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# MINUTES OF MEETING

## Fairfield Community Liaison Group - Meeting 8

DATE:	Wednesday 04 March 2009 at 6:15 pm
LOCATION:	Cabravale Leisure Centre
Chair:	Jim Morris
Minutes:	John Murray
Community Representatives:	Krystyna Cyron Momo Romic Stella Howat Jan Collie Tony Fornasier Derek Corney John Medich Ken Chapman
Guests:	Tim Quadrio – Office of Jason Clare
ARTC:	Prue Hodgson, Community Liaison Manager, ARTC Greg Mullens, Project Director, ARTC Bernie Ip, Project Engineer, ARTC Matt Hurst, Consultant, Planning Urban Futures Gary Cook, Contractor, Arenco Victor Ng, Contractor, Reed Eleo Estacio, Contractor, Reed
ICLR:	Rowena Lennings, Integrated Analysis Pty Ltd
EMR:	Maurice Pignatelli, GHD
Council:	Marzi De Santi
Apologies:	Janette Hannaford

1. **Welcome, introductions.**

The Chair welcomed meeting attendees and made introductions.

2. **Minutes**

Minutes of previous meeting handed out and read.

Matters arising from Minutes: - None

Corrections:- Two corrections to previous minutes with regard to attendance and discussion of ramp options at Cabramatta station. Corrections noted and previous minutes amended.

### 3. Contractor Overviews

An explanation of the current status of the respective areas of responsibilities was given by the following contractors.

#### **Arengo**

Responsibilities and update of the current status.

Q: - Is Arengo doing the Bridge?

A: - Yes. Scheduled for May.

Q: - How long will it take?

A: - 4 Months.

Q: - How is the traffic over the bridge being handled – Bareena Street Road Closure

A: - It will be a half road closure.

Q: - Will details explaining the traffic flow be in the media?.

A: - Yes, ARTC will do a letterbox drop, advertise in the Fairfield Champion and the Fairfield Advance.

A meeting was held at Fairfield City Council with the communications section and the consultation and strategy in relation to road closures was discussed in detail.

Q: - Have the police been consulted in regards to Road Closures?

A: - Yes, in conjunction with the local traffic committee, as it goes through the Council for approval.

Q: - Why is there not a representative from RailCorp at the meetings.

A: - This is an ARTC project and RailCorp are a stakeholder, so they have no obligation under the Conditions of Approvals to attend.

A ARTC will pass on the invitation to RailCorp on behalf of the CLG.

Q: - What is happening about traffic safety at Prospect Creek? You have the ability to improve the unsafe road (Sandal Crescent) on the Carramar side.

A: - ARTC will be working on the Rail Over Road bridge and will not be doing work to the Road to address existing road safety issues.

### **Construction Update from Reed - Victor Ng**

An update of the current situation was given. Focus on Liverpool at this stage. Still getting approvals.

Q: - Channel 10 news item on Casula. Something about closing a rail crossing?

A: - A Level Crossing will be closed in the Casula area and a road access will be built, however this is a matter for the Liverpool CLG.

Q: - They also stated that there were no noise walls.

A: - The same criteria (DECC Noise Goals) was applied across the length of the project. If the SSFL project does not increase the operational noise then ARTC does not need to provide mitigation ie. Noise walls.

### **Gartner Rose – Station Upgrades**

An update of the current situation was delivered including an aerial photo presentation showing the staged approach at Cabramatta station and no net loss of parking during construction. An explanation given of the process in Cabramatta followed.

Q: - Is there a start date proposed?

A: - About April with council approval.

Q: - Will there be any traffic disruption?

A: - Minor disruption on Railway Parade.

Q: - Will the car spaces on the west side be the first to be changed?

A: - Curtin and Broomfield street will be the first area and 27 spaces will be constructed.

Q: - Are they within 400 Metres of the station?

A: - Yes, they are within 400 metres, but right on the border.

Q: - At the last Cabramatta Chamber of Commerce meeting there was talk of more parking and an ARTC contribution?

A: - ARTC, are unaware of this, we are contributing to parking as defined in the CAOP, but not other than that.

### **Out of Hours Presentation – Carramar**

Presentation was given in regards to works happening at Carramar Out of Hours, for further details, the presentation is on the website.

Q: - Thought you were not allowed to work out of Hours.

A: - We have standard and approved working hours and outside of this, if we want to work Out of Hours, this is process that we have to go through to get approval to do works.

Q: - What is the CLG being asked for?

A: - Comments.

Q: - Council does not have to be informed?

A: - Council does not have to formally notified, however at each CLG, there is a Council Representative present and it is also advertised in the Local Papers and a letterbox drop is carried out.

Q: - Are there any details?

A: - That is what the presentation is about, we will run through it now and it will be on the website aswell.

The work to be done is Aerial cable track crossings at points 74A, 74B and 82A, 82B. ARTC will be boring holes and inserting new poles between Villawood and the RailCorp substation. The line will then be relocated to the other side.

This has to be done when there are no trains running and had to be done out of hours.

There will be a Drilling Rig, Cherry Pickers, a Boom Lift and lights. It will be low noise work.

Q: - Just one day?

A: - Overnight on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> April 2009

Q: - Is there a letterbox drop being done?

A: - Yes

Q: - Not relying on local papers only?

A: - No, whenever we do Out Of Hours work, we do a letterbox drop and advertise in local papers.

Q: - The footbridge on Lansdowne Road to Caroola Street. (Fourth Avenue Bridge). Is this going to be affected? There are a lot of units in the area.

A: - Yes, this footbridge needs to be extended to go over the SSFL Line.

Q: - Is there going to be a noise wall on Lansdowne Road?

A: - Yes

Q: - What are the residents going to do when the bridge is affected.

A: - They will have to cross at different points.

Q: - Does this mean they will have to cross at Bareena Street?

A: - Yes they will have to cross at another point and it will be closed for a maximum of two weeks in the school holidays.

#### **4. Noise Walls – Cabramatta Station**

##### **Noise wall design – Greg Mullens**

Noise wall final design details will be presented at the CLG meeting in May. Consultation in regards to the UDLP is continuing with Council.

Notification to be arranged for local meetings with affected landholders during April.

An artist's impression of Cabramatta Station was presented with an example of the sign to be put up.

Q: - CLG asked for dual toilets remember?

A: - Details to be finalised.

Q: - What is past the staircase?

A: - Bus stop and artistic fence.

Q: - Council representative mentioned response from RailCorp regarding his request for their response to a larger lift at Cabramatta Station if it was fully funded by ARTC, noting that they had no objection to larger lift option if provided.

A: - ARTC responded that the criteria and tests nominated by RailCorp show that the current design is adequate for the station.

The emailed response from RailCorp was displayed. An interpretation of the reply was discussed.

Q: - Council representative noted this response was a change in the ARTC position from the previous meeting.

A: - ARTC affirmed that the tests required by RailCorp confirmed the nominated lift size was adequate for users of the station. A description of the station options assessment process followed as well as an explanation of the SSFL development agreement.

Q: - Council will take up with RailCorp to clarify the lift options.

A: - Taken on notice.

#### **5. General Business**

Q: - The Glenfield Transport Interchange pamphlet (example displayed) would be good for this area for information

A: - ARTC has distributed Newsletters that are similar, they are all on the website, in the past and we are currently developing one to be letterboxed in the future.

Statement from CLG member:-

a) Lifts. The station master was contacted for information. The station closes at 9.30pm and lifts will be stopped for safety reasons. Cheryl will make representations to vary lift curfews.

b) At the next meeting, can we look at other Station in the Fairfield LGA and discuss works at those precincts.

**6. Next Meeting**

When: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2009 at 6.15pm.

**7. Meeting Close**

Meeting closed: 8.07pm