

PROJECT DEFINITION DOCUMENT

This document is about the Advocacy Process. It is intended to provide an overview of the key inputs, members involved, constraints, activities and the outputs of the advocacy process to promote a shared understanding within the club of the work to be undertaken by the ASC.

1. ACTIVITY/PROJECT

Box Hill to Ringwood Shared Path, previously known as Box Hill to Ringwood Rail Trail (BHRRT). This project has been active since 2009. It is the club's highest profile advocacy project having gained government backing in 2010, bringing a \$15M investment to Whitehorse. In 2011, it won the 2011 Whitehorse Sustainable Community Leadership Award for Advocacy.

It is now in the construction stage with about half having been built and the rest in the advanced planning stage. Much of the project has been or will be delivered as part of rail grade separation projects at Mitcham and Blackburn. Details and history of the project may be found at www.bhrrt.org.

2. PROJECT GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

Development of continuous shared user path from Box Hill to Ringwood, which provides safe cycling conditions suitable for riders of all ages and abilities.

Objectives are to;

- have an off road solution as far as possible,
- support the government authorities' planned route through Nunawading to Laburnum, south of the rail line.
- advocate for a separated path along Laburnum St Blackburn.

3. TEAM LEADER AND TEAM MEMBERS

The advocacy team is Michael Hassett, David Hall and David Simm who were the authors of the initial feasibility report (downloadable at www.bhrrt.org) on the project that secured government backing and who have participated in various government working groups on project planning.

4. PROCESS FOR SEEKING MEMBERS VIEWS

Members views have been obtained via discussion at club monthly meetings whenever an update on progress with the project is given as part of the advocacy report. Members may also provide input via the 'Members say' page on the club website or by email to info@whitehorsecyclists.org.au.

5. ORGANISATIONS OR BODIES UNDERTAKING THE PROJECT/STAKEHOLDERS

The project is being delivered by the State Government Level Crossing Removal Authority (LXRA), for sections within the boundaries of their projects and VicRoads elsewhere.

Other Stakeholders

Elected members of Parliament in the electorates of Mitcham and Box Hill and Eastern Metro upper house region.

- Shaun Leane MLC Eastern Metro, chair LXR Stakeholder Liaison Group,
- Dee Ryall MP, member for Mitcham;
- Robert Clark MP, member for Box Hill.

CEOs or Directors of State Government Departments;

- Frank Di Santis, Manager VicRoads Eastern Projects, Mitcham

CEOs or Councillors of Local Governments;

Whitehorse City Council

- Ward Councillors A Munroe and D Massoud
- CEO Ms Noelene Duff

6. PROJECT SCOPE

<This section provides a list of the major activities the ASC will undertake and, if known, the major deliverables.>

Development of a feasibility report;

Preparation of publications to promote the project;

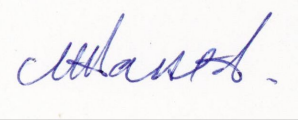
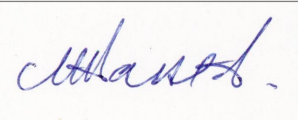

Letters to and meeting with relevant MP's to gain support for the project;

Meeting with relevant Councillors.

7. ESTIMATED COST

While some \$3k to \$4k has been spent on publication and other costs in the past, no further expenditure is foreseen at present.

8. WCI COMMITTEE APPROVAL

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