly surrounding the bus stop has been mowed also.
	Action: LOR to provide rationale for traffic management and barrier locations at Kingston Road/Old Dandenong Road intersection for site investigation works.
5.	Response: The concrete barriers and traffic management for site investigations at the Old Dandenong Road/Kingston Road intersection are in place to meet the minimum distance we require between our works zone and live traffic to ensure worker, vehicle, and community safety. These concrete barriers also allow us to maintain pedestrian access across the intersection and access to the bus stop on Kingston Road.
	Action: LOR to review sightlines exiting Pine Lane and around 217 Kingston Road, Heatherton, using vehicles of various sizes
6.	Response: Signs on either side of Pine Lane have been repositioned to improve sight lines for motorists turning left and right out onto Kingston Road.
	A review has determined that the only option to eliminate this concern on Old Dandenong Road is to close the road entirely. LOR has made adjustments to the extents possible without requiring the closure. This has included additional line marking and traffic management. Bollards along the closed section of Old Dandenong Road adjacent to Kingston Road were also replaced with cones to reduce the height and improve visibility.
	Action: LOR to provide a map showing the access track at Elder Street South and closure, including the traffic plan
7.	Response:











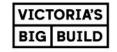
Action:

LOR to provide indicative design of the proposed U-turn on Kingston Road

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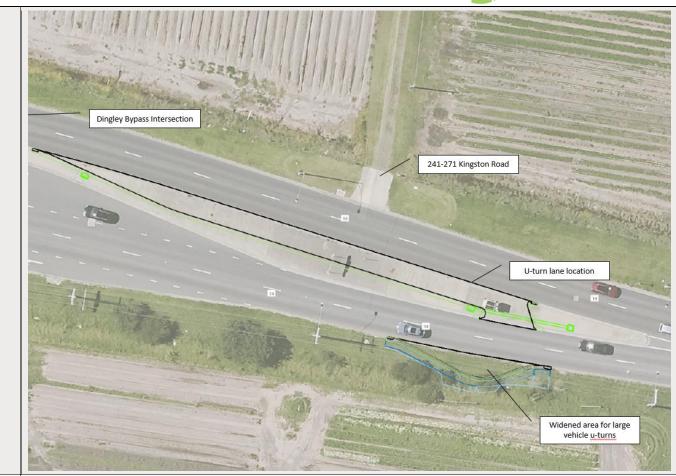
Response:











#### Action:

SRLA to provide December 2023 – January 2024 air-quality report

9. Response

Air quality reports are published monthly on the SRLA website via **bigbuild.vic.gov.au/library/suburban-rail-loop/reports/air-quality-reports** 

#### Action:

LOR to provide rationale regarding monitoring locations.

#### Response

The current locations take into account the prevailing wind conditions that apply to this location and were sited accordingly. The locations of the monitoring devices have been verified by the Independent Environmental Auditor against our EPR requirement. The locations were also approved by SRLA's technical advisors, AJM.

The potential for additional monitoring sites will continuously be assessed as the site expands.

#### Action:

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LOR to provide further detail on how noise dampening built into the design of the 66kV building.

**Response:** There is currently no noise attenuation incorporated into the development of the Stabling network support facility. Noise attenuation is not required given its separation from sensitive uses and high levels of background noise caused by nearby arterial roads and surrounding use.

#### Action:

LOR to confirm distribution area of UDLP community notification

**Response:** The invitation to participate in the UDLP consultation was distributed to the standard distribution zone. LOR has confirmed that all properties within the distribution zone have received a copy of the collateral.









15.	Action: LOR to advise if a green/living roof or the colour green could be incorporated into the Stabling network support facility design	
13.	Response: There are technical and security requirements that substation buildings need to comply with. Foliage on site could present a potential fire hazard and impact the integrity of the building. This would also require ongoing maintenance which would present a safety hazard.	
16.	Action: SRLA to follow up responses to VPS enquiries.	
	Response SRLA has provided updates to residents currently undergoing the VPS assessment process as to next steps.	
	Action: LOR to investigate lowering the speed limit along Kingston Road.	
17.	Response: LOR can ask the Department of Transport and Planning about lowering speed limits during the Initial and Early Works however more clarity is required on the requested speed limit and locations.	
	Further discussion to be had at the next meeting.	
	Action: SRLA to confirm the remaining dates for 2024.	
	Response: The dates for the remaining 2024 CRG meetings are as follows	
20.	● Tuesday 21 May – 6:00 – 8:00 PM	
	<ul> <li>Tuesday 20 August – 6:00 – 8:00 PM</li> <li>Tuesday 26 November - 6:00 - 8:00 PM.</li> </ul>	
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