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| **Date** | Wednesday 14 February 2024 | **Meeting No** | 52 |
| **Chair** | Jeni Coutts | **Time** | 7.30am – 9.00am |
| **Location** | Zoom | **Minutes** | Grace Rayner |

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| **Members and attendees** |  |  |
| *Present*   * Jeni Coutts [**Chair**] * Neil Hutchinson, City of Melbourne * Fraser Read-Smith, G12+ * Petra Glare, Albert Road Clinic * Colin Stuckey, Melbourne Grammar School * Phil Lukies, Melbourne South Yarra Residents Group * Jan Swinburne, The Botanica Apartments * Andrea Coote, The Domain * Karen Baynes, Domain Hill * Richard Henley, Hallmark Apartments * Gary Buck, The Botanica Apartments * Simon Spain, Hallmark apartments | *Present*   * Rob Mair, CYP * Alex Cattanach, CYP * Matt Reid, CYP * Tom Shield, RPV * Minh Le, RPV * Paula Williams, RPV * Tim Fullerton, RPV * Jemma Erickson, RPV * Grace Rayner, RPV | *Apologies*   * Toni Meath, Mac Robertson Girls High School * Sarah Potter, Entrecote * Clare Hart, Royal Botanic Gardens * Dean Nightingale, G12+ * Clifford Samson, local resident * Marilyn Wane, G12+ * Gary Brennan, Bike Network Victoria * David MacGowan, Royal Domain Tower * Kate Blackwood, Yarra Trams * Trevor Sutherland, Hallmark Apartments * Maree Klein, City of Melbourne * Greg Gilmour, Shrine of Remembrance * Christian Lawless, Melbourne Girls Grammar School * Jamie McBride, Domain Road Traders * Andrew Bennett, South Yarra Residents Association * Richard Greig, City of Melbourne * David Macnish, City of Port Phillip |

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| 1. | Introduction and Welcome |
|  | Matters arising:   * Jeni Coutts welcomed members to the meeting of the Domain Community Reference Group (CRG). * Jeni bid farewell to Claire Roberts and wished her luck on her next graduate rotation. |
| 2. | Outstanding actions and issues register |
|  | Matters arising:   * In relation to A49-1, RPV advised that the Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) is currently unable to provide an update on the plans for the tram network on Domain Road and St Kilda Road corridor. |
| 3. | Presentations from project contractors |
|  | Presentation by Tom Shield (RPV) on the legacy artwork update.  Presentation by Alex Cattanach (CYP) on the works update.  Presentation by Matt Reid (RNA) on the Environment update.  Presentation by Rob Mair (CYP) on the Project-wide update.  Matters arising:   * Jeni Coutts asked for the scale of Maree Klein’s installation. RPV advised that the installation is three to four meters wide. * Fraser Reid-Smith asked when tree installation will begin. CYP advised that trees will be planted after April and that CoPP will manage the planting of trees in the Albert Road Reinstatement area. Fraser asked when the southern end of the reinstatement area will be open to the public. CYP advised it will be open by mid-March. * Gary Buck asked if the chiller plant equipment will be visible from the footpath. CYP advised that they will not be visible and that the chiller plants are concealed by the acoustic louvres. * Fraser Reid-Smith asked for the completion dates for Domain Road, Albert Road North and Edmund Herring Oval. CYP advised that Albert Road North will be finished mid-year 2024, however, the station forecourt will not be open to the public until the station is complete. Domain Road is expected to be complete in August/September 2024 and Edmund Herring Oval’s completion is anticipated for September/October 2024. * Andrea Coote asked if CRG members could be provided with a detailed design plan of what the works will look like with the legacy arrangements. Including information on where trees will be planted and road/bike path configuration. CYP advised it will discuss with the graphic designers if a map can be developed from the publicly available development plans. * Gary Buck raised that previously agreed upon design drawings are being changed without notice. Gary raised that the previously agreed five parking bays have now been changed to four and that the sight lines when leaving the Botanica Apartments are obstructed. CYP advised that RPV and CYP are looking into the parking, sight line and bare concrete form work concerns. Changes made to the initial design plans are typically in response to incorporating feedback from road safety audits and stakeholders. * Andrea Coote raised that there is a blind spot at the traffic lights on Bowen Lane due to one of the chiller plants, which has become a risk to the school children and pedestrians in the area. RPV advised that this issue has been reported to Yarra Trams. Sight lines for trams on that crossing are compliant but RPV will continue to engage with Yarra Trams to ensure trams travel at the speed limit of 15km/hr. * Gary Buck raised that if the staggered area between the road and the rail crossing changes directions, it could help address the traffic blind spot. CYP advised it will report back on the design intent of the staggered crossing. * Jeni Coutts asked if the concern for school children’s safety can be taken into consideration when RPV discusses this issue with Yarra Trams. RPV advised they will raise this with Yarra Trams and report back to the CRG. * Gary Buck asked if the raised pedestrian crossing of Bowen Crescent can be made a marked crossing. CYP advised that the crossing will be changed to a zebra pedestrian crossing within the week. * Karen Baynes raised that there is a blind spot when entering the Domain Hill parking entrance from Albert Road. CYP advised it will look into this issue. * Richard Henley asked if the issue of trams ringing their bells at early hours of the morning when no pedestrians or cars are on the road can be raised when RPV meets with Yarra Trams. RPV advised it will raise this issue to Yarra Trams and will report back at the next meeting. * Richard Henley raised that the generator noise continues to be disruptive to residents. CYP advised that the supplier is investigating what additional sound mufflers can be added to the generator. CYP advised further that the generator will be no longer required after two to three weeks. * Karen Baynes raised that Domain Hill has had noise disruptions from a neighbouring development and that noise in the area may not be attributed to CYP works. CoPP asked if Karen would like to lodge a complaint so that CoPP’s building compliance team can investigate the out of hours work. * Fraser Reid-Smith asked how much longer there will be a noise disruption to the area. CYP advised that the disruption associated with the St Kilda Road works will continue through to end of March 2024. * Andrea Coote asked where the final road and bike path will be once works are complete. CYP advised it will provide a marked up map to the CRG that will detail where the road, bike path and how to turn onto the road that is being built outside the Albert Road Clinic. * Colin Stuckley asked what the structure is that is attached to the goods lift. CYP advised it is the station forecourt. * Petra Glare asked if trucks will be driving up the road near the goods lift. CYP advised there are specific areas provided for servicing the station and that the goods lift can only be accessed from the St Kilda Road side rather than the Albert Road side. |
| 4. | General feedback and items for future discussion |
|  | Matters arising:   * Gary Buck asked which council or organisation is maintaining the lawn area. CYP advised that it will provide a mud map to the CRG which will detail the maintenance areas and which council, or organisation is responsible for that area. Gary raised that there are barriers located near the Botanica Building’s driveway that have not been removed. CYP advised it will investigate this issue. * Fraser Reid-Smith expressed interest in another station tour. CYP notes that it may be worthwhile to have a station tour as the last one was a few months ago. * Karen Baynes raised that the plants are dying out the front of Domain Hill. Karen asked if the dying plants will be replaced. CYP advised that the plants will be replaced closer to council handover date. Karen asked when the pavement works around the phone box would be complete. CYP advised that it will discuss this issue with Telstra. * Karen Baynes asked why a copy of the slides aren’t made available immediately after the meeting. RPV advised that the presentation is uploaded to the Victoria’s Big Build website once the meetings minutes have been finalised. RPV advised they will send out a copy of the presentation to the CRG following today’s meeting. * Phil Lukies asked what is happening with the trams on Domain Road. RPV advised it is continuing works to connect the tram network to Domain Road. * Andrea Coote raised that the traffic controllers are continuing to be aggressive towards residents. CYP advised it will continue to look into this issue. * Simon Spain asked that noise notifications are continued to be provided to residents. CYP advised it will continue to provide communications through its weekly update. |
| 5. | Meeting Close |
|  | Matters arising:   * Next meeting is Wednesday 27 March 2024. |

**NEW ACTIONS AND ISSUES**

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| # | **ACTION / ISSUE** | **OWNER** |
| **A52-1** | RPV to follow up with Yarra Trams regarding trams exceeding the 15km/hr speed limit approaching the pedestrian crossing near Bowen Lane. CYP to confirm the design intent of the Bowen Lane traffic lights. | RPV |