

Agenda



Meeting: Millers Road and Williamstown Road – Working Group Meeting # 2

Location: MCG Room – 12 Clarke Street Sunshine

Time & Date: 25/10/2018 – Thursday, 25 October 2018

Attendees

- Charmian Gaud (CG), Save Williamstown
- Lorenzo De Falco (LDF), Williamstown Crossing Group
- Noel Dyson (ND), Hobsons Bay Bicycle User Group
- Chris Dunlevy (CD), Don't Destroy Millers Road
- Ram Poola (RP), Hobsons Bay City Council
- Garry Brennan (GB), Bicycle Network
- Greg Cain (GC), Victorian Transport Association (VTA)
- Paul Smith (PS), West Gate Tunnel Authority (WGTA)
- Judy Ipper-Mulholland (JM), VicRoads
- Jacqueline Novoselac (JN), VicRoads
- David Teague (DT), VicRoads
- Thomas Alemis (TA), VicRoads
- Nigel Smith (NS), TfV
- Vaughan Garner (VG), VicRoads
- Trent Bulmer (TB), Western Distributor Authority (WDA)
- Claude Manno (CM), Brimbank City Council

Chair / Secretary Luke Chippindale (LC) Ext:

Apologies:

- Eric Feng (EF), Kingsville,
- Bruce Light (BL), Don't Destroy Millers Road,
- Martin Wurt (MW), Maribyrnong Truck Action Group (MTAG),
- Ian Butterworth (IB), Hobsons Bay City Council,
- Jane Thomson (JT), Transport for Victoria (TfV)
- Laurie Bell (LB), Brooklyn Residents Action Group Inc
- Bert Boere (BB), Brooklyn Residents Action Group Inc
- Daniel Kowalczyk (DK), TfV
- Andrew Peplinkhouse (AP), Level Crossing Removal Authority (LXRA)
- Geoff Mitchelmore (GM), Friends of Lower Kororoit Creek

Agenda items

#	Item detail	Minutes
1.	Introduction – Why are we here?	<p>Meeting opened at 6:05pm.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LC clarified that the main aim of the group was to discuss north-south traffic movements along Millers Road corridor. The forum was not here to debate over impacts of the West Gate Tunnel project. Construction on West Gate Tunnel project is underway and main objective of today's working group is to discuss existing issues (access and safety) on directly impacted routes by the West Gate Tunnel project i.e. Millers and Williamstown Roads. LC explained the meeting set up, which included two tables with a mix of working group representatives along with a table facilitator from VicRoads.
2.	Safety and Access workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two groups were asked to make comments about existing safety and access concerns along Millers and Williamstown Roads. LC asked both groups to ensure that only issues are highlighted. The group will have the opportunity to discuss solutions in the following meeting. The group will be able to give their input into solutions at the next meeting.
3.	Summary of discussions from workshop presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LC explained that group's comments would be circulated along with the minutes.
4.	Presentation on West Gate Tunnel EES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PS gave an overview on West Gate Tunnel Project's Environmental Effects Statement (EES) process in a presentation. Chris asked PS to explain how WGTA arrived on the number of trucks projected to increase on Millers Road.
5.	Close and next steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LC will circulate minutes along with maps and comments by end of next week.

Millers Road

Working Group – Table 1

Table members:

- Charmain Gaud – Save Williamstown
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- Lorenzo De Fallo – Williamstown Crossing Group
- Ram Poola – Hobsons Bay City Council
- Thomas Alemis – VicRoads
- Vaughan Garner – VicRoads
- Trent Bulmer – West Gate Authority



Working Groups

Issues raised

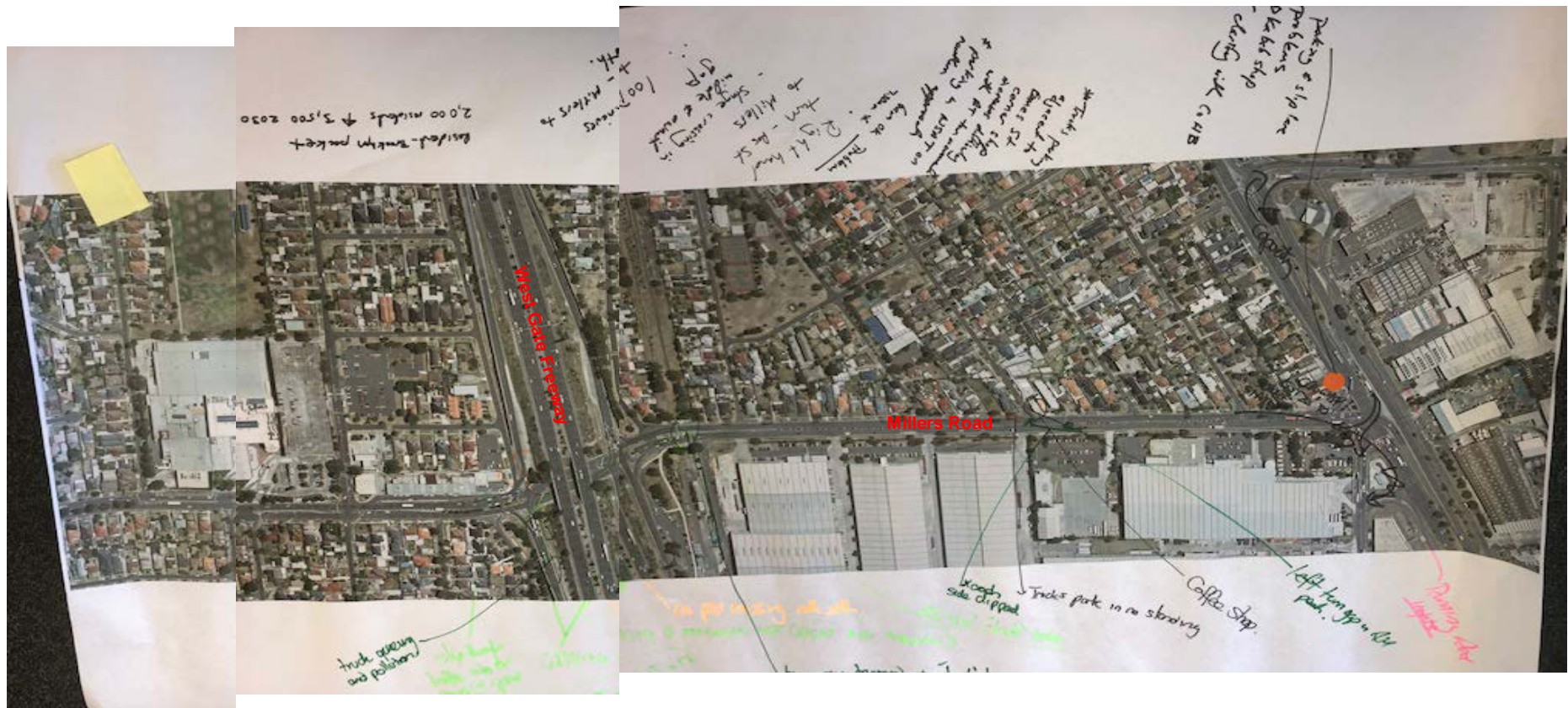
1. Capacity issues at Geelong Road and Millers Road
2. Francis Street left turn, issues – swept path, trucks
3. Cycling connectivity north of Millers/Geelong Roads
4. Road is inappropriate for existing land use on each side
5. Parking on slip lane
6. No prioritised access
7. Eames Avenue connectivity
8. Trucks sitting in truck lanes
9. Is smaller local road on side the crossing for pedestrian not easier
10. Federation trail red light runners/cyclists, traffic light a problem for residents Bridge/Tunnel, Federation Trail is at-grade
11. Shared footpath on both sides of Millers Road under the West Gate Freeway as well as 1.2m bicycle traffic lane
12. Inferior cycling facilities between Federation Trail, Brooklyn and Altona Gate (particularly under the bridge) need to connect gaps
13. Under freeway shared pedestrian cycle
14. Shared bicycle traffic lights, pedestrian traffic lights to enable groups to cross slip lanes and triangular median in one light cycle. To allow progress through the freeway entry/exit lanes
15. Conflict between bus queue and right turn traffic lane
16. Safety concerns with right turn movements
17. Storage capacity and queuing south bound
18. Entrance lane to shopping centre very short, traffic banks up
19. Several traffic lights not synchronised
20. Signal coordination issues through Millers Road from the freeway to as far as Mason Street

Millers Road

Working Group – Table 2

Table members:

- Claude Manno – Brimbank Council
- Gary Brennan – Bicycle Network Victoria
- Chris Dunlevy – Don't Destroy Millers
- David Teague – VicRoads
- Judy Ipper-Mulholland – VicRoads
- Jacqueline Novoselac – VicRoads
- Paul Smith – West Gate Authority
- Greg Cain – VTA



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Issues raised

1. Truck queuing and pollution
2. Slip through traffic and on ramp at speed
3. Capacity for south bound traffic towards West Gate Freeway (right turn traffic)
4. No pedestrian crossing north/south
5. When crossing triggered get a break to access the median
6. Trucks parked in 'no standing'
7. Coffee shop
8. Left turn gap in morning peak
9. Running pedestrian light
10. Parking slip lane problems (kebab shop)
11. Trucks parking adjacent to Eames Street corner shop increases difficulty with right turn movements
12. Parking in 'No Stopping Any Time' (NSAT) on northern approach
13. Right hand turn from residential street to Millers Road, stage crossing in middle and wait gap
14. 100 p @ back to Geelong – Grieves – West Gate Freeway – Millers to South
15. Residents – Brooklyn pocket – 2,000 residents will go up to 3,500 by 2030

Please note issues raised are not numbered on the map.

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Issues raised

1. Buckley Street slip lane to Geelong Road should be closed, traffic exiting has to look behind and often interface with overtaking traffic
2. Buckley Street Merge onto Geelong Road
3. Capacity/blocking issues at triple right turn – traffic heading to Gordon Street
4. On street car parking obstructing traffic flow – some residents have nowhere else to park their cars, residents and children getting in and out of cars, road is too narrow
5. Incompatible land use at sections of Williamstown Road tennis court (players retrieving balls on road), sports field, primary school, proposed childcare centre will add hundreds more parents and children using Williamstown Road
6. Overhead cables, telephone, electricity and internet
7. Right turn storing, through lane, to enter side road
8. Right lane on Somerville Road
9. Along all Williamstown Road right turning traffic banks up
10. No space to separate right turns from the through movements. Not suitable for trucks
11. Housing too close to road – unsuitable mixed with trucks, Geelong Road/Francis Road, pedestrians and noise
12. Truck queueing through intersection
13. No pedestrian lights, primary school children crossing road, vehicles not giving way in slip lane
14. Same problem at Millers Road interchange for pedestrian/bicycle connectivity
15. Capacity issue for left turn from The Avenue
16. Access from The Avenue to West Gate Freeway – inbound on ramp
17. Pressure on The Avenue from residential developments. Increased demand on The Avenue/Williamstown intersection.
18. Access to freeway and traffic through Williamstown Road slowed down by traffic light, northbound
19. Capacity and safety issue on Hudsons Road on both sides
20. Hudsons Road truck rat run to Simcock Avenue
21. Ross Street poor access out
22. Clearway bottleneck, north south traffic
23. Too narrow not designed for large truck traffic, nth of Somerville Rd is single lane residential, houses close to footpath
24. No pedestrian access to station
25. Truck volumes along Melbourne Road (south of the Freeway) increasing due to level crossing removals and the West Gate Tunnel
26. No crossing supervisors for Yarraville West Primary School
27. Truck noise - caused by traffic volume and trucks churning up road surfaces, unsafe for children crossing - won't hear stop
28. Air pollution - primary school nearby
29. Risk of children running onto road
30. Risk of trucks running onto footpaths
31. Yarraville West Primary school, in their WGTP EES submission called for local area traffic management works and additional safety measures on Williamstown Rd to protect of pedestrians and cyclists, including pedestrian barriers and extended crossing times for pedestrians crossing Williamstown Road
32. Inadequate traffic lights at Thomas St, congestion and no right hand turn for 1km causes dangerous and illegal u-turns