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| **Date** | Tuesday 20 July 2021 | **Meeting No** | 20 |
| **Chair** | Vince Haining | **Time** | 8.00am – 9.15am |
| **Location** | Zoom | **Minutes** | Mathew Collum |

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| **Members** |  | | |
| *Present*   * Vince Haining [**Chair**] * Maree Klein, City of Melbourne * Therese Fitzgerald, Kensington Association * Karen Snyders, City of Melbourne | *Apologies*   * Matt Hammond, Kensington Association * Helaine Stanley, The Venny * Richard Reilly, Kensington & Flemington Junior Sports Clubs * Karen Hammarberg, community representative * Deb Wilson, Unison Housing * Sally Cunnington, Resident * Guilliano Andy, City West Water * Sam Hurst, Lloyd Street Business Estate | | |
| **In attendance** |  |  | |
| *Present*   * Kim Mas, Cross Yarra Partnership (CYP) * Jordan Turner, CYP * Rob Mair, CYP * Remy Fowler, Rail Infrastructure Alliance (RIA) * Michael Prebeg, RIA * Niall Forbes, RIA * Simon McHugh, RIA | * Sarah Haines, Rail Projects Victoria (RPV) * Eli Firestone, RPV * Simon Adams, RPV * Matilda Tonkin, RPV * Tim Fullerton, RPV * Rethi Scaife, RPV * Sarah Haines, RPV * Mathew Collum, RPV **(Secretariat)** | |  |

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| 1. | Introduction and Welcome |
|  | Matters arising:   * Vince Haining welcomed members to the Kensington Community Reference Group (CRG). * Vince Haining announced a number of personnel changes for CYP, RIA and RPV. Vince welcomed the new members to the CRG. |
| 2. | **Outstanding Actions and Issues Register** |
|  | Matters arising:   * The CRG discussed the Outstanding Actions and Issues Register:   + In relation to K7-3, Vince Haining advised that the proposed community walk through of the tunnel remains an open action and will be considered when COVID-19 restrictions are eased.   + In relation to K18-1 and K19-1, RIA will present an update on the outcome of the noise assessment relating to the track turnouts, as well as an update on the chosen plant species which are included as part of the design for the garden beds and tree pits during today’s presentation. * Therese Fitzgerald raised the future upkeep of the newly created green areas within the precinct and asked whose responsibility it will be to maintain them, particularly the fenced off area near the Kensington bridge. Karen Snyders (City of Melbourne) advised that the landscaped area on the river side of Kensington Road would be handed over and maintained by VicTrack. RIA advised it is proposed that areas on the road side of the newly installed black fence along Childers Street will be handed back to City of Melbourne (City of Melbourne) and the areas on the rail side of the fence will become Victrack land. RIA understands MTM has been consulted during the design process with regard to maintenance of the landscaped areas. |
| 3. | **Contractors Presentations** |
|  | Presentation by Niall Forbes (RIA) and Kim Mas (CYP) on the Kensington construction update.  Presentation by Remy Fowler (RIA) on the tree planting and species on Childers Street.  Presentation by Niall Forbes (RIA) and Kim Mas (CYP) on upcoming works.  Presentation by Remy Fowler (RIA) on traffic.  Presentation by Remy Fowler (RIA) on Communication and engagement activities.  Matters arising:   * Therese Fitzgerald asked when the tilling for the flood wall design along Childers Street will be completed. RIA advised that it anticipates that the majority of tilling would be completed by the end of 2021, although some areas including the gap in the wall would be completed separately at a later stage. * Therese Fitzgerald asked if CYP has an anticipated timeline for the removal of all of the materials and equipment which is currently occupying the area of the roundabout/turnout on Childers Street. CYP advised the steel enforcement and formwork materials will be removed over the next few months, however the area will then be used for the upcoming utilities work. * Therese Fitzgerald asked whether digging will be required for the upcoming utilities works in Childers Street. CYP confirmed that digging will be required to connect the building to the water network, including two trenches for the water main and sewer. * Vince Haining asked how the number of parking bays compares to the amount which were previously available prior to the project commencing. RIA advised that based on the parking modelling which has been undertaken, it believes that the parking bays available will be sufficient to meet the demand. More parking will be made available on Childers Street once its fully reinstated. RIA confirmed it will continue to monitor and assess parking in the area. * Therese Fitzgerald raised concerns that truck drivers may try to use Childers Street to access the Lloyds Street business Park when the road is partially opened. RIA confirmed it is preparing communications advising the businesses that the detour is still operating to ensure trucks do not try and travel down Childers Street and block parking users. * Therese Fitzgerald asked if any of the activities associated with the upcoming demobilisation works would create high noise levels. CYP advised that the only activity which may produce high noise levels will be the demolition of the concreate blocks which are currently supporting the site amenities. CYP also noted that the ground testing works scheduled for 23 July 2021 may result in some noise due to the use of Non-Destructive Digging (NDD) trucks. |
| 4. | Community update |
|  | Presentation by Niall Forbes (RIA) and Simon McHugh (RIA) on the outcome of the noise assessment relating to the track turnouts.  Matters arising:   * Therese Fitzgerald asked what times of day/night the noise data associated with the track turnouts was collected, noting the likely differences in noise levels during different times of the day. RIA advised that the monitors measure noise every one second for 24 hours per day. Vince Haining requested RIA to provide more detailed noise data to Therese, including a breakdown of noise data recorded at different times during the day and night (after 7pm). * Vince Haining noted that the data suggests that there’s a significant number of other aspects which seems to be impacting amenity in the area other than the track turnouts, including noise from traffic. Therese Fitzgerald advised that residents are being impacted particularly during the night and when concrete trucks are operating in the area. * Karen Snyders asked about the location of the noise monitors. RIA advised that monitors are located at residential buildings on Kensington Road approximately 75-80 meters from the turnout. |
| 5. | General feedback and items for future discussion |
|  | Matters arising:   * Therese Fitzgerald raised the future plans for security at the tunnel entrance and station entrance, the location of cameras and measures which will be taken in terms of crime prevention. RPV advised that the Rail Systems Alliance (RSA) is responsible for the tunnel intruder alert system which will be specific to the tunnel entrance. RIA confirmed it will provide more information about crime prevention and security in the precinct at a future CRG meeting. RPV noted the tunnel intruder alert system will not contribute to security in JJ Holland park. |
| 6. | Meeting close |
|  | * Next meeting Tuesday 14 September 2021 |

**NEW ACTIONS AND ISSUES**

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| # | **ACTION / ISSUE** | **OWNER** |
| **K20-1** | RIA to provide more information about crime prevention and security within the precinct, including systems and controls which will be implemented at a future CRG meeting. | RIA |