

Rozelle Interchange Air Quality Community Consultative Committee (RIAQCCC)

Annual Report 2021 - 2022

Community Consultative Committee Details

CCC / Project Name:	Rozelle Interchange Air Quality Community Consultative Committee (RIAQCCC)	Reporting Period:	October 2021 to September 2022
Independent Chairperson:	Abigail Goldberg	Proponent Contact:	Peter Morrall (Transport for NSW) Verity Turner (WestConnex / Transurban)

1. Executive Summary

Transport for NSW / Transurban established the Rozelle Interchange Air Quality Community Consultative Committee (AQCCC) in October 2021 in accordance with the project's Conditions of Approval. The committee is required to meet at least four times a year. The AQCCC will operate for at least two years after the project commences operations, or as otherwise approved or directed by the Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) in consultation with the Chair.

AQCCC members were appointed following a publicly advertised Expression of Interest (EOI) process. There are three local community representatives for the Rozelle area and three representatives for the Iron Cove area.

A representative from the Traffic and Transport Planning division of the Inner West Council participates in AQCCC meetings.

Representatives from Transport for NSW and Transurban team members from the environment and planning, fire life safety and integration, community engagement, and operations and maintenance areas participate in each meeting. Representatives from EPA and DPE attend as observers.

Abigail Goldberg was appointed in August 2021 as the independent chairperson for the AQCCC in consultation with DPE.

Dr Ian Longley, an independent air quality specialist from the National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research (NIWA) New Zealand, attends meetings as an independent advisor.

Six meetings have been held from establishment of the committee (October 2021) up to September 2022.

2. AQCCC activities over last 12 months

• Number of meetings:

Six meetings were held in the first year of the AQCCC (2021 - 2022) to enable discussion and resolution of key matters. These meetings took place on:

- **Meeting 1:** 5 October 2021 (online)
- **Meeting 2:** 16 November 2021 (online)
- **Site walk:** 8 February 2022 (in person)

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- **Meeting 3:** 15 February 2022 (online)
- **Meeting 4:** 1 March 2022 (online)
- **Meeting 5:** 10 May 2022 (online)
- **Meeting 6:** 9 August 2022 (online).

Minutes of each meeting are published on the project website, as well as being attached to this Annual Report as an Appendix.

- **Attendance at meetings:**

Attendance at meetings, which have been held primarily online, has been excellent. There is a very high level of engagement from community representatives, including Council, and the agenda has been structured to enable community concerns to be raised upfront.

Agency observers are consistent in their attendance, albeit that different representatives may be present.

- **Site visits:**

As the AQCCC commenced during the Covid pandemic and lockdown period, only one site visit has been undertaken. This site walk was undertaken between meetings, on 8 February 2022, so that participants could become familiar with existing air quality monitoring stations, and gain an understanding of the size and components of each station.

- **Additional consultation activities related to the AQCCC:**

Community representatives liaise with the Chair as needed in between meetings should issues of concern arise. These matters are then taken up with the project team and discussed at meetings.

3. Key issues

The focus of the AQCCC to date has been on the establishment of the committee and undertaking committee business including receiving committee input on key matters such as the location of air quality monitoring stations and documents required by the project Conditions of Approval.

The table below summarises key committee business undertaken by the AQCCC and project team members throughout the reporting period. Actions taken in response to these matters are also outlined:

Issue	Actions Taken	Next Steps
Issue 1 (meeting 1): ventilation systems and air quality monitoring stations	Project team presented an overview of how tunnel ventilation systems work, including case studies, and the relationship of the ventilation systems to air quality monitoring	A response to participant questions was provided at meeting 2.

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	systems. Participants raised a number of questions.	
Issue 2 (meeting 2): appointment of Service Provider to supply and install Air Quality Monitoring Stations (Condition E25)	AQCCC members noted the preferred tenderer for the installation of Air Quality Monitoring Stations. Chair requested earlier advice regarding Condition of Approval matters going forward.	Preferred tenderer appointed. Request for earlier advice re Condition of Approval matters noted.
Issue 3 (meeting 3): locations for the installation of Air Quality Monitoring Stations	Discussion regarding shortlisted options. Follow-up meeting required to agree final locations.	Follow-up undertaken at meeting 4.
Issue 4 (meeting 4): finalisation of preferred locations for the installation of Air Quality Monitoring Stations	Discussion, debate and agreement to four sites with a fifth Council-owned site to be further investigated.	Fifth site put to Council inter-session, but support from Council for the location not received.
Issue 5 (meeting 5): finalisation of preferred locations for the installation of Air Quality Monitoring Stations	Feedback on Council unwillingness to support fifth location. Final locations agreed.	Action to follow to commence installation of Air Quality Monitoring Stations
Issue 6 (meeting 6): Review of Draft Ambient Air Quality Goal Protocol (Condition E32)	The Draft Ambient Air Quality Goal Protocol was provided for review ahead of meeting 6 and supported by the AQCCC subject to a number of edits and points of clarification.	Draft document finalised including AQCCC comments

4. Focus for next 12 months

A fifth meeting for 2022 is planned for November (meeting 7) to enable participants to be updated on project progress and to ensure timely review of the Draft Operational Air Quality Management Plan.

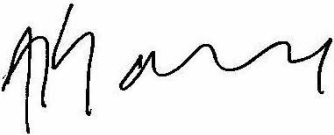
The focus for the period after that will be on preparation for project operation. Over the period the committee will:

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- Review Operational Environmental Management Plans and other operation stage documents
- Receive and discuss project updates
- Receive and discuss results of preliminary air quality monitoring
- Discuss emerging issues as put forward by community representatives and project team members
- Review and monitor management of emerging issues.

A calendar of meetings for 2023 is under consideration.

Signature of Chair:	
Date:	16 November 2022

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