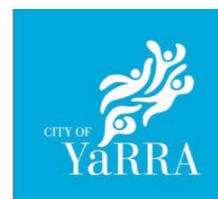


Minutes

Transport Advisory Committee



Date	3 August 2026
Time	6pm-8pm
Location	Meeting Room 1, Richmond Town Hall, MS Teams
Chair	Cr Sophie Wade
Minute taker	Philip Mallis
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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	Cr Sophie Wade (Chair)
Committee members	Catherine Noone, Aaron McDonnell, Glenn Morrison, Alex Lamb, Michael Oser, Matt Douglas
Council Officers	Simon Exon – Unit Manager Strategic Transport Philip Mallis – Principal Strategic Transport Planner
Guests	Cr Ken Gomez (online via MS Teams) Lander Chy – Acting Senior Coordinator Traffic Engineering Lauren Krnjacki – Senior Coordinator Ageing Well and Disability Inclusion
Apologies	Cameron Roberts

Item number	Item title or subject	Minute notes
1.	Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country Attendance and apologies Minutes of previous meeting	<i>Meeting commenced at 1810</i> Cameron Roberts an apology <u>Minutes</u> Approval of minutes of previous meeting on 1 June 2026, subject to removal of discussion about safety issues at Collingwood Town Hall as this was not raised at that meeting specifically Discussion on future meeting locations. Committee's preference is for alternating meeting locations between venues in Richmond and Collingwood. Action: council officers to change next meeting venue to Collingwood. Discussion on future meeting dates and if these are compatible with transport project timelines for consultation. Committee agreed to change future meeting date if needed to accommodate this. Suggestion discussed for multiple advisory committees to meet together to discuss common topics. Action: council officers to review future meeting date and propose change if required to meet transport project consultation dates if known.

		Discussion on giving notice to committee members of consultations and projects. Officers advised of new advisory committee bulletin. Committee's preference is for this bulletin to be sent directly to committee members. Action: council officers to check if bulletin can be sent directly to committee members.
2.	Declarations of conflicts of interest	No declarations in accordance with Council's <i>Conflict of Interest Policy</i>
3.	Draft Universal Design and Disability Inclusion Policy	<i>Item commenced at 1822</i> Officer presentation on draft policy. Discussion on how Policy will impact transport decisions and consultation with advisory committees. Discussion on how council projects are seen through a universal design lens. Discussion on pedestrian crossings and differences between priority crossings and continuous footpaths, including who has right of way under the Victorian Road Rules. Action: include agenda item on pedestrian crossings for next committee meeting Discussion on how transport improvements are funded as part of renewals. Preference is for multiple issues to be addressed at once. Discussion on the best way to report issues to be improved.
4.	Traffic Engineering Update	<i>Item commenced at 1843</i> Presentation on projects including Road Safety Studies. Discussion on 30km/h speed limit implementation and project timelines. Council is currently collecting data to support making trial areas permanent, subject to State Government approval and in light of recent Speed Guidelines changes. There is also ongoing advocacy to the State Government on this matter. Committee agreed that 30km/h speed limits have been a significant and positive difference to streets and neighbourhoods where it has been implemented. Discussion about lag between road crash occurrence and reporting. Consultation will occur soon on Rose Street project. Committee members will be notified.
5.	Park Street reserve project	<i>Item commenced at 1855</i> Presentation on project. Any questions taken on notice for the project team. Future presentation in more detail scheduled for next meeting. Discussion on whether or not there will be separated walking and cycling paths in Linear Park. Questions if Park Street is included in the Brunswick North Road Safety Study, including contraflow bike lane. Discussion on the use of Park Street as a cycling route and potential minor improvements. Committee agreed that Park Street is an important cycling route for reasons including poor lighting of Linear Park path and space for faster bikes that is away from the shared path.

		Action: officers to investigate and report back on any minor safety improvements that could be made to Park Street bike lane. Committee suggested plastic bollards to delineate bike and traffic lanes and linemarking.
6.	Building a better Gipps and Langridge Streets	<i>Item commenced at 1910</i> Presentation on project. Discussion on the role of Hoddle Street creating a significant division between neighbourhoods and barrier to walking. Discussion on current street conditions, including tree roots and walking conditions. Suggestion to conduct intercept surveys and near-miss data on an ongoing basis (including people walking and cycling). Discussion on community engagement and data collection, including importance of Plain English language, engaging with CALD communities and different uses in the area (childcare centres, sports facilities).
7.	Other projects	<i>Item commenced at 1925</i> Presentation on other projects. Upcoming New Deal for Walking map soon to be published. Kerbside & Parking Strategy consultation scheduled for next year. Committee raised concerns about not being notified of ebike contract details by Council at its last meeting. Concerns also raised about potential for dumped ebikes around the edges of Yarra. Committee discussed that ebike schemes can be practical but there is also poor user behaviour and poor management in some cases. Discussion on allocating street space for ebike and escooter parking. Discussion on community bike checks and opportunity to link to current cost of living public discourse. Committee requested an update on the Congestion Levy. Officers have not received correspondence from the State Government on its operation or if funds are being collected. Action: officers to confirm if Congestion Levy revenue is currently being collected and if Council is paying the Levy as of the 2026/27 financial year.
8.	Other business	<i>Item commenced at 1955</i> Committee requested a walking site visit for a future meeting. Action: officers to propose walking site visit options at next committee meeting.
9.	Close	<i>The meeting closed at 1957</i>
Next scheduled meeting		Location: TBC (Collingwood area) Date: Monday 9 November 2026 Time: 6-8pm