

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting	Date	Time	Location
East West Link meeting	29 March 2012	6pm – 7.30pm	Electorate Office of Adam Bandt MP 280 King St, Melbourne
<b>Present:</b> Cr Alison Clarke (City of Yarra), Cr Amanda Stone (Yarra City Council?), Daniel Bowen (Public Transport Users Association), Freda Watkin (Yarra Campaign for Action on Transport), Freda Erlich, Gabrielle Stannus (Friends of Royal Park, Parkville Inc), Gerry Noonan (Parkville Association), Greta Bird (Carlton Residents Association), Frank Burdon, Ian Bird (Carlton Residents Association), Janet Graham (North & West Melbourne Association), John Cox (YCAT), Julianne Bell (Protectors of Public Land), Katie Miller (Flemington Association), Paul Mees (RMIT University), Peter Holland, Rose Iser (Office of Adam Bandt MP), Tom Keel (Fitzroy Residents Association), Tony Morton (Public Transport Users Association)			
<b>Apologies:</b> Colleen Hartland (Greens), Frank Kinnersley (Moonee BUG), Cr Jackie Watts (City of Melbourne), Jill Koppel (Collingwood & Abbotsford Residents Association), Tony Dare (Kensington Association)			
Agenda Item	Issue/Person Responsible	Action	
1. Welcome & introductions	<p>Rose Iser recapped previous meetings to date to bring newcomers up to speed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting held in Kensington late 2011</li> <li>• Residents associations suggested it would be good for local groups to link up</li> </ul> <p><b>Last meeting – 29 February 2012</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussed different ways to work together</li> <li>• Desire for emphasis on alternatives to campaign on, i.e. work out some asks that electorate of Melbourne can agree on</li> </ul> <p><b>Since last meeting...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adam Bandt has presented approximately 500 e-mail responses to petition to Anthony Albanese, Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, re: Infrastructure Australia funding.</li> <li>• Rose encouraged attendees to consider making submissions to the City of Melbourne's draft Transport Strategy</li> </ul>		

<p><b>2. Sustainable transport options for people and freight across inner Melbourne</b></p>	<p>Daniel Bowen (Public Transport Users' Association) and Paul Mees (RMIT University) presented on sustainable transport options for people and freight across inner Melbourne, and what needs to be done to achieve this...</p> <p>Daniel Bowen – key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve public transport in outer suburbs, i.e. better services, better connections, timetable coordination, more frequent services</li> <li>• Need something that is affordable and makes a difference. Put aside Melbourne Metro rail – too expensive</li> <li>• East West road will only bring traffic, i.e. won't relieve congestion</li> <li>• In favour of Doncaster rail line</li> <li>• Responsibility of all, not only PTUA, to watch out...</li> </ul> <p>Paul Mees – key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need for new rail lines, especially, Monash University Rowville, Melbourne Airport and Doncaster</li> <li>• Ratchet up campaign to sophisticated level, i.e. properly costed and put together technical case drawing on good examples from other states</li> <li>• Grassroots campaigning</li> <li>• Fix governance in public transport</li> </ul>	<p><b>Rose</b> to let Daniel and Paul know what working group plans to do</p> <p><b>Rose</b> to link Katie to Cr Alison Clarke re: City of Yarra transport campaign/reference group</p>
<p><b>3. Working together</b></p>	<p><b>Action that has already occurred</b></p> <p>On 28 March, representatives of Protectors of Public Lands Victoria Inc (PPL) and the Royal Park Protection Group Inc. independently travelled to Canberra to put the case to the Federal Government not to fund the Baillieu Government's proposed East West Link but to improve public transport.</p> <p><b>What else needs to be done?</b></p> <p><b>1. Short-term – Community campaign</b></p> <p>Group were in general agreement that work needs to be done to bust basic East West Link myths in the short term, i.e. before Budget is handed down in May. General agreement that it would be beneficial for residents groups to start lobbying their council</p>	<p><b>Rose</b> to organise small group meeting before next working group meeting</p> <p><b>Small group</b> to decide on urgent action needed, e.g. action needed before budget</p>

	<p><b>2. Long term- Transport 'package'</b>  General agreement that a transport 'package' needs to be put together.</p> <p><b>Who should do it?</b>  Proposed that a smaller group meet before the next working group meeting to flesh out short-term actions. This group to include Rose, Gabby, Katie, Freda (or other YCAT rep)</p>	
<b>4. Next steps</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small group to meet in next fortnight</li> <li>• Working group to meet in 4 to 6 weeks time</li> </ul>	<b>Rose</b> to set date for next working group meeting and circulate
<b>ADDENDUM</b>	<p><b>Small group meeting</b>  Rose, Gabby, Katie and Alison Parkes (Greens) met on 2 April 2012 at Office of Adam Bandt.  Agreed that next steps before Budget are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop <b>resources for community campaign</b></li> <li>• Hold next <b>working group meeting</b> in mid-April, where campaign resources will be distributed</li> <li>• Hold <b>public meeting</b> late April/early May</li> </ul>	<b>Rose</b> to develop resources for groups across Melbourne  <b>Rose</b> to organise public meeting, with Gabby's assistance

### Next meeting:

**Date:** Thursday 26 April

**Time:** 6pm

**Venue:** 280 King St, Melbourne

### Public meeting - open to all comers

**Date:** Wednesday 2 May

**Time:** 7pm onwards

**Venue:** Dan O'Connell Hotel, 225 Canning Street, Carlton