

EASTERN TRANSPORT COALITION MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: Thursday, 16th March 2023

Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Hosted by: Knox City Council, 511 Burwood Hwy, Wantirna South
and Online

Attendees:

Councillors

- Cr Susan Laukens, Knox City Council (acting Chair)
- Cr Tina Liu, City of Whitehorse
- Cr Tomas Lightbody, Manningham City Council
- Cr Anna Chen, Manningham City Council (*observer*)
- Cr Richard Higgins, Yarra Ranges Council
- Cr Andrew Fullager, Yarra Ranges Council (alternate)
- Cr Tony Dib, Maroondah City Council

Officers

- Christopher Marshall, City of Greater Dandenong
- Lucas Sikiotis, City of Greater Dandenong
- Shane Hardingham, Knox City Council
- Matthew Hanrahan, Knox City Council
- Dale Bristow, Maroondah City Council
- Terry Tillotson, City of Monash
- Sandra Worsnop, City of Monash
- Chris Hui, City of Whitehorse
- Karen O’Gorman, Yarra Ranges Council
- Kim O’Connor, Yarra Ranges Council
- Frank Vassilacos, Manningham City Council
- Michael Blowfield, Maroondah City Council

Secretariat

- James McGarvey, The Agenda Group

Apologies

- Cr Stuart James, City of Monash (Chair)
- Cr Rhonda Garad, City of Greater Dandenong
- Elissa Merriweather, Yarra Ranges Council
- Daniele Raneri, Manningham City Council

1. Welcome and Apologies

Cr Laukens noted Cr James apology for the meeting, assumed the chair and welcomed the attendees.

2. Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts of interest were raised.

3. ETC Finance Report

Terry Tillotson, City of Monash provided a finance report for the ETC for January 2023 – February 2023 is as follows:

Opening balance was	\$51,470.91
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January Invoice from TAG	Nil
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Closing balance for February is \$51,470.91

M: Cr Tomas Lightbody

S: Cr Tony Dib	Carried
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To inform a discussion around setting future fees for the ETC, Terry presented a spreadsheet setting out various financial scenarios for differing fee levels, to demonstrate potential fee levels required to meet basic operating expenses, and to be able to set aside funds to meet consideration of other potential expenditure items in future (e.g. advocacy campaigns beyond core work provided by TAG, website upgrade and maintenance).

Should the circumstances merit it, an approach to the Eastern Region Group for funding a specific project may be one funding option available to the ETC.

Receiving contributions from Councils in July is necessary to meet ETC cashflow requirements.

It was agreed that members would examine the capacity for their individual Councils to contribute an increased ETC fee for the next financial year and discuss further at the next ETC meeting.

4. Ratify Previous Draft Minutes and Actions Arising

Minutes of the February 2023 ETC meeting:

M: Lucas Sikiotis

S: Cr Tony Dib

Carried

5. 2023 Advocacy Work Plan

ETC Secretariat James McGarvey provided a summary of items agreed at the February ETC meeting for further advocacy over the course of 2023. These include:

Rail

- Caulfield-Rowville TRT
- Lilydale line – duplication & Cave Hill Station
- Service levels - frequency, span of operating hrs
- Mode-agnostic options for Burwood Hwy, Vermont South, Wantirna Health precinct, Upper Ferntree Gully corridor.

Bus

- Recommendations and follow up advocacy re Manningham/Network Review pilot
- Network Review for rest of ETC region
- SRL-mirroring service in northeast
- Issues/advocacy around new Myki contract

Active Transport

- Updated regional trails package from the Eastern Regional Trails Strategy working group
- Pedestrian Crossing priorities
- SRL-mirroring service in northeast
- Cycling links to public transport access points

Other Issues

- Update on Dorset Rd extension (particularly given Aston by-election on 1st April)
- Intersection treatments and safety measures, and public transport-supportive road projects should stay on the table for advocacy.
- SRL – City of Whitehorse seeking Thurston to Nelson Rd overpass
- Electric Vehicles – what can Councils do in this space?
- New Department of Transport and Planning:
 - Seek update on Victorian Transport Strategy
 - Seek updates on ‘movement and place strategies’

Doncaster Park and Ride Transit Oriented Development

Frank Vassilacos, Manningham City Council, took the group through a presentation to update on the status of Council's preferred design solution and outcome for the Doncaster Park and Ride facility being delivered as part of the Victorian Government's North East Link project.

Council considers NELA's current proposal is a missed opportunity to maximise the value of the land through a mixed-use development, and is looking for the ETC's support for its advocacy efforts, particularly in raising the profile of Council's proposal.

NELA is broadly sympathetic to Council's plan, but claim funding is outside their scope and would need to come from the Victorian Government.

A decision will need to be made within the next 6-12 months.

A copy of Frank's presentation will be circulated with the meeting's minutes.

Eastern Regional Trails Strategy

Sandra Worsnop, City of Monash and Michael Blowfield, Manningham City Council reported that the ETC's request for an update on outstanding, priority projects within the Eastern Regional Trails Strategy has been communicated to the ERTS working group.

Early indications suggest the trail projects the ERTS working group has been publicly advocating for, will remain priorities going forward.

A confirmed position will be communicated back to the ETC in due course.

In discussion, it was noted that the funding environment for trails is complex, with possible funds coming from a range of diverse avenues across the Victorian Government.

It was also suggested that time be given at an upcoming ETC meeting to discuss trails in more detail, in conjunction with ERTS working group members.

Pedestrian Crossings

For last year's state election, each ETC council had contributed two priority pedestrian crossing projects to a list of ETC advocacy asks last year. Some of these were larger scale projects.

To further refine this list for ongoing advocacy by the ETC, Terry Tillotson, City of Monash has developed a suggested set of criteria, which was presented to the

meeting, to provide guidance for each Council nominating a single priority project for advocacy, as follows:

Arterial Road Mid-Block Pedestrian Crossing Location Criteria for Bus Stops and Pedestrian/Cycling Corridors:

Patronage Level:	accessibility influences, bus frequency
Vulnerability:	slow, elderly, young pedestrians
Road Width:	no refuge, wider roads take longer to cross
Traffic Speed:	speed limit, crash severity
Traffic Volume:	peak periods
Ped/Cyclist:	peak volumes
Time Delay:	minimal gaps in traffic to cross the road
Network Continuity:	for pedestrian/cycling corridors, primary route(C1), main route(C2)
Separation:	distance to nearest alternative crossing facility

ETC members are asked to review their Council's priority pedestrian crossing project for this exercise and provide to the ETC secretariat in time for approval at the June 2023 meeting.

A copy of the previous list of pedestrian crossing projects developed for the ETC in 2022 will be circulated with this meeting's minutes. A copy of the Austroads Guide to traffic management, upon which Terry drew his suggested criteria will also be circulated.

Infrastructure Victoria 30 Year Strategy Update

Infrastructure Victoria has commenced public consultation to inform the development of its next 30 year strategy.

It was agreed that the ETC would make a submission to IV on two items:

- The Eastern Region Trails Strategy, and
- The Lilydale line duplication and Cave Hill station development

In consultation with the ETC members on the ERTS working group, and Yarra Ranges Council, the ETC secretariat will prepare a submission by 28th May.

6. Local Presentation

Matt Hanrahan, Knox City Council gave the group a presentation on the Boronia Renewal Strategy.

Although a planning document in essence, the Strategy deals with many transport issues.

Boronia is challenged by two arterial roads, Dorset Rd and Boronia Rd, dividing it into a 'world of quadrants'. The rail line running diagonally through the area had been undergrounded, but some issues arose.

Working with the Office of Suburban Development, a Revitalisation Board was established with broad spread, local community involvement.

An early win was receiving \$500,000 to plan and design a new station, whose main challenge was that it severed the east and west side of Boronia.

Lupton Way has gone through a long process of beautification, with Council working with the Office of Suburban Development, engaging artists and stakeholders on future options.

Another live project is the Green Spine Corridor (Chandler Rd) – a dedicated shared corridor for pedestrians and cyclists, with good access to the station. Its one continuous link between recreational facilities, with greening and coinciding with the need to renew the road. The end concept with beautification will reduce the profile of the road.

The Victorian Government committed \$60 million for the station project before the last election. One of the last issues on the table from Council's perspective was a deck over the station to connect both sides of the community, which the Government has now agreed to.

A copy of Matt's presentation will be circulated with this meeting's minutes.

7. General Business

Nil.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be hosted at Maroondah City Council and online, and will commence at 6.00pm for dinner, and 6.30pm for meeting start on Thursday, 20th April 2023.

Action Summary

Action Items	Owner(s)	Deadline
1. Reschedule Vaughn Allan as guest speaker	Secretariat	April 2023
2. The fee level for the ETC to be discussed as agenda item at the next meeting	Secretariat	April 2023
3. Confirm the ERTS priority project list	Secretariat	April 2023
4. Submission to Infrastructure Victoria	Secretariat	May 28th
5. Councils to provide one pedestrian crossing project for ETC advocacy	All members	June 2023

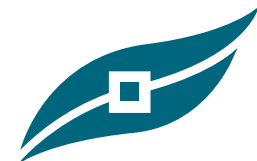
Doncaster Park & Ride Transit Oriented Development

ETC March 2023
Integrated Planning



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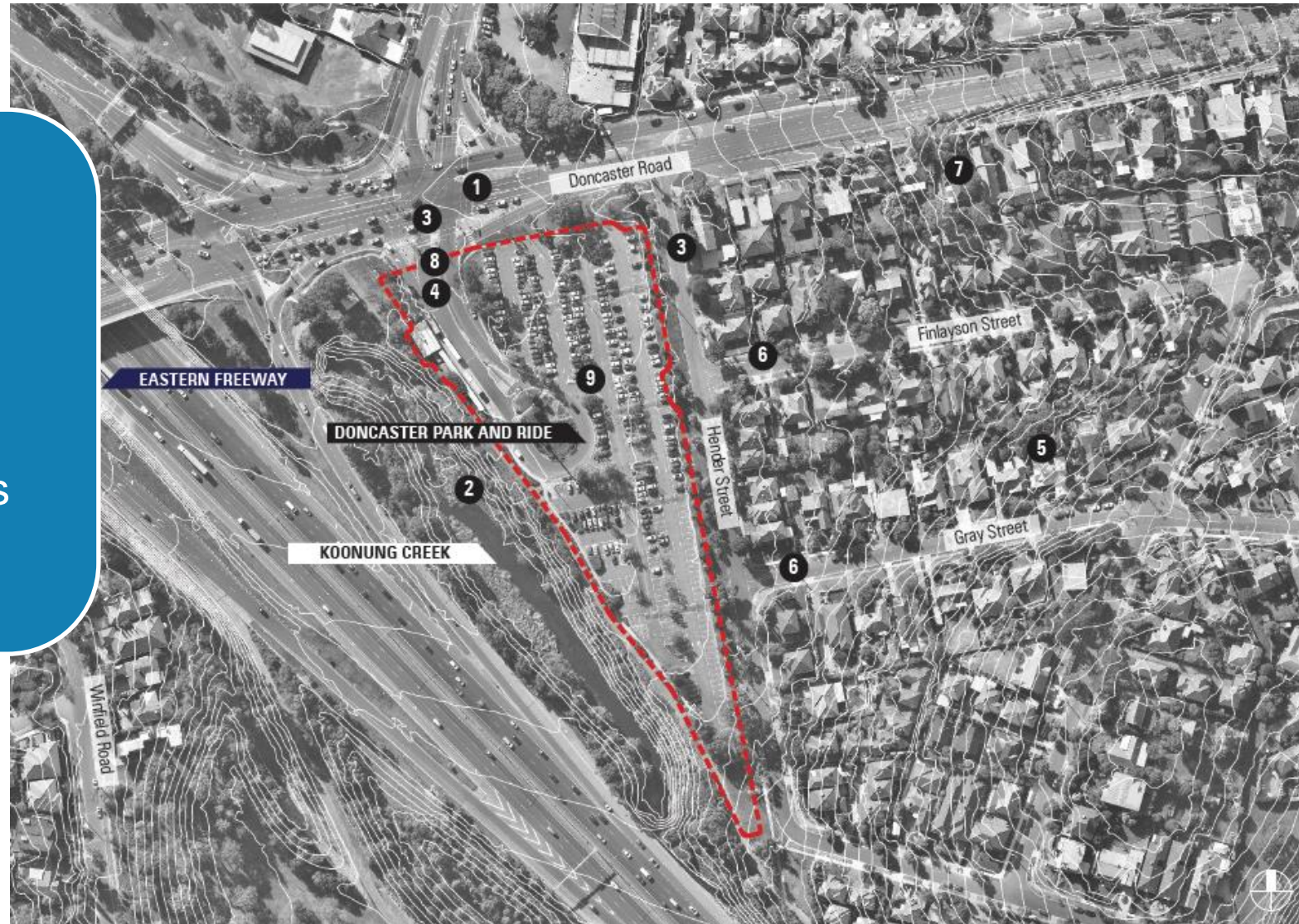
Background

- Ongoing Advocacy Objective
- Environmental Effects Statement (EES) Submission
- Key Action within Transport Action Plan
- Bulleen Park & Ride



Doncaster Park & Ride Site Context

- Adjacent to strategic growth corridor
- Proximity to Koonung Creek Trail
- Eastern interface abuts residential properties





Advocacy Opportunity

Situation

Redevelopment
of the facility
and Freeway
overpass
required due to
NELP

Issue

Funding to
reconstruct Park
& Ride back to
existing state

Opportunity

Advocate for a
Transit Oriented
Development

Policy Context

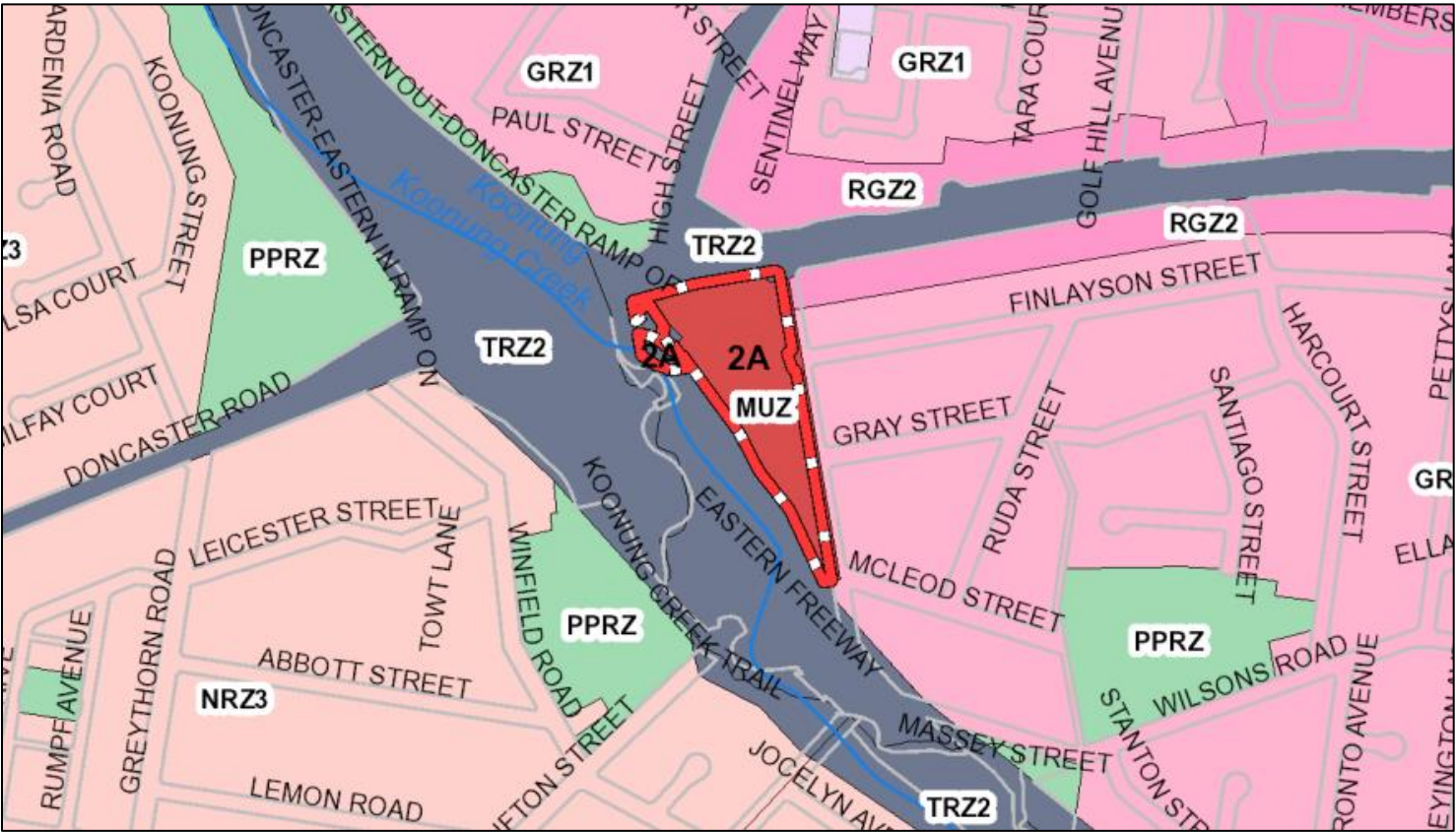
METROPOLITAN
PLANNING
STRATEGY

PLAN MELBOURNE
2017–2050

Liveable City Strategy 2040
Summary Report
June 2022

**Manningham
Transport Action Plan**
September 2021

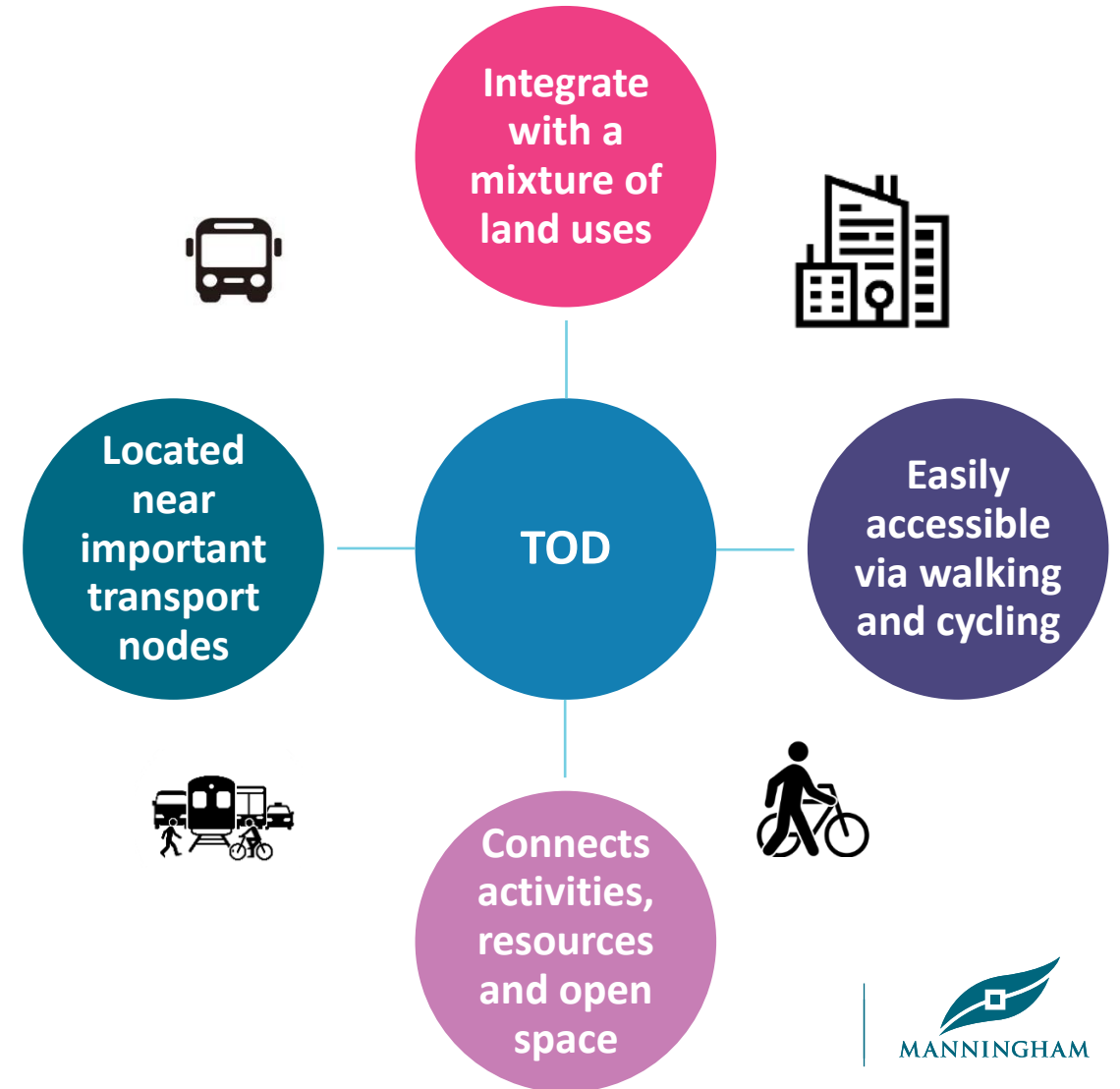
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Zone: Mixed Use
Overlay: DDO Schedule 1

Underdevelopment

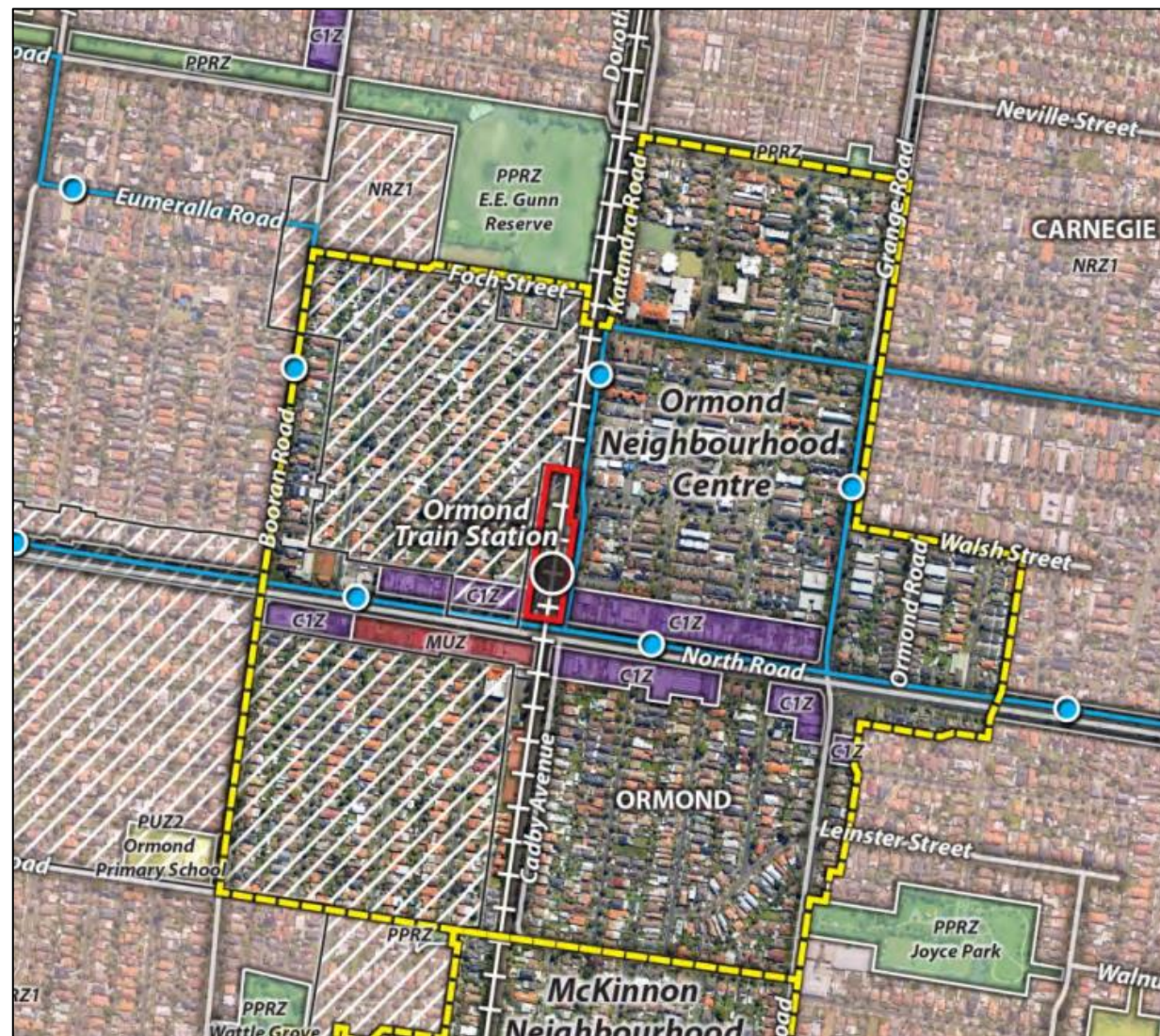
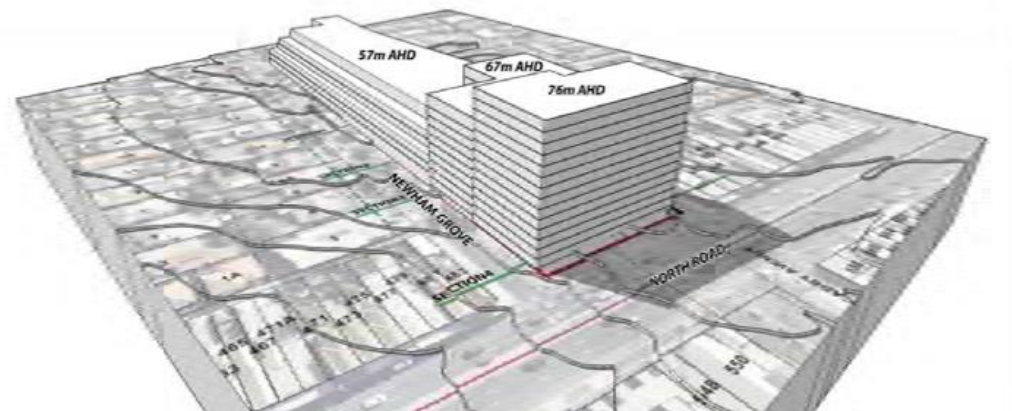
What is a Transit Oriented Development?



Ormond Station Level Crossing Removal

Victorian Transport Projects Integrated Development Opportunities Advisory Committee

- Key Findings
 - Appropriate transition of building height
 - Development must incorporate public open space
 - High quality architectural treatments
 - Mixed-use benefits community
- Ministerial Approval 2016

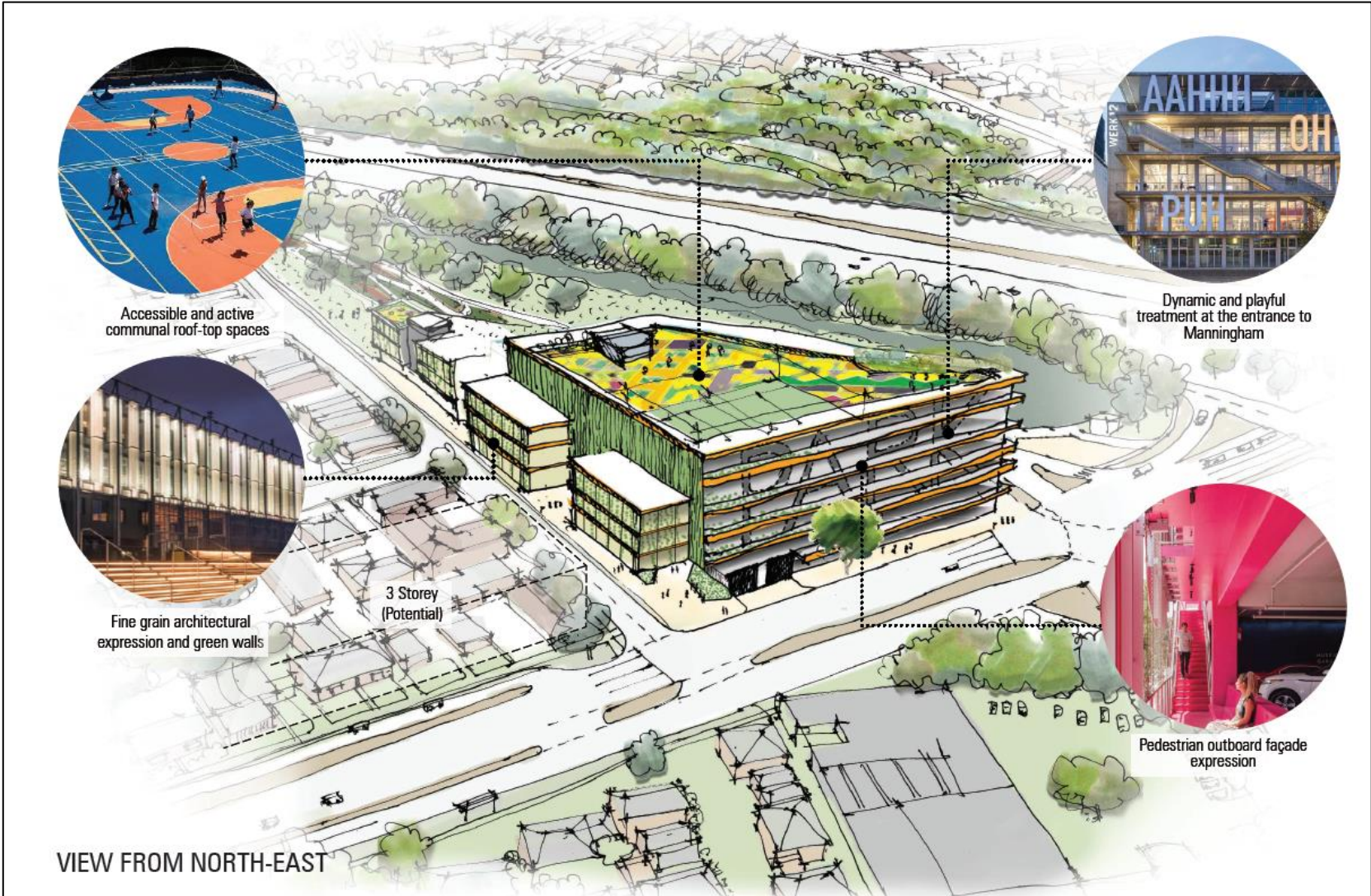


Doncaster Park & Ride Design Concepts

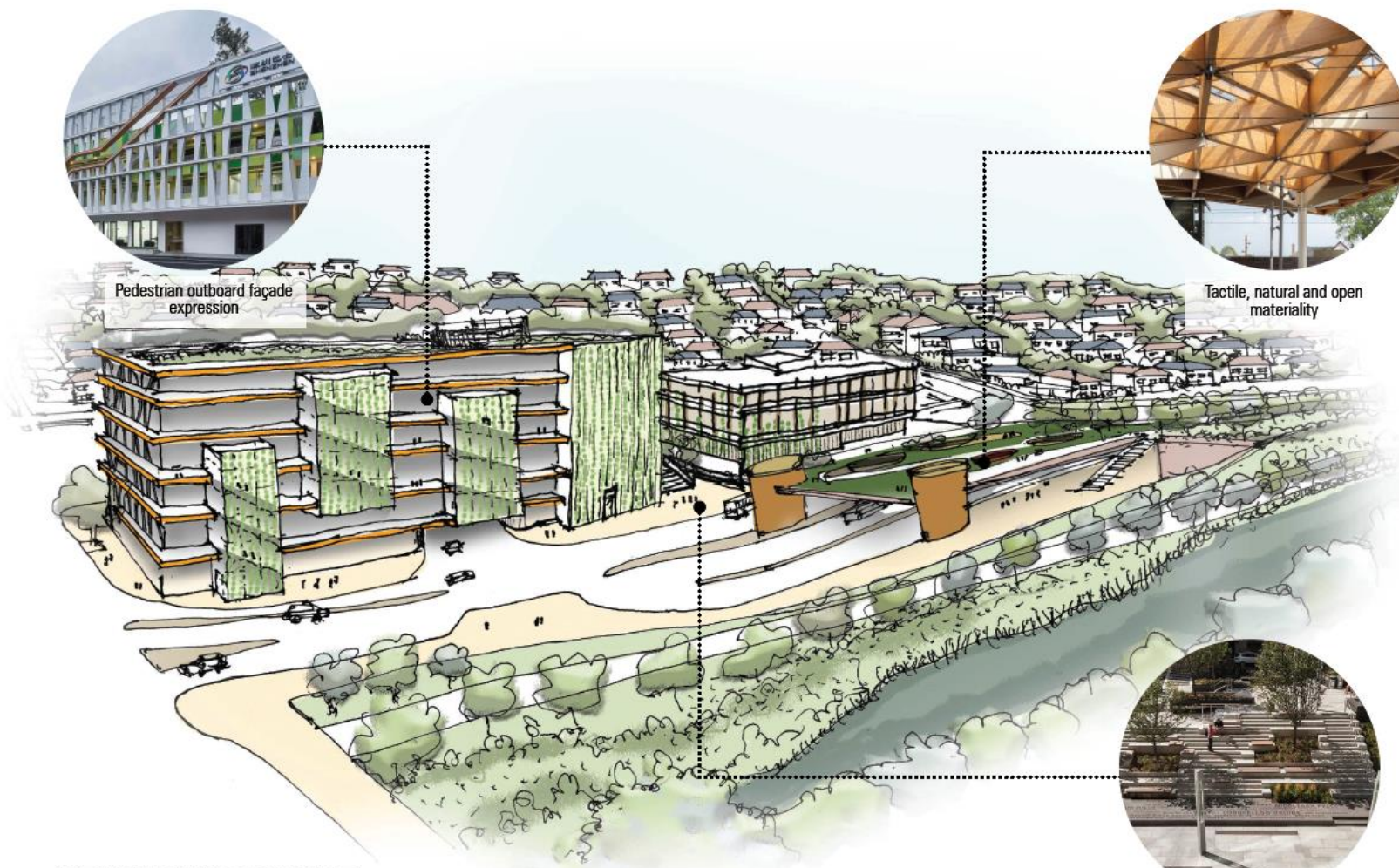
Walking and
Cycling access

Architectural and Open
Facade
Treatments

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Doncaster Park & Ride Design Concepts



Pedestrian outboard façade expression

Tactile, natural and open materiality

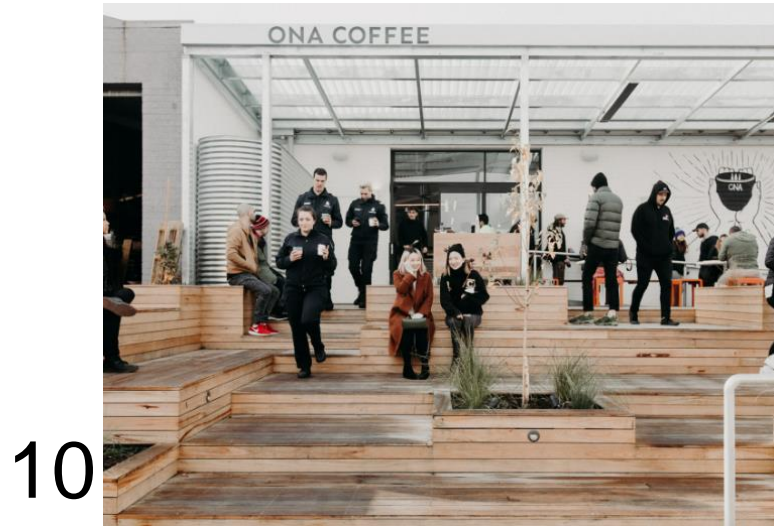
Generously terraced pedestrian spaces to concourse

VIEW FROM NORTH-WEST

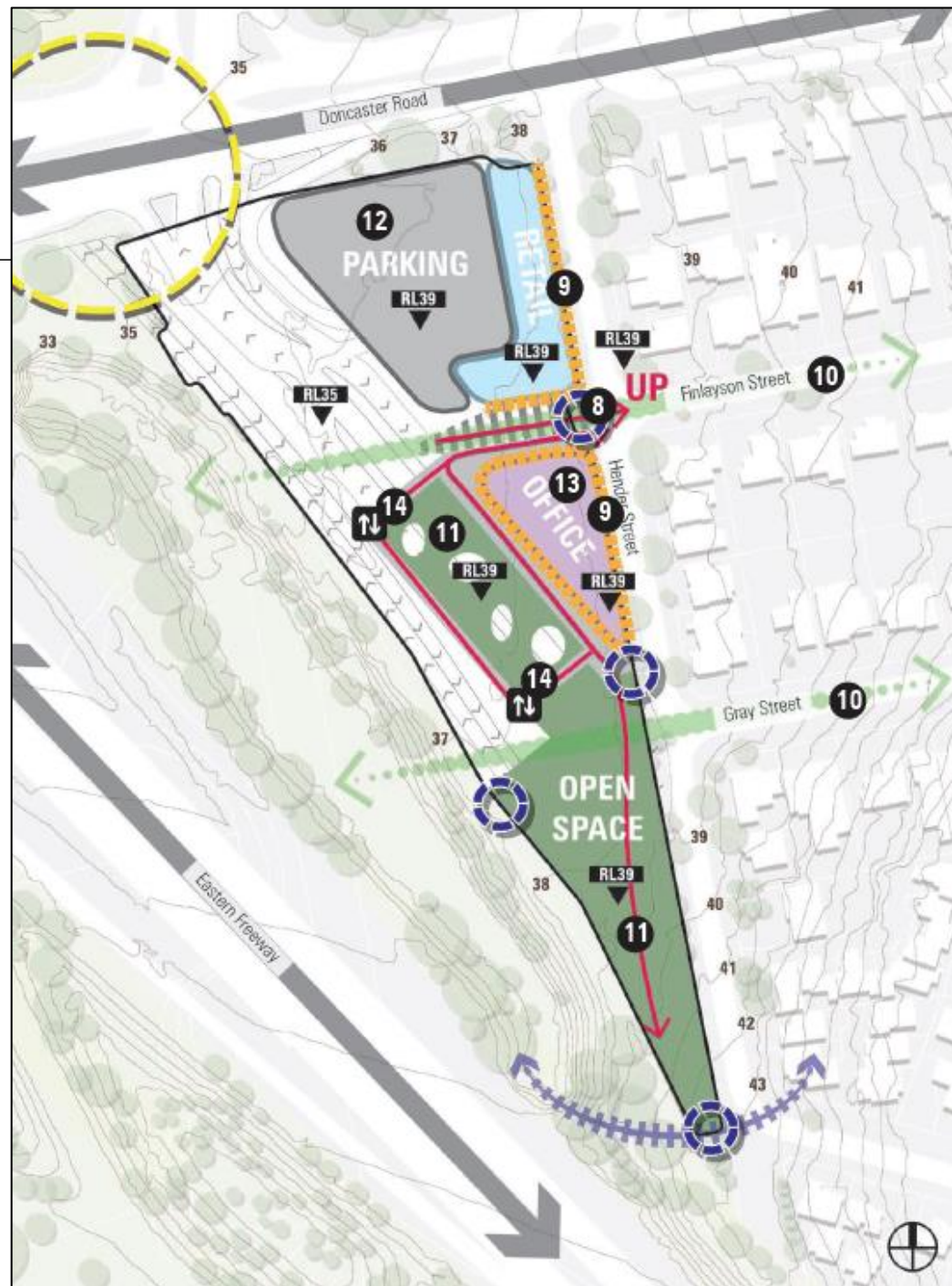
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Micro-tenancies (e.g.
Florist, Dry Cleaners,
Gym, Café, Co-Working
Space)



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Retail &
Commercial uses

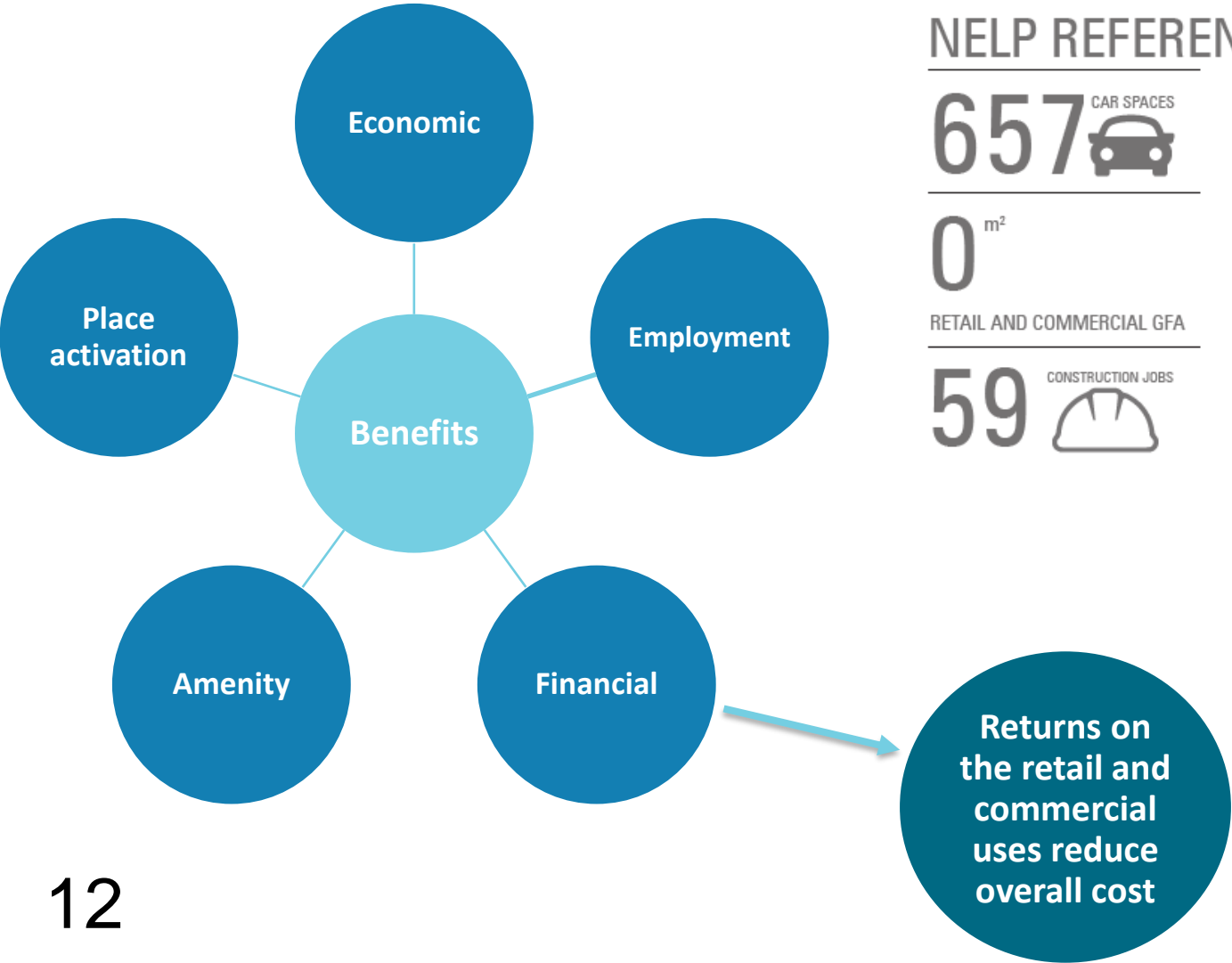
Activated ground
level along
Hender Street

Public open
space above bus
interchange

Rooftop open
space



Economic Feasibility Analysis



NELP REFERENCE DESIGN

657 CAR SPACES

0 ONGOING JOBS

0 m²
RETAIL AND COMMERCIAL GFA

59 CONSTRUCTION JOBS

NO OPEN SPACE PROVISION

PREFERRED DESIGN

657 CAR SPACES

286 ONGOING JOBS

8,175 m²
RETAIL AND COMMERCIAL GFA

OPEN SPACE AND ROOFTOP PARKS

\$64.85 MILLION
TOTAL INVESTMENT

151 CONSTRUCTION JOBS

Benefits to Manningham



286 On Going Jobs

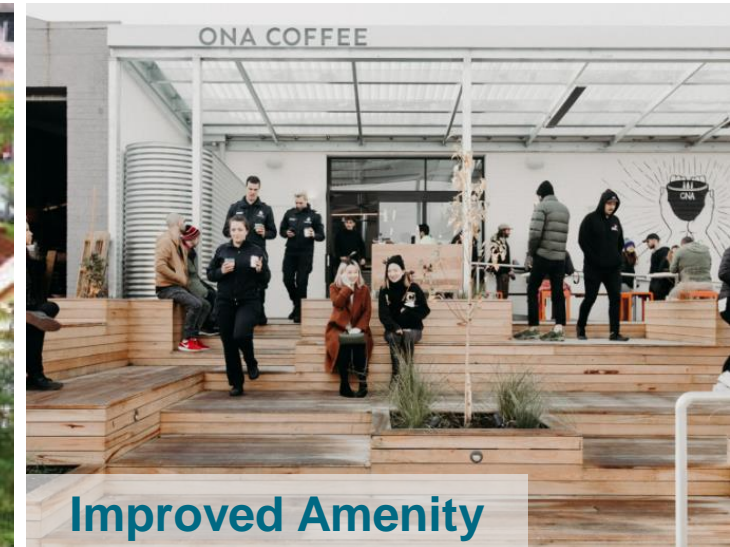


Enhanced Active
Transport
Connections



Activated Safe Area

Benefits to Manningham



Questions?

Boronia Renewal Strategy

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A photograph of two men standing on a crosswalk in front of a building. The man on the left is wearing a grey hoodie, brown pants, and a black face mask, and is pointing towards the building. The man on the right is wearing a light purple shirt, blue jeans, and a blue face mask, and is also pointing towards the building. The building has a modern design with large windows and a flat roof. There are trees and a cloudy sky in the background. The text "Major Overhaul of Lupton Way" is written in a blue, cursive font in the upper left. The text "Coming to Boronia!" is written in a red, cursive font at the bottom. The text "+ Public art light installation to improve safety" is written in a white, sans-serif font in the bottom right corner.

*Major Overhaul
of Lupton Way*

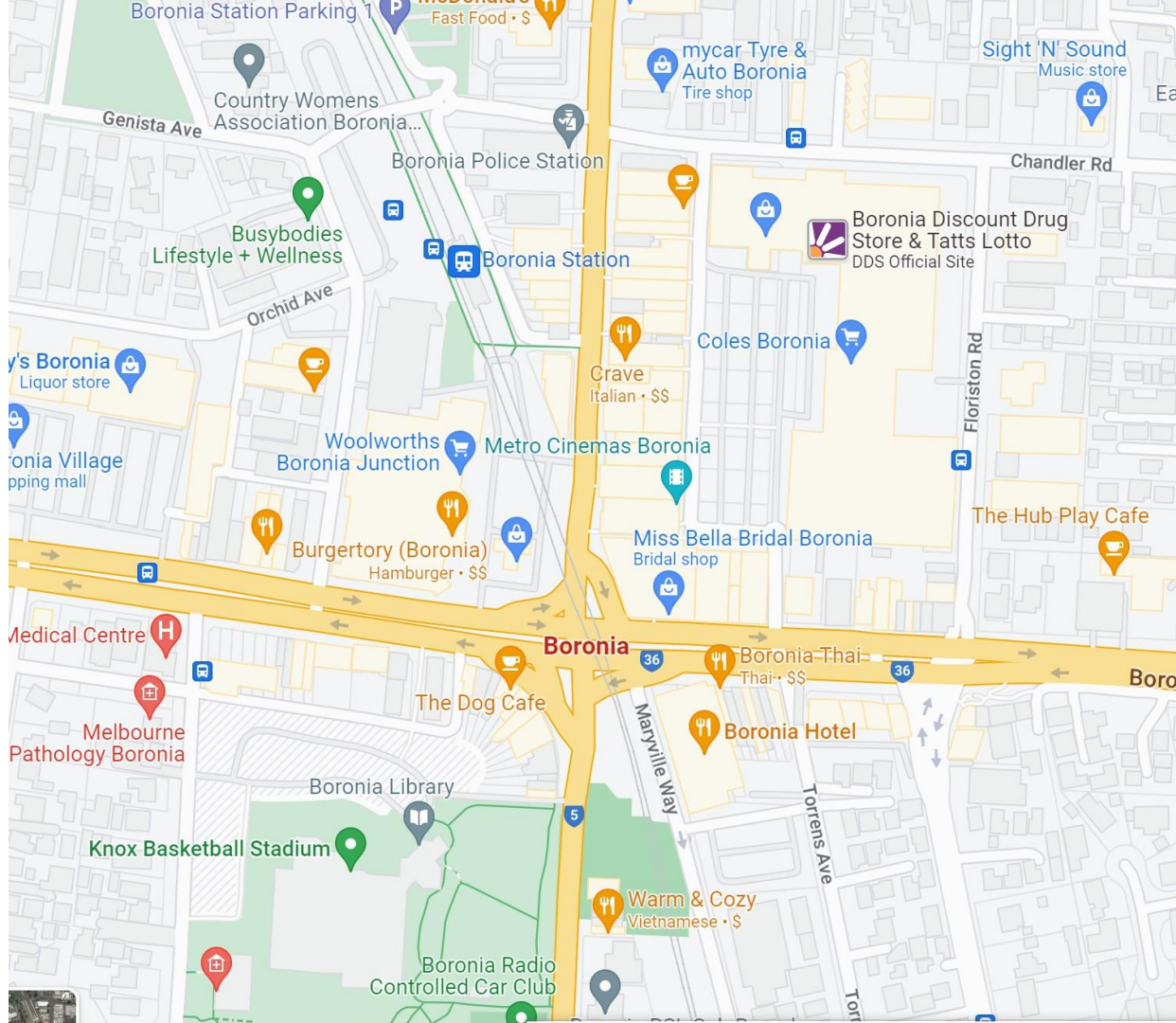
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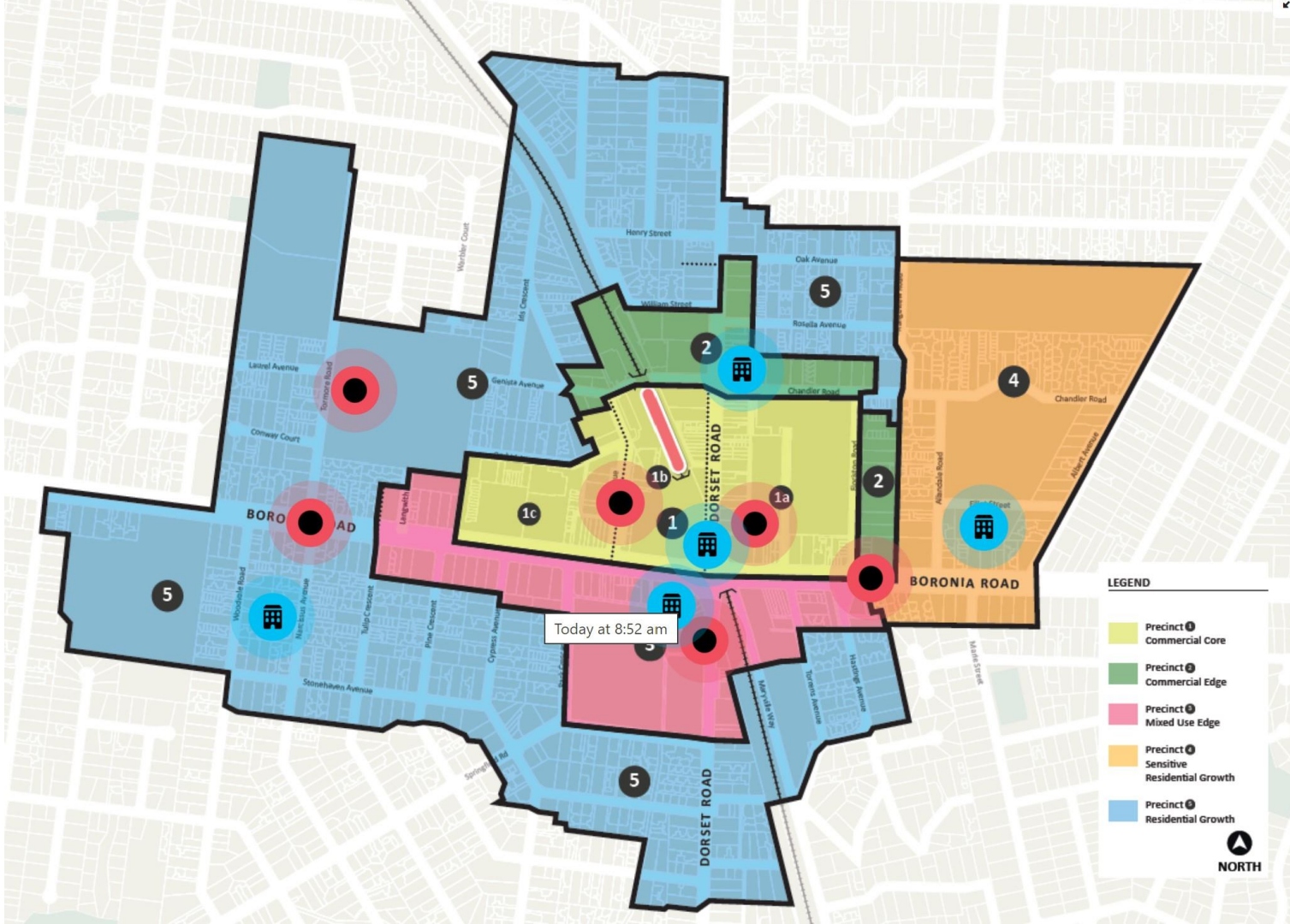
+ Public art light
installation to improve safety

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Boronia Renewal Strategy 2019 (Revised 2021)





LEGEND

- Precinct 1 Commercial Core
- Precinct 2 Commercial Edge
- Precinct 3 Mixed Use Edge
- Precinct 4 Sensitive Residential Growth
- Precinct 5 Residential Growth

NORTH



Precinct 1 – Commercial Core

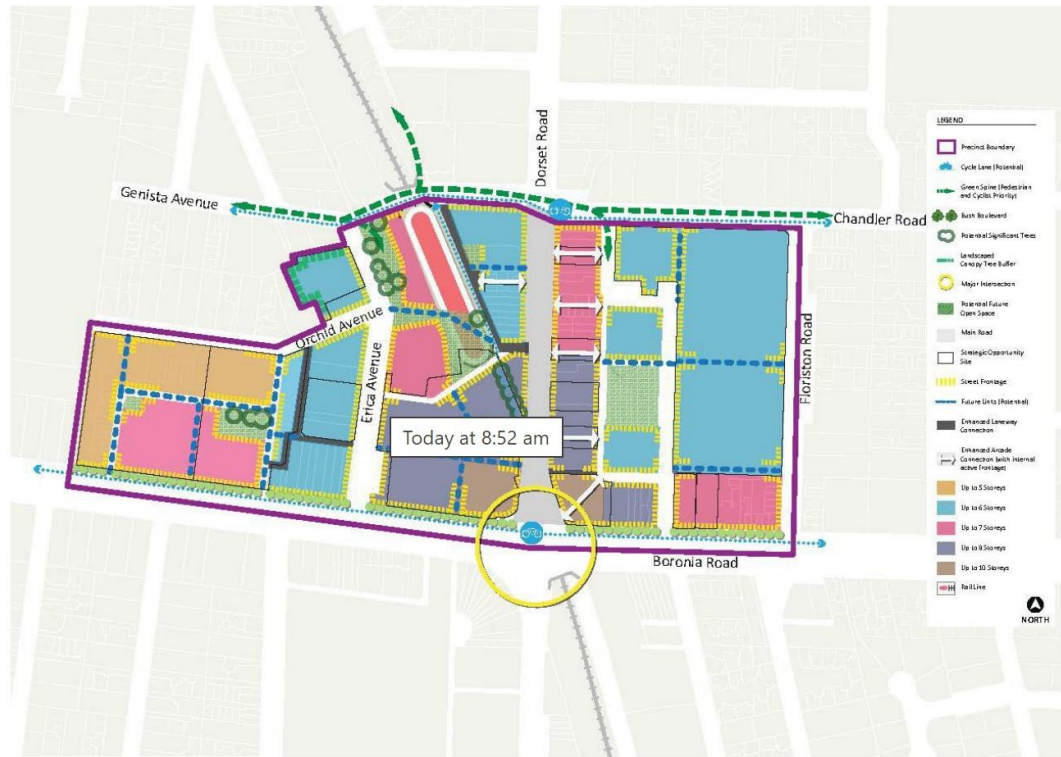


Figure 11 – Precinct 1

Boronia Revitalisation Board

Boronia Revitalisation Board

- Jackson Taylor, MP for Bayswater, Chair of Boronia Revitalisation Board
- Cr Lisa Cooper, Mayor, Knox City Council
- Bruce Dobson, Chief Executive Officer, Knox City Council
- Matthew Scammell, Principal, Boronia K-12 College
- Debbie McLaughlin, Acting Director, Department of Health, Science and Community, Swinburne University
- Steven Wojtkiw, Member, Eastern Metropolitan Partnership
- Fiona Purcell, Executive Officer, Outer Eastern Local Learning and Employment Network
- Heather McTaggart, Manager, The Basin Community House
- Michael Smith, Chief Executive Officer, Eastern Community Legal Centre
- Denise Budge, Centre Manager, Knox Infolink
- Mel Spencer, Executive Officer, Different Journeys
- Majella Beagley, Business Practice Manager, Boronia Medical Centre/Boronia Psychology/Cypress Health
- Debbie Wilkinson, Director Regional Operations, Operations Northern and Eastern Region, Eastern Access Community Health (EACH)

Boronia Revitalisation Community Grant Fund



Business facade upgrades



Erica Avenue streetscape renewal



Green spine corridor concept design



Lupton Way shared zone and public art lighting



Boronia Park Masterplan



My Generation program

Today at 8:52 am



Pop-up events



Replacement of Major Road streetlights



Wayfinding and Branding strategy



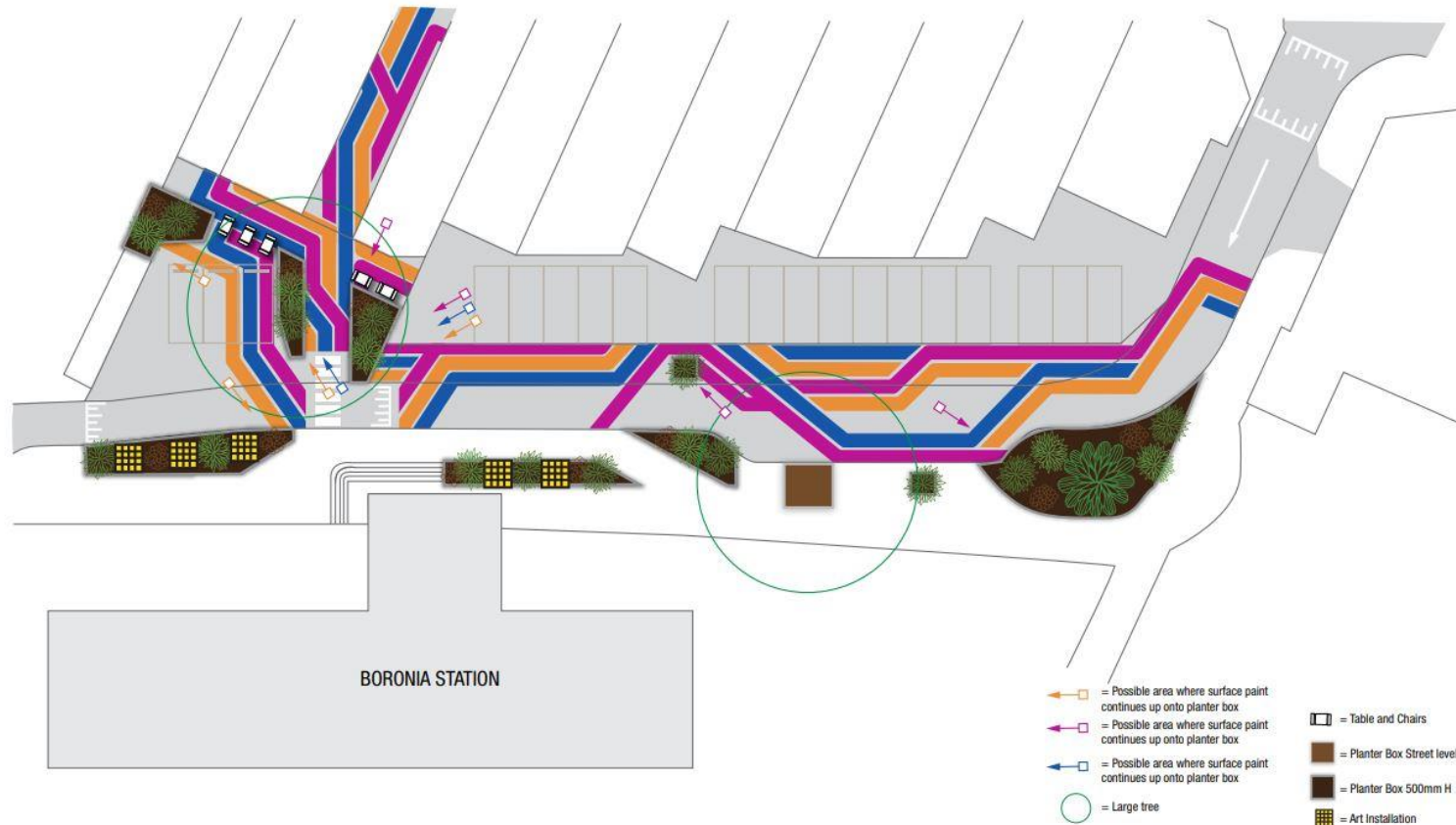


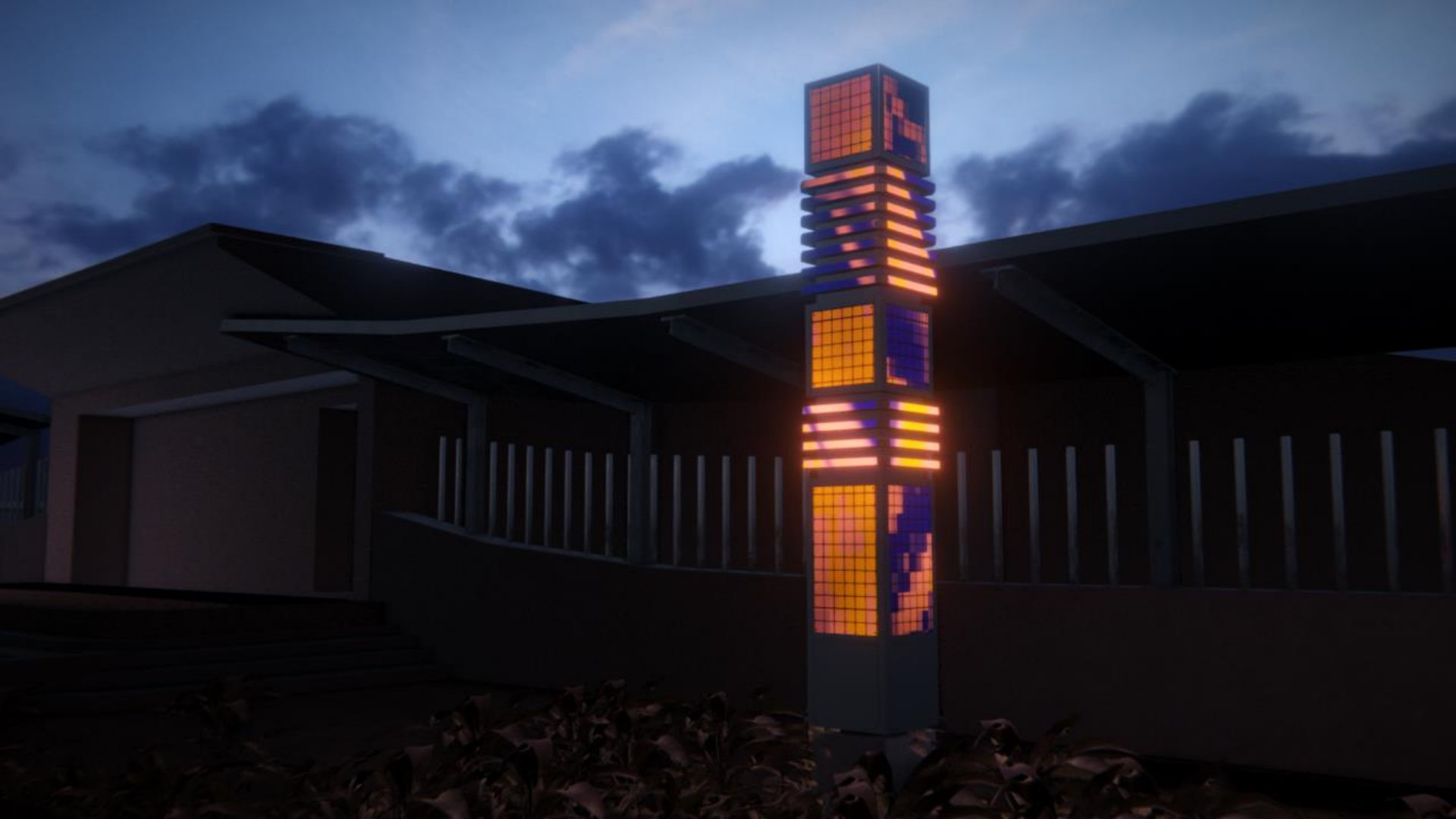
Back in Boronia!





TRAINLINE PATTERN AND COLOURS

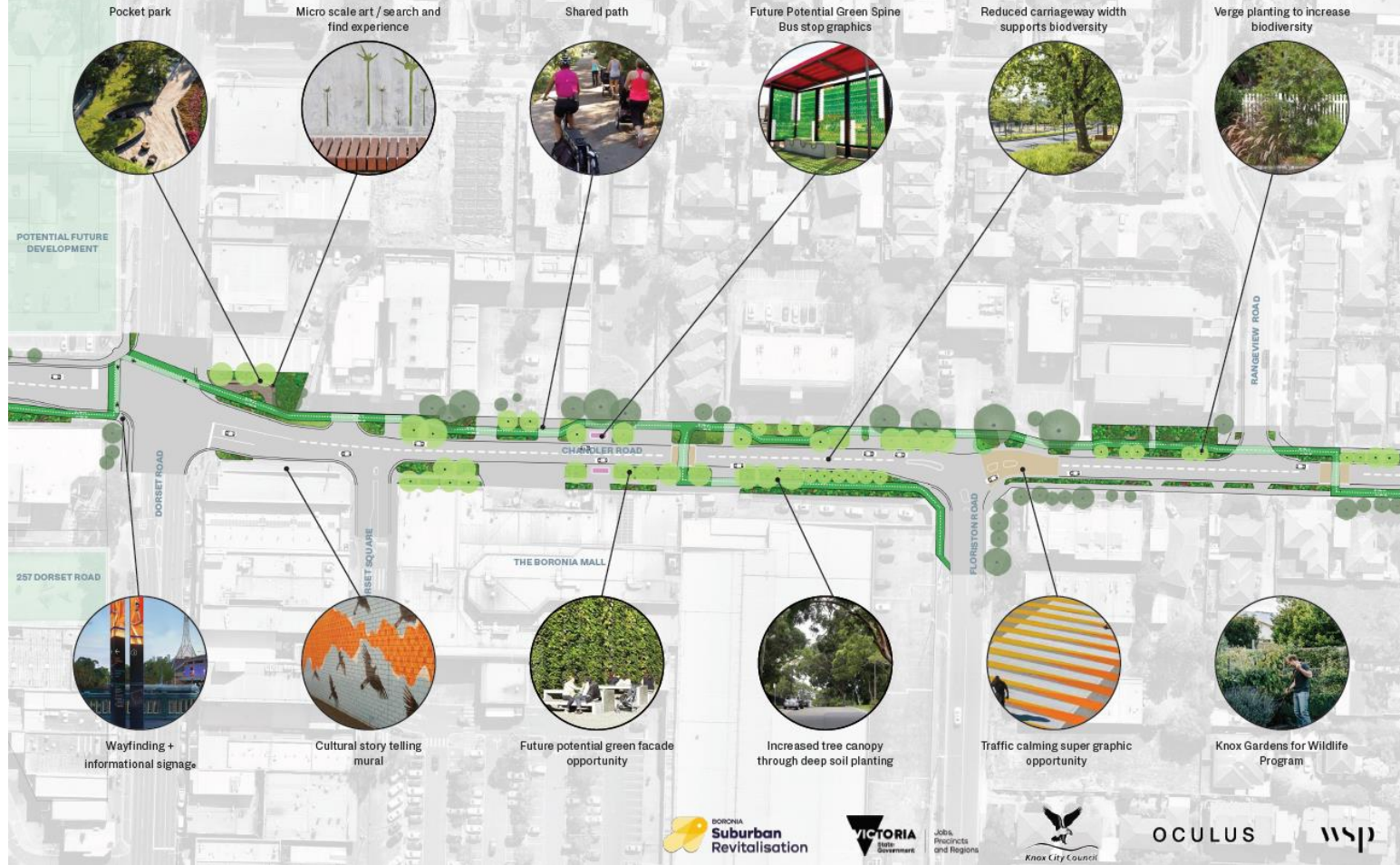
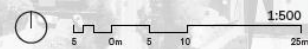




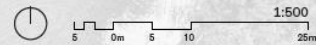
Boronia Green Spine (West)



Boronia Green Spine (Central)



Boronia Green Spine (East)



Green Spine – Crossing Point



Green Spine – Integrated Concept



State Government Election commitment

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Lupton Way



Lupton Way – Public Plaza



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BETTER BORONIA STATION FOR LOCALS



Questions

**Eastern Transport Coalition
PEDESTRIAN OPERATED SIGNALS**

Municipality	Location	Partnership opportunities	Estimate Cost	Funding source	Comments
Greater Dandenong	<i>Stud Road, Dandenong North – at McFees Road (Dandenong Basketball Stadium, 270 Stud Road)</i> <i>Bus Routes 862 & 901</i>	<i>Intersection signals including POS design & installation DoT</i> <i>Council to assist where applicable</i>	<i>\$5m</i>	<i>DoT</i>	<i>Pedestrian fatality on 4 April 2018 crossing Stud Road near this location.</i> <i>Also Included in CGD independent sites</i>
Greater Dandenong	<i>Springvale Road, Springvale South – Near Elisabeth Avenue</i> <i>Bus Routes 813 & 902</i>	<i>POS design & installation DoT</i> <i>Council to assist where applicable</i>	<i>\$2m</i>	<i>DoT</i>	
Knox	<i>Scoresby Road, Knoxfield -near Camden Park Parade</i> <i>Bus Routes 735 & 755</i>	<i>POS design & installation DoT</i> <i>Council to assist where applicable</i>	<i>\$1.5m</i>	<i>DoT</i>	
Knox	<i>Stud Road, Scoresby – near Rosa Street</i> <i>Bus Routes 681, 682, 745 & 901</i>	<i>POS design & installation DoT</i> <i>Council to assist where applicable</i>	<i>\$2m</i>	<i>DoT</i>	
Manningham	<i>Victoria Street between Ruffey Lake Park and Rieschiecks Reserve</i>	<i>POS design & installation DoT</i> <i>Council to assist where applicable</i>	<i>\$750,000</i>	<i>DoT</i>	<i>This POS will also provide a safe connection to highly utilised bus stops that are serviced by the 295, 279 and 318 bus routes.</i>
Manningham	<i>Reynolds Road, Templestowe – at Smiths Road</i> <i>Bus Routes 309 & 901</i>	<i>POS design & installation DoT</i> <i>Council to assist where applicable</i>	<i>\$2m</i>	<i>DoT</i>	<i>Identified as a priority project in Manningham's Safe Crossing Point program.</i>
Maroondah	<i>Eastfield Shopping Centre Access Improvements</i> <i>Bayswater Road between Eastfield Road and Lucille Avenue (Melways 50 G8)</i>	<i>POS design & installation DoT</i> <i>Council to assist where applicable</i>	<i>\$7.5m</i>	<i>DoT</i>	<i>Signalised intersection with crosswalks; wombat crossings on all slip lanes at Bayswater Road / Eastfield Road; relocated bus stops and shelter; re-defined road alignments.</i>

Maroondah	Ringwood Street, Ringwood- btwn Bypass & Loughnan Road Bus Route 370	POS design & installation DoT Council to assist where applicable	\$1.5m	DoT	
Monash	North Road, Clayton - near Flora Road Bus Routes 601, 630 & 900	POS design & installation DoT Council to assist where applicable	\$2m	DoT	
Monash	Waverley Road, Glen Waverley – near/at Watsons Road Bus Routes 736, 753 & 754	POS/Intersection signals design & installation DoT Council to assist where applicable	\$2m	DoT	Analysis to determine best option
Whitehorse	Whitehorse Road, Nunawading - near Goodwin Street, Bus Routes 901 & 271	POS design & installation DoT Council to assist where applicable	\$2m	DoT	
Whitehorse	Springvale Road, Forest Hill –near Pilita Street Bus Route 902	POS design & installation DoT Council to assist where applicable	\$2m	DoT	
Yarra Ranges	Warburton Highway, Wandin, where the Warburton Rail Trail crosses the highway, between Edmond Crescent and Alfred Street. Bus Route 683	DoT to undertake design & installation of POS Council to assist where applicable	\$1m	DoT	
Yarra Ranges	Warburton Highway, Yarra Junction, where the Warburton Rail Trail crosses the highway, approximately 110m north-west of the eastern end of Barack Drive Bus Route 683	DoT to undertake design & installation of POS Council to assist where applicable	\$1m	DoT	

Guide to Traffic Management Part 6

Intersections, Interchanges and Crossings Management



Austroads

