

# Mordialloc Freeway CRG

## Meeting Agenda



<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Mordialloc Freeway - Community Reference Group Meeting #5</b>
<b>Location:</b>	Mordialloc Freeway Info Hub – 358 Boundary Road, Dingley Village
<b>Date and Time:</b>	Thursday, 7 February – 6:30pm – 8:30pm
<b>Attendees:</b>	CRG Members: Paul Cameron, Lucinda Bertram, Scott Fothergill, Tim Moran, Judith Sise MRPV Representatives: Daniel Kollmorgen, Caitlin Rode & Luke Minton MPs: Tim Richardson
<b>Apologies:</b>	Margaret Hunter, Phil Newman, Steve Quenette, Mark Hardman
<b>Chair / Secretary:</b>	Chair: Ben Neil, Capire Consulting Secretary: Janine Lyon, Capire Consulting
<b>Next Meeting</b>	Thursday, 21 March

### Actions from last meeting – Meeting #4

#	Action	Owner	Due	Status
1	Feedback requested on guidelines/process for sharing information	CRG	Where required	Ongoing
2	Produce graphics for fauna crossing to be shared with the community - Luke - Interactive model is expected in late February or early March	MRPV	February	In Progress

**Key discussion points/decisions:**

Presenter	Description
All	<b>Agenda Item #1 - Introductions</b>
Ben Neil	<b>Agenda Item #2 - Actions – Previous meeting</b>
Ben Neil	<p><b>Agenda Item #3 - Community Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>What have you been hearing? Community issues, concerns, or queries?</b></li> <li>- Lucinda said a lot of the comments from the community are predominantly to ‘just build it’.</li> <li>- Scott mentioned members of our community have expressed concerns about the environmental, pollution, and parking impacts in Braeside. The community would like to know if there is a need for the project or if other alternatives have been explored. The Directions Hearing was a good opportunity for people to talk and hear from other views</li> <li>- Tim Moran commented the Save Kingswood Golf Course group may have some influence on the project in Dingley</li> <li>- Judith mentioned that there is community concern about access to Dingley, and traffic concerns. There are ongoing concerns about traffic on Centre Dandenong Road</li> <li>- Paul said there has been an increase in morning traffic on Tootal Rd, which is quite full now. This may be affected by the Dingley Bypass</li> <li>- Tim Moran mentioned that Google Maps may be the cause of this increase</li> <li>- Tim Richardson said that people are now asking for next steps in the process. People from Edithvale, Chelsea and Chelsea Heights are enquiring about the project. The concerns and enquiries are predominantly about project timelines.</li> </ul>
Daniel Kollmorgen	<p><b>Agenda Item #4 - Project Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public consultation has finished, and the Directions Hearing was held on Thursday, 31 January</li> <li>- The Panel Hearings are scheduled to begin on Monday, 25 February and go for three weeks</li> <li>- The procurement process is still underway. The Request for Tender was sent out in July and those submissions have been reviewed and evaluated by the Major Transport Infrastructure Board, with a decision on the preferred tender to be made shortly</li> <li>- VicRoads have issued the Notice of Intention to Acquire letters for private land required for the project, currently occupied by businesses and a nursery</li> <li>- Tim Richardson asked when construction was expected to begin</li> <li>- Daniel said that construction is expected to start in the second half of the year. It may start in September or October – but this is subject to the EES process, other planning approvals, and federal biodiversity assessments</li> <li>- Judith asked what happens if the federal government doesn’t approve?</li> <li>- Daniel responded that the project would not proceed if that was the case</li> <li>- Lucinda asked if there are any previous examples where the EES has stopped or significantly changed a project</li> <li>- Daniel mentioned there are examples of project changes due to impacts on native flora or fauna such as legless lizards, and golden moths.</li> <li>- Tim Richardson asked for an update on the Wells Road and Thames Promenade area</li> <li>- Daniel said that there is no land acquisition expected in this area and that the need to upgrade to traffic signals is still being assessed. It will be explored at the Hearings.</li> </ul>



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Caitlin Rode Luke Minton	<p><b>Agenda Item #5 - Communications and Stakeholder Engagement Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>What have we been doing? What activities do we have planned?</b></li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Caitlin asked the group if there is enough information provided about the project and if it's easy to share</li> <li>- Lucinda said that information is well organised, straightforward and easy to share</li> <li>- Tim Moran commented that it was good to have the group's key themes of interest responded to through the CRG, and experts coming in was helpful</li> <li>- Caitlin asked how the group has been sharing information with their communities</li> <li>- Lucinda said that she shares through Facebook and a newsletter that goes to 2600 residents of Aspendale Gardens. The key messages sent makes it easy to share and pass along without us having to compose it. It's good for those of us who are busy to get the message out</li> <li>- Tim Moran agreed and said most information is shared on social media</li> <li>- Scott commented that information is shared by email, Facebook and at meetings</li> <li>- Ben asked if there are any barriers to sharing information</li> <li>- Scott said there is interest from people in Dingley Village where there are many elderly people. It's beneficial to have physical information for people who are not online.</li> <li>- Scott invited MRPV to present at the upcoming RAMF AGM in March</li> </ul>
Daniel Kollmorgen	<p><b>Agenda Item #6 - Environment Effects Statement Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>EES Submissions, Public Exhibition, Directions Hearing, Public Hearing</b></li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Submissions for the EES closed in December. Around 30% of the submissions are supportive, 50% are positive with some concerns about the project, and 20% are not supportive</li> <li>- All submissions are publicly available online and can be viewed at: <a href="https://engage.vic.gov.au/mordialloc-bypass-ees-inquiry/submissions">https://engage.vic.gov.au/mordialloc-bypass-ees-inquiry/submissions</a></li> <li>- The Public Hearings will begin on Monday, 25 February and run until Friday, 15 March – but there will be no hearings on Thursday, 7 or Monday 11 March.</li> <li>- The Hearings are open to the public and run from approximately 10:00am until 4:30pm daily</li> <li>- Environmental Performance Requirements (EPR) and Incorporated Documents in the Planning Scheme Amendments will be addressed as a result of issues in submissions</li> <li>- Every submitter is given the right to present at the Public Hearing. When the Hearing closes, the Panel prepares a report for the State Planning Minister. The Minister then considers the report and makes their determination. The decision is expected to be around June 2019</li> <li>- After this, it goes to the Federal Environment minister to consider under the Environmental and Biodiversity Protection and Conservation (EPBC) Act, due to matters of national environmental significance and potential impacts to the Edithvale-Seaford Wetlands</li> <li>- Judith asked why there is a closing submission from the local council</li> <li>- Daniel said that they have an interest as they manage the project once it is complete</li> <li>- Scott asked about the maintenance of plantings once the project is complete</li> <li>- Daniel responded that it is the long-term responsibility of VicRoads, but there is a period of two years where MRPV is responsible for maintenance before handing it over to VicRoads</li> <li>- Judith asked about impacts to surrounding water and who is responsible for that</li> <li>- Daniel said the State Government is responsible and the EPR will set the standard for the impact investigation prior to works commencing</li> <li>- Tim Richardson said it is and will be the responsibility Melbourne Water to implement safe water practices. Melbourne Water is monitored by the Auditor General, and the EES is the best process we have for risk mitigation. The EES adds a substantial element of risk mitigation.</li> <li>- Daniel added that the EPR requires a monitoring and management regime. Once MRPV has finished with the project. The State Government bodies will then hold that responsibility.</li> <li>- Submission #63 was discussed by the CRG. It regards the truncation of Woodlands Drive to divert traffic to Tarnard Drive with a new set of signals at Bell Grove.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Daniel said there are ongoing investigations in the area. MRPV doesn't have an answer to all of the concerns regarding traffic volumes yet. They will be explored at the Public Hearing.</li> <li>- Lucinda asked if that area has been involved</li> <li>- Luke said that all businesses in the area have received an update on the project and were invited to attend a specific business information session. MRPV has spoken with the submitter</li> <li>- Submission #63 is available to be viewed online: <a href="https://engage.vic.gov.au/mordialloc-bypass-ees-inquiry/submissions">https://engage.vic.gov.au/mordialloc-bypass-ees-inquiry/submissions</a></li> <li>- Lucinda asked how time is managed during the hearings?</li> <li>- Luke said it is the role of the Chair to keep time. The Chair has recommended that during presentations, you speak to your point clearly and get to it as quickly as possible. State why you disagree or agree and refrain from long introductory statements.</li> <li>- Daniel added that the Chair recommends you do not focus on your concerns but rather how you would like them to be addressed by the Committee</li> <li>- Lucinda asked if presentations can be prepared with media</li> <li>- Luke said a laptop and projector will be available for presentations. If there are physical handouts, the panel has requested eight copies.</li> <li>- Caitlin added that the Panel requests that you provide presentations in advance of the start of the hearings, either in the morning or at lunch time for afternoon presentations.</li> </ul>
Ben Neil	<p><b>Agenda Item #7 - Next Agenda:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>What would you like to know or discuss?</b></li> <li>- Ben noted that there are only six days between the close of the Panel Hearings and next CRG meeting and asked if this enough time for a summary of the hearing to be prepared?</li> <li>- Daniel said that any information that comes out of the process will be shared. An announcement regarding preferred tender will also be made as soon as possible.</li> <li>- Tim Moran asked if the submissions relating to traffic and lights will influence change</li> <li>- Daniel said that it is now up to the Panel to inform to project on how to best proceed.</li> <li>- Ben asked if any members of the CRG would be interested in presenting back to the Group about the experiences at panel or their submission</li> <li>- Luke said he will confirm with members if they are interested</li> <li>- Paul commented he would still like the preferred tender to be a stakeholder in the CRG</li> <li>- Daniel said that as there are currently two tenderers, they cannot be involved at this stage. As the project is classified as high-value high-risk, an announcement must be by the Treasurer</li> <li>- Paul requested the next meeting be delayed until that announcement is made</li> <li>- Ben said the next meeting will address the EES Panel and possibly the preferred tenderer.</li> <li>- Recruitment for the second term of the CRG will begin shortly</li> <li>- Daniel said members of the next term can expect to be involved in the design process and elements, construction, noise, traffic, dust, vibrations and other community impacts.</li> <li>- Luke said that current members are welcome to reapply</li> <li>- Lucinda asked if anyone from Richfield Retirement Village is interested in being involved</li> <li>- Luke said that they have been referenced in submissions and that information was sent to them before EES submissions closed. They shared it in their newsletter</li> <li>- Scott asked if the design allows for additional wetlands, carbon offsetting or other sustainable landscaping</li> <li>- Daniel said the landscaping plan has been finalised and the landscape architect – no longer with VicRoads – gave a presentation at the last CRG</li> <li>- Luke said the landscaping plan is available as part of the EES, and anyone can come to the office and view a larger version of the landscaping plan</li> <li>- Ben closed the meeting</li> <li>- The next meeting date will be Thursday, 21 March 2019. This date may be pushed back to take place after the tender award announcement</li> </ul>

## Actions – Meeting #5

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1	Feedback requested on guidelines/process for sharing information	CRG	Where required	Ongoing
2	Produce interactive model for fauna crossing to be shared with the community	MRPV	February/March	In Progress
3	Complete participant survey	CRG		In Progress
4	Produce summary presentation of Panel Hearings	All	March 21	In Progress

