

Minutes

Subject: CLG December 2021 Joint meeting

Date: 9 December 2021 Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm

Location: WGTP Information Centre and Zoom

Attendees			
Liz Evans (LE) Chair	West Gate Tunnel Project, Major Transport Infrastructure Authority (WGTP MTIA)	Ferdinand Saliba (FS)	Deer Park
Bert Boere (BB)	Brooklyn	Alex Woods (AW)	WGTP MTIA
Marlon De Leon (MDL)	Tarneit	Anthony Havers (AH)	WGTP MTIA
Dennis Ryan (DR)	Altona North	Bronwyn Neeson (BN)	WGTP MTIA
Kevin Redfern (KR)	Seabrook	Shane D'Rozario (SDR) (Zoom)	WGTP MTIA
Senthil Sundaram (SS) (Zoom)	Point Cook	Ebru Saglam (ES)	WGTP MTIA
Geoff Mitchelmore (GM)	Friends of Lower Kororoit Creek	Claire Tao (CT)	WGTP MTIA
Garry Brennan (GB)	Bicycle Network Victoria	Callum Fogarty (CAF)	TU
Con Frescos (CFR)	Yarraville	Sharon Buckland (SB)	TU

Attendees

Adrian Havryluk (AHV)	Maribyrnong City Council	Vesna Newman (VN)	CPBJH Joint Venture (CPBJH JV)
Jim Miller (JM)	CPBJH JV	Mario Urban (MU)	CPBJH JV
Charlie Fairbairn (CF)	CPBJH JV	Sally Pieterse (SP)	CPBJH JV

Apologies

Jim Williamson (JW)	Chair	Glen Best (GB)	Spotswood
Martin Wurt (MW)	Maribyrnong Truck Action Group (MTAG)	Steve Wilson (SW)	Friends of Stony Creek
Peter Gerrand (PG)	West and North Melbourne	Sue La Greca (SLG)	LeadWest
Fran Araneda (FA)	Kensington	Arthur Bregiannis (AB)	Yarraville
Paul Baggeridge (PB)	City of Melbourne	Victor Ng (VN)	Seddon
Ian Butterworth (IB)	Hobsons Bay Council	Adrian Ashford (AA)	Brimbank Council (Zoom)

Agenda Items

Time	#	Item detail	Owner
5.30pm	1	Welcome, introductions and apologies	Chair
5.40pm	2	WGTP MTIA (year in review)	WGTP MTIA

5.50pm	3	Construction review and lookahead	CPBJH JV
6.20pm	4	Members and question update	Community members
6.40pm	5	Actions update	All
6.55pm	6	Actions arising and closing	All

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	Welcome, introductions and apologies
1	LE opened the meeting and welcomed attendees face to face and virtually. AW made a roll call.
	WGTP MTIA (year in review)
2	Members were shown a video recapping the progress made in 2021.
	Construction review and lookahead
	CF provided an update on the progress made across the West zone:
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CF said Millers Road bridge has undergone a lot of strengthening works and crucial traffic movements have been completed on the West Gate Freeway. The inbound and outbound ramps are fully reconstructed with landscaping works needed to be done. CF noted that Williamstown Road outbound exit ramp has been completely rebuilt. CF said the Hyde Street structures have really taken shape with columns and crossheads in place. Looking to complete in six months' time. CF explained at Grieve Parade the Project completely reconstructed the inbound and outbound ramps. CF said that the beginning of next year will focus on final touches to noise walls and coloured acrylic installation continuing. CF explained that the West Gate Freeway will undertake an intensive Summer works campaign which will largely focus on Williamstown Road and the M80/Western Ring Road. SP explained the communications and engagement with local residents and businesses to update them on the impacts expected during the summer works campaign. BN advised that the project teams are available to brief CLG members and their networks if they have any questions. SP advised that CLG members can reach out via BN to take advantage of this offer.

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JM provided an update on the progress made across the East zone:

- JM said that all the concrete columns and capitals are complete in the Maribyrnong River precinct, with bridge installation the primary focus now.
- JM noted that the steel deliveries for Mackenzie Road are expected to commence in January and the veloway works are ongoing.
- JM explained the launching gantry is currently traveling west, with 5 spans completed and 95 to go.
- JM explained the logistics behind the storage facility near Footscray Road to ensure segments are close to being lifted.
- JM said that the CityLink widening works are continuing, while pier column and crosshead installation is ongoing through quarter one of next year.

VN provided an update on the progress made across the Tunnel zone:

- VN said the Southern Outbound Portal is near completion. 317 precast concrete segments were delivered to the site and installed in this area.
- At the Southern Inbound Portal, the open trough (which is the entry of inbound tunnel) has been completed.
- VN noted the Tunnel Boring Machines (TBMs) are currently in preservation mode, which requires regular testing and checking, to ensure they are ready when tunnelling begins. VN said a lot of permanent works around the TBMs have been able to get finished.

The Tunnel Boring Machines are expected to begin tunnelling early next year.

Members and questions update:

- GM was critical of DoT's lack of community consultation regarding the proposed removal of parking on Millers Road which could impact 16 local businesses. This has been outlined in the final Millers and Williamstown Road Corridor Study report. SD explained that he had asked DoT about the proposal and DoT noted the funding and timing for any proposals in the report are still to be confirmed. Any changes would also be subject to community consultation. SD noted that it would be prudent for all to maintain contact with DoT.
- GM reiterated concerns about the impact on Millers Road shops on the south side of the West Gate Freeway. GM also asked for definitive timeline for the completion of the Kororoit Creek trail in 2022/23. He noted the Hosken Reserve project and timing for completion aligning with a community event early next year. GM also noted concern that there will be no work started on the Geelong Road bridge (not West Gate Tunnel Project works) until after the tunnels are built.
- DR noted his interest in being involved in ongoing discussions relating to Millers Road/16 shops area. DR said that he has observed people appreciating the extent of work that has progressed whilst people have been in lockdown
- BB asked for more clarity on Paringa Road connection with Millers Road. SD said the Project is reviewing the Paringa Road design and is currently working with CPBJH JV to consult in relation to project noise requirements for four properties.
- KR echoed DR's comments on the great work that had been done this year. KR said the graffiti near the pedestrian bridges looks terrible, especially how impressive everything else looks and asked for this to be a priority to be removed. He also said the corner of Millers Road was not well lit. CF explained that lighting in the area is getting installed at a rapid pace, so it soon won't be a problem. KR further asked if CLG members could visit the Maribyrnong River precinct to look at the bridge development.
- GB noted that a lot of the bike infrastructure had been pushed back due to delays and it was harder to manage cycling community expectations. Knows it will be fantastic when finished but important that even smaller elements are completed and made available early.

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- GB commended the WGTP for the minimal number of COVID cases and the management of it. CF noted that Project had to respond accordingly to manage COVID and to change work practices, which has had good results.
- FS said the Kororoit Creek trail should be opened even if it isn't completely finished.
- FS said it was a missed opportunity for Millers Road not to have a pedestrian crossing at the Federation Trail crossing.
- FS said that he would like to see the design plans for both of the pedestrian bridges exits. CF said the local roads will be blocked off until final landscaping is done, and the roads rebuilt.
- CFR also commented on the amount of work that had been done and how good it was to see post lockdown. CDR followed up on his comments from last meeting regarding getting more information on the bike pump track near Docklands, in relation to pitching this to become a premier skate park instead. JM will follow this up and provide the information via WGTP to CF. BN will monitor for a response.
- AHV noted great progress on the Footscray Wharf re-development project and landscaping, including planting of large palms.
- LE read-out PG's comments which raised the concern of the cyclists from the veloway joining into the shared pedestrian/cyclist path going past the new Docklands Primary School, questioning the current safety design. Also noted concerns from the PTA and that the school has said they have been unable to make good contact with the WGTP team. MU noted they have met with the school, however will take an action to follow up further with the Docklands School following this member input.
- KR said there are already existing issues with cyclists in this area

Actions update

AW13 CPBJH JV to provide Stage 2 – Grieve Parade landscape designs with WGTP MTIA to pass on to relevant CLG members once finalised.

- LE said the action will remain open until the design plan is finalised.

AW18 WGTP MTIA to follow up with DoT regarding the letter BB received relating to Millers Road.

- LE said the action will remain open.

AN11 WGTP MTIA to coordinate a meeting with the Department of Transport to discuss mitigating combined noise from rail and road infrastructure at Railway Place, West Melbourne

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- SD and LE advise that PG and other CLG representatives wrote to a Department of Transport executive and subsequently met with the Department. This matter will be closed at the next meeting as PG was an apology to December meeting.

AN8 CPBJH to confirm total number of trees to be replaced and removed.

- LE said the action will remain open.

AN10 Project parties are requested to provide information with the modelling and data assumptions to demonstrate noise compliance of the Wurundjeri Way extension to residents along Railway Place West Melbourne.

- LE said the action will remain open. SD said that WGTP met with DoT and will arrange a meeting with PG and FA for early February.

It was also noted that in relation to past closed action regarding Department of Transport (DoT) traffic studies (AJ10), a meeting between DoT and relevant CLG North members was offered to members prior to Christmas, however as availability was limited, this will be arranged for late January.

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- LE said one new action in relation to CPBJH to contact the Docklands Primary School.
 - **Meeting closed at 7:15pm**
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