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| **Date** | Tuesday 31 October 2023 | **Meeting No** | 26 |
| **Chair** | Vince Haining | **Time** | 8.00am – 9.00am |
| **Location** | Zoom | **Minutes** | Mathew Collum |

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| **Members** |  | | |
| *Present*   * Vince Haining [**Chair**] * Therese Fitzgerald, Kensington Association * Karen Snyders, City of Melbourne * Maree Klein, City of Melbourne | *Apologies*   * Matt Hammond, Kensington Association * Helaine Stanley, The Venny * Richard Reilly, Kensington & Flemington Junior Sports Clubs * Karen Hammarberg, community representative * Deb Wilson, Unison Housing * Sally Cunnington, Resident * Sam Hurst, Lloyd Street Business Estate * Guilliano Andy, Greater Western Water * Brett Hope, Greater Western Water | | |
| **In attendance** |  |  | |
| *Present*   * Kai Yeap, RPV * Christian Green, CYP * Kate Walshe, CYP * Matilda Tonkin, RPV * Regan Gilbert, RPV | * Andrew Robertson, RNA * Zaid Diego, RNA * Will Kean, RPV * Michael Prebeg, RNA * Claire Johnson, RPV * Mathew Collum, RPV **(Secretariat)** | |  |

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| 1. | Introduction and Welcome |
|  | Matters arising:   * Vince Haining welcomed members to the Kensington Community Reference Group (CRG). |
| 2. | **Outstanding Actions and Issues Register** |
|  | Matters arising:   * The CRG discussed the Outstanding Actions and Issues Register:   + In relation to K23-3, CYP advised that the traffic light sequence at the Kensington Road, Hobsons Road and Childers Street intersection has been reinstated to the pre-project conditions. The dedicated right turn light sequence from Kensington Road into Childers Street will be removed but the right turn section of road will remain. The CRG agreed to close the action. |
| 3. | **Contractors Presentations** |
|  | Presentation by Kate Walshe (CYP) on dynamic testing update.  Presentation by Kate Walshe (CYP) on project-wide construction update.  Presentation by Zaid Diego (RNA) and Andrew Robertson (RNA) on Western Portal construction update.  Presentation by Christian Green (CYP) on Western Portal construction update.  Presentation by Christian Green (CYP) on Western Portal community engagement update.  Presentation by Claire Johnson (RPV) on the plans for a Kensington Community Day and residential parking permits.  Matters arising:   * Therese Fitzgerald asked when the first trains are expected to be traveling out of the tunnel at the western portal. **Post meeting note:** *cross region testing is likely to start in early 2024.* * Therese Fitzgerald noted that two friends needed to travel to Reservoir for Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) scans due to availability of MRI services at the Royal Melbourne Hospital. Therese wasn’t sure whether the availability was associated with Metro Tunnel testing, however it highlighted the potential impacts that major projects have on the community can reach beyond initial expectations. CYP acknowledged the feedback and confirmed it will continue to provide detailed information on the testing program at future CRG meetings. * RNA provided an update on the Western Portal Development Plan Amendment which was on public display in September and October 2023. The amendment was for the demolition of three buildings at the rear of the Hobsons Road site because the buildings have been deemed as dilapidated beyond repair by a structural engineer. Therese Fitzgerald noted the community is generally supportive of the amendment. RNA confirmed it will provide information to the community prior to commencing the works. * The CRG discussed the upcoming occupation on 23 and 24 November 2023 to complete maintenance works. RNA agreed to provide Therese Fitzgerald with further information, including noise modelling data, outside of the CRG meeting. RNA confirmed buses will replace trains on the Sunbury line during this occupation. * RPV advised that a Kensington Community Day will be scheduled in 2024. * Vince Haining raised the opportunity to present the final renders to show how the public areas within the precinct will look once the project is complete. RPV agreed to follow up and share the available pictures at the next meeting. |
| 4. | General feedback and items for future discussion |
|  | Matters arising:   * Therese Fitzgerald requested for more information on the visual aspects of the security systems which will be installed at the western tunnel entrance. Therese raised concerns around potential future graffiti. RPV agreed to follow up and provide more information at the next meeting. |
| 5. | Meeting close |
|  | * RPV will issue the dates for the 2024 Kensington CRG meetings prior to the end of the year. |

**NEW ACTIONS AND ISSUES**

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| # | **ACTION / ISSUE** | **OWNER** |
| **K26-1** | RPV to share the final renders of the public realm areas within the precinct. | RPV |
| **K26-2** | RPV to arrange a presentation on the visual aspects of the security systems which will be installed at the western tunnel entrance. | RPV |