

Meeting Minutes

Date: 13 August 2025
Program: Suburban Rail Loop
Title: Monash Precinct Reference Group
Meeting Number: 16
Chair: Noel Jones (GHD)
Minute Taker: Shashika Pathiranage (SRLA)

Attendees		Apologies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noel Jones, GHD (Chair) Matt Veale, Monash City Council Nick Davis, CSIRO Anna Phillips, community representative Lowan Sist, Monash Students Association David Donnelly, Suburban Rail Loop Authority (SRLA) Ryan Parker, SRLA Clint Quealy, SRLA Shashika Pathiranage, SRLA Nicole Borland, Suburban, Connect Suburban Connect (SC) Mark Skrzypek, Liang O'Rourke (LOR) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michael Benson, Monash University The Hon. Steve Dimopoulos MP for Oakleigh
Item	Discussion topic	Who
1.	Welcome and housekeeping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting opened at 2:03pm, Noel Jones (NJ) welcomed attendees and opened the meeting with an Acknowledgment of Country. NJ provided attendees with the opportunity to introduce themselves and introduction of agenda items. NJ noted no actions from last meeting. Suburban Rail Loop Authority (SRLA) presented the invitation to participate in a tour of Metro Tunnel Project Anzac Station, asking for interest to be expressed by Friday 15 August. 	NJ
2.	Presentations from Suburban Rail Loop Authority and Laing O'Rourke including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suburban Connect (SC) provided an update as the contractor for the Tunnels South works package; including upcoming demolition scope, site areas and donation of vegetation removed as part of site establishment works to Melbourne Zoo. SC provided an overview of works completed in July 2025 and upcoming works between August and December 2025. SRLA presented on upcoming traffic impacts including periodic day and night works delivered by both Laing O'Rourke (LOR) and SC scope. Noting all traffic impacts will be appropriately communicated in a timely manner ahead of works commencing. LOR referred to the slides to provide an update on current and upcoming works in the Notting Hill area between now and September 2025. SRLA presented on the upcoming rail occupation of the Cranbourne, Pakenham and Gippsland lines including the disruption to rail services where buses will replace trains between 29 August and 6 September 2025. SRLA presented on the recent community event on Saturday 9 August held in Clayton to celebrate the new open spaces. With approximately 250 community attendees, the event featured face painting, children's entertainment, treats from local traders and SRLA and Monash City Council information stalls. SRLA referred to the slides to provide a summary of the feedback obtained during the structure planning exhibition period through 46 submissions for the Monash precinct. SRLA noted the Minister for Planning has appointed an independent 	SRLA/LOR

advisory committee which will determine the scope and process of public hearings in late 2025. The committee will provide advice to the Minister for Planning, ahead of gazettal of structure plans expected in 2026.

Discussion:

- Anna Phillips (AP) noted that there have not been any discussions regarding impacts from traffic changes to university community.
 - SRLA noted that there is ongoing communication with the Monash University team to ensure impacts are managed appropriately.
 - AP noted there was no feedback obtained during the start of semester regarding traffic impacts.
 - LOR noted there are upcoming day and night works impacting traffic movement through September, which will be communicated ahead of time and managed to ensure traffic access is maintained.
- AP noted Facebook cycling group's keen interest in active transport integration outside of precinct areas. Acknowledging, while this falls outside of SRL East project scope, that this may not be well understood publicly. Ap queried whether there are any avenues where members of the public can provide feedback on active transport connections outside of SRL East scope.
 - SRLA is committed to taking this on to SRLA planning team to continue this discussion.
 - Matt Veale (MV) noted Monash City Council can take on any feedback outside of the SRL East precinct scope which council can support facilitating conversations as needed.
 - MV suggested providing feedback to Department of Transport and Planning who have a wider remit for public transport connectivity outside of the SRL East precinct areas.

5.	Any other business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRLA noted the next Monash PRG is expected to be held online on 19 November 2025. • NJ thanked attendees and closed the meeting at 2:39pm 	All
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Item	Stakeholder	Details	Status / due	Owner
New Actions				
1.	PRG	LOR to inform of daytime traffic impacts to the Notting Hill area	Ongoing notification	LOR
2.	AP	SRLA and MV to support the discovery of avenues for feedback from community groups regarding active transport connectivity outside of SRL East precinct areas	Open	SRLA/MV