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APPENDIX D

Consultation report







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1 Background and introduction

KJA was engaged in August 2010 on behalf of Fairmead Business Proprietary Ltd to develop and conduct a program of communications and consultation to support a new proposal for a bridge across Homebush Bay.

Key communications and consultation activities commenced in October 2010, following a Preliminary Environmental Assessment Report and a request to the Minister for Planning, dated 18 August 2010, to have the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal declared a Major Project pursuant to Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The purpose of the communication and consultation program was to identify key stakeholder groups, build awareness of the project, and to gain feedback and input into the detailed planning and investigation required for the Environmental Assessment Report.

The consultation program considered a diverse range of significant stakeholders. The location of the proposed bridge straddles two local government boundaries (Auburn Council and City of Canada Bay) while the bridge itself is proposed across Homebush Bay, in an area under the control of NSW Maritime.

Given the range of stakeholders involved in the proposal, communications and consultation has been structured to not only provide stakeholders with information about the bridge, but also to facilitate opportunities for more detailed engagement across the project team to enable input and feedback into the various technical aspects of the proposal.

Details of community and stakeholder consultation objectives, activities and outcomes to date are provided in the following consultation report.



2 Objectives

The primary objectives of the communications and consultation program were to:

- Create community awareness of the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal.
- Deliver accurate, consistent and timely communications on the proposal during the planning and investigation phase.
- Assist the project team to understand community attitudes towards the proposal.
- Develop and enhance positive relationships with key stakeholders, and local community groups.
- Outline the planning and approvals process, and timeframes.
- Identify potential issues, opportunities and constraints that needed to be considered.
- Seek feedback and input that could feed into the detailed plans and the Environmental Assessment Report.
- Ensure that consultation activities meet the requirements outlined in the Director General's Requirements (DGRs).

3 Key stakeholders

To assist in the development of a Communications and Consultation Plan, KJA undertook a detailed stakeholder analysis. Key stakeholders identified included:

- Auburn City Council
- City of Canada Bay Council
- Local residents and businesses from Wentworth Point
- Local residents and businesses from Rhodes
- The Wentworth Point Transport Association
- Sydney Olympic Park Authority
- Community groups in the adjacent area of Newington
- Rowing NSW
- Rhodes Shopping Centre
- Adjacent landowners at Rhodes
- The State Member of Parliament for Drummoyne
- The State Member of Parliament for Auburn
- The Conservation Council of NSW
- Energy Australia
- Local community groups including:
 - Rhodes Community Reference Group
 - Wentworth Point Probus Association
 - Canada Bay Bicycle Users Group (Bay Bug)
 - Newington Cycle Club
 - Newington Public School
 - Rhodes Sea Scouts
 - Wentworth Point Kayak Club

Note: Consultation with the stakeholders identified above focused on providing general information and to seek feedback about the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal. The consultation activities undertaken herewith were in addition to the statutory consultation with government agencies identified in the DGRs.



4 Communications & Consultation tools and activities

KJA developed a broad range of communication and consultation tools and activities to meet the projects key objectives and ensure stakeholders were afforded the opportunity to provide their input and feedback. The communication and consultation commenced in October 2010 and has continued as at the date of this report. Tools and activities include:

4.1 Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group

A Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group (CRG) was established in November 2010 and provided a forum for representatives of local residents, businesses, Councils, the Sydney Olympic Park Authority (SOPA), NSW Maritime and Energy Australia to discuss ideas, issues and opportunities relating to the planning, design and future construction of the Homebush Bay Bridge.

To ensure constructive outcomes from the CRG, a Terms of Reference was established to guide the meetings. A copy of the Terms of Reference is provided at Attachment 1.

CRG meetings were conducted on the following dates:

- 16 November 2010
- 16 December 2010
- 20 January 2011
- 10 February 2011 (Transport workshop attended by Transport NSW representatives)
- 31 March 2011
- 26 May 2011
- 14 July 2011

Feedback from the CRG was recorded in meeting notes and an issues register was established to ensure all comments and concerns were captured and considered. The issues register and meeting action notes are provided at Attachment 2.

Note: A further meeting of the CRG is scheduled during the Public Exhibition period to provide a detailed briefing and presentation of the proposal and also provide information for making a submission.

4.2 Online communications

A dedicated Homebush Bay Bridge website www.homebushbaybridge.com.au (Attachment 3) was established in October 2010, and used to provide general information on the bridge proposal including public and environmental benefits. An email address was included to enable community members or other stakeholders to make enquiries to the project team.

The website was updated to include a copy of the project flyer, details of the Wentworth Point Information Day, a copy of the Ministers Declaration for the bridge as Major Project, the DGR's and a link to the Department of Planning's website, (Homebush Bay Bridge, Project Application page).

4.3 1800 community line and project email

A 1800 community information line (1800 252 040) and email address (info@homebushbaybridge.com.au) was established from the beginning of the consultation process to provide a central point of contact for all Homebush Bay Bridge enquiries. Both the number and email address were promoted via the website, in the Homebush Bay Bridge flyer and at community presentations.

An estimated 30 phone calls/emails were received. Primarily enquires received have related to the timing, status and anticipated completion of the bridge.



4.4 Homebush Bay Bridge Flyer

An A4 double-sided colour Homebush Bay Bridge flyer was produced and distributed at the Wentworth Point Spring Community Festival in October 2010, as well as at various stakeholder briefings.

The flyer included a general overview and key benefits of the proposal, along with details of the email address and 1800 number for access to more information.

A copy of the flyer is provided at Attachment 4.

4.5 Community Information Days

4.5.1 Wentworth Point Spring Festival 2010

The Wentworth Point Spring Festival was held in October 2010 and was the first opportunity to provide general information on the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal to the broader Wentworth Point community and direct enquires to the website and 1800 number for further information. More than 450 copies of the flyer were distributed on the day.

4.5.2 Wentworth Point/Homebush Bay Bridge Community Information Day

A dedicated Wentworth Point/Homebush Bay Bridge Community Information Day was staged by the project team on 5 March 2011 at the Pulse Function Centre Wentworth Point. The Day was promoted via letter drop to Wentworth Point residents, with some 1500 invitations distributed. The details of the Day were also promoted via the Homebush Bay Bridge website and through the Wentworth Central Community website.

The Information Day included project boards with details of the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal along with information on the landowners' vision for Wentworth Point. Feedback forms were provided to enable the community to provide their comments.

More than 250 people attended the event and 28 feedback forms were received. Comments have been collated and provided at Attachment 5.

5 Stakeholder Briefings

In addition to the statutory consultation with relevant agencies as required by the DGR's, consultation with the following stakeholders was undertaken:

5.1 Rowing NSW

A preliminary briefing was arranged with the CEO of Rowing NSW on 1 October 2010 to discuss the proposal and to understand key issues in relation to Rowing NSW's use of Homebush Bay as a potential training location. Follow up meetings were held on 3 February 2011 and 15 June 2011 to facilitate the best design option to accommodate future rowing events. Meeting notes from 3 February and 15 June 2011 are provided at Attachment 6.

5.2 Auburn City Council

In addition to membership of the Homebush Bay Bridge CRG a preliminary briefing was conducted with the Mayor, General Manager and key planning staff from Auburn City Council on 20 October 2010. The purpose of the meeting was to outline the key objectives of the proposal and to commence ongoing engagement in relation to the bridge design and investigation.

5.3 City of Canada Bay Council

In addition to membership of the Homebush Bay Bridge CRG meetings/briefings with City of Canada Bay staff and Councillors occurred on an ongoing basis from early in the consultation process. The purpose of these briefings has been to provide an overview of the bridge proposal and to discuss technical aspects of the bridge design, the landing points and its integration with proposed public domain works by City of Canada Bay on the Rhodes side of the bay.



5.4 Members of Parliament for Auburn and Drummoyne

A briefing note was developed in September/October 2011 and sent to the respective Members of Parliament for Auburn and Drummoyne to advise of the bridge proposal and provide the opportunity for a briefing.

5.5 Brookfield Multiplex

The project team met with representatives of Brookfield Multiplex (an adjacent landowner to the bridge landing point on the Rhodes peninsular) on 23 February 2011. The purpose of the meeting was to present an overview of the bridge proposal, the status of design and technical investigations being undertaken and the timeline for the Environmental Assessment Report. As follow up to the meeting the project team sought contacts details for relevant consultants from Brookfield Multiplex to obtain 'as built drawings' of the sea wall on the Rhodes peninsular and ensure consistency with the technical aspects of the work being undertaken by Brookfield Multiplex and their contractors.

5.6 Rhodes Landowners

Two presentation briefings to the major landowners on the Rhodes peninsular were facilitated through City of Canada Bay and included representatives from RHB, Sweetie Whitehall and Statewide Developments on 24 March 2011 and 7 July 2011. The purpose of the briefings was to provide an outline of the project, and discuss the various aspects of the design and integration with the Rhodes foreshore. Information presented at the briefings included details of the design options being investigated, the planning status and estimated timeframe for completion of the Environmental Assessment Report.

5.7 Rhodes Community Reference Group (CRG)

A briefing was provided to members of the Rhodes CRG which included representatives from the Rhodes community, local cycle groups and the IKEA retail store located at Rhodes shopping centre. The briefing occurred 1 June 2011 and included background information on the proposal, details of the design options being investigated, the planning status and estimated timeframe for the completion of the Environmental Assessment Report. Attendees were provided with the 1800 community info line and email address should they have any queries or comments.

5.8 Wentworth Point Probus Club

A briefing was provided to the Wentworth Point Probus Club on 21 June 2011, (attended by more than 50 people).

Information included background information on the proposal, details of the design options being investigated, the status of planning, and estimated timeframe for completion of the Environmental Assessment Report. Attendees were provided with the 1800 community info line and email address should they have any queries or comments.

5.9 Nature Conservation Council of NSW

Contact was made with the Nature Conservation Council of NSW (NCCNSW) via telephone and email on 6 May, 2011 and 25 May 2011 to provide an overview of the proposal and offer a briefing. The NCCNSW have declined the opportunity for a briefing at this time.

5.10 Theiss Services

A meeting was held with representatives from Theiss services on 20 January 2011, regarding site remediation status and existing contamination reports for 40 Walker Street, Rhodes. Meeting notes are provided at Attachment 7.

6 Additional communications and consultation proposed

At the time of drafting this report the project team has been in contact with a range of other stakeholders and community groups. Additional briefings have been proposed with

- Newington Public School



- Cycle Club - Newington community centre
- Rhodes Sea Scouts
- Bay Bug (main cycle group)
- Wentworth Point Kayak Club



7 Summary of feedback and consultation outcomes

Overall feedback received from the stakeholder briefings, workshops and community information days has been positive and confirms a broad level of stakeholder support for the Homebush Bay Bridge.

It should be noted that the communication and consultation program was not designed to provide a statistical analysis of support for the bridge, but was designed to provide broad awareness of the proposal, identify key issues, opportunities and constraints, and to facilitate engagement between the project team and key stakeholders for input on the various technical aspects of the bridge investigation.

Stakeholder feedback predominantly focused on specific aspects of the bridge proposal that was relevant to their individual area of interest.

Apart from two calls, all enquiries to the 1800 number or project email, sought information about the Wentworth Point Information Day, approval process, construction timeframe or anticipated completion of the bridge. Of the two calls opposed to the current proposal one person wanted private vehicle access to be allowed, the other did not support the bridge. Anecdotal feedback suggests almost all calls were from residents or potential purchasers of residential property at Wentworth Point.

The major landowners from Rhodes and representatives from City of Canada Bay were particularly interested in the bridge landing point at Rhodes. This was to seek information on the proposal and ensure that the design is integrated with their existing landscape plans and City of Canada Bay's own plans for the foreshore promenade and other public areas.

Rowing NSW was most interested in the location of bridge pylons to ensure equate space for any future short course rowing events.

Maritime NSW were interested in setting height clearances (for the underside of the bridge) and the technical aspects of the design.

Members of the Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group, identified a range of issues that they would like to see addressed. Issues relevant to the proposal have subsequently been addressed in the various technical reports, studies and investigations included in the Environmental Assessment Report (see Attachment 2 for details). A key outcome from the CRG was that access across the bridge should be restricted to public transport, cyclists and pedestrians. Access for private vehicles should be specifically excluded.

Consultation with almost all stakeholders who participated during the consultation process suggests the major benefit of the bridge would be to connect the new communities of Wentworth Point and Rhodes and improve connections with the Sydney's public transport system.



8 Attachments

Attachment 1 – Homebush Bay Bridge CRG Terms of Reference

Attachment 2 – Homebush Bay Bridge CRG Issues Register and meeting notes

Attachment 3 – www.homebushbaybridge.com.au screen grabs

Attachment 4 – Homebush Bay Bridge flyer

Attachment 5 – Homebush Bay Bridge Community Information Day feedback

Attachment 6 – Rowing NSW meeting notes

Attachment 7 – Theiss Services meeting notes



Attachment 1

Homebush Bay Bridge CRG Terms of Reference

**Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group
Terms of Reference
(December 2010)**

These Terms of Reference establish the purpose, membership, functions, terms and conditions of membership, procedures for meetings and issues relating to recording of comments and outcomes of the Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group (CRG).

1. Purpose

The CRG will provide a forum for representatives of local residents and businesses to discuss ideas, opportunities and concerns relating to the planning, design and construction of the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal, with landowners and Government agency representatives.

2. Meeting Protocols

2.1 The key principles of the CRG are:

- Ensure equity of membership and involvement by both the Wentworth Point and Rhodes communities
- Communications should be simple and succinct
- All members should have the opportunity to participate and provide feedback
- All members and guests must treat other meeting participants with courtesy
- Meetings will be closed if the above principles are not adhered to

2.2 Duration and Location of Meetings

- Meetings will be held at regular times to be agreed
- Meeting durations will be no more than 2 hours
- CRG meetings will be held in an appropriate local location nominated by the Chairperson

2.3 Meeting Agenda and Meeting Notes

- All meeting notes will be recorded by an independent minute taker to reflect issues raised and agreed actions.
- The notes are not a verbatim record of discussion, but a list of actions and key discussion themes.
- All meeting notes will be distributed to CRG members within 7 days of the meeting.
- Meeting notes will be posted on the website following distribution to CRG members.
- Meeting agendas will be distributed 7 days prior to the next meeting.

3. CRG Membership

In addition to the project team and Chairperson, the CRG community/business and Council members will consist of up to 16 members including:

- 2 representatives from the Wentworth Point community
- 2 representatives from the Rhodes Community
- 1 representative from the Wentworth Point Transport Reference Group
- 1 representative from Rhodes Shopping Centre
- 1 representative from the Wentworth Point business community
- 1 representative from NSW Maritime
- 1 representative from Department of Education and Training (DET)
- 1 representative and 2 Councillors from Auburn City Council
- 1 representative and 2 Councillors from City of Canada Bay Council
- 1 representative from Sydney Olympic Park Authority

Each member can nominate an alternate person to be present at meetings, if they are unable to attend, by giving advance notice to the Chairperson. Alternatives are welcome to attend CRG meetings with advance notice.

CRG members will be provided with a copy of the CRG Terms of Reference. Experts and guests may be invited to attend the meetings at the request of the Chairperson, on behalf of the CRG, to provide specialist advice about the bridge design and or construction.

CRG members will cease to be a member, if they:

- Resign from the CRG
- Fail to attend 3 consecutive meetings without providing apologies to the Chairperson

4. CRG Functions

4.1 Community Members

- Provide feedback on any issues they have specific to the progress of the project
- To focus on the Homebush Bay Bridge with reference to the Wentworth Point Planning Proposals only
- To provide a forum where views and concerns of key stakeholders can be heard
- Members are encouraged to pass on project information to other members of the community who not members of the CRG.

4.2 Agency Members

- To represent their respective agency and provide feedback on any issues relating to the project.
- To provide advice on matters that relate to the Homebush Bay Bridge or could impact on the project
- To share information amongst their agency departments

4.3 Homebush Bay Bridge Project Team

- The project team will provide regular updates on the project, including details of the progress, forthcoming activities and measures taken to address community concerns where possible.
- Wherever possible, documents tabled at the meeting will be uploaded onto the project website 72 hours after the meeting
- Minutes to be kept and a record of issues and opportunities captured
- Minutes will be made available on the project website

5. CRG Selection Process

- Invitations will be sent to existing local community organisations and or individuals to become a member of the Homebush Bay Bridge CRG.
- Any vacant position will be filled by seeking another nomination from the existing community organisations.
- The Chairperson will fill any vacancy from the nominations received.

6. Chairperson

The Chairperson is responsible for addressing issues and facilitating the resolution of issues that arise at meetings.

The Chairperson is responsible for:

- Inviting specialists to attend meetings when required
- Guiding the meeting according to the agenda and time available
- Ensuring all discussion times end with a decision, action or definite outcome
- Reviewing, approving and signing the draft minutes before distribution

7. Note Taker Secretary

The role of the minute taker is to:

- Prepare an agenda and issuing notices for meetings, and ensure all necessary documents for discussion or comment are attached to the agenda
- Ensure the CRG minutes of meeting are uploaded onto the project website 72 hours after the meeting (following approval by the Chairperson)
- Distribute the Meeting Agenda 7 days prior to the meeting
- Taking notes of proceedings and preparing minutes of the meeting

8. Amendments to the Terms of Reference

- The Terms of Reference will be reviewed twice annually (or more frequently if required) by the Chairperson from the date of endorsement
- The Chairperson may alter the Terms of Reference to meet the current needs of the CRG or project in consultation with CRG members.
- One months notice must be given to the CRG members about the intention to amend the Terms of Reference, and should be included as an agenda item for discussion at the next meeting.



Attachment 2

Homebush Bay Bridge CRG Issues Register and Meeting notes

**Homebush Bay Bridge
CRG Issues Register
Updated as at 04/04/2011**

Item number	Register of Issues / suggestion by CRG Members	Actions
1.	Contamination in the Bay and impact of disturbance from bridge construction	Bridge construction impacts to be assessed by Golder and independently audited by environmental strategies
2.	Potential impact of water flows resulting in scouring and deposition of both remediated and un-remediated areas of the bay floor, particularly at Rhodes landing point	Water flows impacts to be considered during the bridge design
3.	Ecology of the Bay, and impact on birds and fish	Impacts on birds and fish to be assessed by Biosis Research
4.	Height clearances for boat access under the bridge	Clearances are being determined in consultation with NSW Maritime and recreational users (i.e. Rowing NSW)
5.	The height of the landing point at Wentworth Point and the impact of potential noise from buses on adjacent properties (landing point could be up to 2 storeys high) Consideration of designing steeper gradient for bus access.	Bridge design to address these issues. Noise impacts to be assessed by Arup acoustics team.
6.	Accommodation of disabled access in relation to the above (ie: retaining a lesser gradient for pedestrian and disabled access at landing point on Wentworth Point side)	Bridge design will comply with the Disability Discrimination Act to provide access for mobility impaired users.
7.	Potential liaison with other stakeholders for early works at landing points (particularly at Rhodes) to minimise future impact from noise on residential properties	Liaise with adjacent landholders and Council. Preparation of a construction environmental management plan.
8.	Investigation and liaison with Theiss to facilitate best outcome for integration of bridge landing with sea wall and promenade height at Rhodes	Construction program for the sea wall is already locked. Project team will need to take into account the wall during the design process.
9.	Impact of climate change and potential future sea level / tidal changes	Arup sustainability group to undertake an assessment of the effects of sea level rise as a result of climate change on the bridge.

10.	Updated survey of remediation and mud levels of Bay to be undertaken or resolved during further planning and investigation stage	Contamination consultant and independent auditor to review the latest survey and remediation reports produced particularly for the Rhodes landing area.
11.	Future presentations and involvement by EPA, cycling groups, traffic planners, wildlife experts, Sport and Recreation ie Rowing NSW, dragon boats etc.	EPA (DECCW) will be involved as part of the statutory consultation for the project. Interest groups to be invited to upcoming CRG meetings.
12.	Impact of lights (both bridge and traffic) on residents in the Statewide development	This issue will be considered as part of the urban design study.
13.	Protection of main piers from impact by vessels	Bridge design team to take this matter into account.
14.	Need to ensure future demographics of the area are considered in planning	Project team to note growth forecast and demographics for Rhodes, Wentworth Point and Auburn and City of Canada Bay LGAs.
15.	Need to consider the timing of the proposed WWP School as it would provide access for Rhodes residents' children in the near term	Bridge commissioning year target is 2014. Project team to make best effort to ensure this target is achieved.
16.	Traffic issues on local roads and traffic routing effects in Rhodes, include volume and size of buses.	To be addressed in the traffic management and access investigations for the project.
17.	Designated cycle ways (either side of Bridge) need to be integrated into project	To be addressed in the traffic management and access investigations for the project and consulted with SOPA, Councils and transport agencies.
18.	Concern at potential access by private vehicles in the future and the bridge becoming a rat run. Need safeguards in place to ensure private vehicle traffic can never access the bridge.	To be addressed in the traffic management and access investigations for the project.
19.	Location of potential school in Wentworth Point and Rhodes and future demographics	To be taken into account by the project team.

Action Notes of the Meeting

Meeting:	Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group
Date, time:	Tuesday 16 November 2010. 6pm – 8pm
	Wentworth Point Function Centre, Corner of Stromboli Strait and Marine Parade
Attendees:	<p>CRG members. Lou Casmiri, Wentworth Point community representative Marisa Van Schalkwyk, Wentworth Point Transport Group representative Vanessa Viscontini, Wentworth Point business representative Carol Kendall, Rhodes community representative Jenny Nicholls, Rhodes community representative (alternative for Paul Hanly) Paolo Razza, (Mirvac) on behalf of Rhodes Shopping Centre Ursula Lang, City of Canada Bay Craig Bagley, SOPA</p> <p>Project team Rick Graf, Graf International (Interim Chairman) Kathy Jones, KJA David Robinson, KJA Bob Perry, Scott Carver Architects Greg Dowling, Scott Carver Architects</p>
Apologies	Paul Hanly, Rhodes community representative Paolo Razza, (Mirvac) on behalf of Rhodes Shopping Centre Auburn Council Representatives

Meeting Notes	Actions required
<p>WELCOME</p> <p>Rick Graf introduced himself as the representative of the alliance of four Wentworth Point Landowners and welcomed everyone to the first Community Reference Group (CRG) meeting and thanked participants for their attendance.</p> <p>Rick then provided the background of the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal and introduced Kathy Jones from KJA, and proposed that Kathy would chair CRG meetings for the foreseeable future.</p>	Noted
<p>ROLE OF CRG</p> <p>Kathy Jones ran through the agenda for the meeting, the role of members and confirmed that the primary purpose of CRG meetings will be to provide input into the planning and design process for the Homebush Bay Bridge, provide feedback on issues and opportunities relating to the Bridge, and answer questions relating to the project.</p> <p>Kathy then introduced Bob Perry from Scott Carver Architects, to provide an overview of the Bridge proposal and the status of the design process.</p>	Noted
<p>BACKGROUND TO THE HOMEBUSH BAY BRIDGE PROPOSAL</p> <p>Bob Perry gave a Power Point presentation on the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal. The presentation included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A brief history behind the Homebush Bay Bridge, which has been identified in government planning documents, since the early – mid 2000. • The early proposal focused on cycle and pedestrian access. The new 	Noted

<p>proposal has been amended and provides the capacity for future access by public transport, but would not be available for private vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This new proposal is the beginning of a more detailed design process that will require government and landowner support. Subject to government support, more detailed design work will occur over the next 12 months. • An overview of the general design requirements and constraints. • The bridge aims to improve access between Rhodes and Wentworth Point, reduce travel distances from approx 8km – 2 km and effectively connect these growing communities. The design would also take into account requirements of the rowing community’s use of Homebush Bay. • Private funding for the Bridge would be subject to approval of a Planning Proposal by Wentworth Point landowners, which seeks an uplift in floorspace for the remaining developments. 	
<p>PLANNING PROCESS AND STATUS</p> <p>Greg Dowling from Scape gave a presentation about the planning process for the Bridge on behalf of Grahame Edwards from Urban Futures, who was unable to attend the meeting.</p> <p>Greg advised that the project has been gazetted by the Minister for Planning as a project to which Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act applies.</p> <p>Consideration and approval of the project would require a number of steps that will include a Preliminary Environmental Assessment and a period of public exhibition, expected to be during 2011.</p> <p>Depending on approvals and the determination on the uplift in floor space for Wentworth Point the bridge could have a possible completion date of 2014.</p>	Noted
<p>DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE</p> <p>Kathy Jones went through the CRG draft Terms of Reference and sought feedback and comments from CRG members.</p> <p>CRG members felt that the key principle of the CRG is to ensure equity between the Rhodes and Wentworth Point communities, with equal representation and consideration of both groups.</p> <p>After discussion changes to the draft Terms of Reference agreed at the meeting were confirmed as follows:</p>	Draft terms of reference to be amended to reflect the key principle
<p>Meeting Protocols</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting notes will be a summary of actions and key theses discussed. • Meeting notes will be posted on the website 	Draft terms of reference to be amended
<p>CRG Membership</p> <p>After discussion it was agreed that membership of the CRG will be extended to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor representatives from both Auburn City and City of Canada Bay, Councils. • 1 representative from Maritime to be invited • 1 representative from the Department of Education and Training (DET) to be invited • Alternative members will be welcome to attend meetings 	Draft terms of reference to be emended. Council and agency representatives to be invited to next CRG. DR to follow up.

<p>CRG Representatives</p> <p>Agency representatives should be identified as such in the Terms of Reference and not as community members.</p>	<p>Terms of Reference to be amended as required</p>
<p>Future amendments</p> <p>It was agreed that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to the Terms of Reference should identified as an agenda item as required • Include the option that the Terms of Reference can be amended more frequently than the bi-annually and altered in consultation with CRG members. 	<p>Terms of reference to be amended as required</p>
<p>Themes - areas of interest in relation to the bridge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future items for consideration such contamination of Homebush Bay, involvement with government agencies, cycle groups etc. should be forwarded to the note take to be included in future agendas – Paul Hanly has already forwarded a list of proposed future agenda items. 	<p>CRG Members to forward agenda items to DR</p>
<p>Ongoing communication and contact arrangements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Robinson provided a brief summary of communication activities to date including the Homebush Bay Bridge website www.homebushbaybridge.com.au as well as feedback mechanisms such as the 1800 252 040 community info line and email address. • It was agreed that contacts details would be distributed amongst members. 	<p>DR to distribute CRG contact details amongst members</p>
<p>OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>It was requested that the Rhodes community be included in future consultation along with any information being provided to Wentworth Point. This could include information in local papers or letter drops.</p> <p>David Robinson advised that a consultation plan will be developed outlining a range of consultation activities, the establishment of the CRG was only one part of this process.</p> <p>CRG members were encouraged to share information amongst their communities.</p>	<p>DR to develop consultation Plan for next CRG meeting in early 2011</p>
<p>NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Next meeting is expected in early 2011 (or sooner depending on progress with Govt agencies) after the Director Generals Requirements for the Homebush Bay Bridge have been confirmed and the Landowners have confirmed their next level of investment for the project.</p>	<p>DR to advise date</p>

Meeting closed 7:45pm

Action Notes of the Meeting

Meeting:	Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group
Date, time:	Thursday 16 December 2010. 6pm – 8pm
Location:	Concord Library, 60 Flavelle St Concord
Attendees:	<p>Facilitator (Chair) Kathy Jones KJA</p> <p>CRG members Lou Casmiri, Wentworth Point community representative Marisa Van Schalkwyk, Wentworth Point Transport Group representative Carol Kendall, Rhodes community representative Paul Hanly, Rhodes community representative Cr Irene Simms, Auburn Council Cr Ned Attie, Auburn Council Mark Brisby, Auburn Council (alternative for John Burgess) Cr Helen McCaffrey, City of Canada Bay Cr Neil Kenzler, City of Canada Bay Ursula Lang, City of Canada Bay Ken Bywater NSW Maritime Jenny Nicholls, Rhodes (alternative community representative for Paul Hanly) Rosalie Holdsworth (guest) Frank Steele Energy Australia (new member)</p> <p>Project team Rick Graf, Graf International David Robinson, KJA Mike Cook, ARUP Javier Valderrama, ARUP John Kinsella, Billbegia (property owner)</p>
Apologies:	<p>Paolo Razza, (Mirvac) on behalf of Rhodes Shopping Centre Craig Bagley, SOPA Vanessa Viscontini, Wentworth Point business representative John Burgess, General Manager, Auburn Council NSW DET Rep TBC</p>

Meeting Notes	Actions required
<p>WELCOME</p> <p>Kathy Jones welcomed everyone and ran through the purpose of the meeting, which had been arranged to provide information to new members.</p> <p>Kathy explained the meeting agenda was split into two parts, covering procedural matters relating to the CRG, followed by a recap on the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal.</p>	Noted
<p>PROCEDURAL ITEMS</p> <p>Kathy ran through the meeting notes from the previous CRG meeting of 16 November and the updated Terms of Reference that included the amendments requested from the previous meeting.</p> <p>Terms of Reference key changes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The principle of equity of membership and representation between Rhodes and Wentworth Point communities being expressed in the purpose of the CRG Terms of Reference. • The addition of CRG membership/representatives from Canada Bay and Auburn Councils, along with agency representatives from NSW Maritime and Department of Education and Training (DET). • Agency representatives being identified separately to community members in the in the Terms of Reference. • The Terms of Reference will be reviewed twice yearly with any proposed changes listed as an agenda items for discussion at CRG meetings. 	
<p>Additional member</p> <p>Ursula Lang advised that she had requested Energy Australia (EA) to attend the CRG as a stakeholder with an interest in Homebush Bay.</p> <p>The EA representative provided an overview of pending works in Homebush Bay.</p> <p>After discussion, it was agreed that EA would become a new member, and a meeting would be arranged with the project team to share information</p>	<p>Action:</p> <p>DR to arrange formal invitation for EA to join CRG.</p> <p>RG to arrange meeting between project team and EA</p>
<p>Consultation plan</p> <p>Kathy Jones advised that the Consultation Plan identified as an item in the notes from last meeting would be prepared for presentation to the CRG in January, following DGR's being released.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Action : DR to prepare HBB consultation plan for January meeting</p>
<p>BACKGROUND TO THE HOMEBUSH BAY BRIDGE PROPOSAL</p> <p>Rick Graf gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Homebush Bay Bridge proposal, including a brief history behind the Homebush Bay Bridge, and status.</p> <p>Overview of Homebush Bay Bridge planning status</p> <p>Javier Valderrama from ARUP provided a recap on the planning process for the Homebush Bay Bridge.</p> <p>Rick Graf confirmed that Director General Requirements for the Environmental Assessment are expected in the next few days.</p>	Noted

<p>Homebush Bay Bridge design considerations</p> <p>Mike Cook from ARUP gave a presentation on design considerations for the bridge that need to be investigated over the next 12 months.</p>	<p>Noted:</p> <p>Action: Project team to liaise with Thiess regarding landing point of bridge at Rhodes and for updated info on Bay contamination etc.</p>
<p>OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>Issues register</p> <p>Kathy Jones advised that items or issues raised in relation to the Bridge would be captured in an 'issues register' and listed in the agenda for future investigation or discussion</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>CRG member contacts</p> <p>It was agreed that contact details would be distributed between members</p>	<p>DR to distribute updated contact details between members with meeting notes</p>
<p>Next meeting</p> <p>Next meeting is expected on 20 Jan 2011. Invitations and agenda will be sent 7 days prior</p>	<p>DR to send invitations</p>

Meeting closed 8pm

Homebush Bay Bridge CRG Meeting Action Notes

Meeting:	Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group
Date, time:	Thursday 20 January 2011. 6pm – 8pm
Location:	Wentworth Point Function Centre, Corner of Stromboli Strait and Marine Parade
Attendees:	<p>Facilitator (Chair) Kathy Jones KJA</p> <p>CRG members Lou Casmiri, Wentworth Point community representative Marisa Van Schalkwyk, Wentworth Point Transport Group representative Carol Kendall, Rhodes community representative Paolo Razza, (Mirvac) on behalf of Rhodes Shopping Centre (or Rep TBC) Craig Bagley, SOPA Paul Hanly, Rhodes community representative Cr Ned Attie, Auburn Council John Burgess, General Manager, Auburn Council (or Rep) Alia Karaman, Auburn Council, (alternative for John Burgess /Mark Brisby) Cr Helen McCaffrey, City of Canada Bay Cr Neil Kenzler, City of Canada Bay Ursula Lang, City of Canada Bay Ken Bywater, NSW Maritime Rosalie Holdsworth, Rhodes community representative (alternative) Jenny Nicholls, Rhodes community representative (alternative) Frank Steele, Energy Australia (new member)</p> <p>Project team Rick Graf, Graf International David Robinson, KJA Mike Cook, ARUP Engineers Javier Valderrama, ARUP Engineers</p> <p>Apology Cr Irene Simms, Auburn Council Mark Brisby, Auburn Council Vanessa Viscontini, Wentworth Point business representative Paolo Razza, (Mirvac) on behalf of Rhodes Shopping Centre John Burgess, General Manager, Auburn Council Angela Lyris, School Director - NSW DET</p>

Meeting Notes	Actions required
<p>WELCOME</p> <p>Kathy Jones opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the first CRG for 2011, David Robinson noted Apologies received.</p> <p>Follow up actions from meeting notes of 16/12/2011</p> <p>Kathy confirmed an Issues Register had been established to record issues raised that relate to the Homebush Bay Bridge. The register will be updated after each meeting and distributed to CRG members with meetings notes.</p> <p>Rick Graf confirmed that Energy Australia (EA) had been invited to become a member of the CRG. Frank Steele was confirmed as EA's representative.</p> <p>Kathy confirmed that the Director General's Requirements (DGRs) for the Bridge were issued by Department of Planning on 22/12/2010. David Robinson advised that a copy of the DGR's had been sent to CRG members. Additional copies were also distributed at the meeting.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

<p>Mike Cook (ARUP) advised that contact had been made with Thiess regarding the landing points of the Bridge (on the Rhodes side), and an updated contamination report of the Bay.</p>	
<p>Outstanding items from previous meeting</p> <p>Rick Graf confirmed that a meeting was still to be arranged with the project team and EA to share information.</p>	<p>RG to provide update at next meeting</p>
<p>PRESENTATION ON DGR'S AND DETAILED INVESTIGATION</p> <p>Javier Valderrama (ARUP) gave an overview of the DGR's and the technical studies that are being organised. These included:</p> <p>Traffic Management & Access: including traffic volumes likely to be generated during construction and operation, and predicted impacts on the surrounding road network.</p> <p>Public domain: including design, and safety measures for pedestrian and cycle access on the bridge and integration with local and regional pedestrian and cycle networks.</p> <p>Noise and Vibration: including mitigation measures.</p> <p>Contamination: detailed assessment of potential impacts of construction of the bridge piers on disturbance of contaminated sediment in Homebush Bay.</p> <p>Climate Change: assessment of the effects of sea level rise as a result of climate change.</p> <p>Soils, Sediments & Water: including assessment of surface water impacts on Homebush Bay and the Parramatta River and assessment of acid sulphate soils, as well as stormwater Concept Plan.</p> <p>Flora & Fauna: to identify any impacts on critical habitats, threatened species, and biodiversity.</p> <p>Visual Amenity & Overshadowing: including height, scale and lighting on the local and regional area: including impact on adjoining land owners the foreshore of Wentworth Park, Rhodes and Meadowbank.</p> <p>Bridge Form & Urban Design: rationale for the overall design (length, height, width and appearance) and an assessment of the built form (materials and finishes) and urban design.</p> <p>Navigation & Safety impact: Bridge clearance on the Wentworth Point side and the deep water navigation channel. Impacts and safety on existing and future maritime and recreational use.</p> <p>Funding: Independent and detailed costing for the bridge construction and ongoing operation as well as proposed funding arrangements and ownership, including any proposed Voluntary Planning Agreement with Government agencies and/or Councils.</p> <p>Environmental Risk Assessment: Risk analysis to identify potential environmental impacts associated with the project (construction and operation) and proposed mitigation measures.</p>	<p>Noted:</p> <p>Reports and actions addressing DGRs to be crossed referenced against Issues Register. DR to include in Issues Register.</p>
<p>Timing</p> <p>Javier advised that detailed investigation would soon commence, with details expected by mid 2011.</p> <p>The Environmental Assessment Report is expected to be lodged with the Department of Planning by end August 2011.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>CONSULTATION ACTIVITIES</p> <p>David Robinson provided an overview of the consultation process and a general background on the demographics of Rhodes, Wentworth Point and</p>	<p>Noted:</p>

<p>Newington, which will help guide the communications approach.</p> <p>Communications and consultation will occur in 3 stages.</p> <p>Stage 1: Public Information. Key focus is to raise awareness of the Bridge proposal. Proposed communications activities to include, local media Community newspapers, Project Fact Sheet – letterbox dropped to Rhodes and Wentworth Point, Project website, Community info line and email address.</p> <p>Stage 2: Detailed investigation consultation. To occur during detailed investigation and to obtain feedback. Activities will include, Project displays (at Rhodes and Wentworth Point), Project advertisement in local media, Community update - letterbox drop to Rhodes and Wentworth Point, community information and feedback sessions. Updates on Project website, Community info line, Project email for feedback.</p> <p>Stage 3: 28 day formal Exhibition Period of Environmental Assessment Report. This will involve notifications in local media. with formal submissions to DoP.</p> <p>David confirmed that the website would be updated throughout the consultation period as well as with the 1800 number and email address as a contact point for community enquiries, or feedback.</p> <p>The CRG will continue to operate and will be involved in providing input and feedback throughout the EA process.</p>	
<p>Additional consultation and communication channels</p> <p>CRG members provided feedback on the Consultation Plan and suggested additional stakeholders to be included in the consultation process, as well as other communication channels to be considered.</p> <p>Additional stakeholders to be included</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sydney Olympic Park residents • Rhodes Bicycle Users Group (ABug) and other cycle groups. • Water sports organisations: such as Rowing NSW, Kyaking, Dragon Boats, Yachting NSW, Concord and Ryde Sailing Clubs, Sea Scouts • Walking groups • Rhodes Community Reference Group • Newington neighbourhood association • Statewide Development owners and residents <p>Additional communications channels to be considered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Village Talk” Wentworth Point publication • Wentworth Central website and newsletter • “Rhodster” website • Newington News letter • The Bayside Brief (Council Publication?) • Info on Notice Boards in residential buildings (Wentworth Point/Rhodes) • Wentworth point movie screening • Rhodes Shopping Centre <p>CRG members also suggested a Stay in Touch register and email update be established on the website so people could be included in regular updates.</p>	<p>DR to investigate.</p> <p>CRG members to provide any contact details to DR where possible.</p>
<p>OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>Issues register</p> <p>A number of additional items/issues were raised and requested to be included on the issues register.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact of lights (both bridge and traffic) on residents in the 	<p>DR to include on Issues Register and cross reference issues against ARUP studies.</p>

<p>Statewide development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of main piers from impact by vessels • Designated cycle ways (either side of Bridge) need to be integrated into project • Need to ensure future demographics of the area are considered in planning • Need to consider the timing of the proposed WWP School as it would provide access for Rhodes residents' children in the near term • Traffic issues on local roads • Concern at potential access by private vehicles in the future and the bridge becoming a rat run. Need safeguards in place to ensure private vehicle traffic can never access the bridge. <p>Other issues raised</p> <p>Auburn Council staff asked whether the CRG could be a forum to discuss the Wentworth Planning Proposal. Kathy Jones advised that the focus of the Homebush Bay Bridge CRG was on the Bridge - as per the Terms of Reference.</p> <p>A number of CRG members questioned the predicted levels of public transport use, and the impacts on surrounding streets in Rhodes from public transport</p> <p>Members sought assurances that the bridge would not be available to private vehicles in the future and asked whether a legal arrangement to prevent this was possible.</p>	
<p>CRG member contacts</p> <p>DR to update CRG member contacts and distribute.</p>	<p>DR to distribute with meeting notes</p>
<p>Future meeting schedule</p> <p>Kathy Jones advised that future meetings of the CRG would focus on key issues and opportunities for the Bridge.</p> <p>The next meeting would be scheduled as a workshop on traffic planning. CRG members agreed this was a key issue and would welcome the involvement of traffic planners and Government Transport staff.</p> <p>David Robinson will contact members with a potential date. Invitations will be sent 7 days prior.</p>	<p>DR to advise members of future date and send invitations</p>

Meeting closed 8:30pm

Meeting Notes

Meeting:	Transport Workshop Homebush Bay Bridge
Date:	10 February 2011
Location:	Wentworth Point Function Centre, Corner of Stromboli Strait and Marine Parade
Time of meeting:	6.00pm – 8.00pm
Attendees:	<p>Facilitator (Chair) Kathy Jones KJA</p> <p>CRG members Lou Casmiri, Wentworth Point community representative Carlo LoGiudice, Wentworth Point Community representative Marisa Van Schalkwyk, Wentworth Point Transport Group representative Paul Hanly, Rhodes community representative Carol Kendall, Rhodes community representative Rosalie Holdsworth, Rhodes community representative Jenny Nicholls, Rhodes community representative Ned Attie, Auburn Council Craig Bagley, SOPA Ursula Lang, City of Canada Bay Mark Brisby, Auburn Council (alternative for John Burgess) John Earls Asset Engineer, City of Canada Bay Geoff Morris Transport Manager, City of Canada Bay John Osland, Director Technical Services, City of Canada Bay Edward Osiowy, Transport NSW</p> <p>Project team John Kinsella, Billbergia Group Rick Graf, Graf International David Robinson, KJA Mike Cook, ARUP Engineers Javier Valderrama, ARUP Engineers Colin Henson, ARUP Engineers</p>
Apologies:	Cr Helen McCaffrey, City of Canada Bay Cr Neil Kenzler, City of Canada Bay Cr Irene Simms, Auburn Council Frank Steele, Energy Australia Ken Bywater, NSW Maritime Paolo Razza, (Mirvac) on behalf of Rhodes Shopping Centre Vanessa Viscontini, Wentworth Point business representative John Burgess, General Manager, Auburn Council

Item	Actions	Responsibility
1.	Kathy Jones (Chair) welcomed CRG members to the Transport Workshop and advised that the workshop had been arranged to discuss issues/opportunities in relation to the Bridge. Kathy acknowledged the attendance of Edward Osiowy from Transport NSW, as well as Colin Henson, Principal Traffic Engineer, Arup. A number of additional representatives from City of Canada Bay Council were also in attendance.	Note

2.	Rick Graf gave a brief update on the current status of the project.	Note
3.	<p>Colin Henson from Arup gave a presentation of the Bridge from a transport perspective.</p> <p>This included an overview of the context for local and regional transport access, the expected walking & cycling catchments, and the opportunities for linkages with bus, rail and ferries.</p> <p>Colin also provided a number of potential options for design of the bridge. This included different cross sections showing options for either a single or double lane bridge, as well as various examples of the relationship between pedestrians, cyclists and buses, with either shared zones or separated areas.</p>	Note
4.	<p>Workshop participants broke into three groups and were asked to identify the key opportunities (Must Haves) and issues (Must not Haves), then list their key priorities.</p> <p>Work shop notes from the groups are listed as follows</p> <p>Opportunities (Must have)</p> <p>Group 1. Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feel safe (1) • Public transport to use bridge (2) • 2 Bus/transit lanes (3) • Connection of Rhodes Station to Olympic Park (4) <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to Rhodes shopping & station • Build in adaptability for future changes in transport need/mode • Light rail opportunity • Good lighting – Aesthetic lighting • Pedestrians 3m wide path • Cycles 3m wide path • Rest areas • Wants cameras (safety security) • IT's no brainer, it's a short route • Carry public utilities • Emergency vehicles access • Creation of a Bay run facility • School kid connections to school and recreation • Good approach connection • Prefer 12m bridge • Must separate cycles from pedestrian <p>Group 2 Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local bus service providing access to the local community (station, school, hospital, parks on both sides) (1) • Pedestrian & Cycleway facilities (2) • Connectivity along each side of the bay, as well as across the bay (3) <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amenity for adjoining residents • High quality landscaped public space at each end • Seating each side & ½ way • Loss of open space compensated <p>Group 3 Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Control over the type of authorised vehicles that are allowed to use the bridge (1) • Emergency vehicles access (2) • Separated pedestrian/cyclist zones(3) • Recognise there are different cyclist types (4) 	

	<p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enforced speed limit for cyclist Pedestrian zone should be wide to allow for families and young children Have cyclist with the bus lane 	
5.	<p>Issues (Must not have)</p> <p>Group 1. Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cars using bridge (1) No private “community” buses (2) Shared zone with buses (3) <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 lanes (except Dept Transport and SOPA) but must be scalable Design which allows people to jump of throw things Late night special event buses <p>Group 2 Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private motor vehicles (1) High volume event buses, charter, etc during big events at Olympic Park (2) High speed commuter cyclist sharing with pedestrians (3) <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change to operational rules without Council and community input Shopping trolleys crossing the bridge No queuing (by buses) in public areas No shuttle buses in Shoreline Drive <p>Group 3 Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No private passenger vehicles (1) Excessive speed management (2) Must manage bus traffic into and out of Rhodes (3) Must manage pedestrian/cycle/bus conflict on the Rhodes Foreshore Park & Promenade (4) <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How do you manger motor scooters and motor bikes? Prefer bridge as low as possible Does not want through STA buses on the bridge 	
6.	<p>Summary</p> <p>Kathy Jones asked representatives from each group to summaries their comments.</p> <p>The general feedback from all groups was for a local transport link across Homebush Bay with access for pedestrians, cyclists and buses. There was strong desire that car access be prohibited.</p> <p>The three key outcomes were identified as follows</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special purpose, local bus route to service people out of 70,000 catchment Design needs to match the desired outcomes Model design 	
7.	<p>Next steps</p> <p>Rick Graf confirmed that a summary of the workshop feedback and detailed notes taken by the engineers, planners and designers would be developed into a brief for the technical design team</p>	RG/ DR
8.	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>Next meeting is scheduled for 31 March 2011 and will be confirmed 7 days prior</p>	DR to confirm

Meeting Notes and Action Items

Meeting:	Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group meeting
Date:	Thursday 31 March 2011
Location:	Wentworth Point Function Centre, Corner of Stromboli Strait and Marine Parade
Time of meeting:	6pm – 8pm
Attendees:	<p>Facilitator (Chair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kathy Jones KJA <p>CRG members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lou Casmiri, Wentworth Point community representative • Vanessa Viscontini, Wentworth Point business • Marisa Van Schalkwyk, Wentworth Point Transport Group representative • Irene Simms, Auburn Council • Mark Brisby, Auburn Council • Ursula Lang, City of Canada Bay • Ken Bywater, Maritime NSW • Rosalie Holdsworth, Rhodes community representative • Bronwyn Evans, community representative Wentworth Central • John Osland, Director Technical Services Canada Bay <p>Project team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rick Graf, Graf International • David Robinson, KJA • Javier Valderrama, ARUP
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neil Kenzler, Canada Bay Council. Helen McCaffrey, Canada Bay Council. Ned Attie, Auburn Council. Craig Bagley, SOPA. Jenny Nicholls, Rhodes Community. Carol Kendall, Rhodes Community. Frank Steele, Energy Australia. Paul Hanly, Rhodes Community.

Meeting Notes	Actions
<p>Welcome</p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone for their attendance, ran through the format for the evening and noted Paul Hanly's correspondence to members regarding, school locations, demographic projections and traffic impacts.</p>	Note
<p>Follow up actions from previous meeting/workshop notes</p> <p>There was only one action item from the previous meeting. Rick Graf confirmed that all items for the transport workshop had been passed to the project team for consideration.</p> <p>Marisa Van Schalkwyk requested that an additional item from the transport workshop be included to state that any bus transport for the Bridge enable use of the NSW Governments integrated ticketing system (ie weekly or my zone tickets). The Chair agreed for this to be noted and be included on the issues register.</p>	DR to include in issue register

<p>Update Wentworth Point information day</p> <p>Rick Graf gave an update on the Wentworth Point community information day that was held on Saturday 5 March outside the Wentworth Point Function Centre. Rick confirmed the event attracted more than 250 local Wentworth Point residents. The event was staged by the four major landowners to provide an opportunity for the community to hear about the landowner's vision for Wentworth Point.</p> <p>During discussion Irene Simms from Auburn Council asked whether the proposed planning uplift was made clear. Rick advised that a key part of the day was to inform the community about what was proposed.</p> <p>Rick advised that general information including community feedback from the day had been uploaded onto the Homebush Bay Bridge website.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>ARUP Presentation</p> <p>Javier Valderrama (ARUP) provided an update of technical investigations, the status of items on the issues register, and the forward program.</p> <p>Current studies in progress included: Noise - contamination – geotechnical - climate change - flora and fauna - statutory consultation (Gov agencies) - navigation and safety - traffic management and access - Bridge form and design - public domain.</p> <p>Studies to commence in April/May include: Stormwater - overshadowing- visual impact - and bridge costings.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Questions</p> <p>Q. NSW Maritime pointed height clearances from the high water mark to the underside of the bridge are in the process of being finalised.</p>	<p>Mike Cook (Arup) to contact Ken Bywater to confirm clearances</p>
<p>Q. The width of cycleway – 3.5-4m may be insufficient.</p> <p>A. Greg Dowling advised that main cycleway access for commuter cyclist would be the Busway. The users of the shared cycle pedestrian path would typically be recreational cyclists and children. Thus a 3.5-4m width is considered to be sufficient.</p> <p>Q. Was the noise study a literature review or an on-site study?</p> <p>A. Javier confirmed on-site monitoring (for background noise) had occurred, the next steps would be to determine noise criteria and predict construction and operational noise levels.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Issues register</p> <p>The issues register was discussed and an update on status was presented.</p>	<p>DR to send out printed version with meeting notes</p>
<p>Items 11 & 12 that were missing from the issues register PowerPoint presentation to be updated on the printed version and sent to CRG members.</p> <p>Item 11. Future presentations and involvement by EPA, cycling</p>	<p>DR to update register and send out with meeting notes</p>

groups Item 12. Impact of lights (both bridge and traffic) on residents in the Statewide development	
Request that item 16 – traffic issue/impacts to be updated to include both Wentworth Point side and Rhodes.	DR to update register and send out with meeting notes
<p>Presentation - Scott Carver architects</p> <p>Greg Dowling (Scott Carver) provided an overview of the bridge design setting and pedestrian path analysis. This included: An overview of the landing points and integration with finished ground levels at Wentworth Point and Rhodes. An overview of options being investigated for the pedestrian path, (whether located on the north or south side of the Bridge) and its relationship to the recreational open spaces adjacent to each end of the bridge. The aim is to encourage easy pedestrian access and meet safety requirements.</p>	Note
<p>Forward program</p> <p>The current program aims to have the Environmental Assessment Report completed by mid August for submission to Department of Planning. The forward program for consultation with CRG members was likely to occur as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Late May - Environmental Investigations and Design Options • July – Preferred design solutions • Late August early Sept- Final bridge design solution for environmental assessment 	Note
<p>Future Consultation</p> <p>The Chair confirmed that future meetings of the CRG would be as above. David Robinson advised that additional consultation will be undertaken as per the Communications and Consultation Plan (presented at an earlier CRG). This will include public communication through letter drops, information flyers to surrounding areas, 1800 number and email, and advertisements in local media.</p>	Note
<p>Additional presentation will also be arranged with cycle groups and water based sporting organisations. The Canada Bay Council representative asked to be notified and included in any sporting groups or community presentations.</p>	DR to advise / invite Councils to community group presentations when confirmed
<p>Next meeting</p> <p>The next CRG will be scheduled for late May. David Robinson will contact members with a potential date. Invitations will be sent 7 days prior.</p>	DR to follow up and advise CRG members

*** End Meeting***

Meeting Notes and Action Items

Meeting:	Homebush Bay Bridge Community Reference Group meeting
Date:	Thursday 26 May 2011
Location:	Wentworth Point Function Centre, Corner of Stromboli Strait and Marine Parade
Time of meeting:	6pm – 8pm
Attendees:	<p>Facilitator (Chair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> David Robinson KJA <p>CRG members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lou Casmiri, Wentworth Point Community Marisa Van Schalkwyk, Wentworth Point Transport Group Rosalie Holdsworth, Rhodes Community Carol Kendall, Rhodes Community Paul Hanly, Rhodes Community Jenny Nichols, Rhodes Community Frank Steele, Energy Australia Helen McCaffrey, Canada Bay Council Irene Simms, Auburn Council John Osland, Canada Bay Council . <p>Project team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rick Graf, Graf International Javier Valderrama, ARUP Greg Dowling, Scott Carver David Robinson, KJA Seth Molinari, Golder Associates Shane Doyle, Golder Associates
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ken Bywater, Maritime NSW Ned Attie, Auburn Council Mark Brisby, Auburn Council Ursula Lang, Canada Bay Council Craig Bagley, Sydney Olympic Park Authority Paola Razza, Mirvac Carlo LoGiudice, Wentworth Community Lou Casmiri, Wentworth Community Vanessa Viscontini, Wentworth Community John Burgess, Auburn Council Neil Kenzler, Canada Bay Council

Meeting Notes	Actions
<p>Welcome</p> <p>Rick Graf advised that the regular Chair Kathy Jones was on leave and the meeting would be chaired by David Robinson.</p> <p>David welcomed everyone in attendance, introduced Shane Dole and Seth Molinari from Golder Associates and ran through the format for the evening.</p>	<p>Note</p>

<p>Part 3A update</p> <p>Greg Dowling noted that the new Government's changes to the Part 3A planning approval process would not have any effect on the project.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Follow up actions from previous meeting/workshop notes</p> <p>The Chair noted a correction of the previous meeting action notes that were distributed. A request from Marisa Van Schalkwyk was incorrectly recorded as Vanessa Van Schalkwyk. This has been subsequently corrected.</p> <p>There was only one action item from the previous meeting. Mike Cook confirmed that discussion had taken place with Maritime NSW regarding the bridge height clearance for water craft. This would be covered in the presentation on design formulations and options.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Update Issues Register</p> <p>Javier Valderrama (ARUP) provided an update on the issues list register. Contamination in the bay was discussed and Javier explained that Golder Associates would be presenting on this item later in the evening.</p> <p>Javier went through the list and explained the different actions that have been taken to address relevant items.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Design Formulation / Options</p> <p>Mike Cook (Arup) gave a presentation on the design formulation and options being investigated and confirmed a height clearance of 5.7m for vessels passing under the bridge had been agreed with Maritime NSW.</p> <p>Five design options are currently being investigated to identify the most cost effective method for constructing the bridge.</p> <p>It was noted that a different design for the pylons at the Rhodes end of the bridge has been proposed, due to shallowness of water and the height of the bridge at the Rhodes landing point.</p> <p>It is expected that the preferred design solution will be presented at the next CRG, once costing had been completed.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Bridge Landing Concepts</p> <p>Greg Dowling (Scott Carver) presented the preliminary concepts for the landing points of the bridge. These concepts need to take into account the height clearances required for vessels, the maximum gradients allowable, the existing RL levels of the landing points at each end of the bridge and safety, including integration of vehicle traffic, public transport, cyclists and pedestrians.</p> <p>A query was raised in regard to pedestrian access and crossing points. There was also discussion around the cycleway and where the cycle paths will join the bridge. Safety of pedestrians was raised in relation to the bicycles joining the pedestrian section of the bridge at high speeds. Greg advised that these items are a major consideration in developing the preferred options.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Presentation – Contamination Assessment</p> <p>Shane Doyle and Seth Molinari (Golder Associates) provided a presentation on contamination issues within the Bay. Assessments have included a review of more than 30 remediation documents on Homebush Bay and the surrounding area.</p>	<p>Note</p>

<p>The presentation included a brief contamination history of the site, the extent of sediment remediation and the management of piling works that are being considered as part of future construction methodology.</p>	
<p>Forward program</p> <p>The Chair advised that the current program aims to have the Environmental Assessment Report completed by mid August for submission to Department of Planning.</p> <p>The forward program for consultation with CRG members was likely to occur as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 or 14 July – Preferred design solutions • Late August early Sept- Presentation of final bridge design solution in the Environmental Assessment Report 	<p>Note</p>
<p>Future Consultation</p> <p>David Robinson advised that additional consultation is currently being arranged with Newington resident groups, the Nature Conservation Council of NSW, local bicycle groups and the Wentworth Point Business Association.</p> <p>A public info day is also being arranged at Rhodes shopping centre for late June early July.</p> <p>John Osland (Canada Bay Council) requested that a presentation be made at the next Rhodes Community Reference Group meeting on Wednesday 1 June.</p>	<p>Note</p> <p>David Robinson to arrange a presentation at this meeting.</p>
<p>Other items</p> <p>Q. There was some discussion about an article in the inner-west courier and questions about what plans had been confirmed for a potential school at Wentworth Point.</p> <p>A. Rick Graf advised that the major landowners from Wentworth Point had been in discussion with DET about a school, although a commitment from DET had not been made. Discussions are continuing.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Next meeting</p> <p>The next CRG will be scheduled for 7 or 14 July.</p> <p>David Robinson will contact members with a potential date. Invitations will be sent 7 days prior.</p>	<p>DR to follow up and advise CRG members</p>

*** End Meeting***

Meeting Notes

Meeting:	Homebush Bay Bridge CRG
Date:	14 th July, 2011
Location:	Wentworth Point Function Centre, Corner of Stromboli Strait and Marine Parade
Time of meeting:	6pm – 8pm
Attendees:	
CC / Apologies:	

Item	Notes	Action	Date
1.	<p>David Robinson stood in as chair of the meeting and welcomed those in attendance.</p> <p>Peter Byrne, Project Manager from Arup, was introduced as new member of the project team.</p> <p>David advised that this would be the last CRG meeting prior to the Environmental Assessment Report being finalised. Key items for presentation included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on outstanding items from the issues register. • The preferred design option and indicative construction methodology for the bridge. • An update on the pedestrian treatments and bridge landing points. 	Note	
2.	<p>Outstanding items from the previous meeting included</p> <p>Forward community meetings</p> <p>David advised that a number of community meetings had been arranged since the last CRG including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Rhodes Community Reference group • the major landowners from Rhodes • the Wentworth Point Probus Club <p>Contact had been made with various other groups at Newington, Rhodes and Wentworth Point and individual presentations will be arranged in the next few week.</p>	DR to invite Ursula Lang to meeting dates for Canada Bay groups	
3.	<p>Issues register presentation</p> <p>Javier Valderrama provided an update of outstanding items from the Issues Register that have now been resolved. These included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearance in navigation channel is 5.6 metres for water craft. • 6 rowing lanes will be provided for the rowers under the bridge. • Traffic noise modelling and predictions show that the levels will be close to background levels typical of a residential street. 	Note	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed lighting has been designed to comply with Australian Standards, and will not impact on adjacent residential properties. <p>All items raised in Issues Register will go into the Consultation Report</p>		
4.	<p>Preferred Design Options</p> <p>Peter Byrne from Arup provided an update on the preferred design option, which had been selected from 5 earlier options. The preferred design option incorporates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 span cantilevered box girder bridge (concrete). A jetty style construction methodology is being proposed for the bridge over the remediated area adjacent to the Rhodes landing to minimise disturbance of contaminated areas of the bay floor. Carriageway includes 2 traffic lanes (for buses), Cyclists will also use the carriageway. Separated pedestrian path with barrier to separate pedestrians and vehicles. Services location options to carry service infrastructure across the bridge is still being explored. May be located under pedestrian path and will not be visible. Main construction site will be in Wentworth Point, although site compounds will be required at both landing points. <p>Estimated construction time is 18- 24 months.</p>	Note	
5.	<p>Pedestrian Experience/Bridge Landings presentation</p> <p>Greg Dowling from Scott Carver Architects provided an update on the design options for the bridge landing point and pedestrian path. Key issues that are being considered included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rhodes side - need to get cyclists to slow down where they merge with pedestrians. The pedestrian and cyclist crossing point at the road the bridge on the Rhodes side, (design needs to reconcile the levels/heights of the path and bridge landing point, and include visual cues at the crossing point to ensure a high level of safety where buses, cyclists and pedestrians meet. Pedestrian path is on the north side. Landscaping around abutments to avoid unattractive spaces. (number of suggestions for alternative use – kayak storage, gym, community club) Bridge furniture design – a series of reassuring “events” across the bridge e.g. seats. Have to be robust, elegant, in concrete & steel. Will include seats, shelters, fences, art. 1.1m high fence on pedestrian path on side of bridge 	Note	Architects to consider active uses and storage around bridge abutment at Wentworth Point Landing



	Ursula advised that landscape plans around the Rhodes landing point have been completed, including corner shop & square.	Ursula /Greg to talk to liaise on plans by Rhodes landowners	
6.	<p>Next Steps</p> <p>The project team advised that the Environmental Assessment Report is being finalised and is expected to be submitted in mid August to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DPI will do a test of adequacy & then schedule for Public Exhibition for 30 days – expected in September 2011. • Comments from Exhibition will considered. • DPI will prepare an assessment report after considering submissions. This will be sent to the Minister for Planning or relevant assessment authority for determination. 	Note	
7.	<p>Next CRG meeting and follow up actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David advised that the next CRG meeting would be scheduled during the public exhibition period (around mid September). • Key project advisers to come to this meeting 	DR to organise CRG meeting during public exhibition	September 2011 DR to advise 7 days prior
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Environmental Assessment Report and technical papers will be on DPI website. 	DR to notify CRG members when Environmental Assessment report has been	As soon as available on DPI website
8.	<p>Other items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ursula advised that Canada Bay is yet to receive response to a letter sent to the project team following a recent meeting between the Council and project team 	DR to coordinate response with RG	

Meeting close



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THE PLANNING PROCESS

A recent engagement and consultation process was undertaken to gather feedback from the community and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure. The feedback was used to inform the planning process and to ensure that the bridge is designed to meet the needs of the community and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure.

The Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure is currently working on the planning process and will be releasing a draft Environmental Assessment Report in the next few weeks.

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PUBLIC CONSULTATION

A key part of the Home Bush Bay Bridge project is to engage with the community and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure. The public consultation process will be ongoing and will be held in the next few weeks.

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- Home Bush Bay Bridge 2010 Community Information Day
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- Minister's Declaration under Part 54 of EPAA 2010
- Director General's Requirements issued for Environmental Assessment 2010
- Bus & Ferry changes from October 10, 2010

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CONSULTATION

A Community Reference Group will be established to provide a forum for the community and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure to discuss the bridge project and to provide feedback on the project.

The Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure is currently working on the planning process and will be releasing a draft Environmental Assessment Report in the next few weeks.

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Attachment 4

Homebush Bay Bridge flyer

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Reaching some 400 metres across Homebush Bay, the bridge will connect the emerging communities either side of the Bay to public transport, parklands, shopping, entertainment and other facilities and help reduce private car use.



More information

The project is still in the early planning stages. More information will be provided throughout the planning process.

A Community Reference Group, including community representatives from Rhodes, Wentworth Point, as well as representatives from Auburn and City of Canada Bay Councils, will soon be established to ensure the full range of views are considered.

The CRG will operate alongside broader community consultation activities. Minutes of CRG meetings along with regular project updates will be uploaded on the website.

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A new bridge to connect growing communities

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The bridge design will create a visual landmark and will have the potential to carry electricity and telecommunications, thus removing the need to lay cables under Homebush Bay.

The Homebush Bay Bridge will be a significant step towards establishing a cycle and walking link along the southern foreshore of Parramatta River. The bridge will also provide access to existing public transport at Rhodes, helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by up to 66 per cent and integrating the natural waterway into the lifestyles of the people of Rhodes and Wentworth Point.



About the project

A bridge across Homebush Bay linking Rhodes and Wentworth Point was first considered in government planning documents as early as 2002.

The initial proposal was limited to pedestrian and cycle access. The current proposal aims to increase the capacity of the bridge to enable future access by public transport, but will not be available to private vehicles.



The new plan for the Bridge has been proposed by an alliance of four Wentworth Point landowners including Billbergia Group, Sekisui House, Homebush Bay Holdings and Homebush Bay Properties and will be constructed under a Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) by the four landowners, at no cost to the public.

Homebush Bay Bridge will not be available to private vehicles but it will have the capacity to accommodate future public transport and ensure that future growth of these new communities is sustainable.

The planning process

A preliminary concept plan for the Homebush Bay Bridge has been submitted to the Department of Planning, along with a separate Planning Proposal for Wentworth Point.

Subject to determination, detailed site investigation, architectural designs and technical studies will be undertaken, together with community and stakeholder consultation, to support the preparation of a detailed application.

The detailed application will then be submitted to the Department of Planning and placed on public exhibition.

There will be an opportunity for community comments and submissions to be lodged with the Department.

The Department of Planning will assess the project before making a recommendation to the Minister for Planning.





Attachment 5

Homebush Bay Bridge Community Information Day feedback

WENTWORTH POINT VISION 2025 / COMMUNITY INFORMATION DAY / 5 MARCH 2011

The four major landowners at Wentworth Point hosted a community information day on Saturday 5 March 2011, to share their vision for the long term future for the area and hear what the community had to say. The day was attended by more than 250 local community members and the following comments were received.

"I would like to see the existing wharves at the southern end of the bay, repaired or restored - not just for safety and maritime reasons, but for historical and aesthetic reasons". **Julie**

"Public bus to Strathfield through Bennelong Parkway". **Dechang**
"Would like to see existing wharves on The Promenade restored. Two main points - Safety and the look". **Marie and Dino**

"For current residents, the proposed developments of St Tropez Park will leave us without a park - probably for at least 4.5 years. There needs to be communication between Sekisui, Auburn Council, JRPP and State Government to resolve this by maintaining St Tropez site as a park. Jetties - Payce has the jetty leases, but do not own the contiguous land. Payce wants to demolish the jetties. At least one should be repaired and maintained. Future development ideally needs to be completed as quickly as possible to minimise noise, disruption etc. to current and soon to arrive residents. Bridge - great idea! Do it now!" **Tom**

"It would provide support for community, support for developers to repair and maintain existing wharves on the promenade". **David**

"No high rise in excess of 8 stories". **Robert**

"I would like to express my support to the project. I believe it's positive for owners who live in the area or who have investment properties as the development will raise the price of the properties. Personally, I like the fact that it will be easier to get to Rhodes Shopping Centre and Train Station and the fact that only shuttle bus services will be allowed - will keep it environmentally friendly and keep pollution levels low". **Natalia**

"Facilities look great but Bennelong Road will not service more transport. This must be fixed up". **Kathleen**

"The most important thing to me is the bridge to Rhodes which we need to connect us to the railway network more easily. The shuttle idea is also necessary as the population ages and driving a car becomes obsolete. The shopping/town centre will be a wonderful addition also". **Janet**

"Will the information be available on a website? I really hope the bridge will be completed soon so I can drive my car less and use the train more". **Dennis**

"Infrastructure - road and access to Wentworth Point and high rise building will destroy landscaping - it's against master plan". **Vladimir**
"I would love to see walking/cycling access to the ferry as soon as possible. I support the proposed bridge between Wentworth Point and Rhodes. It gives a much easier access to rail and Rhodes shopping/restaurant/theatre complex". **Annelie**

"School / preschool wanted most. Supermarket (big ones) wanted. Bridge - ASAP. More shuttle buses. Keep more parks / kid facilities". **Rocky and Kristy**

"I like the bridge between Homebush and Rhodes. Not adequate infrastructure to support vehicles towing trailers. 70 car spaces is not sufficient. Traffic on Hill Road will be chaos". **Brenda**

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WENTWORTH POINT VISION 2025 / COMMUNITY INFORMATION DAY / 5 MARCH 2011

"As an owner in the waterfront I would very much welcome the construction of the bridge to Rhodes for both transport improvement and convenience of shopping. I consider it an absolute necessity of the area".

Denise

"What a fantastic plan! I am both an investor and owner in the Wentworth Point area and very supportive of having more infrastructure and facilities in the area. At this stage we desperately need: Infrastructure, like the new bridge, so that we can access the trains/mall and Rhodes. Supermarket/more food facilities. School/educational facilities. More local parks! (Olympic Park does not count). We need the plan to happen ASAP or we will move out of the area".

Havila and Kyle

"The proposed bridge with shuttle transportation is the most welcomed news for the young family of ours. In addition, the notion of having a school on site would be a wish come true. As an educationist myself with a 7 month old son, this couldn't have come at a better time. As a resident owner at Sorrento, I give my fullest support and endorsement to all future plans and development and Wentworth Point".

Rakesh

"Pedestrian walkway, cycle way, tram if public transport is being considered".

Dorothy

"Community housing - ie. Clustered unit opportunity for people with disability. It's an ideal community living area already for my daughter with a disability (living with me), BUT she needs to move into independent living - ADHC's cluster unit (with support for people) would ideally fit the existing community and proposals".

Evelyn

"Bridge would be a great value addition no doubt about that. However, high rise buildings might change the landscape of Wentworth Point. There is a danger that the whole area becomes full of buildings without proper natural light and air".

Naveen

"Bridge: Concerned that the proposal now includes buses. Preference is pedestrian/cyclist if buses on bridge. No current plan for a cycle lane which is a huge safety concern for cyclists. General Feedback: looks promising, extra facilities would be good for residents. Would like to understand traffic planning and Environmental impact on our surrounding reserve, including delicate wetlands and mangroves has been appropriately considered. Has parking been addressed?"

Anne

"Bridge to be kept for cyclist and walking only. If buses and cars are to be given access to the bridge, a separate cycling/walking lane be provided. Supermarket and shops are a great idea. Much needed if population of Wentworth Park is to grow".

Martin

"So good to see what's planned on developments for the near future. This can only be of benefit to the current owners and resident of the Waterfront. We really are looking forward to the makeover and upgrade of Hill Road, between Bennelong Road and the Ferry terminal. Great news about the bridge! Very informative and interesting".

Debbie

"Homebush Bay bridge is a necessity! Supermarket complex is a necessity! Social amenities are (ie. Bars etc) wanted. To that point, a precinct such as that found on King Street Wharf would be perfect. Newington being the closest shopping centre is inconvenient".

Daniel

"Improve parking facilities underground as limited space as is, and will have a lot of people coming".

Simon



Attachment 6

Rowing NSW meeting notes

Project title	Homebush Bay Bridge	Job number	220708
Meeting name and number	HBB - Meeting with Rowing NSW	File reference	
Location	Arup	Time and date	9.30 - 10.30am 3-02-2011

Present Christian Renford (CR) and Andrew Rowley (AR) (Rowing NSW)
Mike Cook (MC) and Javier Valderrama (JV) (Arup)

Agenda Discuss with Rowing NSW requirements, issues and constraints for the Homebush Bay bridge. This meeting is part of the stakeholder consultation program for the project.

CR provided details on the use of the course:

- The course will be used for “sprint competitions” of 1000 – 1,500m distance only. Longer competitions (ie. 2,000m distance) will be held at Penrith.
- The course will run parallel to the Wentworth Point foreshore which is where the deep navigation channel is located
- Ideally, the course would have 6 lanes marked by buoys. Each lane should have a minimum width of 12.5 – 13m.
- The finish line will be at the northern side of Wentworth Point where Rowing NSW has allocated some land for their rowing facilities. Christina and Andrew presented some architectural drawings of the proposed development over this land (and subsequently emailed pdf copies).

MC:

- Outlined details of the proposed bridge (and subsequently emailed higher definition pdf copy of bridge concept from the PEA).
- Explained that the bridge design in the PEA is indicative, but based on 60m spans would have at most 50m clear width between bridge supports in the deep navigation channel area. The required 6 lanes could be achieved with 3 lanes each under adjacent spans. Rowing NSW stated that this should be “OK”.
- Explained that the vertical clearance in the deep navigation channel area would most likely be a minimum of 3m (after taking consideration high tide and climate change level rise – but subject to NSW Maritime requirements). CR explained Rowing NSW uses small boats but sometimes they also use “larger vessels”. Rowing NSW stated a 3m vertical clearance should be “OK”.

Project title	Job number	Date of Meeting
Homebush Bay Bridge	220708	3 February 2011

Rowing NSW

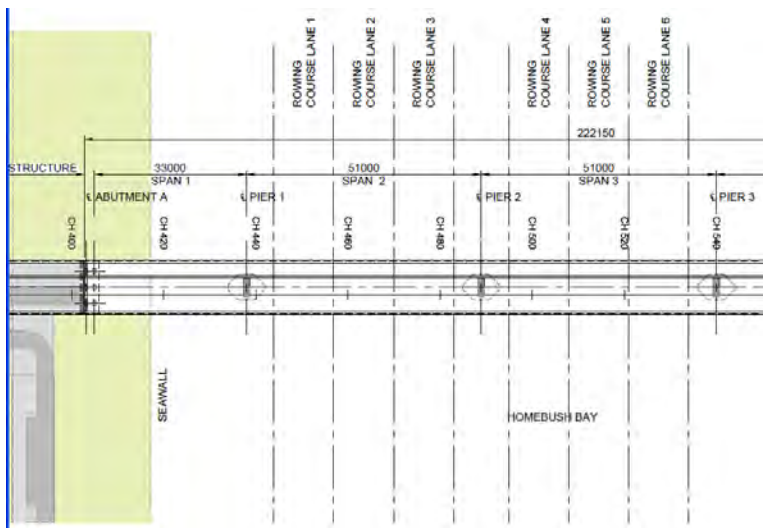
- Asked if directional signing for their race course could be provided. It was acknowledged this is more a NSW Maritime matter.
- Asked to consider race watching areas for spectators to be located along the foreshore as well as on the bridge. Judging and spectator areas should have shade and power. Judge areas would be located near the finishing line.
- Stated that the race course may be used about 20 weekends per year and that racing events will be run in morning hours until about 1pm.

Minutes

Project title	Homebush Bay bridge	Job number 221379
Meeting name and number	Consultation with NSW Rowing	File reference
Location	Arup, Sydney	Time and date 9.30- 15 June 2011 10.00 am
Purpose of meeting	Bridge design update	
Present	Christian Renford (Rowing NSW) Javier Valderrama (Arup)	Peter Byrne (Arup)
Apologies	Mike Cook (Arup)	
Circulation	Those present	

Bridge design Action
Note

Arup presented the updated bridge design to Rowing NSW. The design presented allowed for 6 rowing course lanes from which 3 lanes will be accommodated in Span No 2 and Span No 3. The following 'work in progress' figures were presented.



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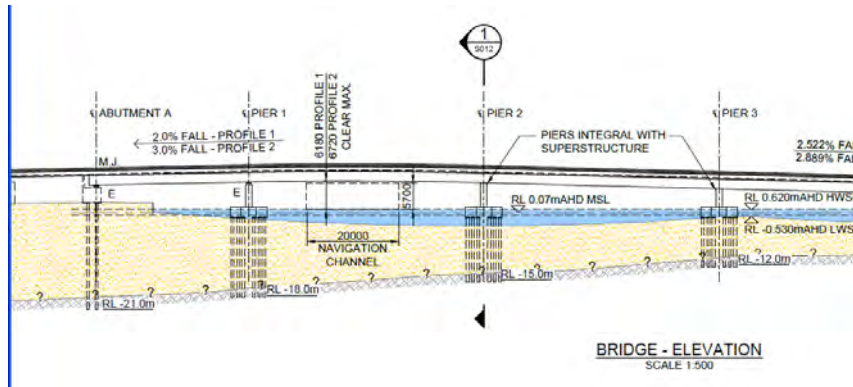
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Project title
Homebush Bay bridge

Job number
221379

Date of Meeting
15 June 2011

Action



Arup noted that the bridge would provide a vertical clearance at the navigational channel of at least 5.7 m.

Arup also noted that no 'race watching areas' were incorporated along the bridge deck as suggested by Rowing NSW in previous discussions.

Rowing NSW stated they were happy with the design presented.



Attachment 7

Theiss Services Meeting Notes

Minutes

ARUP

Project title	Homebush Bay Bridge	Job number 221379
Meeting name	Rhodes land remediation meeting	
Location	Thiess work site offices 40 Walker Street, Rhodes	Time and date 4.30pm 20 January 2011
Purpose of meeting	Seek input from Thiess on site remediation status and existing contamination reports for 40 Walker Street, Rhodes	
Present	Mike Cook, Arup Javier Valderrama, Arup James Pearce, Thiess Services	
Apologies	None	
Circulation	Project team	

Action Note

Arup briefed Thiess on proposed Homebush Bridge including location of landing and approach road at Rhodes.

Arup asked for potential opportunities to integrate bridge works with sea wall replacement.

Arup requested information that would be useful to us for preparing the Environmental Assessment and undertaking the concept design of the Homebush Bay Bridge including:

- Geotechnical – Site investigation reports, sheet piling pile driving records (also pile location plan), photos of any site excavations in vicinity of bridge landing.
- Contamination – Site audit statements (s), extent/details of contamination remediation works in vicinity of bridge, reports of contamination investigations, studies, EMP, etc.
- Water quality – water quality report and monitoring in vicinity of bridge.
- Civil works drawings on the sea wall.

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JP reported the sea wall is almost completed so there is little scope for integrating construction works.

JP also reported remediation works are scheduled to be completed by March 2011. The work carried out would have a site audit statement and report.

JP stated the land ownership would be transferred to Brookfield Multiplex in March 2011. Thiess is unable to release any reports/information on the remediation works carried out. Any report/information request should be addressed to Brookfield Multiplex.

