

# Minutes



West Gate Tunnel Project Community Liaison Group – Joint North & West group meeting

Thursday 21 February 2019

5:30-7:45pm

WGTP Information Centre, Yarraville

## Attendees

Name	Community/Organisation	Name	Community/Organisation
Marlon de Leon (MdL)	Tarneit	Jack Herbert (JH)	Transurban (TU)
Geoff Mitchelmore (GM)	Friends of Lower Kororoit Creek	Marvin Ambalia (MA)	TU
Garry Brennan (GB)	Bicycle Network	Andrew Shepherd (AS)	CPBJH
Martin Wurt (MW)	MTAG	Charles Fairbairn (CFb)	CPBJH
Ian Butterworth (IB)	Hobsons Bay City Council	Jacques Le Sueur (JS)	CPBJH
Adrian Ashford (AA)	Brimbank City Council	Vesna Newman (VNm)	CPBJH
Greg Cain (GC)	VTA	Tim Holmes (TH)	CPBJH
Tony Le-Nguyen (TL)	Footscray	Ebony Fisher (EF)	CPBJH
Victor Ng (VN)	Seddon	Patsy Toop (PT)	Inner West Air Quality Community Reference Group
Sarah Grace (SG)	Yarraville	Thomas Alemis (TA)	VicRoads
Con Frescos (CF)	Yarraville	<b>Apologies</b>	
Fran Araneda (FA)	Kensington	Kevin Redfern	Seabrook
Bryce Prosser (BP)	RACV	Matt Monger	Docklands
Paul Baggeridge (PB)	City of Melbourne	Monique Perry	Concerned Locals of Yarraville
Peter Sammut (PS)	West Gate Tunnel Authority (WGTA)	Griff Davis	Wyndham Council
Anthony Havers (AH)	WGTA	<b>Observer</b>	
Liz Evans (LE)	WGTA	Tallia Gilarry (TG)	City of Melbourne
Geoff Liu (GL)	WGTA		
Simon Black (SB)	WGTA		

Name	Community/Organisation	Name	Community/Organisation
<b>Not in attendance</b>			
Deidre Anderson	Maribyrnong City Council	James Cox	Avondale Heights
Philip Auciello	Brooklyn	Camden Gilchrist	TU
Chris Eddy	LeadWest	Steve Wilson	Friends of Stony Creek
John Stirk	BayWest BUG	Nathan Hang	Kensington

### Agenda Items

Time	#	Item Detail	Owner
5.30pm	1	Welcome, introductions, apologies and actions from previous meeting	Chair
5.40pm	2	Report from CLG community members	CLG Members
6:10pm	3	Special Guests – Patsy Toop / Thomas Alemis	Patsy Toop / Thomas Alemis
6.40pm	4	Tea Break	All
6.55pm	5	Construction update	CPB JV
7.10pm	7	Landscape CLG Workshop Update	WGTA and CPB JH
7.20pm	6	Questions from CLG members on construction update and landscape workshop update	CLG Members
7.35pm	8	West Gate Tunnel Authority Update	Peter Sammut
7.50pm	9	Upcoming events for CLG Members to attend	All
7.55pm	10	Actions arising and close	Chair

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Agenda Item	Item Detail
1	<p data-bbox="411 331 1225 362"><b>Welcome, introductions, apologies and actions from previous meeting</b></p> <p data-bbox="411 376 711 407">Meeting opened at 5:30pm.</p> <ul data-bbox="459 421 1455 851" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="459 421 1008 452">• JW started with Acknowledgement of Country.</li><li data-bbox="459 452 900 483">• JW welcomed everyone to the CLG.</li><li data-bbox="459 483 1385 537">• The minutes were agreed from the previous meeting further to advice from Deidre Anderson.</li><li data-bbox="459 537 1177 568">• These minutes will now be updated on the website as a result.</li><li data-bbox="459 568 1449 622">• JW explained the extra time today is to provide time for special guests and reports from CLG members.</li><li data-bbox="459 622 1426 676">• JW advised that CLG members Michael Kwon and Samantha McArthur have advised their resignation from the committee.</li><li data-bbox="459 676 1442 707">• JW made a formal welcome to Bryce Prosser from RACV and Martin Wurt from MTAG.</li><li data-bbox="459 707 989 739">• JW discussed minutes of previous meetings.</li><li data-bbox="459 739 1455 792">• PB commented on that action AJ2 (from 7 meeting) had not been completed and should remain open. This was agreed.</li><li data-bbox="459 792 1391 851">• FA advised that she would like the broader community to be involved in landscape design consultation.</li></ul>
2	<p data-bbox="411 896 861 927"><b>Report from CLG community members</b></p> <ul data-bbox="459 940 1465 1648" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="459 940 1222 972">• GM noted frustration about traffic light sequences on Millers Road.</li><li data-bbox="459 972 1455 1025">• PS advised that work around traffic light issues around Millers Road was conducted last year, however this may be a new issue.</li><li data-bbox="459 1025 1455 1111">• MdL advised members of the road works toward Kororoit Creek. Feedback from Tarneit communities on social media about traffic issues travelling towards the city and train station parking</li><li data-bbox="459 1111 1343 1142">• CF thanked WGTA for their community outreach stall at the Yarraville festival.</li><li data-bbox="459 1142 1465 1196">• CF advised that it is hard to explain tunnel developments to the community and suggests additional information be made available on the project website.</li><li data-bbox="459 1196 1426 1249">• CF noted that consideration to be given to good signage and access to sporting fields</li><li data-bbox="459 1249 1426 1303">• VN advised that community members are asking him where to find information about road work and traffic impacts.</li><li data-bbox="459 1303 1404 1335">• FA asked if notifications from WGTA about traffic impacts have stopped being sent.</li><li data-bbox="459 1335 1426 1388">• SG mentioned that it is good to see a second turning lane towards Geelong from Williamstown Road open as this has improved traffic flow, however line markings are causing confusion for motorists</li><li data-bbox="459 1388 1449 1473">• MW mentioned concerns at the intersection of Somerville Road and Hyde Street as it is hard to see the traffic lights. A recent accident involving a motorbike happened at this location.</li><li data-bbox="459 1473 1465 1527">• PB mentioned the Strategic Opportunities Plan for Moonee Ponds Creek will be provided to Future Melbourne committee in March.</li><li data-bbox="459 1527 1372 1581">• GB mentioned he wants to ensure communities impacted by the project are kept informed.</li><li data-bbox="459 1581 1465 1648">• GC noted that disruptions are part of major project upgrades and that transport operators are being very co-operative.</li></ul>

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3	<p><b>Special Guests – Patsy Toop / Thomas Alemis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PS introduced and welcomed PT as the Independent Chair for the Inner West Air Quality Community Reference Group (CRG) to the CLG.</li> <li>• PT stated the purpose of the group is to investigate air quality issues in the inner west of Melbourne and a recommendation report provided to government.</li> <li>• PT stated that the group first meeting was on 10 December 2018 and the next meeting will be held on 25 February 2019.</li> <li>• FA asked if there are any members of the CRG who are also on the WGTA CLG. It was noted that there are a number of consistent members between the CLG, Inner West Air Quality CRG and Millers and Williamstown Road corridor study group.</li> <li>• PT advised that MTAG is involved in both groups.</li> <li>• PT advised that the CRG will run for 12 months, concluding in December 2019.</li> <li>• MW raised concerns that the CRG is too late for ventilation systems to be applied for this project given construction of the West Gate Tunnel Project is already underway.</li> <li>• PT stated that the key topics of the CRG are diesel emissions, truck movements in local streets, dust, respiratory issues, odour and general traffic.</li> <li>• PT noted residential development around industry in the west including chemical industries.</li> <li>• TL suggested a case study on whether road or tunnel construction causes greater impact to motorists.</li> <li>• JW thanked PT for her time.</li> <li>• JW welcomed TA.</li> <li>• TA introduced himself as Senior Traffic and Planning Engineer for VicRoads.</li> <li>• TA explained that Millers Road and Williamstown Road Corridor Traffic Study group exists to bring together representatives from communities to work together to consider access, safety and amenity.</li> <li>• MW noted project will increase trucks on the narrow section of Williamstown Road. Despite other roads becoming truck ban routes, Williamstown Road residents will see this as a negative.</li> <li>• JH asked how people can ask questions in regard to the Road Corridor Traffic Study.</li> <li>• TA advised that people can get in touch with the Road Corridor Study Group via their email: <a href="mailto:mnw.communications@roads.vic.gov.au">mnw.communications@roads.vic.gov.au</a>.</li> </ul>
4	<p><b>Tea Break</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tea break was taken at 6.40pm</li> </ul>
5	<p><b>Construction update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AS introduced himself as the Construction Manager for the Tunnel Zone.</li> <li>• AS gave an update on the North Yarra Main Sewer diversion that runs near Whitehall Street.</li> <li>• AS advised that the construction activities in the Tunnel Zone are progressing well and on track.</li> <li>• AS advised of parking restrictions on Youell Street Footscray.</li> <li>• AS advised that TBM Bella arrived in January 2019 and assembly is underway and launch expected in late June.</li> <li>• AS advised that the construction of the covered conveyor for rock and soil is underway, and the soil shed construction will be completed by the middle of April.</li> <li>• JS introduced himself as Construction Manager for the Port to City.</li> <li>• JS advised that piling work will start in late April/May. This will include work within the Maribyrnong River.</li> <li>• JS advised that a drain on Footscray Road will be relocated.</li> <li>• JS advised that traffic on Footscray Road will be pushed to the left of the road for piling to be completed in May and the installation of gantry cranes in June/July.</li> <li>• CF asked if the traffic lights along Footscray Road will be changing. Project advised that traffic lanes will all be shifting, however the traffic lights will remain to allow safe entry and crossing from side roads.</li> <li>• CFb introduced himself as Construction Manager for the West Zone.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CFb advised of construction activities at the Williamstown Road and West Gate Freeway.</li> <li>• CFb provided at construction update on in the west precinct including Fogarty Avenue, monopoles, Millers Road and Paringa Road.</li> <li>• GM asked about further work at Millers Road. CFb noted that services work will need to be completed first.</li> </ul>
6	<p><b>Landscape CLG Workshop Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PS thanked everyone who attended the landscape workshop session on 18 February and acknowledged their contributions.</li> <li>• PS noted the adjustment of the CLG meeting format to respond to member comment from December on a community-based information approach.</li> <li>• TH explained the landscape workshop was a great way to get people involved.</li> <li>• TH advised that the intent was to start pretty soon with interactive experiences, focussing on local areas.</li> <li>• TH advised the community information campaign would be in Q1-3 2019, with pop up sessions, stakeholder briefings, information displays and to update material.</li> <li>• TH noted that the project would provide a speaker to attend presentations and that packs would be provided to CLG members.</li> <li>• FA stated that Landscape workshop was the first time she got detailed information on which to give constructive feedback</li> <li>• FA stated it was a very valuable opportunity and she wants to share information with the community.</li> <li>• FA noted that it is understood that the 5:1 tree replacement ratio was across the project but asked that the project does not forget the city area.</li> <li>• GM noted that the landscape workshop was broader than just landscaping, which may have been of more interest to more people.</li> <li>• GM noted that longer lead times for special meetings / workshops would be good. This was supported by members.</li> <li>• PB stated that by giving material to CLG members beforehand, CLG members will have more opportunity to give more feedback. TH noted that was a fair comment and can be considered in future.</li> </ul>
7	<p><b>West Gate Tunnel Authority Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PS advised that on 20 February 2019 the government introduced the West Gate Tunnel Bill and the CityLink concession deed amendments into parliament and debate has commenced.</li> <li>• PS advised that the Premier and Minister for Transport Infrastructure recently visited the site to see the Tunnel Boring Machine.</li> </ul>
8	<p><b>Upcoming events for CLG Members to attend</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MdL asked for feedback regarding applications for employment opportunities for people as applicants have not been hearing back. TH will provide an update at the next meeting.</li> </ul>
8	<p><b>Actions arising and close</b></p> <p>Meeting closes at 7.45pm.</p>

**Open Actions – West Group**

#	Action	Owner	Date Raised	Status
AW1	CPBJH to provide GD with location project boundary on Federation Trail.	CPBJH	November	Open

**Open Actions – North Group**

#	Action	Owner	Date Raised	Status
AN1	JM to review lane configuration at Williamstown Road entry to West Gate Freeway, DC to provide outcome to AH	TU	October	Open
AN2	DC to provide an update on the design of Williamstown Road when design is finalised	TU	October	Open

**Open Actions – Joint meetings**

#	Action	Owner	Date Raised	Status
AJ1	DC to provide the relevant stakeholders and CLG with most recent available landscaping design drawings.	TU	December	Open
AJ2	DC to provide further information on the truck haulage routes and locations for disposal of spoil	TU	December	Open
AJ3	Provide information regarding traffic modelling in Docklands area	TU	December	Open
AJ4	MdL asked for feedback regarding applications for employment opportunities for people as applicants have not been hearing back. TH will provide an update at the next meeting.	TU	February	Open
AJ5	JH to check if FA's address on the email distribution list.	TU	February	Open
AJ6	Provide traffic projections for Moonee Pond Creek around Dynon Road and Arden Street.	WGTA	February	Open
AJ7	Project to co-ordinate specific workshops with East and West members.	WGTA	February	Open