

10 May 2024



Meeting Minutes

Northern Community Liaison Group

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| Date | 10/05/2024 | Time | 10am - 12pm |
| Chair | Jeni Coutts | Meeting no. | 3 of 2024 |
| Location | Watsonia RSL | Minute taker | Helena Vun |

Attendees

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| Name | Organisation | Name | Organisation |
| Jeni Coutts (JC) | Independent Chair | Michelle Molinaro (MM) | Community Representative |
| Giselle James (GJ) | Community Representative | Stephen Paul (SP) | Community Representative |
| Paul Raworth (PR) South Zone (Greensborough) Construction Manager | AMA | Scott Lambert (SL) Senior Advisor, Communications and Stakeholder Relations, North | NELP |
| Andrew Mills (AM) | Community Representative | Jacqueline Weedon (JW) Community Partnerships Advisor | NELP |
| Wade Howell (WH) | Community Representative | Kate Zisos (KZ) Senior Precinct Community Engagement Advisor | Spark |
| Michelle Giovas (MG) | Community Representative | Wendy Cisar (WC) | Community Representative |
| Gail Carland (GC) Communications Traffic Manager | AMA | Mark Minahan (MM) Duty Manager | Watsonia RSL |
| Kim Norton (KN) Communications and Stakeholder Relations Lead | AMA | Elizabeth Patena (EP) Acting Manager, Community Partnerships | NELP |
| James Hamilton (JH) Environment Manager | SPARK | Steve Denton (SD) Interface Zone (Watsonia) Construction Manager | AMA |
| Alex Chan (AC) TBM Project Manager | Spark | Jaip Ramachandra (JR) Traffic Manager | AMA |

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| Matt Watson (MW) Civil Manager, North Zone (M80) | AMA | Shondelle Mathews (SM) Spark, Manager, Community Engagement | Spark |
| Katy Sylvia (KS) Senior Advisor, Communications and Stakeholders Relations, Tunnels | North East Link | | |

| Apologies | | | |
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| Name | Organisation | Name | Organisation |
| Adrian Carter (AC) Acting Senior Advisor, Communications and Stakeholder Relations, North | NELP | Jonathan Risby (JRI) Manager Transport, Development and Environment | Banyule City Council |
| Alan Hunter (AH) | Community Representative | Mick Marcevski (MM) Manager Project Integration & Assurance | Department of Transport and Planning |
| Brett Kavanagh (BK) North Zone (M80) Construction Manager | AMA | Josh Ribarich (JR) Communications and Stakeholder Relations Advisor | |

Key discussion points/decisions

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| Jeni Coutts (JC) | <p>Welcome and Outstanding Business</p> <p>Addressed the following actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NC242-1 NC242-3 NC242-4 |
| Kate Zisos (KZ) Alex Chan (AC) | <p>North East Link</p> <p>Presentation covered Tunnels Update, Environment Update and Community Update.</p> <p>WH: What is the time frame on the second tower crane (at Lower Plenty)? SM: TBC. The project team is working through an alternative approach which involves using a crawler crane instead.</p> <p>MG: What are the considerations of noise and dust protection for residents in regard to the Winsor Reserve acoustic shed and fans. What are noise blankets on surface works and where are they? JH: The sheds and the fans are acoustically treated and enclosed. The fans have louvres and shielding to minimise noise. There are also scrubbers and filters in the enclosure which will take the dust out of the air. Noise blankets are temporary treatments blankets 1.8 metres high, and 1.2 metres wide, used to encapsulate static noise sources such as generator, light tower and anything that we would put a temporary treatment on until we find a permanent solution</p> |

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| | <p>SP: In regards to the modelling, has the actuality been meeting the projection of the modelling? JH: Yes, at this stage, the modelling is conservative and based on worst case scenario.</p> <p>JC: What are you doing to make sure reversing beepers are not being used? - JH: We have it detailed in our systems that reverse beepers are not allowed on site. Every piece of plant on site has been plant checked to confirm a risk assessment has been conducted and ready to be deployed on the site. The check involves requirements of a reverse squawker as opposed to a beeper. Some of the plants have switches which allows the turning of a squawker to a beeper. We also have a team of 25 environment staff at once on-site documenting and reporting if a beeper is heard. The auditor is also on site every month with surveillance officers who are listening.</p> <p>WC: What are the checks and balances in place to ensure trucks cover their load? JH: We have environmental plans in place for Winsor Reserve which includes truck drivers covering their load. This is also a legal requirement. We have traffic controllers in designated spots 24/7 to conduct the checks. We also have a dedicated spoil team that liaise with subcontractors and have completed detailed toolbox training with them to report and immediately respond to uncovered loads.</p> <p>MG: How does the independent reviewer determine which works are unavoidable? JH: The role of the independent reviewer is to verify and approve what Spark submits as unavoidable works meets the criteria of the six definitions. The submission includes Spark's noise modelling, mitigation measures and the independent reviewer can ask for further information or check on those mitigation measures.</p> <p>GJ - Does the respite period from noise activity apply to workers as well as local residents? How many hours can a truck driver drive at one time? JH: Worker hearing is managed a bit differently and is dependent on the noise modelling. There is a specified dose they can tolerate for an eight hour period, which will determine the kind of hearing protection required. Truck driving including number of hours driven before stopping is managed under the National Heavy Vehicle Regulation.</p> <p>AM: Has there been a safety drill conducted in the Windsor Shed? JH: We are looking to conduct a safety drill at Winsor Shed following the completed safety drills conducted at the Vent Tunnel and the Box.</p> <p>WH: Will we be able to see how far along the Tunnel is tracking. KS: A tunnels tracker is currently underway which will be on the website.</p> <p>WC: Can we have additional signage implemented to notify road users there are changed traffic conditions and two turning lanes at the top end of Greensborough and Yallambie roads in response to the amount of confusion and frustration. SM: We have implemented additional signage and the team is working on a painted a 'KEEP CLEAR' on the road.</p> <p>Wendy: Are there guidelines in place to ensure these submissions are not a result of a political agenda? KS: Anyone can make a submission, but we'll be able to tell which submissions are genuine once we conduct the review period.</p> |
| <p>Kim Norton (KN) Jaip Ramachandra (JR) Gail Carland (GC) Matt Watson (MW)</p> | <p>M80 Update Presentation covered Traffic Management and Construction Update MG: What is AMA's noise management plan for the mound removal at the M80 interchange. MW: Soil removal works at the mound will be undertaken as day works. In the event out of hours works are required, normal permitting and approvals processes will apply.</p> |

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| Steve Denton (SD) Paul Raworth (PR) | MG: Have you factored kangaroo movements in your planning at the M80 mound removal? MW: Yes, we have requirement to set up temporary fencing before we start the works. North side of the footpath has hundreds of metres of temporary fencing to keep any wildlife out of the job. |

Open Forum

SP: Are the work sites smoke free? SM: There are outdoor designated smoking zones but smoking is not permitted on site and on duty.

WH: What are the implications around NEL timeline changing after state budget was revealed.
SD: Timeline remains the same.

AM: The light sequencing at Yallambie Road southbound does not provide a safe stopping point to get through the first and second points. SM: The loop detector was changed at the whole intersection last night with improved line marking. We'll continue to monitor traffic in the area.

GJ: Will the hoarding and noise wall in front of the Frensham Reserve offset carpark be moved to the Greensborough Highway southbound? SD: The hoarding in place is only temporary. The UDLP reveals there will be permanent retaining structures in place once the project is complete.

GJ: Does the wire fencing along the former Watsonia Station car park form the border of the future Greensborough Highway northbound realignment? SD: No, but the Greensborough Highway final realignment will cross into the existing carpark.

GJ: Is there a design available for land bridges across Greensborough Highway and Elder Street in the UDLP? SD: Yes.

Next meeting 7 June 2024

Thanked NCLG members and presenters and closed the meeting at 12:30pm

Actions – Short Term

| No. | Action | Owner | Due | Status | Update |
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| NC243-8 | WC: Request council send in someone to replace an apology attendance. Also requested more involvement from MTM | JR | 07.06.24 | CLOSED | Back up person has been sent invites to meetings |
| NC243-7 | MG: Emailed the project team about concerns relating to wildlife, EPR compliance, vegetation protection plans and results of stormwater sampling. Waiting on a response from the project team. | JR | 07.06.24 | OPEN | Moved to long-term actions |
| NC243-6 | SP: Would like to know the figures of women and the gender balance in labouring roles and construction. SM and KN to provide figures as per social strategy | SM/KN | 07.06.24 | OPEN | |

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| NC243-5 | MM (Marcus): Advised SD about Frensham Reserve car park. No directional signage coming down Elder St to turn right onto Frensham where the carpark is. SD noted | KN | 07.06.24 | OPEN | |
| NC243-4 | GJ: Request for a speed limit sign to be placed on Greensborough Highway southbound between Grimshaw and Elder. AM also requested early warning signs of road works ahead so users can take alternate route and avoid congestion. | KN | 07.06.24 | OPEN | |
| NC243-3 | MM: Request to have signage near Rosanna Golf Links Primary School and St Martin's to be corrected by SPARK. MM noted black is an advisory speed and red is mandated. | SM | 07.06.24 | OPEN | |
| NC243-2 | MG: Asked for a drawing of the TBM alignment, and which properties will be affected. KZ: These maps are available online, we may be able to also show the maps used to support doorknocks. | SM | 07.06.24 | OPEN | |
| NC243-1 | Issue WC: Asks what the traffic management plan is for trucks coming into the area? How many trucks at a time and are there any impacts to the local residents? WC has requested for the next meeting a traffic management plan including specified routes for trucks. | SM | 07.06.24 | OPEN | |
| NC242-2 | What is the distance between the two tunnels? | DH | 26.04.24 | CLOSED | Update to be provided as part of AMA planned Traffic Management presentation at 10 May meeting. |
| NC242-3 | Between Grimshaw Street and Watsonia Road - traffic is banking up more than it used to maybe due to traffic signals on Grimshaw Street giving more green time to the traffic going on Grimshaw street than Greensborough Highway | KN | 26.04.24 | CLOSED | Update to be provided as part of AMA planned Traffic Management presentation at 10 May meeting. |
| NC242-4 | KN to contact MM at DTP and arrange for him to address GJ concerns around Watsonia Station offset carpark | KN | 26.04.24 | OPEN | |

Actions – Long Term

| No | Action | Owner | Due | Status | Update |
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| N6-6 | KZ to present lookahead on Greensborough Road surface works | KZ | Q1 2024 | Open | Update to be presented when information available |
| NC241-2 | Can construction works be shown via livestream on NELP website? | KZ | Q3 2024 | Open | KZ to advise if this will be possible once the TBM structures are in place |
| NC242-1 | MG: Asks what is the percentage of greenhouse gas emissions for the entire NEL Project? | JR | Q3 2024 | Open | We won't be able to provide the emissions total until the final energy models have been received from our delivery partners associated with the project once it becomes available in Jul |

Future Presentations

| Scheduled Date | Date Raised | Topic | Owner | Update |
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| Q2 | 10 May 2024 | GJ has requested the five phases of construction for Watsonia Road realignment and traffic plans | KN | |
| Q4 | 1 December | JC has requested actual v's modelling for noise and vibration to be presented in 2023 | LM | LM to arrange JR (Spark Environment Manager) to present when results available |
| Q3 | 31 March | Vent outlet operation presentation including how will the vent outlets disperse the emissions and how far will they go? | LM | LM to arrange presentation |
| 2025 | 31 March | Presentation on LXRP's communication plan for the Macleod level crossing removal | JN | LXRP to present at a future meeting |
| Q3 | 12 May | VPS Overview | LR | Presentation to be given in future meeting |
| Q1 2024 | 27 October | AMA to present what goodwill offers will be available to residents | KN | Presentation to be given in future meeting |

Additional information

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| Tunnels Community Interactions 206 | M80 Completion Community Interactions 233 |
| Enquiries/Comments: 126 | Enquiries/Comments:159 |
| Project engagement and responses: 8 | Project engagement and responses: 264 |

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| Complaints: 48 | Complaints: 91 |
| Positive Feedback: 3 | Positive Feedback: 12 |