

Meeting Minutes

North Community Liaison Group (NCLG)

Date	21/01/2022	Time	10am
Chair	Jeni Coutts	Meeting no.	1 of 2022
Location	Via Zoom	Minute taker	Natalie Pearson

Attendees

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Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Jeni Coutts (JC)	Independent Chair	Sarah Maguire (SM)	Watsonia Traders representative
Stephen Paul (SP)	Community Representative	Adriano Murone (AM)	Community Representative
Allan Hunter (AH)	Community Representative	Michelle Giovas (MG)	Community Representative
Remo Marinucci (RM)	Community Representative	Kathleen Petras (KP)	Banyule City Council
Chris Logan (CL)	CPB	Mick Marcevski (MMA)	Department of Transport
Glen Preema (GP)	CPB	Holly Havers (HH)	SPARK D&C
Kate Zisos (KZ)	CPB	Tony Frodsham (TF)	SmedTech
Matthew Pochroj (MP)	CPB	Conor Kiernan (CK)	NELP
Frances Wickerson (FW)	NELP	Renato Marnich (RM)	NELP
John Lopez (JL)	NELP	Nic Morton (NM)	NELP
Natalie Pearson (NP)	NELP	Paul Thomas (PT)	NELP
Christopher Woodroffe (CW)	NELP	Scott Lambert (SL)	NELP
Elizabeth Patena (EP)	NELP		

Apologies			
Name	Organisation		
Simon Chao (SC)	VicRoads	Michelle Molinaro (MM)	Community Representative
Paul Bellis (PB)	Banyule City Council		

Key discussion points/decisions

Owner	Action
Jeni Coutts (JC)	<p>Welcome and outstanding business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JC: Welcomed the group to the first meeting for 2022. JC: Outstanding issues and actions (see below table)
Conor Kiernan (CK), Paul Thomas (PT) NELP, Frances Wickerson (FW)	<p>Tunnelling package design presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CK: introduced PT and his previous work experience on various international construction projects. PT: Update on the tunnel length. More detail was provided as to why the tunnel length was chosen. TF: Presentation on lower plenty road interchange. Removing the interchange would have detrimental impacts to local traffic. Provides information on the on/off ramps for the tunnel. FW: Update on the UDLP process, what will be included in the UDLP and when the community can provide feedback. More detail will be provided over the coming months. <p><u>Questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MG: Where is the launch site for the tunnel? It is near Lenola Street (east side of Greensborough Road). This is the best option for the launch site in terms of available space and minimising community impact. MG: Why would the community impacts be worse with a longer tunnel? A longer tunnel would shift impacts further north, require more homes to be acquired, and have worse overall community outcomes. The SPARK design provides an option that balances community benefit and community impact. SM: From traders' point of view, they will need more information as to why a longer tunnel would be worse for the community ie maps/plans etc. It is not ideal to have construction infrastructure right next to Watsonia Shops. The TBM launch site is as far north as it can be to still balance community benefit and community impact. More information will be made available at upcoming meetings. MG: Can we also see a map of the construction laydown areas? This will be provided at a future meeting. MG: Are there on/off ramps at Grimshaw St? Vehicles can enter NEL from Grimshaw St heading south and exit NEL heading north. To access the Greensborough Bypass, it will be similar to existing arrangements where vehicles can use arterial roads. MG: Are the Manningham tunnel entrances near the drive in? The ramps have been moved further south and attached to Thompsons Rd. The Manningham interchange will allow east/west travel for vehicles heading towards Bell St. MG: If I'm coming down Rosanna Rd can I head south at Manningham to the Eastern Freeway? Vehicles can enter NEL southbound at Manningham, but they cannot head north to the M80.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – MG: What is the indicative timeline for the UDLP public consultation, and will the submissions be reviewed by an independent panel? The preparation for the UDLP will take a few months and consultation will take place after that. This is a different process to the EES where submissions were made to DEWLP and was reviewed by an independent panel. The UDLP requires submissions to be made to NELP, who will prepare a consultation report for the Minister for Planning.
<p>Kate Zisos (KZ), Glen Preema (GP), Chris Logan (CL), CPB, Matthew Pochroj (CPB)</p>	<p>CPB Works Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GP: Watsonia works update including new car spaces at Watsonia station and laying and commission underground new cables in the car park. Upcoming works include building the mobile phone tower and a new site compound at Frensham Reserve. Underground cables will be laid on local roads in Watsonia and underground pipes will be laid under Watsonia Road. • GP: Update on the new car park. KZ comments that the temp fencing and barriers will be removed at night and therefore nearby residents have been informed. • KZ: Update on doorknocks to take place to source alternative contact details for residents given face-to-face notification may not always be possible in covid environment. • MP: Borlase works update. Expect works to be completed in April. • KZ: Update on the successful dust suppressant at Borlase over the Christmas period. <p><u>Questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – JC: Queried whether there will be night works in Watsonia for the Nell to Rasheda Street service relocation. The majority of work will be during the day and it shouldn't be particularly noisy. There may be some night works where work is required with existing service providers but this is still to be confirmed. – SP: Will the access to the site compound be from Greensborough Road and Elder Street or Frensham Rd? The site access will be from Elder Street via Greensborough Road. – SP: How will trucks access Greensborough Road? There is a heavy vehicle route through Elder St and Frensham Reserve. Banyule City Council has also requested for an industrial grade crossover at Frensham Reserve as the current one does not withstand heavy vehicles. Local residents will be informed by the community engagement team of truck route and no standing zones. – JC: The detour bicycle route is significantly longer, how are CPB advising cyclists? There will be signage on the path as well as traffic controllers on site. A notification will go out to the residents and traders within a 300m radius. The bike detour adds no further distance to those travelling to Greensborough Road or Watsonia Station. – MG: are there plans to reinstate grass and trees at Borlase? CPB will be reinstating grass at Borlase but will refer to NELP regarding reinstating trees.
<p>Jeni Coutts (JC)</p>	<p>What keeps you up at night:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP: Concerned about the length of the tunnel and where the interchanges are. Hopes to have a face-to-face meeting in March to discuss this in more detail. Also concerns about what is going to happen at Winsor Reserve and what it will look like after construction? More detail will be provided at the next meeting. • MG: Membership of the group and how vacancies are dealt with? There is a process in place to recruit members and there will be a group refresh later this year. The Terms of Reference and Code of Conduct will be updated as part of this process

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SM: Traders want to be consulted and participate as much as possible. She feels that patience is wearing thin because the community feels information is not being provided. HH confirms that SPARK is resourcing staff and preparing detail to share with the community. <p>Matters Arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MG: Residents around Somers Ave have not received any advice that Winsor Reserve will be used by NELP. NELP will provide information on the distribution to residents around Winsor Reserve at the next meeting. AM: Requested an update on the trees at Greensborough College. NELP will follow up with Lloyd group regarding the newly planted trees. AM: NELP continues to show maps that show the Elder St works but is referred to as the secondary package of works. Would like to see the maps separated into packages and timeline of works. The overall project timeline is attached to the Minutes. RM: Very keen to understand the impacts of what happens between Grimshaw St and M80 in terms of noise and environmental impacts and road connections. Would like this info as early as possible. This information will not be available in detail until the next package of works is awarded and the successful contractor appointed – refer to the attached project timeline.
Jeni Coutts (JC)	<p>Other business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JC: Thanked CLG members and presenters and closed the meeting at 11.41am

Actions and issues register

No.	Date raised	Action/Issue	Owner	Status	Date closed
N1-1	12 November	Shared user paths are an issue for disabled people, and will the design take this into consideration?	Banyule Council – Erica Hardie	CLOSED – More detail will be available in the design stage. Next phase of consultation expected to take place in March.	21 January
N1-2	12 November	Is there interest in a Presentation from the Greensborough Historical Society to CLG-North.	NELP	OPEN – NP has contacted the Greensborough Historical Society for further information on the historical traffic study.	
N1-3	12 November	There was a request for pop-up events at various locations to inform residents - when will these occur?	NELP	CLOSED The preferred option for Winsor Reserve residents is to attend the Watsonia Hub for information. NELP	21 January

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				hopes to include information sessions as part of the UDLP engagement (pending covid restrictions)	
N1-5	12 November	Ensure the Borlase Reserve site is secured over the Christmas shut down period.	CPB	CLOSED	21 January
N1-6	21 January	Clarification as to why the longer tunnel would be worse for the community	NELP	OPEN Further information including a map to be provided at a future meeting.	
N1-7	21 January	Request for traffic numbers to be shown at an upcoming meeting	NELP	OPEN More traffic data will be made available.	
N1-8	21 January	Will Gabonia be used as a construction laydown area?	NELP	OPEN	
N1-9	21 January	When will the street trees be reinstated at Borlase?	NELP	OPEN	
N1-10	21 January	Resend project package timeline to the group	NELP	CLOSED Timeline attached to the Minutes	25 January
N1-11	21 January	Send instructions for meeting naming conventions to ensure it's clear who is in the meeting	NELP	OPEN	