

Minutes

City of Yarra Bicycle Advisory Committee

12 December 2018

Collingwood Town Hall, 6.30–8.00pm

Wurundjeri Room

Attendees: Cr Fristacky, (Chair), Peter Eckersley, Simon Exon, Troy Parsons, Alyson Macdonald, Marcus Coghlan, Richard Ward, Bruce Echberg, Michael Bond, Jeremy Lawrence, Graeme Cross, Chris Morten (VicRoads), Andrew Milvain (VicRoads)

Apologies: Cr McEvoy, Tim Barker

1. Acknowledgement to Country

2. Walmer Street Bridge (VicRoads)

- Presentation of the project background and options was made by VicRoads representatives
- Project was triggered by the new Salta development and the creation of Walmer Plaza which will be built by early 2020
- Business case for the project is currently being made and will be submitted before Christmas
- Preferred design is a cantilever bridge that is DDA compliant
- Total estimated cost is \$10-15 million
- Concerns raised included the steep gradients for inexperienced, elderly or cargo cyclists; narrow proposed 5-metre width of bridge; and handrails along the bike lanes
- Consensus made about the need for a 6-metre wide bridge, segregation of cyclists and pedestrians through different surface pavements, and additional placemaking treatments such as street furniture

3. Canning/Richardson Intersection

- Business case for blackspot funding was presented to State Government stakeholders who raised concerns about the impact of the right-of-way to vehicles may have on the prioritisation and travel times of cyclists
- Further investigation is needed by Council to secure funding

4. New BAC Terms of Reference

- A report is being made by the Governance team that will go to Council early next year
- Councillors have raised concerns about some details
- Rhys Thomas from Governance will present the new ToR to BAC and answer questions at the next BAC meeting in February

5. Gipps/Hoddle West Intersection

- A draft concept design was presented by Peter E for the intersection that is due to be resheeted in 2019/20
- Concerns raised about tree squares impeding into the bike lanes
- Feedback included the need for bike headstart lanterns and linemarking bike lanes across Hoddle Street to the other side of Gipps Street
- Design will require VicRoads approval and a new traffic signal plan

6. Pigdon/Nicholson Intersection

- Linemarkings and a bike detector loop have been installed for a new bike lane on the north-west corner of the intersection

7. Bike Boxes

- Bike boxes will be redone in early 2019 on the intersections of Church/Balmain, Highett/Church and Langridge/Hoddle streets

8. Michael Street Fitzroy North

- Concept designs are being developed for raised wombat crossings on Michael/Falconer, a protected roundabout at Michael/McKean and a priority crossing nearby on the Capital City Trail at Bennett Street
- Funding has not been secured yet for these projects
- Concerns were raised about BAC's purpose and involvement in Council projects

ACTION: BAC members to vote on their preferred option for the Capital City Trail crossings at Rae Street and Brunswick Street North in the Fitzroy North LAPM before the 23rd of December - <https://www.yoursayyarra.com.au/improving-northfitzroy>

Next BAC Meeting: 6.30pm Wednesday the 20th of February in the Wurundjeri Room at Collingwood Town Hall