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# MINUTES OF MEETING

## Bankstown Community Liaison Group - Meeting 2

**DATE:** Tuesday 5 August 2008 at 6:15 pm

**LOCATION:** Chester Hill Community Centre

**Chair:** Jim Morris

**Minutes:** Integrated Analysis Pty Ltd  
Rowena Lennings

**Community Representatives:**

Dale Donadel  
Raymond Robb  
Raema Walker  
Allan Mansbridge  
Stephen Carroll

**ARTC:**  
Prue Hodgson  
Greg Mullens  
Community Liaison Manager  
Project Director

**CONTRACTOR:** Arenco  
Mel Meredith

**ICLR:** Rowena Lennings  
Integrated Analysis Pty Ltd

**EMR:** Carlie Faint (Alternate EMR)  
GHD

**Council:** Rowan Morrison  
Bankstown Council

**Apologies:** Martin Hicks, EMR

**1. Welcome, introductions, previous meeting record and matters arising - Chair**

The Chair welcomed meeting attendees and made introductions.

The following changes were made to the Minutes.

*Rowan Morrison is the Bankstown Council representative.*

*A community representative had stressed the importance of ensuring pedestrian access during local bridge works, especially of concern to people with mobility impairment.*

There were no matters arising from the minutes not otherwise listed on the agenda

**2. Environmental Management Sub Plan – Carlie Faint**

A presentation was provided by Carlie Faint of the role of the EMR in the project  
There were no questions.

**3. Project Update - Greg Mullins, Project Director**

The Project Director outlined the proposed project start of late August. He introduced Mel Meredith from Arengo, the contractor who will be carrying out the earthworks and bridge works. Arengo described the forthcoming early works. He confirmed that construction traffic movements would be in accordance with the Traffic Management Plan. ARTC will formally present this plan to Bankstown Council in the next few weeks. ARTC pointed out that dilapidation surveys for the affected roads have already been completed and will be provided to Bankstown council.

ARTC confirmed that Station works will be carried out by Gartner Rose.

**Questions & discussion:**

A community representative noted that some wattle trees will be disturbed by the deep excavation under the Bankstown line as the works near the surface.

A community representative objected to the fact there is no noise wall intended for the northern side of the track in the vicinity of Arcadia. He pointed out residents currently experience noise and fumes from the 3 header locos as they go up hill.

ARTC explained that a noise expert would attend the next CLG meeting and he will be better equipped to explain why noise walls are in the proposed locations and how they work.

**4. Community Liaison – list of stakeholders**

ARTC Community Liaison Manager handed out a list of stakeholders and requested feedback from community reps. A number of additional stakeholders were proposed. The ARTC adopted them for inclusion in the list.

## **5. Urban Design and Landscaping Plan**

The Project Director gave an overview of the plan.

### **Questions and discussion: Sefton Station**

ARTC confirmed:

- only one tree can be retained in the stand of three trees at Sefton Station. These trees are located where the new stairwell will be constructed
- the old footbridge will be replaced by a new footbridge
- a lift will be constructed that will provide disabled access to the station
- 3-4 parking spaces will be lost by the bus bay, they will be replaced elsewhere
- it is not intended for a noise wall to wrap around the station, as this limits visibility
- that a 60 degree angle on the retaining wall needed to be attained before planting was viable

A community representative asked if the art wall could become a community art project carried out by members of the youth centre who have expressed an interest in learning art skills.

ARTC said that this proposal could be considered in greater detail along with the final treatment of the wall at future CLG meetings following the noise expert's explanation of the noise wall at the next CLG meeting.

A community representative asked if ARTC would only plant natives in the rail corridor. ARTC pointed out that the species list was determined by Rail Corp as ARTC would be planting in their corridor.

ARTC mentioned that posters of the Urban Design and Landscape Plan will be displayed in high pedestrian traffic areas such as at stations in a few months, once it has been finalised. It is still a working draft at present.

## **6. General Business**

Further to a question from a community representative about if the noxious weed plan came into the EMR area of concern the Alternate EMR confirmed that it did, as a weed management strategy is part of the Biodiversity Plan.

A community representative asked if the ARTC has lodged a bond. ARTC responded that they are not required to lodge a bond. The ICLR pointed out that bonds are not normally required of public sector organizations.

Feedback on CEMP Plan.

Detailed comments were received from one community representative.

ARTC's response to those comments are attached to the minutes.

## **7. Next Meeting**

When: Tuesday 2 September, 2008 at 6.15pm.