

Mordialloc Freeway

Community Reference Group



Meeting:	Mordialloc Freeway - Community Reference Group
Location:	Online – Zoom Meeting
Date and Time:	Thursday 26 August – 6:30pm – 7:30pm
Attendees:	<p>CRG Members: Present - Jon Garrard, David Cappellari, Peter Wain, Ken Carney, Frank Pitinga, Margaret Hunter</p> <p>MRPV Representatives: Adrian Furner, Sam Doyle, Luke Minton, Josh Lim</p> <p>McDDJV: Trevor Cruden, Jordyn Staples</p> <p>MPs: Tim Richardson, Member for Mordialloc, Lee Tarlamis Member for South Eastern Metropolitan Region</p>
Apologies:	<p>CRG Members: Michael Poulakakis</p> <p>McDDJV: Melissa Doolan</p> <p>MPs: N/A</p>
Chair / Secretary:	<p>Chair: Nicola Wass, RPS</p> <p>Assistant: Omi Koulas, RPS</p>
Meeting Contact:	Luke Minton – 1800 105 105

Actions from Meeting #7

#	Action	Owner	Due	Status
1.	Provide an update on the noise wall visuals opportunity	MCDDJV MRPV	Thursday 26 August	Closed
2.	Provide an update on organisation of the End of Works community event	MRPV	Thursday 26 August	Closed

Agenda items – Meeting #8

#	Description	Presenter
1	<p>Introduction and Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nicola welcomed the members and recognised Traditional Owners through Acknowledgement of Country Nicola refreshed the group on the meeting's house rules Nicola outlined the purpose and agenda for Meeting 8. 	Nicola Wass
2	<p>Updates on Actions from Meeting #7</p> <p>Luke provided an update on the questions and actions from Meeting 7</p> <p>Community event discussed in last meeting, will provide update at end of the meeting</p> <p>Meeting 7 Action #1 – Provide an update on the noise wall visuals opportunity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An update was provided to the CRG during this meeting. New design and visuals proposed by the architect were presented by the Project <p>Meeting 7 Action #2 - Provide an update on organisation of the End of Works community event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An update was provided to the CRG during this meeting. Currently planning options due to restrictions. 	Luke Minton
3	<p>Project snapshot</p> <p>What have you been hearing?</p> <p>Nicola asked members about the key feedback and concerns they have heard from their communities about the Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A member mentioned attendance in last meetings minutes were incorrect and had been amended following A member queried when the road at Lower Dandenong Road will be completed. Trevor said it is taking longer than all the other local roads due to the complexity of the utility services there. They expect to be completed by early October A member raised temporary Springvale Road overpass traffic markings are confusing people, resulting in near misses. Trevor said all lines will be remarked once the final lay of asphalt is put down A member wanted to thank Luke on behalf of the community for the presentation to Aspendale Gardens Residents Association AGM. The Aspendale Gardens Residents community also asked if they could share milestones and progress stories onto their social media channels. <p>What have we been doing?</p> <p>Trevor presented aerial drone video footage of the full project alignment and talked through key construction progress</p> <p>Key notes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most of the asphalt has been laid down with final layers and line marking to be completed in the coming months Centre Dandenong Road is close to completion with crews working on landscaping, connecting footpaths, and putting up noise walls Asphalting at Lower Dandenong Road bridge is nearly complete with the ramps and the main alignment mostly done. The project is installing around 200 noise wall panels every day around this area Shared user path will become a milestone recreational area of the project Governor Road is a couple of weeks away from the final layers of asphalt 	All Trevor Cruden

- Waterways Bridge is nearly complete, with outside barriers being installed and painted. Environmental controls are all still in place and Waterways will return to how they were before construction in the coming months
- Springvale Road Bridge has been challenging due to traffic volumes on the road, but the beams have been installed with bridge works ongoing
- Landscaping and tree planting is taking place right across the alignment.

Adrian presented a virtual drive from Lower Dandenong Road to the Dingley Bypass

- The point of view drive through showed off the progress on the noise walls, planting, and landscaping along the side of the road
- The video represents how the road will look for a road user when it is open.

Trevor also shared these construction updates:

On Springvale Road:

- 26 bridge beams installed
- Parapets and barriers installed
- Concrete deck pours completed
- Island works, pavements, and light signals have been installed.

On Centre Dandenong Road section:

- Profile and detector loops have been installed
- Wearing course, line markings, and gantries are installed
- Lighting across the area has been installed.

On Dingley Bypass section:

- Detector loops have been installed
- Wearing course and spot out complete
- Line marking is complete.

On Lower Dandenong Road:

- Drainage on Lower Dandenong Road near Howard Road has been installed
- Bridge parapets and barriers are installed, as well as painting complete.

On Braeside Park Bird Hides:

- Two bird hides have been contributed by the MCCDJV in partnership with the Men's Shed to provide amenity to the park.

High level construction lookahead

Adrian provided an update on upcoming disruptions, which included:

- Governor Road night works and road closures from 6 September for works on detector loops, wearing course, profile, and line marking
- Springvale Road day works including lane closures and night works including partial and full road closures from 14 September for works on installation of parapets and barriers, bridge painting and drainage, wearing course, detector loops, and line marking
- Lower Dandenong Road night works and road closure from 24 September for works on wearing course, line marking, painting, drainage, and lighting
- Noise wall installation continuing for the next couple of months
- From October onwards asphaltting, sign gantry installation, shared user path, wearing course, detector loops and line marking activities continue along the whole alignment.

	<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A member asked if the lake at the end of the Lower Dandenong Road will stay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Trevor said it will stay to mitigate flooding and the upper stream areas will get planted out • Another member asked if there was any plan to open the shared walking and cycling path before the Freeway <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Trevor said the shared walking and cycling path and road will be opened at the same time to ensure public safety • A member queried the status of revegetation planting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Trevor said the Project is 40 per cent of the way through revegetation planting and will finish sometime in November. He noted planting was held up by a poor season for seed growth and cold weather • A member raised the status of the lunchroom at Braeside Park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adrian explained the lunchroom is no longer part of the scope and the Project and that any questions should be directed to Parks Victoria • A member asked about the noise walls and if there is any data between the standard barriers and the new 75 percent recycled materials barriers being used <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Trevor answered the barriers are equal performers and are acoustically tested. Noise is measured six months after opening to ensure they meet performance targets outlined in the Environment Effects Statement. If they don't meet the requirements, they'll be remediated • Tim Richardson and Lee Tarlamis shared their excitement and appreciation for the leadership put in by the Project Team and the effort from the CRG members for being involved and collaborating effectively. 	
4	<p>Pedestrian underpass mural</p> <p>Sam shared an update on the pedestrian underpass mural.</p> <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hayden Dewar has been selected as the preferred artist to design and install the artwork at the pedestrian underpass at Park Way and Braeside Park • Hayden will engage with a local Aboriginal artist to collaborate and refine the final design for the mural over the coming weeks • The final design includes wildlife and fauna of the area, incorporating Aboriginal elements that tie into the history of the land • Hayden is aiming to complete the mural in November 2021 • Adrian noted that the mural will incorporate contingencies against vandalism and graffiti within the design • Nicola Wass asked if a final design would be shared at the next CRG meeting. Sam said he will be happy to share the finalised design when it's available and keep everyone updated with progress. 	Sam Doyle
5	<p>Noise wall design</p> <p>Adrian shared an update on the current noise wall design.</p> <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adrian presented the new plastic noise walls in comparison to the standard steel walls • The Project Team reviewed the Urban Design panel feedback surrounding the colour, recessive nature of urban guidelines, and materials • Adrian thanked the Group for their involvement and feedback provided in the June meeting. After considering the options, the Project has decided to use a mix of earthy tones on the approach to the bridges. 	Adrian Furner



6	<p>Community Reference Group site visit update</p> <p>Luke shared an update on the proposed CRG site visit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restrictions are delaying the CRG site visit. The Project Team is endeavouring to provide the opportunity for the site tour if and when restrictions allow. 	Luke Minton
7	<p>Community Reference Group survey</p> <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Luke raised a planned survey for the CRG members to complete after the final meeting The survey will generate input and feedback to help strengthen communications and other Community Reference Groups across other Big Build projects. 	Luke Minton
8	<p>End of works community event</p> <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Luke noted the project would still like to hold a closing event for the community to thank them for their patience during construction No details are in place for this event yet, including dates or locations Luke noted the feedback about including sporting clubs and the Friends of Braeside Park, and revealing the mural to be involved as part of the event Sam noted changing restrictions and guidelines will affect what type of event can be held. They are working through a few different contingency plans for the event. It is a high priority to celebrate in the most appropriate manner More developed plans will be shared in following meeting. 	Luke Minton
9	<p>Other business</p> <p>Nicola asked the group if there were any further questions for this meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A member asked how feedback or input can be shared once the road project is complete <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Luke directed the member to contact the 1800 105 105 number as the best point of contact for any enquiries. He noted the project team will move onto other projects and the best way to get back in touch with project team after practical completion is by the 1800 number A member queried new cameras at Tootal and Centre Dandenong Road, wondering if they are traffic monitoring cameras and who operates them <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adrian said they are CCTV cameras from Department of Transport who is the operator of the Freeway and local road network. The Department of Transport can monitor and control flow of traffic using the cameras A member asked about MRPV attending the Aspendale Gardens Community Fun Day on 27 November (subject to restrictions) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Luke said the Building Roads and Bridges Program is not suitable for outdoors so it cannot be used at the community event. Luke says they are coordinating with other projects like Level Crossings to find out who will be able to attend and will be in touch with the community group A member asked if signage for the shared walking and cycling path has been designed and if it can be previewed? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sam and Adrian explained it has been designed and they can share that design with the community. Luke mentioned the design page on the MRPV website shows the location of those signs, noting they are pretty basic with location labels Nicola Wass noted the CRG will meet again towards the end of October and the following meeting will be close to the end of the year. Luke raised some planned leave might require reshuffling of dates and an update will follow 	Nicola Wass

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nicola Wass queried if restrictions are lifted would a site visit could occur. Luke said under lockdown and reduced restrictions, no face-to-face engagement is permitted. Once back to COVID Safe, the Project Team can engage face-to-face with site visits or meetings in person. 	
10	<p>Next Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members did not request a presentation topic for the next meeting 	Nicola Wass

Actions from Meeting #7 –

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1.	Share milestone and project progress stories to Aspendale Gardens Resident Association for the group to share on their social media channels	MRPV	28 October 2021	Open
2.	MRPV to inform the Aspendale Gardens Residents Association of attendance for the Community Fun Day on the 27 November	MRPV	27 November 2021	Open
3.	Update on End of Year Community Event	MRPV	28 October 2021	Open
4.	Update on Community Site Tour	MRPV	28 October 2021	Open
5.	Update on project completion CRG survey	MRPV	28 October 2021	Open
6.	Preview and progress update on the mural design	MRPV	28 October 2021	Open

Next meeting: Thursday 28 October 2021, subject to potential site visit