

**Summary notes a from meeting between Inner West Council (IWC)
& Sydney Motorway Corporation (SMC)
re WestConnex employee car park at Haberfield**

**At Inner West Council, Leichhardt Service Centre
9:30-10:30am Wednesday 23 November 2016**

In attendance:

Richard Pearson (RP)	Administrator, IWC
Phil Sarin (PS)	Director Planning & Environment, IWC
Kendall Banfield (KB)	Manager WestConnex Unit, IWC
Dennis Cliche (DC)	Chief Executive Officer, SMC
Terry Chapman (TC)	M4 East Project Director, SMC
Nichole Ryan (NR)	Principal Manager Stakeholder & Engagement, SMC
David Kelly (DK)	M4 East Environment Manager, SMC

Summary notes

Purpose of meeting

The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss alternatives to the current proposal by SMC to use part of Reg Coady Reserve at Haberfield as a temporary employee car park which is not supported by Council. Other issues discussed included update on Stage 3, proposed State WestConnex Community Reference Group, RMS sign proposed for Parramatta Road and Compliance issues.

Reg Coady Reserve car park

TC explained that although there are other M4 East employee car parks, additional parking for 100 cars is needed for three years to minimise parking impact on residential streets

TC stated that SMC could potentially use the alternative Cove Street Council depot site, but the \$1M clean-up cost is the main issue, and SMC does not have a budget for this

RP explained that the Reg Coady Reserve car park proposal was very unpopular with local residents, and to facilitate SMC's consideration of the depot site as an alternative, Council would investigate clean-up costs

DC asked RP whether the clean-up costs could be shared

TC provided Council with a note detailing SMC's breakdown of costs for the cleanup of the depot site

RP stated there was an opportunity to create a positive legacy from the cleanup and use of the depot site - DC & TC agreed

Customer Service Centres

Ashfield | P (02) 9716 1800 | E info@ashfield.nsw.gov.au | 260 Liverpool Road Ashfield NSW 2131

Leichhardt | P (02) 9367 9222 | E leichhardt@lmc.nsw.gov.au | 7-15 Wetherill Street Leichhardt NSW 2040

Petersham | P (02) 9335 2222 | E council@marrickville.nsw.gov.au | 2-14 Fisher Street Petersham NSW 2049

TC explained that if Reg Coady Reserve was used, it would involve taking a strip of land from the reserve, and the car park would be unfenced and available to the public – with the possibility it could be used as a car park for reserve users after 2019

PS stated that the community does not want a car park now due to loss of some of the reserve, even though it would be publicly available, and would not want a car park after 2019

PS stated that Council will gather more information about the Cove Street depot site

TC explained that SMC needs the extra parking in the first half of 2017

Action: Council to consider SMC estimate of clean up costs for Cove Street site and respond before Christmas.

General discussion about WestConnex Stage 3

RP enquired about the status of WestConnex Stage 3 and how much design/construct information can be made known to Council and the community

DC responded that design/construct details can't be known until the tender process has been finalised

RP stated that Council and the community want more detail on Stage 3 as soon as possible

TC acknowledged the community wanted more information and certainty around Stage 3 – this is why SMC is doing more pre-EIS consultation

TC explained that more time is now available for Stage 3 consultation as the recent changes to Stage 3 will reduce its construction time

RP stated there was a need to ensure Stage 3 was co-ordinated with a number of other plans and projects in the vicinity – such as the Bays Precinct, the Western Harbour Tunnel, the Parramatta Road strategy etc.

DC explained that a major aim of the Rozelle Interchange was to separate all the different connections

WestConnex Community Reference Group

DC advised SMC was clarifying who in State Government would be responsible for running the Reference Group and updated re EOI process.

RP indicated this was an important priority for Council to ensure residents had a forum to have their concerns re WestConnex addressed.

Variable message sign proposed for Parramatta Road near Ashfield Park

TC acknowledged SMC had received Council's advice on the preferred location of this sign and would act on Council's advice to relocate sign to other side of Parramatta Road to minimise impacts on Ashfield Park.

M4 East construction & compliance issues

RP asked about SMC's efforts to improve compliance in relation to trucks using approved routes

TC explained that the Joint Venture (JV) was re-inducting drivers to ensure they were aware of approved routes and penalties for non-compliance, were trialing labels, GPS trackers and alarms to detect trucks off route and were planning on staging trucks at the Glebe Island terminal site

KB stated that Council and the Department of Planning's staff had recently investigated Haberfield residents' complaints about footway trenching by utilities in Northcote Street and noise from water purifying machinery at Alt Street