

Minutes

Transport Advisory Committee



Date	2 March 2026
Time	6pm-8pm
Location	Wurundjeri Room, Collingwood Town Hall
Chair	Deputy Mayor Sharon Harrison
Minute taker	Beck Roy
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Statement of Recognition of Wurundjeri Land

Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and true sovereigns of the land now known as Yarra. We also acknowledge the significant contributions made by other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to life in Yarra. We pay our respects to Elders from all nations and to their Elders past, present and future.

Attendees

Councillor/s	Councillor Sophie Ward, Councillor Andrew Davies (online)
Committee members	Glenn Morrison, Michael Oxer, Anne Sampson, Cameron Roberts, Catherine Noone, Aaron McDonnell, Laura Aston
Council Officers	Simon Exon – Team Leader Strategic Transport Beck Roy – Senior Active Transport Project Officer
Guests	Deputy Mayor Sharon Harrison Councillor Ken Gomez
Apologies	Philip Mallis, Alex Lamb, Matt Douglas, Theresa Saldanah

Item number	Item title or subject	Minute notes
1.	Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country	
2.	Declarations of conflicts of interest	No declarations in accordance with Council’s <i>Conflict of Interest Policy</i>
3.	Governance	Reminder of terms of reference for committee
4.	New Deal for Schools	<p>An overview of the item was provided by the Senior Active Transport Project Officer who spoke about the project with Princes Hill Primary School.</p> <p>Matters raised by the committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A committee member asked how was it decided this should turn into a one-way street? <p><i>Answered that the team worked with a consultant, there is low parking demand in this neighbourhood, there was a trial, and it is supported by the school.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cr. Gomez asked what studies have been done – e.g. Road Safety Study? <p><i>As the project manager was not present, question taken on notice.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair asked how do you speak to the community who visit these locations (e.g. neighbourhood house attendees) rather than attend the school or live in neighbourhood? <p><i>Answered that these organisations can encourage their visitors to participate in the community engagement process.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cr. Davies asked how many students are at the school, how

		<p>many are currently riding, and not within walking or cycling distance?</p> <p><i>Response from Cr Wade: Parking on McIlraith Street will remain an option for parents who drive their kids to school.</i></p> <p>A committee member asked if there a checkbox list for turning a two-way street into a one-way street?</p> <p>Answered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cr. Davies asked if there is a cost estimate for this project? <p><i>Answered that cannot be provided at this early stage of the project – detailed design will be undertaken next financial year. The Chair noted that this is a multi-year project, and there will be future budget bids.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A committee member noted that this is a big project over the long term and council should get on with it, as it's a great project.
5.	Wellington Street corridor	<p>A brief update on Wellington Street was provided by the Senior Active Transport Project Officer.</p> <p>Matters raised by the committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A committee member asked about whether the Council or Department of Transport and Planning approval is required for the changes proposed. • <i>Answered by a providing a quick overview of the road management responsibilities and jurisdiction.</i> • Cr. Gomez asked the committee for their thoughts about the proposal for Wellington Street. <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Publication of the New Deal for Walking maps (planned)</i> • <i>Advise the committee when the dates are published for the relevant Council meeting.</i>
6.	Intersection upgrades	<p>An overview of the item was provided by the Senior Active Transport Project Officer who referred to the council resolution from December 2025.</p> <p>Matters raised by the committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A committee member noted that the sight lines at the intersection of Bendigo Street and Jago Street intersection are not good. <p><i>Answered that this intersection will be looked at as requested by the December resolution.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cr. Davies stated that residents in Cremorne said they don't want closed off bike lanes (protected bike lanes with separators) • Cr. Gomez asked the committee about the Scotchmer Street/St Georges Road intersection – and if the design is the preferred approach (protected bike lanes with separators and bike headstart lanterns) • A committee member commented on the pedestrian scramble has been removed from the plans at Lennox Street/Highbett Street, and noted that this contributes trips not taken. <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Include December Council agenda and minutes in committee minutes.</i> <p>December Council meeting agenda (link) December Council meeting minutes (link)</p>
7.	Coppin Street corridor	<p>An update was provided by the Senior Active Transport Project Officer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cr. Davies asked about the intersection of Swan Street and

		<p>Coppin Street.</p> <p><i>Answered that this is a separate project to the corridor project.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Unit Manager – Strategic Transport talked about this as a street transformation project, which aims to meet multiple council objectives. • A committee member asked for photos and detailed plans to be provided to for the committee. <p><i>Answered that at this stage in the process there are no designs ready for the committee to review.</i></p>
Other Business		<p>The following matters of general business were raised as requested by committee members and councillors in the previous meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efforts to clarify the law (e.g. right of way) • On-street bike parking • Roads to Parks projects • Rat-running in Scotchmer precinct • Future requests for guest speakers/topics • Future meeting day, time and venue <p>Matters raised by the committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two road rules that contradict when determining who has right of way – cyclists travelling straight, or left turning drivers. <p><i>As road rules are a state responsibility, the Chair suggested advocating to the State Government to review these rules.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion from Cr. Gomez that the committee could recommend 30km/h stickers on bins. • A committee member asked what is the process for bike hoop installation? <p><i>Answered that the Strategic Transport team compiles requests and works through the list based on the budget available. Requests for new locations can be submitted through the Council website (link).</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A committee member raised the issue of rat running in the Scotchmer precinct, and that data was collected in 2019, but nothing done. <p><i>Cr. Gomez answered that he has requested in 26/27 budget to conduct a follow up to 2019 study.</i></p>
Meeting closed	8.00pm	<i>The meeting closed at 8.00pm.</i>
Next scheduled meeting		<p>Location: Richmond Town Hall</p> <p>Date: 1 June 2026</p> <p>Time: 6-8pm</p>