

Meeting Minutes

Date: 31 August 2023
Program: Suburban Rail Loop
Title: Glen Waverley Precinct Reference Group
Location: Glen Waverley Secondary College; MS Teams
Meeting Number: 8
Chair/s: Noël Jones (GHD), John Mullahy (MP)
Minute Taker: Sarah Moss

Attendees	Apologies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Mullahy, Member for Glen Waverley Noël Jones, GHD Matthew Veale, Monash City Council Uyen Tran, Monash City Council Sarah Maguire, Glen Waverley Traders Association David Schulz, Community representative John Taylor, Waverley RSL Greg Male, Community representative Nirupa Logeswaran, Management Committee for IKON Liz Grabham, Laing O'Rourke (LOR) Nicole Ekert, LOR Bruce Henry, LOR Rilshad Rafiudeen, Suburban Rail Loop Authority (SRLA) Jessica Foulds, SRLA Jesse Overton-Skinner, SRLA Yogeeta Silva, SRLA Sarah Moss, SRLA Terresa Parrish, SRLA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joanne Wastle, Glen Waverley Secondary College Mitchell Zadow, Glen Waverley Traders Association and Sharrock Pitman Legal Joseph Bailouni, Campbell Place

Item	Discussion topic	Who
1.	Welcome and housekeeping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noël Jones (NJ) welcomed everyone to the Glen Waverley Precinct Reference Group (PRG) meeting, introductions. NJ delivered Acknowledgment of Country. NJ noted action item from the previous meeting had been closed, with ongoing action from Laing O'Rourke (LOR) regarding engagement with Campbell Place about any bus route impacts for future works. NJ provided an overview of the meeting agenda. 	NJ/ JM
2.	Project milestone updates Procurement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRLA noted the announcement of a preferred bidder for the first tunnelling contract, from Cheltenham to Glen Waverley, on 29 August. The contract is expected to be formally awarded in late 2023 to Suburban Connect, a consortium of global leaders in tunnelling. 	SRLA

- The two remaining bidders will progress to the procurement process for the second tunnelling contract, from Glen Waverley to Box Hill.
- Tunnel Boring Machines (TBM) will be launched in 2026. Tunnel access shafts to be built as part of Early Works package being delivered by Laing O'Rourke (LOR).

Structure Planning

- SRLA presented an update on Precinct Structure Planning, including:
 - The role of SRL Precincts, the broader neighbourhoods around the Suburban Rail Loop (SRL) stations, noting the need for appropriate planning.
 - SRLA's release of the Precincts Discussion Paper marking the first phase ahead of Precinct Visions, Planning Scheme Amendments (PSAs), and final structure plans.
 - Structure planning timeframes with final structure plans in place by early 2026.
 - The importance of local community, stakeholder, and council involvement throughout each phase of the program with a broad range of engagement activities including listening posts, online engagement, community panels and briefings.
 - The role of SRL East Community Panels to bring together locals to represent their community in a deliberative engagement process. There will be an Expression of Interest (EOI) process and targeted recruitment for seven panels, one per precinct and a youth panel.
 - The purpose of the Precincts Discussion Paper as a context setting document to start these conversations, with the community.
 - Upcoming community consultation opportunities, including shopping centre pop ups and a community listening post to be held at Glen Waverley Bowls Club on 12 October.

Discussion

- David Schulz (DS) encouraged members to view the Mega Metro television series, noting it provides an overview of a similar large scale tunnelling infrastructure project in Sydney.
- DS asked where TBMs would launch for the second tunnelling package. SRLA noted TBMs would launch from Burwood in both north and south directions, noting Glen Waverley will be a TBM retrieval site.
- DS noted the opportunity to develop Kingsway and provide more mixed-use developments. SRLA noted current consultation is about seeking feedback on future priorities and outcomes for each SRL East Precinct, noting the importance of retaining and strengthening the local character of each precinct.
- DS noted existing developments underway in Glen Waverley area. SRLA noted planning would build on existing work done by councils.
- John Taylor (JT) noted it was good to see work that had gone into the Precincts Discussion Paper and planning approach, noting he expected to see a link to the Victorian Government housing strategy shortly. SRLA noted that SRL East Precincts would be aligned to broader strategies, while focusing on the needs of the communities within each precinct.
- DS noted planning would shift the perception of Melbourne CBD as the key Victorian central hub. SRLA noted SRL will help achieve multiple job centres through improved accessibility and infrastructure.
- Greg Male (GM) noted that pre-COVID 19, the City of Monash was the second largest employer outside the City of Melbourne. GM noted SRL will enable employment opportunities broadly through the City of Monash, adding that Glen Waverley is primarily housing. SRLA noted that Precinct Structure Planning will consider the opportunities for employment growth throughout the City of Monash, including Glen Waverley. JT noted potential employment opportunities could include government departments.

3.	<p>Initial & Early Works update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LOR presented an overview of current and upcoming works in Glen Waverley including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site investigations at various locations including car parks and minor improvement works at the bus replacement stop on Kingsway, north of Railway Parade North. Noting a works notice has been distributed for these works. Upcoming works including the establishment of a temporary site compound at 50 Montclair Avenue from September and further site investigations in the Euneva West car park. Further service relocations will occur in Glen Waverley from late 2023 and during 2024, including power, communications, gas and sewer. Community and stakeholder collaboration and engagement, including door knocks and liaison with neighbouring construction projects. Internal trader support initiatives to encourage staff and contractor local spending within Glen Waverley. SRLA presented a brief overview of the Glen Waverley car park to be delivered by LOR noting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRLA recognises the importance of parking to the Glen Waverley Activity Centre (GWAC). SRLA has an Environmental Performance Requirement (EPR B5) to replace car parks displaced by the project. SRLA has identified land for the replacement parking at the corner of Euneva Avenue and Railway Parade North, which is currently used as an at-grade car park. A multi-level car park is proposed, with concept designs under development. Further information on the planning approvals including an opportunity for stakeholders, including PRG, and the nearby community to provide feedback will be shared at a later date. <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DS asked if the tunnelling contractors would deliver the station box as part of that package of works. SRLA confirmed these works would be delivered by the contractor awarded the Glen Waverley to Box Hill tunnelling package, with a separate contractor to be appointed for station building works including fit out. DS noted November and December are busy periods around the GWAC. LOR noted it is aware of this busy time for traders and will consider when managing any construction impacts. JT asked when the sewer redesign plans were expected to be available. LOR noted sewer works are not expected to occur until 2024, with plans unlikely until later in 2023 at earliest. JT noted Waverley RSL would like to see the plans for the sewer relocation and did not wish for it to remain within its current easement. DS noted the car park to be delivered should consider mixed-use opportunities. 	LOR/ SRLA
4.	<p>Questions & Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NJ thanked group for feedback and discussion, noting minutes would be circulated. SRLA advised next round of meetings to occur late October/ early November. JT asked if Monash City Council (MCC) had plans to improve parking signage and wayfinding following closure of Bogong Avenue car park. Sarah Maguire (SM) also noted she had shared feedback about this with MCC. Uyen Tran (UT) noted she could discuss with JT directly. DS asked if there was an update on the relocation of Waverley RSL. SRLA and JT noted discussions are ongoing. Meeting closed at 4:47pm. 	All

Item	Stakeholder	Details	Status / due	Owner
Actions				
1.	Campbell Place	LOR to provide information about bus route impacts prior to future utility relocations to Campbell Place.	Ongoing	LOR