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Community Consultative Committee (CCC) – Annual Report

Community Consultative Committee Details

CCC / Project Name:	Rozelle Interchange Air Quality Community Consultative Committee (RIAQCCC)	Reporting Period:	October 2022 to September 2023
Independent Chairperson:	Abigail Goldberg	Proponent Contact:	Verity Turner (Transurban)

1. Executive summary

Transport for NSW / Transurban (on behalf of Transport for NSW) 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.

RIAQCCC activities to date have largely been in relation to project establishment and development. The project is forecast to open in December 2023.

The AQCCC is required to operate for at least two years after the project has commenced operations, or as otherwise approved or directed by the Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) in consultation with the Chair.

2. Background

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. Transport for NSW's Design and Construction Contractor, John Holland CPB, also attends the meetings. 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, and remains in the role.

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 to Transurban.

Eleven meetings have been held from establishment of the committee (October 2021) up to September 2023.

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3. CCC activities over last 12 months:

Five meetings were held over the reporting period to enable discussion and resolution of key matters. These meetings took place on:

- Meeting 7: 29 November 2022 (online)
- Meeting 8: 7 March 2023 (online)
- Meeting 9: 18 April 2023 (online)
- Meeting 10: 27 June 2023 (online)
- Meeting 11: 12 September 2023 (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 both online and in-person, has been excellent. There is a very high level of engagement from community representatives, including Council.

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

• Site visit:

No site visits have been undertaken during the reporting period.

• 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.

The Chair notes the support of the project team in resolving issues raised by community representatives, such as maintenance of pedestrian paths and cycleways, which are not air quality matters and as such outside of the scope of the committee.

4. Key issues

A number of emerging issues have been raised and addressed throughout the reporting period. These are outlined below:

Issue	Actions taken	Next steps
Issue 1: discrepancies in data recorded at two air quality monitoring stations	Actions included corrective and mitigation steps, with an assessment of the implications of the loss of data by an air quality expert, whose findings indicated that the data had not been compromised.	The issue has been closed.

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Issue	Actions taken	Next steps
Issue 2: ongoing community concerns regarding emissions from ventilation stacks	TfNSW and Transurban have provided detailed responses to community queries as these are raised as well as links to air quality monitoring data.	Responses provided to community queries as these are put forward.
Issue 3: bushfires and backburning resulting in very poor air quality and exceedances in air quality measures across air quality monitoring stations	The issue was noted by community members and confirmed by agency representatives and project team members.	Issue to be monitored going forward.

5. Focus for next 12 months:

The focus for the forthcoming reporting period will be on preparation for the project opening and commencement of operations. Over the period the committee will:

- Receive and discuss project updates
- Receive and discuss results of preliminary air quality monitoring
- Discuss emerging issues put forward by community representatives and project team members
- Review and monitor management of emerging issues.

A calendar of meetings for 2024 is under consideration.

Signature of chairperson:	Mary
Date:	29 November 2023

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Appendix

Meeting Minutes



Date	29/11/2022		
Time	6.30pm – 7:25pm		
Venue	Videoconference		
Independent Chairperson	Abigail Goldberg	Chair and Director	GoldbergBlaise
Invitees	Peter Nvylt Ain Kalmus Ben Prag Brian Gorman Kendall Banfield Peter Morrall Robert Strong Charles Scarf Terry Chapman Karina Wilson Matthew Callander Verity Turner Peter Redwin	Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative (apology) Senior Transport Planner Snr Manager Env & Sustainability Deputy Project Director, Rozelle Interchange Senior Manager Environment & Sustainability Project Director Community Engagement Advisor Fire Life Safety and Integration Environment and Planning Manager Head of Operations	Rozelle Iron Cove Iron Cove Inner West Council Transport for NSW Transport for NSW JHCPB WestConnex WestConnex
Apologies	Ashley Douglas Helena Keyworth Dr Ian Longley Antoinette Kovach Carla Poggioli Elena Busuttil Rob Sherry Aleksandra Young Katherine Purdy	Community representative Community representative Independent Air Quality Specialist Senior Comms and SE Manager Senior Comms and SE Manager Mechanical Engineer Team Leader Compliance Unit Head Regulatory Operations Sydney Metro Operations Officer	Rozelle Iron Cove NIWA NZ Transport for NSW JHCPB JHCPB DPE (Observer) NSW EPA (Observer) NSW EPA (Observer)

Age	enda Items	Action
1.	Welcome and actions from previous meeting The Chair welcomed participants, acknowledged Country and advised apologies.	
	The Minutes from the previous meeting (Meeting 6, 9 August 2022) were distributed inter-session and are considered to be final.	
2.	Declaration of interests The Chair invited declarations of interest. None were put forward.	
3.	Update on the monitoring stations Robert Strong provided an update on progress in relation to the air quality monitoring stations (AQMS), including photographs of the stations which are all now installed, online and transmitting data. Website details are provided at right.	https://airodis.ecotech.com.au/westco nnex3b/index.html
	Community representatives queried whether there had been any community response to the installation of the AQMS. Robert advised that there had been complaints regarding the noise of the air conditioning at Quirk Street from an adjoining resident. Interim noise reduction measures have been introduced as a result and a longer-term solution is being investigated.	

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	Community representatives sought an understanding of what would happen with the concrete pads once the AQMS were decommissioned. The project team noted that this was some years off, however once the AQMS were decommissioned the pads will either be demolished or re-used depending on the circumstances. For example, a pad has been re-used at a school as the base for a storage shed. Community representatives sought advice on how to interpret the online data, including real time data for each AQMS. Matthew Callander provided a demonstration of the website data and explained which data was collected as well as how it is measured and analysed. Discussion ensued to ensure community representatives were informed of the data sets. Community representatives thanked Matthew for demonstrating the data. Matthew noted that he is able to further tailor data for analytical purposes if needed, and community representatives agreed to be in contact in this regard if required.	Community representatives to liaise via the Chair should further data sets be required.
4.	 Project update: Construction update An update on the status of the project was advised by Charles Scarf, who presented a slide deck including aerial photographs to illustrate the current state of works. Community representatives queried the status of plans for residual property, including the potential for creation of further pocket parks. Peter Morrall advised that the plan was being prepared and it was agreed that an update on its status would be provided at the next meeting, noting that this is outside the remit of the AQCCC. Air quality complaints Charles Scarf advised that two air quality related complaints had been received from the same resident regarding dust on Lilyfield Road. The project team has followed up per protocols. 	TfNSW to provide an update on plans for residual property at the next meeting.
5.	Draft Operational Air Quality Environmental Management Plan A high-level overview of the Draft Operational Air Quality Environmental Management Plan was provided, noting that the Draft Plan had been transmitted ahead of the meeting. It was observed that the Draft Plan is consistent with equivalent Plans for other elements of the motorway eg M4-M5 Link. No questions or comments regarding the Draft Plan were raised. The Plan will now progress to being finalised and transmitted to DPE.	
6.	 Other items: Upcoming CoAs requiring AQCCC input Verity Turner advised that the project was up to date for 2022 with regard to addressing CoAs and had also exceeded the minimum quota of four meetings required for the AQCCC. Next meeting date The next meeting date is proposed as 7 March 2023. Community representatives are asked to advise the Chair should this date not be suitable. Questions There were no further questions. 	The next meeting is proposed for 7 March 2023. Community representatives are asked to advise the Chair should this date not be suitable.

Agenda Items		Action
7.	Thanks and close The Chair thanked participants for their contributions. The meeting was closed at 7:25pm.	



Date	7/03/2023		
Time	6.30pm – 7:38pm		
Venue	Videoconference		
Independent Chairperson	Abigail Goldberg	Chair and Director	GoldbergBlaise
Participants	Peter Nvylt Ain Kalmus Ben Prag Brian Gorman Helena Keyworth	Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative	Rozelle Rozelle Iron Cove Iron Cove Iron Cove
	Kendall Banfield	Senior Transport Planner	Inner West Council
	Jack McGovern Robert Strong Antoinette Kovach	Snr Manager Env & Sustainability Deputy Project Director, Rozelle Interchange Senior Comms and SE Manager	Transport for NSW Transport for NSW Transport for NSW
	Charles Scarf	Senior Manager Environment & Sustainability	JHCPB
	Scott Hodder Helena Orel Matthew Callander Verity Turner Kris Hinks	Project Director Community Engagement Advisor Fire Life Safety and Integration Environment and Planning Manager Operational Environmental Management Plan Specialist	WestConnex WestConnex WestConnex WestConnex WestConnex
	Rob Sherry Aleksandra Young	Team Leader Compliance Unit Head Regulatory Operations	DPE (Observer) NSW EPA (Observer)
Apologies	Ashley Douglas Dr Ian Longley Carla Poggioli Elena Busuttil	Community representative Independent Air Quality Specialist Senior Comms and SE Manager Mechanical Engineer	Rozelle NIWA NZ JHCPB JHCPB

Age	nda Items	Action
1.	Welcome and actions from previous meeting The Chair welcomed participants, acknowledged Country and advised apologies.	
	The Minutes from the previous meeting (Meeting 7, 29 November 2022) were distributed inter-session. No comments were received and these are considered to be final.	
2.	Declaration of interests The Chair invited declarations of interest. None were put forward.	
3.	Community items Further to queries at the preceding meeting, Transport for NSW provided an update on the Residual Land Management Plan. It was advised that the Plan was approved by DPE in February 2023, and makes provision for public open space (including a 'pocket park') in several residual locations where this is possible, e.g. the land is not isolated/landlocked and not required for other uses such as TfNSW Maritime uses.	

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4.	 Project update: Construction update An update on the status of the project was advised by Charles Scarf, who presented a slide deck including aerial photographs to illustrate the current construction activities underway. 	
	Noting that these matters are outside the remit of the AQCCC, community representatives queried a number of road safety concerns, in particular:	
	 What is perceived as a dangerous merge between traffic lanes at the Victoria Road and City West Link intersection Uneven surface conditions and sharp turns on the temporary bike route at the Victoria Road and City West Link intersection. 	As a courtesy, project team to investigate out-of-remit road safety concerns and revert to members directly in relation to them.
	As a courtesy, the project team undertook to investigate these matters and revert to members outside of the AQCCC meetings/minutes in relation to them.	
	- Air quality complaints Charles Scarf advised that seven air quality related complaints had been received in the last quarter. The complaints are largely dust related. As the parklands are being landscaped, mulch is being laid at the same time as topsoil to eliminate this potential dust source.	
	The Project is also continuing to implement several mitigation strategies including laying mulch, rotating water carts and streetsweepers and applying biodegradable polymers to keep dust down.	
	 Communications update Helena Orel provided an update on the recent opening of the M4 M8 tunnel, including community events and activities. 	
F	Other items:	
5.	- Ambient air quality monitoring data Matthew Callander provided a demonstration of the real time data that is now available online: <u>https://airodis.ecotech.com.au/westconnex3b/index.html</u> (link provided previously). Preliminary data trends apparent at this early stage were	
	discussed. - Upcoming CoAs requiring AQCCC input Jack McGovern advised that the project was on-track with regard to addressing CoA requirements. Upcoming CoA requiring AQCCC input was noted as CoA E38, requiring the appointment of an independent auditor prior to the commencement of operations.	Project team to revert regarding the appointment of an independent auditor prior to the commencement of operations (CoA E38)
	Jack McGovern advised that an information pack for the proposed appointment of Gary Graham (the same independent auditor used on M4-M5 Link Mainline Tunnels) will be issued and discussed in Meeting 9.	
	- Next meeting date A date for the next meeting date was discussed. 18 April 2023, <i>online</i> , is the proposed date with the subsequent meeting to be held in person.	
	 Questions Noting that this matter is out of scope for the AQCCC, community representatives questioned whether a pedestrian crossing would be reinstated at Terry Street. 	Next meeting date and venue to be advised inter-session.

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	 The project team advised that they were aware of the community need for this, and a staged crossing would be provided ASAP. Community representatives noted that candidates for the State election had mentioned that they may support the introduction of filtration into the ventilation facilities. It was queried whether this is indeed possible. Matthew Callander advised that it is technically possible but would require significant reconstruction of the tunnel and ventilation facilities, as well as requiring additional supplementary power. Matthew observed that experience elsewhere suggests that the initiative was likely to be prohibitively expensive without necessarily achieving beneficial outcomes in relation to air quality. 	
6.	Thanks and close The Chair thanked participants for their contributions and questions.	
	The meeting was closed at 7:38pm.	



Date	18/04/2023		
Time	6.30pm – 7:28pm		
Venue	Videoconference		
Independent Chairperson	Abigail Goldberg	Chair and Director	GoldbergBlaise
Participants	Peter Nvylt Ashley Douglas Brian Gorman Helena Keyworth	Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative	Rozelle Rozelle Iron Cove Iron Cove
	Kendall Banfield	Senior Transport Planner	Inner West Council
	Courtney Moran Mark Russell Susannah Mobberley Christine Hodgkiss Paul Sourlos Chris White Wilf Gray Damon Roddis	Environment and Sustainability Manager Senior Environment Manager Director Precinct Delivery Director Environment and Sustainability Senior Communications Officer Eastern Branch Operations Manager Operations Manager Principal/ Founder	Transport for NSW Transport for NSW Transport for NSW Transport for NSW Transport for NSW ACOEM ACOEM Zephyr Environmental
	Charles Scarf	Senior Manager Environment & Sustainability	JHCPB
	Scott Hodder Matthew Callander Verity Turner Kris Hinks Peter Redwin Desiree Mousavi- Azizi	Project Director Fire Life Safety and Integration Environment and Planning Manager OEMP Specialist Head of Operations Senior Community Engagement Advisor	WestConnex WestConnex WestConnex WestConnex WestConnex
	Dr Ian Longley	Independent Air Quality Specialist	NIWA NZ
	Rob Sherry Aleksandra Young	Team Leader Compliance Unit Head Regulatory Operations	DPE (Observer) NSW EPA (Observer)
Apologies	Ain Kalmus Ben Prag	Community representative Community representative	Rozelle Iron Cove

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1.	Welcome and actions from previous meeting The Chair welcomed participants, acknowledged Country and advised apologies.	
	The Minutes from the previous meeting (Meeting 8, 7 March 2023) were distributed inter-session. No comments were received and these are considered to be final.	
	Actions from the previous meeting relate to item 3 below, the appointment of the independent auditor (CoA E38). Matters raised at the previous meeting but unrelated to air quality were noted to have been addressed inter-session.	
	The Chair invited declarations of interest. None were put forward.	
2.	Community items No items were raised by community members ahead of the	

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	 meeting other than a number of queries regarding the appointment of the independent auditor, which were addressed inter-session. Communications update Charles Scarf provided an update on community activities since the previous meeting. Links referred to in his presentation are provided below: Rozelle Interchange project construction portal: https://caportal.com.au/tfnsw/wcxri?hview=modalSignUp Project celebration of International Women's Day: <u>Video link here</u> Project Women in Construction celebration pack: <u>link here</u> Project Women in Construction celebration pack: <u>link here</u> Air quality complaints Charles Scarf advised that six complaints regarding air quality had been received since the previous meeting, including: 1 complaint regarding odour while no works were occurring. Believed to be low tide odour from Rozelle Bay 4 complaints regarding construction related dust 1 non-specific complaint. The project team is continuing to implement mitigation strategies to reduce dust and manage air quality. Complaints are addressed as they arise. Community members suggested continuing community communications e.g. emails and mail-outs with a specific focus on simplified explanations of air quality outcomes once operation commences. The WestConnex team undertook to investigate this. Community engagement update Susannah Mobberley provided an update on community engagement initiatives, including the Inner West Place Community Forum, which will meet next online at 1pm on 25 May. Community members can register to join the forum at https://caportal.com.au/tfnsw/inner-west/community-forum.	WestConnex to investigate continuing community communications e.g. emails and mail-outs with a specific focus on simplified explanations of air quality outcomes once operation commences.
3.	 Appointment of independent auditor (CoA E38) Courtney Moran reiterated the relevant conditions of approval requiring the appointment of an independent auditor (CoA E37, 38 and 39), and confirmed the nomination of Gary Graham of NorthStar Air Quality, as notified at the previous meeting with supplementary information provided inter-session. Questions had been raised by community members and responses provided inter-session regarding this appointment. There was no further discussion at the meeting and it was considered that the AQCCC has been consulted regarding the nomination of the independent auditor. The EPA was consulted at and post the AQCCC meeting. The EPA provided the following comments post-meeting: The EPA has been adequately consulted in accordance with the requirements of condition E37 and E38 and has no further comments regarding this matter. 	TfNSW to advise the Secretary of the DPE that the AQCCC and EPA have been consulted regarding the nomination of the independent auditor.
4.	Update on the air quality monitoring stations Courtney Moran reported on follow-up action taken since the identification of discrepancies in the data at two of the AQMS at	

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	the 7 March meeting.	
	These actions include corrective and mitigation steps, with an assessment of the implications of the loss of date by an air quality expert, Damon Roddis of Zephyr Environmental, who provided an overview of his findings.	Project team to provide further updates as needed.
	Preliminary findings are that the data has not been compromised, however this will be further assessed by the project team.	
5.	Construction update An update on the status of the project was advised by Charles Scarf, who presented a slide deck including aerial photographs to illustrate the current construction activities underway.	
	Community members queried the impact of large construction projects close to the roadway e.g. the redevelopment of the Tigers site on air quality monitoring. Matthew Callander explained that the monitoring was set up to be able to address non-project interventions such as these.	
6.	Next meeting date The next meeting is proposed for 20 June 2023 date, in person. A calendar invite will be provided by Verity Turner.	Verity to provide calendar invite.
7.	Other business Items were raised by the community that were unrelated to the AQCCC. TfNSW/JHCPB will respond directly to the community members on these matters.	
8.	Thanks and close The Chair thanked participants for their contributions and questions.	
	The meeting was closed at 7:28pm.	



Date	27/06/2023		
Time	6.30pm – 7:21pm		
Venue	Videoconference		
Independent Chairperson	Abigail Goldberg	Chair and Director	GoldbergBlaise
Participants	Peter Nvylt Ashley Douglas Ain Kalmus Ben Prag Brian Gorman Helena Keyworth Kendall Banfield Sarah Guan Robert Strong Mark Russell Christine Hodgkiss	Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative Senior Transport Planner Graduate Strategic Transport Planner Dep. Project Director Senior Environment Manager Director Environment and Sustainability	Rozelle Rozelle Rozelle Iron Cove Iron Cove Inner West Council Inner West Council Transport for NSW Transport for NSW Transport for NSW
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Apologies	Brigitte Healey Courtney Moran Aleksandra Young Manod Wickramasinghe	Compliance Officer Environment and Sustainability Manager Unit Head Regulatory Operations Traffic and Transport Planning Manager	DPE (Observer) Transport for NSW NSW EPA (Observer) Inner West Council

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1.	Welcome and actions from previous meeting The Chair welcomed participants, acknowledged Country and noted apologies.	
	The Minutes from the previous meeting (Meeting 9, 18 April 2023) were distributed inter-session. No comments were received and these minutes are accordingly considered to be final.	
	No actions from the previous meeting were required to be carried over.	
	The Chair invited declarations of interest. None were put forward.	

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2.	Community items Two queries were raised by community members ahead of the meeting. These were addressed by Christine Hodgkiss of TfNSW and the Matthew Callander of the WestConnex team at the meeting as follows:	
	Query 1: An Iron Cove resident is concerned that the exhaust coming out of the Iron Cove ventilation stack will be of a very high volume. His thinking is that the exhaust fumes will be extracted from the combination of all the tunnels. Could advice be provided on the quantity of exhaust expected to come out of the Iron Cove stack compared to quantities coming out of other existing stacks and what is expected to come out of the 3 Rozelle goods yards stacks? Where is the exhaust coming out of the Iron Cove Stack drawn from?	
	TfNSW advised that air exhausted from the outlets will be consistent with the EIS with all emissions being below the required outlet limits.	
	The WestConnex team noted that the quantity of emissions is a function of how much traffic is using that part of the tunnel. For the ventilation stack in question only about 1km of tunnel (the northwest bound section of the Iron Cove link) is exhausted at this outlet, with the primary purpose of the extraction being to prevent portal emissions in accordance with the Conditions of Approval.	
	Query 2: Is the data being collected from the air quality monitors available for public viewing?	
	TfNSW confirmed that links are available as follows:	
	 Rozelle Interchange AQMS: https://airodis.ecotech.com.au/westconnex3b/index.html ?site=0&station=0 	
	 AQMS monthly reports: https://www.westconnex.com.au/environment/air-quality/ Air quality monitoring data from DPE: https://www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/air-quality/air-quality- concentration-data-updated-hourly 	
	 TfNSW information on air quality in road tunnels: https://roads- waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/about/environment/air/t unnel-airquality/index.html 	
	The WestConnex team noted that data for in-tunnel and outlet air quality will be available on the project website in real time once the project opens. This is in addition to the ambient air quality data currently available.	
	Query 3 (put forward at the meeting): Could advice be provided on the quantity of exhaust expected to come out of the Iron Cove stack compared to quantities coming out of other existing stacks and what's expected to come out of the 3 Rozelle goods yards stacks?	
	Alternatively, is it possible to compare the Northern tunnel stack (Iron Cove) and the 2 southern tunnel stacks (goods yard)? It would also be interesting to compare to existing tunnel stacks, such as those in operation in Haberfield.	TfNSW to provide a response to query
	TfNSW undertook to take this query on notice.	3 at left.

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3. 4.	Community updates TfNSW advised of the following air quality complaints since the last AQCCC meeting: • 3 dust complaints all in the same vicinity, viz. Johnston St (road), Multihull Marina (boat) & Chapman Ave (boat) Responses were provided to the complaints by JHCPB and the matters closed. With regard to community engagement, TfNSW noted that the Inner West Place Community Forum was held online on 25 May 2023: • Almost 30 attendees • Included an update on Rozelle Parklands • No air quality related questions were received. A survey, 'Have your say' on improved connectivity for cyclists & pedestrians, was undertaken that closed on 23 June 2023: • 270 responses • https://yoursay.transport.nsw.gov.au/rozelle-interchange?fbclid=lwAR0JP8wmFzJKvJVWU-hrrN be0yO g9w2XSjEt3dzEWgU3sWKjrgeHYWzdE Noted that in relation to the data gap in AQMS monitoring discussed at the preceding meeting a comparative analysis review has now been completed by Zephyr Environmental. Final information will be provided to DPE. Next meeting date	
5.	 The next meeting is proposed for 12 September 2023. The venue will be decided closer to the time. Project update An update on the status of the project was advised by Charles Scarf, who presented a slide deck including aerial photographs to illustrate the current construction and landscaping activities underway. Community members queried the proposed timing of the opening of the public domain areas. TfNSW advised that opening would be towards the end of the year. Noted that some mature trees would be included in the landscaping but that otherwise landscaping could be expected to take 5 – 10 years to mature.	Verity Turner to transmit meeting booking. Chair to follow with Agenda closer to the time.
6.	 Other business Participants raised a number of points for discussion: Queried whether data from the EPA's AQMS is utilised. WestConnex confirmed that the data is a good reference point and utilised when appropriate. Noted that a review into roads air quality by the NSW Chief Scientist has reportedly been commissioned. <i>TfNSW to investigate.</i> Noted that whole-of-life consideration of ventilation assets may be appropriate however in the first instance compliance with conditions of consent and operation are required. 	TfNSW to investigate whether the NSW Chief Scientist has been commissioned to undertake a review into roads air quality.
7.	Thanks and close The Chair thanked participants for their participation. The meeting was closed at 7:21pm.	



Date	12/09/2023		
Time	6.30pm – 7:15pm		
Venue	Videoconference		
Independent Chairperson	Abigail Goldberg	Chair and Director	GoldbergBlaise
Participants	Peter Nvylt Ashley Douglas Ain Kalmus Ben Prag	Community representative Community representative Community representative Community representative	Rozelle Rozelle Rozelle Iron Cove
	Kendall Banfield Sarah Guan	Senior Transport Planner Graduate Strategic Transport Planner	Inner West Council Inner West Council
	Robert Strong Christine Hodgkiss Courtney Moran	Dep. Project Director Director Environment and Sustainability Environment and Sustainability Manager	Transport for NSW Transport for NSW Transport for NSW
	Charles Scarf	Senior Manager Environment & Sustainability	ЈНСРВ
	Matthew Callander Verity Turner Kris Hinks Desiree Mousavi-Azizi	Fire Life Safety and Integration Environment and Planning Manager OEMP Specialist Senior Community Engagement Advisor	WestConnex WestConnex WestConnex WestConnex
	Rob Sherry	Team Leader Compliance	DPE (Observer)
Apologies	Brian Gorman Helena Keyworth Aleksandra Young Manod Wickramasinghe Mark Russell Peter Morrall Scott Hodder Dr Ian Longley Brigitte Healey	Community representative Community representative Unit Head Regulatory Operations Traffic and Transport Planning Manager Senior Environment Manager Environmental Manager Project Director Independent Air Quality Specialist Compliance Officer	Iron Cove Iron Cove NSW EPA (Observer) Inner West Council Transport for NSW Transport for NSW WestConnex NIWA NZ DPE (Observer)

Age	nda Items	Action
1.	Welcome and actions from previous meeting The Chair welcomed participants, acknowledged Country and noted apologies.	
	The Minutes from the previous meeting (Meeting 10, 27 June 2023) were distributed inter-session. No comments were received and these are considered to be final.	
	Actions from the previous meeting were addressed inter-session in the form of comprehensive information provided by TfNSW in response to detailed community queries.	
	Further, TfNSW provided an update at this meeting confirming the Chief Scientist has been commissioned to undertake a general review into air quality of road tunnels. To date it is understood that draft Terms of Reference have been prepared but no further information is available.	

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	The Chair invited declarations of interest. None were put forward.	
2.	Air quality items raised by community members Noting the information provided inter-session per the matter actioned above, no further air quality items were raised by community members. Rob Sherry of DPE advised that recent backburning across the metropolitan area had resulted in very poor air quality over recent days that was being reflected in exceedances in air quality measures across air quality monitoring stations. The occurrence was confirmed by project team members and noted by AQCCC participants.	
3.	 Updates from the project team TfNSW provided a community engagement update as well as an overview of air quality complaints since the last AQCCC meeting: 1 complaint was about project impacts broadly but included dust. A response was provided by JHCPB. A 2nd complaint was specific to Lilyfield Road, where dedicated sweepers and vehicle washers have been deployed to address the issue. An update on air quality Conditions of Approval was provided, noting that as the project is currently in its final stages of construction, most operational air quality conditions of approval have been approved. An update on the data yielded by the Air Quality Monitoring Stations was provided. The data reflected exceedances as noted at item 2 above as a result of smoke due to recent backburning activity. 	
4.	Next meeting date Timing for the next meeting was discussed. Agreed that February 2024, following opening of the tunnel, would be reasonable. The meeting date will be confirmed by a meeting booking and link transmitted by the project team. The project team will provide c/o the Chair a link to the Linkt website including live data monitoring once the tunnel is open.	Verity Turner to transmit meeting booking. Chair to follow with Agenda closer to the time.
5.	Project update An update on the status of the project was advised by Charles Scarf, who presented a slide deck including aerial photographs to illustrate the current construction and landscaping activities which are now advanced.	
6.	Other business No other business was raised.	
7.	Thanks and close The Chair thanked participants for their participation. The meeting was closed at 7:15pm.	