

# Minutes

## Alphington Paper Mill Community Reference Group

Date: Thursday, 12 March 2020

Time: 6:00pm -8:00pm

Location: Collingwood Town Hall

Chair: Cr Amanda Stone

Attendance: Cr Danae Bosler; Cr Amanda Stone; Ann Crehan (ACC); Fiona Currie (APMAG); Jeff Katz (SAFCA); Warren Giesbers (WARI); Bruce Phillips (YCC)

Guests:

Apologies: Vicki Freeman (Alphington Bowling Club); David Walmsley (YCC).

Agenda items	Actions
<p><b>1. Acknowledgment of Country</b></p> <p><i>Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung as the Traditional Owners of this country, pays tribute to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Yarra and gives respect to the Elders past, present and emerging.</i></p>	
<p><b>2. Welcome, introductions and apologies</b></p>	
<p><b>3. Previous minutes and business arising</b></p> <p>Meeting accepted previous minutes with the correction to include Cr Stone as attending that meeting.</p>	
<p><b>4. Planning Permit application update</b></p> <p><b>Overall timing for Yarra Bend project for precincts.</b></p> <p>Bruce provided a handout of the planning application list for the estate, comprising those planning permits determined and those in process with the diagram of the various precincts of the site; and indicated that the whole estate development is a 5-8 year project.</p> <p>Bruce outlined the proposal by Glenvill that are proposing taller buildings along Chandler Highway than the preferred height of the Development Plan will be determined via the full Council (in chamber setting) and those applications are still waiting on referral responses.</p> <p>The height of the building abutting the WetLab building was queried by Warren G. Bruce took that on notice to provide confirmation back to the CRG (PLN 19 / 0931).</p>	<p>BP to confirm heights proposed near Wetlab building</p>

<p>Postscript: I have confirmation from the planning office that the planning application PLN19/0931 for the Wetlap building and surrounds proposes built form at 5 storeys. This lines up with the approved Development Plan.</p> <p>Bruce also highlighted that Glenvill indicate that they will lodge a planning permit application for the demolition of the 1954 Boiler House soon.</p> <p><b>Proposed use of the proposed school floor space.</b></p> <p>Bruce outlined that the Alpha Partners had been exploring other educational establishments (a few) for locating at the floorspace nominated originally for a school campus – but to date no success and now seems highly unlikely.</p> <p>A landuse that activates that space is important but that is up to Alpha to propose something for Council to then consider.</p>	
<p><b>5. Other Updates</b></p> <p><b>Alpha</b></p> <p>Bruce outlined that Alpha indicated that they would like to commence within the next 4-5 months – but also added that Alpha still need to satisfy a number of planning permit conditions before they can commence. Those aspects are works in progress.</p> <p><b>Mills Boulevard</b></p> <p>That Mills Boulevard has commenced and that Glenvill plan to have that completed by Spring time 2020 if all goes well.</p> <p><b>Pedestrian Lights in Heidelberg Road</b></p> <p>Glenvill have indicated final detailed design for the pedestrian lights is with VicRoads for review and expecting approval within 1-2 weeks; that Glenvill going to tender on these works next week in anticipation of VR approval and expect 4-6 weeks to award the works.</p> <p>Following award of tender, Glenvill expect 10 weeks to complete; on this basis crossing will open in approx. July.</p> <p><b>Open Space areas</b></p> <p>Bruce outlined that a further meeting is scheduled for later in March to discuss with Glenvill and consultants.</p> <p>The CRG members expressed a keenness to see the draft design as an important element of the estate and as part of the Terms of Reference for the CRG.</p> <p>It was expressed by the CRG that the integrated design of the open space and abutting development was a key matter that needed to be assessed carefully. Bruce acknowledged this and agreed it is important.</p>	<p>Open Space matter to come back to next CRG</p>

<p><b>6. Update on Glenvill and Amcor legal actions reinstatement of decontamination expenses.</b></p> <p>Bruce outlined that Glenvill were in court as of last week seeking the reimbursement of monies that Glenvill had spent to date from AMCOR – and that is continuing at present, is expected to conclude mid-April. A mediation process will also run through this time as required by the court.</p>	
<p><b>7. Yarra River bank update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Overview of actions completed and underway actions</b></li> <li>• <b>Reporting and Monitoring</b></li> </ul> <p>Bruce outlined that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Glenvill had completed a number of actions that were agreed by Alluvium (consultants working on behalf of Council), but that other matters (eg the last storage pond) was still to be completely lined but close to being finalised.</li> <li>• a meeting had occurred with Melbourne Water to urge them to accept some Agi pipes to drain the boggy area near the river bank (as recommended by Alluvium). That MW had, following that meeting, given approval and that the works to do so by Glenvill had started, but not completed at the time of the meeting.</li> <li>• a briefing of Councillors would occur on 16 March and that Alluvium had provided a ‘framework’ of the actions and documents required to work through the river bank issues (that was talked to briefly and shown) – that all that information would be in an open Council report in April (possibly 7 April but tbd) NB – postscript: now most probably on 21 April.</li> <li>• Bruce indicated that it would most probably not be clear cut what has caused the issues with the river bank slumping – that water wells have been added to what already were in place and that now enables the water table to be monitored over a number of months – that Alluvium have indicated that it might take till towards the end of 2020 to be able to see trends beyond a winter and then more closely be able to determine causes.</li> <li>• The YCC senior administration, with Alluvium, are keeping a close check on the processes and a report will go to Council in April with this information.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>8. APM Community Reference Group membership.</b></p> <p>Bruce outlined that a report was going to Council on 17 March to appoint a new resident from the estate to the CRG. Postscript: The person from the estate was appointed.</p>	
<p><b>9. Update Heidelberg Road strategic planning study</b></p>	

<p>Bruce outlined that Darebin CC had just commenced the background work on the local area plan work for their side of Heidelberg Road (altho with a different urban design consultant than the one Yarra CC had used).</p> <p>That consultation on the LAP most probably won't be until end of 2020 or maybe even to the start of 2021.</p>	
<p><b>10. Other matters</b></p> <p>Fiona highlighted that the area of open space allocation should not be used as area to store or enable rubbish build up – Bruce will do a note to Glenvill and staff.</p> <p><u>Parking</u></p> <p>Discussion occurred again regarding Parking in the vicinity.</p> <p>Bruce indicated that the YCC parking office had just received one request from community members for parking restrictions - A request for 2P restrictions in Park Ave.</p> <p>Concern was raised about some parking occurring within 10 m of an intersection – Bruce agreed to alert the parking officers.</p> <p>Next Meeting: 4 June</p> <p>Items to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Space</li> <li>• Community Space in Alpha development</li> </ul> <p>Meeting closed at 7-20 pm.</p>	<p>BP to inform Parking officers of parking near intersections and request attention to this matter</p>