



# **Minutes**

West Gate Tunnel Project Community Liaison Group - West Meeting

Date: 6 November 2019 Time: 5.30-7.40pm Location: WGTP Information Centre, Yarraville

#### **Attendees**

Name Community/Organisation		Name	Community/Organisation	
Jim Williamson (JW)	im Williamson (JW) Chair		West Gate Tunnel Project Major Transport Infrastructure Authority (WGTP MTIA)	
Marlon De Leon (MdL)	Tarneit	Liz Evans (LE)	WGTP MTIA	
Ferdinand Saliba (FS)	Deer Park	Geoff Liu (GL)	WGTP MTIA	
Anuj Malhotra (AM)	Spotswood	Frances McNulty (FM)	Transurban (TU)	
Bert Boere (BB)	Brooklyn	Jala Shekho (JaS)	TU	
Dennis Ryan (DR)	Altona North	Charles Fairbairn (CF)	CPB John Holland Joint Venture (CPBJH)	
Geoff Mitchelmore (GM)	Friends of Lower Kororoit Creek	Delwyn Thompson (DT)	СРВЈН	
Garry Brennan (GB)	Bike Network Victoria			
John Stirk (JS)	BayWest BUG			
Peter Kartsidimas (PK) RACV				
Ian Butterworth (IB)	Hobsons Bay City Council			
Sami Qunqar (SQ)	Brimbank City Council			
Apologies				
Martin Wurt (MW)	MTAG	Kevin Redfern (KR)	Seabrook	
Not in attendance				
Martin Mlalazi (MM) Point Cook  Steve Wilson (SW) Friends of Stony Creek		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

### **Minutes** Agenda **Item Detail** Item 1 Welcome, introductions and apologies. Meeting opened at 5.40pm JW started with Acknowledgement of Country. JW thanked social enterprise caterer Sorghum Sisters. JW welcomed Sami Qungar, attending on behalf of Adrian Ashford, Brimbank City Council. JW noted apologies - Martin Wurt & Kevin Redfern 2 Report from community members DR noted traffic congestion on Millers Road. CF advised he would provide this feedback to the traffic team at CPBJH Joint Venure. BB & DR noted that loss of access between Paringa Road and the "16 shops" on Millers Road is an issue to shop owners and they are concerned about loss of business. AM expressed concern on behalf of Ferguson St residents regarding the design of the new Muir Street pedestrian bridge (crossing the West Gate Freeway), resident concerns about security and property devaluation. DR commented positively about the replacement of high voltage lattice towers with new monopoles in locations along the West Gate Freeway. CF noted that the monopoles are relatively new to Victoria and do not take up as much land at the base, which is important in some areas of the freeway widening. FS asked if there will be a central pier in the new pedestrian bridges. CF confirmed it would be one full span of approximately 70 metres, without a central pier and will weigh about 200 tonnes. GM noted that he is meeting with PowerCor this week to try and resolve the size of the truck turning bay adjacent to Lower Kororoit Creek. GM also suggested the project contact a resident of Beevers Street to provide further information about the works compound set up in that area. MD noted there are a number of road duplications in Tarneit and that road changes are affecting the traffic flow from these outer suburbs. CF noted that the Project are co-ordinating works programs with the Western Roads Upgrade project team. JS asked about the West Gate Neighbourhood Fund (updated provided by WGTP MTIA). GB and PK mentioned the Around the Bay in a day bike ride was very successful. GB advised that the Footscray Road shared path temporary ramp near Appleton Dock Road is working well.

- GM commented that he would want to see that the 5:1 tree planting ratio shared appropriately across
  the project. GM asked about Federation Trail and JS advised this would be part of the off-set
  planting package of works.
- FS asked who is responsible for maintenance of trees. CB confirmed that CPBJH are responsible
  until project completion and then is managed by the long-term asset owner as defined in agreements
  made during the design and construction packages process.
   FM noted that resilient planting species are also selected.

ACTION AW11: Updates on design and property de-valuation concerns for Ferguson Street residents will be provided to the relevant CLG member.

#### 3 Actions from previous meetings

- JW advised actions AW9 and LW4 are closed
- JaS advised that the West Gate Kids program will continue in 2020 and a presentation may be given at the joint meeting in December in relation to AW10
- JW advised that AW10, LW7, LW8 and LJ15 will remain open
- JW noted that AJ1 will remain open and the action will be revised as a result of comments at the recent North Group Meeting
- IB confirmed that the technical designs in relation to landscape (AJ1) are available at Hobsons Bay City Council reception desk.

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4	<ul> <li>West Gate Tunnel Project, MTIA update</li> <li>AH provided an overview of social media avenues used by the Major Transport Infrastructure Authority (refer slide).</li> </ul>						
5	Tea break – 6.50pm						
6	CF provided an update on construction activity in the west zone – including Williamstown Road, Fogarty Avenue/The Avenue, West Gate Freeway, Hyde Street Ramps, southern tunnel portals, Millers Road, Kororoit Creek and the M80 Interchange. (Refer slides)						
7	Actions arising and close      Action AW11 was created     JW closed the meeting at 7.40pm						

Open Actions – West Group

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#	Action	Owner	Update	Status			
AW9	Project Co to provide a summary of tree/shrub removal – including area of removal and area of replanting.	TU	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.  Update: GM, IB & GB attended meeting with TU and CPBJH JV on 11 Oct 2019	Closed			
AW10	TU to provide CLG with information on future plans of the West Gate Kids Program	TU	Summary of the 2019 program and proposal for 2021 to be provided at December joint meeting.	Open			
AW11	Updates on design and property de-valuation concerns for Ferguson Street residents will be provided to the relevant CLG member.	WGTP MTIA		Open			

	Open Actions – Joint meetings					
#	Action	Owner	Update	Status		
AJ1	Provide the relevant stakeholders and CLG with most recent	TU	Landscape kits were distributed to members present at the CLG meeting on 24 July.			
	available landscaping design drawings		CLG members will be the first to receive a copy of these documents, before they become publicly available on the project website, at the Visitor Information Centre, mobile info van and for public info sessions.			
			As discussed at past CLG meetings and at the CLG landscaping workshops, each kit for the key landscaped areas across the project will include the following:	Open		
			<ul> <li>A fact sheet, summarising the area and its key features, plant and vegetation species information and a realistic impression of final landscaped area;</li> </ul>			
			The landscape design, similar to those presented at the workshops, with key labels and design information; and			
			Additional imagery available for each area.			
			The development of these materials has considered feedback provided by CLG members at past CLG meetings, the three CLG landscaping workshops and to the draft Moonee Ponds Creek landscaping fact sheet.			

Open Actions - West Group Landscape Workshop

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#	Action	Owner	Update	Status
	CPBJH JV to review opportunity for any additional safety treatments at the cycling path intersection		The West Gate Tunnel project is committed to delivering cycling and pedestrian infrastructure that achieves the highest possible level of safety for all users. The Project achieves this by requiring all designs to go through a comprehensive and robust design	Closed

	along Kororoit Creek – just before the bluestone bridge		process prior to commencement of construction.  CPBJH JV have undertaken a safety review of this shared use path – taking into consideration a wide variety of elements including path widths, safe intersection treatments, vertical and horizontal gradients, sight lines, design speeds, clearance from obstructions, signage and line marking requirements, and more.  As part of this robust design process, the Project can confirm that the design meets all Austroads requirements and no further changes are being implemented.  Update: GM, IB & GB attended site walk from the bluestone bridge with TU and CPBJH JV on 11 Oct 2019 and all parties are happy that there is a safe solution.	
LW7	Opportunity to have CLG members input into a priority list for landscaping offsets with HBCC	СРВЈН	In August 2019, CPBJH JV undertook initial meetings with relevant councils and other landowners to discuss opportunities regarding offset planting in areas outside the project boundary.  CPBJH JV are currently updating the proposed plans based on feedback from these initial meetings. The offset tree planting plans will be issued to the relevant stakeholders for comment at preliminary design.  These plans will also be provided to West CLG members to provide feedback for consideration.	Open
LW8	HBCC requested that Federation Trail in Brooklyn to be added as a factsheet for landscaping .	СРВЈН	outside the project – which includes the Federation Trail section in Brooklyn, also known as Pipeline Reserve.  Once this has been finalised, the Project will create a landscaping factsheet for this section.	Open (To be closed when factsheet is published)

**Open Actions – Joint Group Landscape Workshop** 

#	Action	Owner	Update	Status
LJ15	Look into what detail regarding existing and future vegetation can be provided in future landscaping	TU	Some before and after imagery is included in the landscaping communication kits that are to be made available to members and on the project website.	Open (To be closed after members receive final
	designs.		Updated landscape kits/factsheets published on West Gate Tunnel website in early October.	comms kit and info is on the web.)
			As per AJ1, design plans are available for the public to view at Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong and Melbourne council offices.	

## Next meeting

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