

Meeting Minutes

CLG North

Date	13/11/2020	Time	10:00-11:30am
Chair	Mike Marasco	Meeting no.	5
Location	Online (Zoom)	Minute taker	Nic Morton

Attendees

Attendees		Apologies	
Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Mike Marasco (MM)	Independent Chair	John Pompei (JP)	Community Representative
Sarah Maguire (SM)	Watsonia Traders Association	Remo Marinucci (RM)	Community Representative
Michelle Molinaro (MMo)	Community Representative		
Stephen Paul (SP)	Community Representative		
Michelle Giovas (MG)	Friends of Banyule		
Katie George (KG)	Community Representative		
Allan Hunter (AH)	Community Representative		
Adriano Murone (AM)	Community Representative		
Simon Chao (SC)	VicRoads		
Paul Bellis (PB)	Banyule Council		
Mick Marcevski (MMa)	DoT		
Steve Haylock (SH)	CPB		
Richard Carroll (RC)	CPB		
Carlene Rutledge (CR)	CPB		
Glen Preema (GP)	CPB		
Duncan Elliott (DE)	NELP		
Louisa Rendina (LR)	NELP		
Nat Pearson (NP)	NELP		

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Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Nic Morton (NM)	NELP		
Bill Himonas (BH)	NELP		

Key discussion points/decisions

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Mike Marasco (MM)	<p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MM welcomes the group and announces the apology of JP
Duncan Elliott (DE)	<p>General Project Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DE welcomes group and outlines what NELP has achieved in 2020 considering Coronavirus restrictions DE explains the establishment of a new toll structure, the investment into Sport and Recreation, the restructure and recruitment of the CLG, commencement of Templestowe Road soccer facility planning, negotiations with councils through the legal challenge, moving the gas main on Greensborough Road, relocating the lone pines in Simpson Barracks, fast tracking the Bulleen Park and Ride project, Sport and Recreation works that are underway, and the fully remote evaluation of bids to build North East Link which involved pushing back the contract award date to manage complexities and risk in the project delivery DE explains what lies ahead for NELP in 2021 including the awarding of the contract, finishing early works and building Bulleen Park and Ride DE outlines the major early works in more detail including the Yarra East Main Sewer, utility relocation works which includes HV tower relocations, finishing of gas works on Greensborough Highway and the pressure reducing station DE outlines opportunities for CLG members in the Urban Design Landscape Planning process and the importance in seeking community feedback when seeking approval for these projects. DE then explains interactions that will happen on tree planting with the community and councils. DE outlines CLG opportunities through school engagement. Social procurement is then explained and the job creation that NELP will deliver, helping business and economic growth in the area, including social enterprises. DE explains that fast tracking Bulleen Park and Ride will also help stimulate the local economy DE explains some press that members may have heard around managing risk for the project. Risk sharing model has been introduced to work through challenges more effectively and avoid disputes

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KG asks about whether there is an engagement plan for residents highly impacted by these works in the project corridor and why NELP has not informed these residents about impacts that are already known. DE responds by stating that residents have been openly communicated with and that engagement has been positive and respectful, resulting in different relocation options being taken up. DE states that this type of engagement is best when there is a high degree of certainty of known impacts and that more certainty will come when details around the final design are known. KG states that the longer these impacts are not known, the more uncertainty and cost is felt by residents who are unsure of what they need to do. KG requests that engagement should be done as early as possible with residents in the future when impacts are known • MM provided progress statistics on the Voluntary Purchase Scheme as well as long term and short-term accommodation. MM also explained that these discussions are conducted on a one on one basis due to privacy and the fact that personal details are disclosed
Mike Marasco (MM)	<p>Outstanding Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MM states that all outstanding items are either complete or are underway. The community briefing is being planned by CR and KG and that a date and time is being negotiated to work in with residents. CR confirms this • MM addresses an issue raised by SM around vans and trucks being parked within the shopping precinct and the impacts this has had on traders. MM explains that workers were undertaking induction at the community hubs and that these sessions have now been completed. CR confirms this. SM states that traders were unaware that this was happening and that a heads up would be appreciated next time. CR explains that prior warning has been taking place. SM states she didn't receive this. CR explains that no more sessions will occur but that a heads up will be provided next time
Adam Hull (AH) and Noel Treacy (NT), NELP	<p>Bulleen Park and Ride</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NT introduces himself and AH and acknowledges the traditional owners of the land • NT outlines the Doncaster busway proposal and the route it takes along the Eastern Freeway between the Doncaster bridge and Hoddle Street. Features include dedicated lanes along the Eastern Freeway, the upgrade of Doncaster Park and Ride, and the construction of a new Bulleen Park and Ride (BP&R). This will create 800 car spaces across the two sites • NT shows the original location of BP&R at the Boroondara Tennis Centre (BTC) shown in the reference design. Issues with this location are explained including access to the site and the lack of lighting. NT states that an agreement has been reached with Boroondara Council to move BTC elsewhere with sites still being investigated. NT then explains where the new location of BP&R is being proposed, across the road. Main advantages of doing this allows the facility to be built 4 years early and for new open space to be created at the existing BTC location

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NT explains that building BP&R means that a temporary Doncaster Park and Ride will not be needed, saving trees and open space • NT shows an artist impression of the interim BP&R design and how this design will be amended when there is a bus connection straight into the Eastern Freeway. An artist impression of the final design that outlines this is then shown • AH introduces himself and the features of BP&R including a green roof, large lawn area and landscaping, open space, location of carpark and additional parking spaces. AH explains how the site is sloped and this will allow the bus link road to be level with Kampman street. AH explains various other features of the site including the access points. AH explains that the facility is fully accessible and contains accessible car spots • AH outlines the walking and cycling connections to the site and the works being done to upgrade the Shared User Path (SUP), with future proofing also in place to accommodate the extra demand expected through more people utilising the path in the future. A render is then shown of the green roof and the SUP • A render of Kampman street is then shown with outlines pedestrian access, underpass and new noise wall • AH explains sustainability measures including solar panels, allowance for electric vehicle charging and water reuse • AH explains the premium facilities offered that are intended to copy that of a premium train station. This includes, full canopy coverage, Myki ticketing, full staffing, toilets, CCTV, ample lighting, passenger information displays and air-conditioned waiting room • AH shows the Northern platform and explains the design elements and openness of the layout, allowing for better passive surveillance. A render of the southern platform is then shown • AH then shows the accessibility to the platforms from different access points • NT outlines the construction timeline and the start date in mid-2021. Construction can only begin after UDLP approval with the exception of minor works such as geo technical works. Construction will take around 18 months. Once appointed, the builder will need to comply with Environmental Performance Requirements (EPRs) • NT states the plans that will be prepared to satisfy the various EPRs and how non relevant EPRs will also be addressed for full transparency • NT then explains the approvals process including the need for the EES, Planning Scheme Amendments (PSAs) and how these contribute to the Urban Design Landscape Plan (UDLP) that is open to community contributions before being approved. NT explains the aspects of a UDLP including Site Layout Plans, Architectural Plans, Landscape Plans and a UDLP report that explains compliance with EPRs

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NT outlines how the community can have their say on the UDLP and that consultation began on Nov 2 and will continue until Dec 7. A 36-day exhibition period is longer than usual, but this has been done to ensure that the community can have their say and access the information through online channels. Approval is expected in early-mid 2021 with construction begin in mid-2021. NT encourages the group to have their say on the UDLP • KG asks about the rooftop garden, what species of trees will be planted and how large trees can be put on a green roof. AH responds that the tree species are included in the UDLP and that the trees will sit around a meter above the grass to allow the roots to grow. The roof has been designed to cater for this extra weight • MM explains that this presentation will be distributed with the minutes when they come out • NP explains that the links to submissions on the BP&R were sent out previously but that hard copies can be arranged
<p>Carle Rutledge (CR), Richard Carroll (RC) and Glen Preema (GP), CPB</p>	<p>CPB Works Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CR provides an overview of the presentation • RC gives an update on the Borlase Street works. Borlase Street opening has been completed, allowing residents on Borlase Street to access their properties. Similar works will be undertaken on Drysdale Street. RC acknowledges the patience of the residents amidst these disruptions • RC explains the commencement of works on the large diameter water main and works on the Pressure Reducing Station (PRS) at Coleen Street to start mid-November. RC also explains the bus stop relocation works that are happening. RC reiterates that the PRS will be complete in Feb 2021 • CR explains the consultation that has been done on the PRS with the community and the engagement with residents about upcoming works. CR shows the final PRS design chosen by the community which included a palisade fence and charcoal colouring with surrounding vegetation • RC explains other works in the Borlase area including the APA Gas Main, the cultural heritage works, the creek crossing involved in the haul road construction and some upcoming electrical relocation works • RC outlines other works in the area including electrical relocations along Greensborough Road, gas main works taking place across three stages and water main works on the western side of Borlase Reserve • RC shows upcoming works for 2021 including the closure of Woorwatha Street for two weeks in January, the relocation of the slow-moving large diameter water main in Borlase Street that will start in January and take 3 months to complete. RC then reiterates the gas works that will take place over 3 stages • CR explains other works including Telecommunications relocations, zone substation early works at Simpson Barracks, High Voltage tower construction works in Frensham reserve and the Optus and Telstra geotechnical works on the M80

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CR continues by explaining the 513 bus route changes. Residents were notified of works starting on 9 November to decommission 9 bus stops along an existing route. 6 new bus stops are being built along a new route, residents near these stops have also been notified • CR explains that a Shared User Path (SUP) will need to be closed from 23 November for 6 months due to water main relocation works. Many communications activities have been undertaken to notify residents and relevant stakeholders including works notifications, flyers, digital content and stickers and other wayfinding items. Council, schools and bike groups have been notified and worked with through this process • CR outlines other works in the north including property demolition works along Greensborough Road that are underway and will be complete early December. Houses are vacant and usual safety procedures and traffic management is in place • GP explains High Voltage tower relocation works in Watsonia next week that will be complete in time for Christmas. Preparation for the site will also occur including fencing, removing plum trees and utilising a caravan for workers. Frensham reserve will be closed while these works take place • GP explains that when the foundation works for the site are set up, new towers will be installed, and the brand-new cables will be installed by March 2021. Some work will also occur in Watsonia car park; however a new switch will be added that ensures power does not need to be switched off. There will also be some works in February to upgrade powerlines that will take 1-2 weeks • MG asks about birds nests on the HV towers and if they have been checked. GP responds that the towers have been checked and that an ecologist will be on site to make sure no birds are there when the towers come down • CR provides summary of community engagement done with residents. This includes Borlase Street residents, Drysdale Street and Coleen Street where short-term relocations are being offered and a dedicated relocations advisor is on standby, residents impacted by 513 bus stop relocations, Gas and electricity relocation works, transmission works, and SUP closure works. CR is aware that these notifications on works for next year need to go out before the Christmas break • CR reminds the group of how the community can get in touch with CPB on these works • KG asks about short term relocations for residents in Borlase Street and what the criteria is for being offered short term relocation options. Advice was that this would be offered. Clarification is sought for families who are still living in the area and are being impacted by these works. MM responds that short term relocation is offered when EPRs are not met. MM will clarify this and follow up with a response to KG

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MMo expresses her thanks for the lowering of repairs on Greensborough Road and is appreciative for the effectiveness of traffic management activities along Greensborough Road. CR is glad that workers are doing their job and is appreciative of the feedback. RC explains that further works will be done to improve Greensborough Road
Mike Marasco (MM)	<p>Other business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP asks about the water run-off into Banyule Creek and what the plan was to deal with more water flow with works taking place nearby. NP will follow up this matter offline. MG asks about whether another meeting can take place before Christmas to address any issues that come up. NP explains that as meetings occur every 6 weeks, the next scheduled time would be on 25 December. The third week of January is being planned for to allow everyone some time off over Christmas. Suggested dates will be sent out to confirm the exact date of the next meeting. MM confirms that any issues that come up before the next meeting can be forwarded to NELP MG asks about storm water run-off into Banyule Creek and requests that this information be sent to all CLG members. MM confirms that this can be done MG asks about tree losses during sports upgrade works and what steps have been taken at Ford Park and Binnak Park to avoid what occurred at Greensborough College. NP responds that tree planting will occur at these parks at the end of construction next year. Further engagement will be done on what species will be planted and where this will occur. NP states that tree planting programs have occurred through the school at Greensborough College MMo explains that a 2:1 process is being enacted at Greensborough College and that if a tree is removed following an arborist report and approval from school council, 2 more are planted. MG states that she is concerned that trees were removed at Greensborough College that didn't need to be removed and that this should be avoided at Ford Park and Binnak Park wherever possible. MM states that MG can pursue this matter offline to progress this discussion. MMo states that lots of consultation was done and that this was separate to NELP as works took place in a public school. MM explained that the school council of which MMo is a member as well as a horticulturalist were heavily involved in consultation and the CLG can be comfortable a thorough consultative process was undertaken to their satisfaction.” MM thanked all participants and closed the meeting. The group will meet for the next time in January.

Actions – previous

No.	Action	Owner	Due	Status	Update
1	CR to respond to KG about asbestos notifications	CR	13/11	Completed	
2	CR to provide KG with details on dust suppression and air monitoring at Borlase Reserve	CR	13/11	Completed	
3	CR to provide MG with details on salvage works	CR	13/11	Completed	
4	CR to provide MG with details on approvals process for Independent Environment Audit reports	CR	13/11	Completed	
5	CR to follow up to KG about ongoing management of wildlife at Simpson Barracks.	CR	13/11	Completed	
6	CR to respond to KG about resident issues and future engagement in relation to upcoming disruptive works at Borlase Reserve	CR	13/11	Completed	
7	KG to provide NP with further details on assisting residents at Borlase Reserve	KG	13/11	Completed	
8	MG to provide TC with issues that have not been resolved by the contact centre	MG	13/11	Completed	
9	NP to provide MG with map locations for substation at Simpson Barracks	NP	13/11	Completed	

Actions – new

No.	Action	Owner	Due	Status	Update
1	NELP to respond to KG about clarification of the criteria for short term relocation options for residents in Borlase Street	NP	30/11	Outstanding	
2	NP to respond to all CLG members about the water run-off into Banyule Creek and what the plan was to deal with more water flow with works taking place nearby.	NP	30/11	Outstanding	