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WestConnex Community Reference Group

Rozelle Interchange – Meeting 1

Meeting:	WestConnex Community Reference Group – Rozelle Interchange												
Date:	Tuesday 26 February 2019												
Time:	5.45 pm for 6.00 pm start												
Location:	7-15 Wetherill Street, Leichhardt Service Centre												
Attendees:	Independent Chair (IC) Associate Notetaker	Stephen Lancken Susan Hayes Samuel Cheok											
	Community (Coalition of Glebe Groups – COGG) Community (White Bay Strata) Community (Community Representative) Community (Rozelle Public School – P&C Vice President) Community (Sydney Secondary College – P&C President) Community (Community Representative) Camperdown Residents Against WestConnex (CRAG)	Helen Randerson Nick O'Dwyer Nicholas Poynder Ben Prag Anne-Therese King Sharon Laura Fayroze Lutta											
	Inner West Council (IWC) Inner West Council (IWC)	Kendall Banfield Maree Laing											
	Environment Protection Authority (EPA) RMS Project Director – Rozelle Interchange RMS Senior Communications Manager RMS Senior Communications Officer RMS Communications Director RMS Graduate	Rob Sherry Tarnjit Chahal Dan Silburn-Evans Mehrdad Doushabchi Lynne Machin Marcus Hall											
Apologies:	Community WestProtects Community (Coalition of Glebe Groups – COGG)	Liza-Jayne Loch Jan Wilson											

Meeting Notes

Key Matters Discussed and Presented

1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION presented by Independent Chair (IC)

- 1.1 The IC facilitated introduction of new members, including two new Community members and three RMS Rozelle Interchange project personnel.
- 1.2 The IC outlined: the purpose of the new Community Reference Groups (CRG) as concerned with construction of the Rozelle Interchange; the membership as community representatives who reside in the area around the construction of the Rozelle Interchange; and the arrangements regarding distribution of Agendas to both CRGs and attendance at either or both meetings when matters effecting both Groups were on the Agenda.

2 2019 TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MEETING FORMAT presented by IC and RMS

- 2.1 The IC spoke to the revised draft Terms of Reference, distributed prior to the meeting and invited comments from members before the next meeting.
- 2.2 RMS provided an update on the membership of both CRGs and meeting format.
- 2.3 The IC noted that the Terms of Reference referred to all members names and email addresses being published on WestConnex website. An email request will be distributed to members to request consent to this.
- 2.4 Community members expressed a need for meeting notes to be distributed more quickly following meetings.

2.1 The IC noted that the concern was heard, and that Meeting Notes will become available as soon as possible following each meeting.

2.5 Community members raised privacy concerns with their contact details (e.g.: email address) being published on the WestConnex website

3 PROJECT UPDATE presented by RMS Project Director and Team

Questions and comments

- 3.1 The Community noted that they had been told that contractor representatives would be invited to meetings and wanted to know why the contractor was not present at this meeting.
 - 3.1.1 The contractor was not invited to this first meeting. RMS noted that at this stage the

Contractor does not have enough information to share. Interest in contractor attendance at meetings was noted. The contractor will be invited to the future meetings.

3.2 Will the next meeting occur before the various construction management plans are submitted to the Department of Planning & Environment (DP&E) and Council?

3.2.1 These plans are not made available for comment by the public. However, they are shared with affected Councils for feedback. It was noted that the contact details for the contractor are on this presentation. Any correspondence to the contractor will be acknowledged.

3.2.2 Community members noted that they believe this is a missed opportunity for them to ask questions and respond to the plans for construction activities in their communities.

3.3 Will both Councils be consulted in relation to the Plans?

3.3.1 Inner West Council (IWC), Canada Bay Council and City of Sydney Council will be consulted.

3.4 Is any land in the City of Sydney area impacted?

3.4.1 A section (1,800sqm) of land, mostly comprised of Chapman Road and The Crescent, has been acquired from City of Sydney Council for road work as part of realignment of The Crescent.

3.5 How can the community see the draft construction plans so they may comment on them?

3.5.1 The contractor uses Condition of Approval and Tender documents to produce design plans for construction. The plans are closely scrutinised by RMS to make sure there is no deviation from the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) which the general public had previously an opportunity to make comments on while on display.

3.5.2 The IWC responded that they would like to conduct community consultative meetings. The IWC will raise with the contractor that the community wants to be consulted on draft plans. The IWC will be requesting a public display and consultation process. This will be at the discretion of John Holland (Pty Ltd) and CPB Contractors (Pty Ltd) (i.e., JHCPB) to accept or otherwise.

3.6 What happens if members of either WCRG have issues with the New M5 and M4 East construction? Who does the community talk to?

3.6.1 WCRG - M4 M5 Link Tunnel is the CRG focusing on the M4 and M5 link tunnel and will continue to address issues related to M4 East and the New M5. The contractor, Lendlease Samsung Bouygues Joint Venture (LSBJV), will be participating in the meetings.

3.6.2 To contact contractors in relation to the New M5 and M4 East the community can call 1800 660 248 or email <u>info@m4east.com.au</u>, <u>info@newm5.com.au</u> or <u>info@m4-m5linktunnels.com.au</u>.

3.7 Community members noted that residents are very concerned about the environmental impacts on the health of the community, particularly in relation to air quality. Community members believe this is the most serious current issue. Questions on notice from the Community are as follows (responses provided post meeting):

3.7.1 What is the threshold for air quality, and what happens when this threshold is exceeded?

RESPONSE ADDED POST MEETING: The most effective way to manage air quality during construction is through the implementation and monitoring of 'best practice' air quality management measures. These measures which will be detailed in the Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP), which will be submitted to DP&E for approval and monitored on-site daily.

The NSW EPA **Approved Methods & Guidance for the Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in NSW** (Department of Planning and the Environment and Conservation (2005) has annual guideline limit for depositional dust. The guideline is 4g/m2/month as an annual average.

The AQMP will set out the review process in the event that dust depositional guidelines are exceeded during a month. Typically, this involves the review of climatic events during the month (such as bush fires) which also impact the monitoring results, a review of construction activities and wind direction/speeds to review the potential for the project to have contributed to the monthly result.

It is noted that depositional dust monitoring provides results for the previous month and does not provide dust concentrations or enable determination of dust levels from a particular event or source.

3.7.2 Are there any requirements for measurement of air quality during construction? *RESPONSE ADDED POST MEETING:* DP&E has introduced the requirement for a Dust Deposition Monitoring Program (DDMP) for M4-M5 Link as part of the recent Modification to the project's EIS. The DDMP will be submitted to DP&E for approval. Dust depositional gauges will be installed in locations identified in the monitoring program and dust deposition will be monitored on a monthly basis. Review of the results will also be undertaken as per the monitoring program.

3.7.3 Will there be monitoring at the Rozelle/Camperdown site as it is very close Bridge Road school?

RESPONSE ADDED POST MEETING: Locations for dust deposition monitoring will be as per the DDMP. The program will be provided to relevant agencies for review prior to the approval of DP&E.

3.7.4 What baseline air quality monitoring is happening, specifically for site establishments?

RESPONSE ADDED POST MEETING: Baseline monitoring was undertaken as part of the EIS and the Contractor can access this data as required. The Contractor will be required to implement air quality management measures as outlined in the Air Quality Management Plan which will be approved by DP&E.

3.7.5 What baseline monitoring of air quality is being undertaken during demolition? *See above.*

3.8 Are there construction air quality monitoring expectations in relation to the Rozelle Interchange?

3.8.1 See responses regarding Dust Deposition Monitoring Program (DDMP) above.

3.8.2 An Air Quality Community Consultative Committee (AQCCC) will be established for the Rozelle Interchange and will operate during the pre-construction and construction phases.

3.8.3 RMS will provide a presentation at the next meeting about air quality issues around the Rozelle Interchange.

3.8.4 The IC committed to do all in his power to ensure that the questions above are answered (please see responses above provide post meeting).

3.8.5 RMS and the IC requested that questions on notice be emailed prior to meetings.

3.9 The Community requested that someone be available at the WCRG M4 M5 Link Tunnel meeting on 5 March to respond to the questions outlined above.

3.9.1 RMS took the questions on notice and advised that they will make every effort to ensure that someone is available at that meeting to respond to the questions outlined above.

3.10 The Community asked if the contractor would know what has been raised in this meeting?
3.10.1 Yes. RMS noted that Community members' preference for the contractor to attend meetings will be relayed and the contractor will attend in the future. The contractor will receive Notes of this meeting.

3.11 When will the demolition work along Victoria Road commence?

3.11.1 It will commence in a few months.

- 3.12 Have the properties identified at Buruwan Road (see Slide 4) been acquired by RMS?3.11.1 Yes.
- 3.13 How can we find out which local roads are now under the control of the contractor?3.11.2 The IWC undertook to send information to the IC about which roads have been impacted.
- 3.14 Given that some land from acquired houses is to be returned as part of the Urban Design and Landscape Plan, at what stage is it appropriate for the community to approach contractors to request that trees in the backyards of houses to be demolished, are retained?

3.14.1 RMS undertook to respond to Community members as soon as possible and provide an avenue for members to suggest this to the contractors.

- 3.15 The Community is concerned that access to Buruwan Park will be restricted during construction.
 3.14.1 RMS noted that the contractor has strict requirements to maintain access during construction. Significant impacts on Buruwan Park will not occur until the Construction Management Plan is approved.
- 3.16 Will there be any trees removed around Burawan Park prior to construction?

3.16.1 Only trees within the project footprint will be removed. There is a specific process the contractor needs to follow before tree removal. The RMS took the question on notice and will request that the contractor provide further information.

3.16.2 RMS encouraged community members to contact the Rozelle Interchange contractor info@rozelleinterchange.com.au or RMS by info.westconnex@rms.nsw.gov.au if they notice any work taking place at Buruwan Park.

3.17 Where will the utilities works commence?

3.16.1 Works will commence at Victoria Road and at Rozelle Railyard.

3.18 Is there a civil construction site at The Crescent?

3.18.1 There will be a small construction site at The Crescent. The Crescent needs to be realigned and geotechnical work will commence within the next 3 months.

- 3.19 When was the Utilities Management Strategy approved, and where can it be viewed?
 - 3.19.1 The Strategy was approved late last year. It is not public information.
 - 3.19.2 The Strategy deals with relocation of utilities (gas, electricity, water) and is for utility providers and owners.
- 3.20 Community members were concerned about ensuring learning from the experience of the mainline tunnel construction. How will utilities relocation and management arrangements for the Rozelle Interchange differ to the past Haberfield situation? Will there be a Utilities Manager for the project? Will the community have access to speak to that person?

3.20.1 The scope of the Rozelle Interchange and the M4-M5 Link Tunnels are completely different. The management of utilities relocation work will be approached appropriately for the work required on each project.

3.20.2 Where possible, preliminary utilities relocation work is to happen during normal construction hours, being Monday to Friday 7am – 6pm, and Saturday 8am – 2pm. The aim is to carry out works concurrently to reduce the total length of time of the impact. There may be some utility work carried out at night but mostly on main roads. Residents will be notified in advance if

this is to occur.

3.20.2 A Utilities Manager will be appointed to coordinate utilities works and re-establishment of services. The question of community access to the Utilities Manager was taken on notice.

3.21 How will utility works affect residents? Will there be noise impacts nearby?

3.21.1 RMS is unable to comment on behalf of utility providers. However, there is likely to be noise impact of the works required on surface roads and footpaths. There is likely to be no or little noise impact as a result of the works going on underground. Where possible, impacts will be confined to daytime work hours.

3.22 The Community would like to know if the Utilities Management Strategy has been approved by the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E). The Community is also interested in the Strategy, would like to know if it is in the public domain and where it can be accessed for viewing. If it is not available for public viewing, the Community wishes it noted that they would like it to be publicly available.

3.22.1 The Utilities Management Strategy has been approved by DP&E. RMS undertook to inform DP&E that the Community wishes the Strategy to be available for public viewing.

3.23 The Community is concerned about night works as in the past there have been many issues. The Community wishes it noted that they would like works to be undertaken as far as possible within standard hours in the daytime, and not rely on Victoria Road and The Crescent being blocked off?
3.23.1 The Strategy aims not to close roads during standard hours. Wherever possible, construction methods will be used to do utility relocations without relying on road occupancy licences. The scope of work does not rely on works being undertaken on Victoria Road, City West Link or The Crescent that would require a lane closure.

3.23.2 A Public Liaison Officer will be available at all times when work is underway to respond to public queries including Utility Works. The Public Liaison Officers for the Rozelle Interchange work can be contacted by calling the WestConnex Information Line 1800 660 248 and asking to speak to the Rozelle Interchange Team or by emailing <u>info@rozelleinterchange.com.au</u>.

3.24 The community requested that the contractor provide further information on the specific process for approval of tree removals within the project footprint.

3.24.1 *RESPONSE ADDED POST MEETING:* The process is explained in the Conditions of Approval (CoA) of M4-M5 Link project. Condition C4 of the CoA requires a Construction Flora and Fauna Management Sub-plan to be prepared in consultation with the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and relevant Council(s). The M4-M5 Link EIS identified areas where tree clearing is proposed for the Rozelle Interchange project clear trees. At this stage RMS has not been

advised that the contractor proposes any clearing outside of the areas assessed in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

4 UPDATE ON INDEPENDENT PROPERTY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT presented by RMS

Questions and comments

4.1 Does the contract for Rozelle and the mainline tunnel include a 'hold back' or guarantee to fix damage if it occurs? Question taken on notice.

4.1.1 *RESPONSE ADDED POST MEETING:* Condition of Approval E108 states that: "Where damage has been determined to occur as a result of the project, the Proponent must carry out rectification at its expense and to the reasonable requirements of the surface and sub-surface structure owner(s) within three (3) months of completion of the post-dilapidation surveys unless another timeframe is agreed with the owner of the affected surface or sub-surface structure".

4.2 Will the Independent Property Assessment Panel (IPIAP) (see presentation, page 6) be able to make decisions that are binding on the contract? Will the IPIAP be able to make recommendations, decisions or mandate resolutions? Is RMS able to make these binding in the contract? What process will be put in place to notify of claim damages?

4.2.1 The Conditions of Approval require the establishment of an IPIAP. It is not yet established. Questions were taken on notice for a response from RMS when details are known.

- 4.3 What is the time limit in terms of this panel, i.e. how long will residents have to notify the contractors of damages after construction? What sort of assurances will residents receive that the contractor doesn't wind the company up? The Community is concerned that RMS maintain their commitment to ensure rectification of any damage to residents' homes.
 - 4.3.1 These questions were taken on notice.

4.3.2 RMS noted that they are the proponent of the contract and that many of the Conditions of Approval expire 12 months after completion – however RMS is unsure whether the Conditions of Approval for the IPIAP are the same.

4.3.3 The Community would like noted that they do not think 12 months is long enough.

- 4.4. Questions taken on notice prior to the meeting and responses were outlined (see presentation, page 7).
- 4.5 Will there be road closures on Lilyfield Road? The Community is concerned as Lilyfield Road is heavily used and is a key access road for Rozelle and Lilyfield residents, including cyclists making their way to and from Anzac Bridge.

4.5.1 There will be occasional road closures, however Lilyfield Road will generally not be

blocked. Ultimately, both pedestrian and cycling bridges that currently go above Victoria Road, will go through the park at the Rozelle Railyards.

4.5.2 RMS will take Community concerns into account, including the importance of Lilyfield Road as a key access road. RMS gave a commitment to keep the Community updated on preconstruction works around Lilyfield.

4.6 Is there any update on what is happening with the Metro West rail line and the Rozelle Interchange?

4.6.1 The Metro West is planned to pass underneath the Rozelle Interchange tunnels. Further information can be found via https://www.sydneymetro.info/west/project-overview

- 4.7 The Community are concerned that because of the interplay between the Rozelle Interchange and the Metro West rail line, the Metro West station will be located further west than it might otherwise have been. That is, residents have missed out on having a station located closer to Victoria Road.
 - 4.7.1 RMS took this as comment.
- 4.8 The Community requested that RMS provide maps at the CRG meetings to assist in understanding and discussion of the detail of works on the Rozelle Interchange.
 - 4.8.1 RMS agreed to provide maps where possible in presentations.

5 OTHER BUSINESS

Questions and comments

5.1 The Community is very concerned about air quality. Will filtration of ventilation outlets be considered?

5.1.1 RMS noted that the design for the ventilation outlets for Rozelle Interchange is consistent with the EIS and that they are unfiltered. A whole of Government response to the WestConnex Inquiry recommendations is currently being developed, and is due in June, 2019. At that point, RMS will address all the recommendations including any recommendation relating to filtration of ventilation outlets.

5.2 The Community is very concerned about weekend and night work. The Community wants more restrictions on night and weekend work and the accommodation program expanded to include provision of alternate accommodation if works run over two or more nights per week. They also wanted noted that they believe the noise modelling is inadequate.

5.2.1 RMS responded that they have a policy that allows for 'exceptional hardship' purchase of homes. This will allow people to sell their homes to RMS at 'unaffected' value to RMS on the

grounds of the operational impact on the property. RMS acknowledges that the legal framework for acquiring property is strict and that they cannot acquire outside of the construction footprint. However, conditions of approval and plans exist to protect residents and this policy recognises some people are in exceptional circumstances.

5.3 Communication plans restrict communication between residents and RMS. How can the community contact RMS if they are unsatisfied with the contractor's responses to problems and complaints about noise and construction impacts?

5.3.1 RMS is working very closely with the contractor Communications team. If Community members are being impacted and wish to speak with RMS, they can ask the contractors to escalate the issue through the complaints process or contact the RMS Communications team through either <u>info.westconnex@rms.nsw.gov.au</u> or by calling 1800 660 248 and ask to speak with the Rozelle Interchange Community Team member. An independent Community Complaints Mediator has also been appointed to provide an additional escalation point for unresolved complaints between the community and the Contractor.

- 5.4 The Community wanted noted that they request DP&E's presence at meetings.5.4.1 It was noted that DP&E are invited to meetings and have sent an apology for this meeting.
- 5.5 It was again noted that the whole of government response to the Parliamentary Inquiry into WestConnex is due on 17 June.
- 5.6 The Community is concerned about serious and ongoing safety issues near Rozelle Public School, specifically, on Victoria Road and Darling Street.

5.6.1 RMS committed to arranging a meeting between Rozelle Public School representatives and RMS traffic engineers to work through traffic safety issues on Darling Street and Victoria Road around the school. Outcomes of the meeting are to be reported back at next CRG meeting.

6 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is tentatively set for 14 May 2019. This will be confirmed following discussions between the IC and RMS.

Meeting closed at 8:03pm

ACTIONS ARISING

Item	Actions Arising	Timeframe	Responsibility / Status Update	Response						
1	Distribute an email request to members to request consent to publish all members' names and addresses on the WestConnex website as per Terms of Reference.	Before next meeting	IC							
2	Members invited to comment via email on the draft Terms of Reference.	Before the next meeting.	IC / Community members							
3	Make every effort to ensure that someone is available at the WCRG M4-M5 Link Tunnel meeting on 5 March to respond to the questions on notice about air quality monitoring.	At WCRG M4 M5 Link Tunnel meeting on 5 March, if possible	RMS	Closed. Responses provided in these Notes at 3.7 and 3.8.						
4	Provide information to the IC, for distribution to CRG members about which local roads are now under the control of the contractor.	Before the next meeting	IWC							
5	Respond to Community members and provide an avenue for members to suggest to contractors that: in areas where backyards of demolished houses are to be returned to parklands, trees are retained.	As soon as possible	RMS	In progress, community members can contact the Rozelle Interchange team at any time via info@rozelleinterchange.com.au						
6	RMS will provide a presentation at the next meeting about air quality issues around the Rozelle Interchange.	At next meeting	RMS	Next meeting						
7	Keep the Community updated on road closures and pre-construction works at Lilyfield and Victoria Roads around Lilyfield.	Ongoing	RMS	Closed. Agreed.						

8	Relay the Community's preference for the contractor to attend meetings to the contractor.	Before the next meeting	RMS	Closed. For information only.
9	Raise with the contractor that the Community would like to be consulted on draft construction plans; request a public display and consultation process.	Before the next meeting	IWC	
10	DP&E to be informed that the Community wishes the Utilities Management Strategy to be available for public viewing.	As soon as possible	RMS	In progress
11	Questions raised in 4.2 regarding IPIAP were taken on notice for a response when details are known.	When details of IPIAP are known.	RMS	Next meeting

These notes are taken live and have been accepted on 28 March 2019 by

Steve Land

Stephen Lancken

Independent Chair

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Rozelle Interchange

26 February 2019





Introductions

- Community members
- Negocio Resolutions
- RMS
- Inner West Council
- City of Sydney Council
- Department of Planning and Environment
- EPA

Revised WCRG processes

Changes in 2019

- Consolidate three 2018 groups into two 2019 groups, to be referred to as "WCRG M4-M5 Link" and "WCRG Rozelle Interchange"
- Four meetings for each group held quarterly
- WCRG meetings to include a "look ahead" at major project construction activities, when available
- Meeting notes to be distributed within two-three weeks of meeting
- Representatives of contractor to be invited to each meeting

Overall Project Update

Rozelle Interchange

Update since previous meeting

- RMS signed a Design and Construct contract with John Holland CPB Contractors Joint Venture (JHCPB)
- A number of sites have been handed over to JHCPB to allow for low-impact investigation works to take place, including utilities investigations and geotechnical investigations within:
 - Commercial properties on Lilyfield Road
 - Rozelle Rail Yards
 - Buruwan Park
 - A number of local roads
- JHCPB has begun preparing with RMS input and oversight various plans to submit to the Department of Planning and Environment for approval including:
 - Construction and Environment Management Plan
 - Site Establishment Plan
 - Communications Plan
- The Rozelle Interchange team can be reached via:
 - info@rozelleinterchange.com.au
 - 1800 660 248 (and ask for the Rozelle Interchange Community Engagement team)

Overall Project Update

Rozelle Interchange

Construction	Indicative construction timeframe																							
activity	2018			2019				2020			2021				2022			2023						
	Q1	02	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	03	Q4	Q1	02	03	Q4	Q1	02	03	Q4	Q1	02	03	Q4	Q1	02	03	Q4
Site establishment and utility works																								
Traffic diversions and intersection works																								
Construction of cut-and-cover and tunnel portals and operational infrastructure																								
Site rehabilitation and landscaping																								
Testing and commissioning																								

Independent Property Impact Assessment Panel (IPIAP)

Update

- RMS has issued a Tender for qualified experts to sit on the M4-M5 Link IPIAP
- The Tender closed w/c 18 February
- The panel is expected to be finalised by April, 2019
- The panel will provide an oversight role of the pre-condition and postcondition survey process
- The panel will also assess unresolved property impact claims for residents
- The panel will cover the M4-M5 Link Tunnels project and the Rozelle Interchange projects

Questions provided before meeting

Rozelle Interchange

Q) Air quality readings at Haberfield Public School

A) See handout

Q) Properties affected by Rozelle Interchange tunnelling

A) The JHCPB Contractor is determining the final design. Once determined, the online tunnelling tool will be updated for the Rozelle Interchange indicating all properties eligible for a Property Condition Survey

Q) Surface markings on Denison Street, Lilyfield

A) This is unrelated to WestConnex and is most likely to be related to Sydney Trains work

Q) Community Information Centre

A) A separate Community Information Centre will be provided for the Rozelle Interchange by JHCPB. It will most likely be in very close proximity to the Rozelle Railyards site

Q) Gordon Street access

A) Access on Gordon Street to the north of Lilyfield Road will not be affected by the project

Project Related Q&A