# **Meeting note**

## **SIMTA**



Date 9 November 2020

Time 6pm

Purpose CCC Meeting

Chair Dr Col Gellatly Recorder Steve Nguyen

Attendees Richard Johnson - RJ

Scott Warren – SW Fiona McNaught – FM Michael Russell – MR

Ian Pryde – IP

Jeffery Thornton – JT Sharyn Cullis – SC Luke Oste – LO

Item	Discussion Point	Actions
Greeting from The Chair and apologies	» The Chair welcomed the CCC	The Chair to invite the CEO from MIC to attend the next CCC meeting
Actions from last meeting	» SW detailed the responses to the actions from last CCC meeting.	
3. Quarterly report	RJ provided an update on the past three months of works undertaken on-site	
	MPE	
	» Land forming to stabilise for warehouses 6,7 & 8	
	» Warehouse 5 is almost complete. Works undertaken include landscaping, internal and external finishing touches	
	» Construction of OSD 2 continuing	
	» Additional landscaping around Warehouse 3 & 4	
	» Progressive works on the second gantry crane on the IMEX	
	» Works continuing with the east-west channel	
	» Some minor services investigations on road adjustments and adjustments to power, sewer and Telcos in the northern part of the site	
	» Progressive works on Moorebank Avenue diversion.	
	MPW	
	» Minor demolition works being occurring on-site. Some services work on the east-west channel	
	» Removal of redundant services, utility and the old sewage treatment plan	

**Apologies** 

Erik Rakowski



- Importation of materials to site
- Backfilling of those demolition remediation areas
- Upgrade works for east-west channel.

### **Planning Process Works**

RJ informed the CCC

- » MPW 2 Mod 1, which was the building height adjustment that went on public exhibition for response is back with DPIE for their assessment.
- » MPW 3, which is the SSD for the compound, works in the southern part of the MPW site in response to submissions phase will be finalised and send back to the DPIE for their assessment.
- » MPE Stage 2 Mod 3, which is a Mod 2 subdivision to incorporate additional subdivision lots around the RailCorp land in the Southern Bootland area is currently with the DPIE for assessment.
- » Moorebank Avenue realignment. The EIS and Commonwealth EPBC approval for those works are still in preparation.
- » MPW Stage 2, elements remaining to enable the project to commence construction are currently with the auditor.

#### Discussion

- » SC asked why a lot of trees are being cleared? The clearing has made MPW site very visible from Casula Powerhouse.
  - RJ replied under both Stage 1 and Stage 2 consents; the residual contamination works allows for the removal of vegetation.
- SC asked how the project would manage offsets for the tree removal?
  - RJ advised that the team are not permitted to remove the trees until the offset has been approved and credits are retired and all credits required for both sites have been retired.
- » SC asked in terms of works on the ground. What is taking place around the site with regards to retired credits?
  - RJ advised that there is an appropriate number of vegetation credits in the offset areas deemed to replace the vegetation that the project removed, and there is a biodiversity management implementation plan that addresses how the project manage those offset areas.
- SC asked, is the plan currently being implemented?
  - RJ replied, yes
- » SC sought clarification about a walkway on the western side and to the south of Casula Powerhouse.
  - SW advised that the area SC referred to would require approval from government authority. The land is owned

» LO to investigate the request made by Council about the biodiversity offset area



by the commonwealth and leased and Oube does not determine the decision about the walkway.

- » LO advised that there is a pedestrian bridge proposed over the river north where the parkland.
  - RJ noted that there is provision for a pedestrian bridge walkway across the river but is not being built by Qube.

#### **Complaints**

- » SW advised that eight complaints received from 6 different stakeholders since the last meeting
  - The complaints were mainly noise caused by trucks' tailgates banging as they deliver materials to site.

#### **Discussion**

- SW informed the CCC that the project team reviewed the methodology of the work in importing fill, reviewing the real noise monitoring impacts and conducted additional noise monitoring in the communities to identify the impact of this work. In addition, the team relocated the work down to the far southern end of MPW site, which is the greatest distance from any receivers. Feedback from the community indicated that these measures eliminated the noise issues that the community had been experiencing.
- MR thanked the project team for resolving the noise issue.
- » MR thanked the project team for resolving his spill issues.
- RJ advised that the project team reiterated with contractors and project managers on-site that they need to be very acutely aware of any change to site practice or site location so that the team is aware of it in advance. This way, the team can provide the acoustic advisors to the work and if required; additional mitigation would be implemented.

#### 4. Upcoming Consultation

SW informed the CCC that public consultation for Moorebank Avenue realignment feedbacks are currently being compiled into the EIS and expect to have it on exhibition before Christmas.

#### 5. Three-month project lookahead

RJ noted that once the environmental management plan for MPW 2 is approved, the team will be able to start construction works on MPW Stage 2. In the interim;

» Warehouse 5 should be completed soon

#### **MPW**

» Continuing works with ground remediation, removal of surfaces and utilities, and importation of materials

#### Discussion

- MR asked if there will be more tree felling and stump grinding near Georges River?
  - RJ replied that there are still works in progress for the east-west channel which would require some trees



removal and depending on what existing structure and/or utilities are found during the work, further clearing could be required.

- RJ informed the CCC that the two scar trees had been removed
- MR mentioned that on one occasion, the chopping of trees was constant for about twelve hours with no respite period.
  - RJ advised the team had requested the acoustic consultants to identify any exceedance levels when attending to the noise monitoring and report back so the project team can identify the noisy equipment and manage any exceeded noise emissions.
- MR asked if the team has live noise monitoring?
  - RJ replied that there is unattended monitoring on the west bank
- SC asked, how much tree work the team is doing within the 40 meters riparian strip?
  - RJ advised that there is no work in the 40 metres area. The only work that is committed in the consent for works within the riparian zone and down to the watercourse is for the drainage structures. RJ added the riparian zone or repairing corridor doesn't prohibit works.
- » LO asked whether the project team are restabilising the area close to the riverbank?
  - RJ advised that the riverbanks are in the offset area, so it primarily falls under the biodiversity management and implementation plan. If and when possible, the team would like to enhance the vegetation in the biodiversity area along the riverbanks, which would greatly reduce the destabilisation along the river.

#### 6. General **Business**

- SC asked if LO could provide information about the consolidated landscape plan and is it lodged with Council?
  - RJ advised that the Consolidated Urban Design Landscape Plan under MPE Stage 2 was submitted to Council for consultation. It was concurrent with consultation with the Government Architect NSW. That consultation has been completed and the updated consolidated document is being submitted to DPIE for approval.
- SC asked where is the Urban Design Landscape Plan for MPW and why was the community not given the opportunity for input?
  - RJ advised that on MPW side, the plan is called Urban Design Development Report (UDDR). This plan was sent to Council for consultation and government architect NSW and had been peer-reviewed by an independent architect. It was approved three or four months ago. The UDDR will be publicly available once MPW Stage 2 works commence.
- SN will update previous minutes to include responses to SC question about the Koala Management Plan
- » RJ to send MPW Stage 2 layout plan to CCC members



- SW mentioned that the community had been given regular opportunities to have their say across a multitude of SSDAs and the inputs are an important part of the approval process of the project. Qube is strongly committed to meeting those conditions and exceeding them where they can.
- » SC remarked that one canopy tree per 30 square meters of landscape area isn't enough.
  - RJ clarified that the one tree per 30 square meters of landscape area is not Qube standard. The standard is given by Government Architect NSW.
- » IP asked about updates for the M5 weave upgrades.
  - RJ advised that discussions around how to best integrate the works that are occurring with MLP and upgrades to the M5 weave and timing are still uncertain.
  - SW advised that Qube does not have input into the M5 upgrade and works on the weave. If the community wish to know more about the upgrade, then best to contact TfNSW or the local member.
- FM asked is there a timeline for MPW approval?
  - RJ advised the response to submissions have been finalised. Qube is providing final responses back to DPIE questions. Once DPIE prepares its draft conditions, then it would go to IPC. At present, there is no definitive timeframe.
- » LO asked if Qube has knowledge about the delivery of the pedestrian walkway bridge across the river?
  - RJ advised it is not part of the development; therefore, Oube does not know.
- » JT asked, are there any traffic modelling that has been conducted specifically for other roads surrounding the intermodal, besides Moorebank Avenue?
  - RJ replied that there was some modelling done but is unsure as to the extent of traffic effects on surrounding roads. The model which looked at the intersection of Anzac Road and Moorebank Avenue indicated that 20% of traffic would come from MLP.
- » JT asked if he wanted to look at the figures, is that modelling available on the internet?
  - RJ advised that JT could look at the operational traffic impact assessments of the EIS or MPW Stage 2, both are available on SIMTA website.
- » MR sought clarification between the riparian zone and biodiversity area for the eastern bank of Georges River?
  - RJ advised that this area is both a riparian zone and biodiversity area. And the biobanking agreement excludes the areas for the channels coming down from the on-site detention basins. That part of the riparian corridor isn't in



the biobanking agreement, but it is in the repairing corridor.

- » MR asked if there were any drawings to show the different areas?
  - RJ advised that these areas are shown in MPW Stage 2 layout plan.
- » MR asked if the team could provide live noise monitoring so noise levels can be monitored?
  - RJ advised that they are looking into this kind of system
- » MR asked if he could receive work notification about the current importation of fill to site so that he could distribute it to other neighbours?
  - SW advised that any work notification would be done by the project team so that accurate record-keeping and tracking of where and when and who receives the notification can be reported.
- » MR asked if a notification could be distributed next week?
  - SW advise that the team is investigating on the approach and scope on how to best notify the community about works. SW will update the CCC once this scope is finalised. SW added there would be a newsletter that will go out before the end of the year.
- » RJ remarked about MR's decibel meter and clarified that sleep disturbance noise level has different criteria to background noise, which is typically up around 65 or 67 decibels.
- » MR asked whether the contractors could replace beepers with quakers on their vehicles.
  - RJ advised that the Conditions of Consent does not dictate just one device. However, the project team has requested contractors to install quawkers where possible.
- 7. Next meeting
- The next meeting will be held at 6.00 pm Monday 15 February 2021 with a possible site tour before the meeting at 4:00 pm.
- » Meeting closed

» SW to arrange for site tour