

Minutes

West Gate Tunnel Project Community Liaison Group – North Meeting

Date: 17 October 2019 **Time:** 5.30-7.40pm

Location: WGTP Information Centre, Yarraville

Attendees

Name	Community/Organisation	Name	Community/Organisation
Jim Williamson (JW)	Chair	Mikell Borg (MB)	WGTP MTIA
Arthur Bregiannis (AB)	Yarraville	Geoff Liu (GL)	WGTP MTIA
Sarah Grace	Yarraville	Taylor Cations (TC)	WGTP MTIA
Fran Araneda	Kensington	David Clements (DC)	Transurban (TU)
Peter Gerrand (PG)	North and West Melbourne Association	Carl Brodrick (CB)	TU
Paul Baggeridge (PB)	City of Melbourne	Andrew Shepherd (AS)	CPB John Holland Joint Venture (CPBJH)
Peter Sammut (PS)	West Gate Tunnel Project Major Transport Infrastructure Authority (WGTP MTIA)	Alan Platt (AP)	CPBJH
Anthony Havers (AH)	WGTP MTIA	Mario Urban (MU)	CPBJH
Liz Evans (LE)	WGTP MTIA	Michelle Carroll (MC)	CPBJH

Apologies

Con Frescos (CF)	Yarraville	Victor Ng (VN)	Seddon
Peter Kartsidimas (PK)	RACV	Martin Wurt (MW)	MTAG

Not in attendance

Tony Le-Nguyen (TL)	Footscray	Monique Perry (MPe)	Concerned Locals of Yarraville
Greg Cain (GC)	VTA	John Stirk (JS)	BayWest BUG
Gary Brenan (GB)	Bike Network Victoria	Deidre Anderson (DA)	Maribyrnong City Council
Jenny McMahon (JM)	LeadWest		

Agenda Items

Time	#	Item Detail	Owner
5.30pm	1	Welcome, introductions, apologies	Chair
5.40pm	2	Report from community members	CLG Community Members
6.00pm	3	Actions from previous meetings	Chair
6.15pm	4	West Gate Tunnel Project, MTIA update	WGTP MTIA
6.30pm	5	Tea Break	All
6.50pm	6	Construction update	CLG Members
7.20pm	7	Actions arising and close	Chair

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1	<p>Welcome, introductions and apologies.</p> <p>Meeting opened at 5.40pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• JW started with Acknowledgement of Country.• JW welcomed all attendees and welcomed new members.• JW noted Project support of social enterprise Sorghum Sisters.• JW noted apologies.• JW noted the resignation of Matt Monger.
2	<p>New members- Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PG advised that he has been living in West Melbourne for 22 years and is representing the North West Melbourne Association.• AB has an engineering background and has been living in the area for 19 years. He is interested in understanding the health and traffic impacts in the inner west community. <p>Report from community members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FA met with CPBJH and thanked them for the opportunity to discuss details of the landscaping around Moonee Ponds Creek. FA received copies of landscape technical design information for this area at that meeting and will discuss further with community representatives in order to provide feedback. <p>Comments raised</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FA raised concern regarding contaminated soil.• DC advised that contaminated soil has been identified in certain areas across the project and he outlined the thorough process undertaken to assess and manage this material in accordance with EPA requirements.• DC noted that there is no health risk to the environment, public or employees from stockpiled soil.• AP advised there were no current stockpiles in the East Zone.• SG requested an update on the Williamstown and Millers Road construction, as community members are feeling the traffic impacts. WGTP MTIA advised that they will ask VicRoads to provide an update to the group on the Millers Road and Williamstown Road Corridor Study and the Hobsons Bay Transport Study.• SG asked what plans are being put in place at Stony Creek Reserve, as works in that area could potentially disturb snakes from their habitat and into residents' backyards.• AP advised that they can investigate the question further.• DC noted that any public enquiries would be addressed directly.
3	<p>Actions from previous meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• JW advised actions AN5 AN6 and AN7 are now closed.• FA and PB requested that AJ1 remain open as the community require further detailed information than what the fact sheets provide.• PG noted that landscaping was very important to the community• TU advised that it had also produced roll plots of landscaped open spaces based on the fact sheets. PB expressed concern that roll pots appear to be only larger versions of images provided in the facts sheets".• FA asked if it is too late to provide feedback on the landscaping design.• DC confirmed with FA that it was not too late for their group(s) to provide feedback.• In response to discussion about AJ1, PS advised that the detailed project design information can be made available through the councils.• After discussion and request from WGTP, CoM agreed to make the landscape design construction drawings available to the community.• JW advised actions LN6 and LJ15 will remain open due to a request from members for review time.

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4	<p>West Gate Tunnel Project, MTIA update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MB updated members on the West Gate Neighbourhood Fund grants and partnerships program. • PG questioned why City of Melbourne groups are not eligible. PS noted the Community Involvement and Participation Plan Environment Performance Requirement relates to Hobsons Bay and Maribyrnong City Council areas • It was also noted that the City of Melbourne received a \$50 million package. PB noted CoM interprets the EPR such that it does not preclude community groups within the CoM being eligible, and that the \$50 million matched funding opportunity is for Transport and Amenity projects
5	<p>Tea break</p>
6	<p>Construction update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PG enquired if there is a documentary about the WGTP being commissioned. • MC noted that there is not, however a range of smaller videos are being made as the project progresses. (Refer to You Tube, West Gate Tunnel Project channel).
7	<p>Actions arising and close</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new actions were created • JW closed the meeting at 7.40pm

Open Actions – North Group

#	Action	Owner	Update	Status
AN5	Provide CF with planned schedule of construction for Hyde Street Ramps.	CPBJH	There are approximately 200,000 shrubs being planted in the west as part of the West Gate Tunnel Project. Given the high volume of shrub planting, to best address the stakeholder's question in detail, a site walk has been arranged with GM to discuss the removal, retention and planting of shrubs along Kororoit Creek.	Closed
AN6	Advise SG on specific open space locations related to project funding to HBCC	WGTP MTIA	Information further to presentation given on 22 August and HBCC consultation information provided to SG on 11 October.	Closed
AN7	Site tour of the northern portal for CLG members before tunnelling starts	WGTP MTIA	Site tour took place on 4 September.	Closed

Open Actions – Joint meetings

#	Action	Owner	Update	Status
AJ1	Provide the relevant stakeholders and CLG with most recent available landscaping design drawings	TU	<p>Updated landscape kits/factsheets published on the West Gate Tunnel website in early October.</p> <p>It was agreed at the last meeting that the technical landscape design plans would be made available for the public to view at Hobsons Bay City Council, Maribryong City Council and City of Melbourne. WGTP MTIA has compiled and delivered these documents to the councils and a set is available at the Visitor Information Centre.</p> <p>Information is also available on the project website http://westgatetunnelproject.vic.gov.au/about/keytopics/open-space, at the Visitor Information Centre, mobile info van and for public info sessions.</p>	Open (To be closed at meeting)

Open Actions – North Group Landscape Workshop

#	Action	Owner	Update	Status
LN6	WGTP to respond to concerns by members on the use of Moonee Ponds Creek active space and consideration of tree planting.	WGTP, MTIA	<p>WGTP is consulting with various stakeholders in order to respond to this matter.</p> <p>WGTP confirmed that feedback is being sought from Victorian Planning Authority and City of Melbourne. PB confirmed this and that City of Melbourne has provided feedback. In the stakeholder consultation, WGTP will consider relevant EES submission information.</p> <p>Update: WGTP landscape plans for Moonee Ponds Creek have been reviewed by the Victorian Planning Authority (VPA). VPA is satisfied that the design of public open space at this location aligns with the objectives of VPA's Moonee Ponds Creek Implementation Plan. In summary, significant effort has been placed on incorporating a recreational opportunity adjacent to the veloway and the Capital City Trail.</p>	Open

This will add significant value to the community and aligns with the Moonee Ponds Creek future plan.

Open Actions – Joint Group Landscape Workshop

#	Action	Owner	Update	Status
LJ8	Explore all options to remove or realign the proposed truck turning bay on the Kororoit Creek Trail and respond to CLG and Friends of Lower Kororoit Creek	WGTP MTIA	<p>CPBJH JV have achieved a reduction in the size of the truck turning bay and are continuing to explore viability and implications of an alignment change.</p> <p>Update 13 September:</p> <p>The Project explored all options available – including various realignment options of the shared use path and reduction in size of the truck-turning bay.</p> <p>Unfortunately, an alternative location could not be achieved due to pedestrian and cycling sightline requirements and environmental impacts, and utility providers have not supported the reduction in size of the truck-turning bay.</p>	Closed
LJ15	Look into what detail regarding existing and future vegetation can be provided in future landscaping designs.	TU	<p>Updated landscape kits/factsheets published on West Gate Tunnel website in early October.</p> <p>As per AJ1, design plans are available for the public to view at Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong and Melbourne council offices and visitor information centre.</p>	<p>Open</p> <p><i>(To be closed after members receive final comms kit and info is on the web.)</i></p>

Next meeting

North Group: Thursday 12 December (note: this will be a joint meeting of both CLGs)