



Port River Expressway Road and Rail Bridges
Community Liaison Group
Record of Meeting 15 – Thursday 13 September 2007
National Railway Museum
Meeting opened at 5:30 pm

PRESENTATION

Stuart Taylor Project Director, Port Adelaide Waterfront Redevelopment, LMC

ACTION: Joint meeting to be held with DTEI, LMC and Chris Mitchell regarding temporary moorings.

15.1 Welcome and apologies

Attendees:

Fij Miller (Chair) – DTEI

David Hemmings - Port Adelaide Bicycle Users Group

Mike Goody – City of Port Adelaide Enfield

Liz Millington - Port Adelaide Residents Environment Protection Group

Chris Mitchell – Dolphin Explorer

John Ford – Birkenhead Resident

Cath Duncan – Port Adelaide Enfield Chamber of Commerce

John Fitzpatrick - Resident

John Croci – City of Port Adelaide Enfield

Tony Kearney - Resident

Carol Pearce – SA Tall Ships Inc (Falie and One and All)

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Horner

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Meeting No. 16

Venue: Port Adelaide Sailing Club, Access off of Willochra Street, Largs North

Date: Thursday 1 November 2007

Time: 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

NOTE: The Port Adelaide Sailing Club has been relocated from Jenkins Street to Marina Adelaide, Willochra Street, Largs North

GUEST SPEAKER

Members of the PRExy event management team will be introduced to the group and will facilitate a discussion around the group's ideas for the event.

AGENDA

16.1 Welcome and apologies

16.2 Previous Minutes

16.3 Business arising

16.3.1 Steve Woodrow to inform Adam Montroy of the approach to temporary mooring facilities around PRExy Bridges

16.3.2 Matt Allan to review the availability of advance warning signs on St Vincent Street.

16.3.3 DTEI to consider providing the CLG with the terms of reference for the review group for their consideration and comment. DTEI to also consider CLG representation on this group.

16.3.4 DTEI to report to John Ford regarding the planned use for cyclists on the Birkenhead Bridge.

16.3.5 Matt Allan to arrange a meeting with Chris Mitchell, John Bradley and Brian Pederson to discuss obstructions in the navigational channel

16.3.6 Joint meeting to be held with DTEI, LMC and Chris Mitchell regarding temporary moorings.

16.4 Contractor update

16.4.1 Bridge Construction

16.4.2 Roadworks

16.4.3 River closure

16.4.4 Noise attenuation process

16.4.5 Public Art

16.5 Community Relations

16.5.1 Bridge Opening Regime

16.5.2 Project Completion – ideas for CLG celebration



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Karina Loxton - DTEI
David Bartlett - DTEI
Matt Allan – Abigroup Contractors Pty Ltd
Bernie Auricht – Abigroup Contractors Pty Ltd

Apologies:

Adam Montroy – Resident
Kristine Peters - Todd Street Business Chambers
Lyn Hay - Todd Street Business Chambers
Peter Gold – DTEI
Steve Woodrow – DTEI

15.2 Minutes of previous meeting

15.2.1 The group passed the record of the previous meeting held on 2 August 2007 as true and correct.

15.3 Business Arising

Update of actions:

15.3.1 Matt Allan to confirm the condition of the pavement on Victoria Road.

Matt Allan advised that work to improve the road condition would be undertaken in the near future.

15.3.2 Amie Horner to determine the entitlement of the house opposite the park on the corner of Hargrave Street and Victoria Road for noise attenuation treatment.

Amie Horner confirmed that a letter has been sent to the resident regarding entitlement to noise attenuation. DTEI will meet with the resident in the near future.

15.3.3 Steve Woodrow to inform Adam Montroy of the approach to temporary mooring facilities around PRExy Bridges.

Ongoing action

15.3.4 Abigroup to investigate signage on Birkenhead Bridge for the one-lane closure on Nelson Street.

Matt Allan said that the current signage placement adheres to statutory requirements in respect to speed and distance. Abigroup discovered that signage is being removed and are endeavouring to be more vigilant in monitoring the signage.

Action: Matt Allan to review the availability of advance warning signs on St Vincent Street.

15.4 Contractor report

Matt Allan provided an update on construction activities to date:



15.4.1 Bridge Construction

The approaches to the bridges, at both embankments, are now complete. Works are slow as highly technical works are completed over the next several months. Works will then accelerate to get the Rail Bridge to the point at which it can open.

Tony Kearney enquired on the progress of a proposal to close the Port River to over-height vessels. Matt Allan outlined the difficulties in completing the works when a bridge span is missing. The road bridge girders will be delivered within the next six weeks and then a solid block of two months closure could see considerable advancement on construction. The proposal is not public information as it is still under discussion and key stakeholders need to be engaged. A consultation process is being developed.

David Bartlett explained that DTEI and Abigroup need to develop the best possible solution which doesn't adversely impact on relevant stakeholders and their businesses.

15.4.2 Roadworks

Eastern project site road works are progressing well. With regard to the western project site, the community was advised that works were originally to be completed within a 10 week process. Abigroup has had difficulties with the level of the rail line on Nelson Street, drainage and public safety during the works. As such, these works have taken longer than expected and will take several more months to complete. Abigroup and DTEI are discussing a number of options for these required works.

15.4.3 Noise Attenuation

Bernie Auricht reported that the process is progressing well. Individual contracts are being prepared by Crown Law for distribution to involved parties by mid October 2007.

15.4.4 Planned River Closures

Matt Allan advised that Abigroup are working with DTEI to discuss the possibility of closing the river to over-height vessels for an extended period in order to accelerate the construction program. DTEI will then consider this proposal. The closure would only occur after the relocation of the Port Adelaide Sailing Club and the tugs.

Tony Kearney commented that this proposal is different to what was originally proposed.

David Bartlett advised that the proposal is different and is not what is outlined in the contract, in terms of allowances for river closures. David explained that this was one option being considered to expedite construction completion and advised that that no decision has been made regarding any such closure. He



stressed that the decision will not be taken lightly – requiring consultation with all affected parties.

15.4.5 Status of landscaping and urban design

The public art contract has been let to Marijana Tadic. Preliminary works are now progressing.

15.5 Community Relations Update

15.5.1 Opening Celebrations – Karina Loxton.

The initial plans for the opening celebration include a Sunday family day event that may involve a symbolic passage of road, rail and marine users.

15.5.2 Bridge Opening Regime – Karina Loxton

A second series of consultations have been completed with freight and marine stakeholders. The proposed regime (pending approval by the Commissioner of Highways and noting by Minister for Transport) will see 2 openings per day on weekdays and 3 openings on the weekend (and public holidays) with an additional opening during daylight savings. A review will then take place several months after the completion of the project. It is recommended that a CLG representative take part in this review process.

ACTION: DTEI to consider providing the CLG with the terms of reference for the review group for their consideration and comment. DTEI to also consider CLG representation on this group.

15.5.3 Communication Strategy – Karina Loxton.

The Communications Strategy for the bridge opening regime and user education has been completed. This strategy includes user protocols on the opening regime. As part of this strategy communication materials that address the education of the community on aspects such as changed road networks will be developed. These materials will be presented to the CLG for comment before release. An advertising campaign is proposed for the local Messenger newspaper and the Sunday Mail.

15.5.4 Project Completion – Amie Horner.

The CLG was requested to provide Amie Horner, at subsequent meetings, with ideas for a project completion celebration.

John Ford enquired about a response to the recent article in the Portside Messenger regarding project completion. Amie Horner advised that the PRExy project team and Abigroup are disappointed with the way in which the project was reported in the Portside Messenger and indicated that new completion dates will be communicated in future outreach materials and announcements. DTEI does not generally respond to misrepresentations in the media.



15.6 Community representative reports

CLG members share information and highlight issues on behalf of local organisations and the community regarding the project.

John Ford received an enquiry from a community member as a follow-up from the last Community Update asking whether there will be a designated lane for cycling on the Birkenhead Bridge. John also reported that the Adelaide Brighton Cement EPA license decision will be issued in November.

ACTION: DTEI to report to John regarding the planned use for cyclists on the Birkenhead Bridge.

Chris Mitchell enquired about the experience of the Barge Master in the construction site in the Port River and outlined the issue regarding obstructions in the channel. Matt Allan stated that the Barge Master is a ticketed mariner and holds a coxsund ticket. Matt also advised that the obstruction issue will be followed up through further discussion.

ACTION: Matt Allan to arrange a meeting with Chris Mitchell, John Bradley and Brian Pederson to discuss obstructions in the navigational channel.

David Hemmings reported that the LeFevre Peninsula Masterplan was released today and is on display at the Town Hall. On the weekend it will be located at the Osborne Community Centre.

15.7 Other Business:

15.7.1 Next Meeting

The next meeting date is to be advised.

15.8 Meeting closed 7.30pm.