BCRG COMMUNITY FORUM 1/2015

04 March, 2015 6:00pm for 6:30 – 8:30 pm Brooklyn Community Centre, Cypress Avenue, Brooklyn



Meeting Purpose:

• To provide an update on progress towards resolution of dust, noise and odour issues

Chair: Jen Lilburn

Agenda Items and Actions from meeting

- 1. Welcome, Jen Lilburn
 - a. Apologies, Confirm previous draft meeting notes,
 - b. Progress over Summer
 - c. Lindsay Wilson-Roberts (Electoral Officer for Wade Noonan MP),
 - d. Matt Walsh (VicRoads)
- 2. BRAG Update, Bert Boere
- 3. Update on Jones/Bunting Roads VCAT decision & Plan B
 - a. responses by Councils (Adrian Ashford Brimbank CC
- 4. Update on Brooklyn Evolution (Susan Fitton, Brimbank CC)
- 5. BCRG Marketing (Andrea Mason)
- 6. EPA Victoria Update on dust, noise and odour program (Richard Marks, Manager Metro, EPA)

Action 040315_1: Chris Bydder to report on the status of the soil mounds.

Action 040315 2: Brimbank and EPA to respond to stockpile height for the meeting notes.

- 7. BCRG Goals (Jen Lilburn)
- 8. Panel

Malcolm Ramsay (Hobsons Bay CC), Peter Rogers (Maribyrnong CC), Susan Fitton (Brimbank CC), Richard Marks (EPA), Matt Walsh (VicRoads)

The intent of these meeting notes is to promote open communication between local business, local and state government, community and the EPA. They are not to be used in a manner that compromises this objective.

Notes from this meeting will be posted on the Brooklyn Industrial Precinct website and will be available to the general public. Meeting participants should advise Andrea Mason or Jen Lilburn if they would like their name removed from this public document.

Item 1. Welcome, Jen Lilburn

Jen Lilburn (Convenor) welcomed everyone to the forum especially Councillors Sandra Wilson and Jason Price, Hobsons Bay CC; Administrator Jane Nathan, Brimbank CC; Peter Rogers, Maribyrnong CC; Matt Walsh, VicRoads; community representatives from Yarraville on the Nose YOTN, Brooklyn Residents Action Group (BRAG), industry representatives and new meeting attendees.

Jen congratulated Geoff Mitchelmore; Hobson Bay's Citizen of the Year and thanked him for his contribution to BCRG and the broader community.

Apologies received included Wade Noonan MP, Ian Butterworth, Maribyrnong CC, and Simon Vittorio, Brimbank CC. (see Attendee list at the end of these notes). Mick Rocke of Rocke Brothers was to make a presentation but was a late apology and offered to give his presentation at the next BCRG.

Jen welcomed Lindsay Wilson-Roberts, Electorate Officer for Wade Noonan MP, Member for Williamstown District gave an update on the recently announced \$2.6M partnership between the Victorian Government and Brimbank City Council for the sealing of Jones Rd and Bunting Rd in Brooklyn. Lindsay acknowledged the importance of the work by Wade and the community in securing the funding and is confident that this will significantly reduce the impact of dust in Brooklyn. Lindsay also indicated there was an expectation that all concerned create a way forward through best practice. He stressed that although sealing Jones and Bunting Roads would not resolve all the pollution issues for the area it is a significant step forward.

The draft notes from the November 2014 meeting were confirmed as accurate.

Item 2. Bert Boere, Brooklyn Residents Action Group (BRAG)

Bert thanked all those concerned for the \$2.6M of funding, in the hope that it will reduce dust in Brooklyn by 40 - 50%. He gave an example of a friend who moved from Brooklyn to Altona and in only 4 weeks had greatly reduced the medications required to assist with asthma. The impact on residents from the dust is significant and the sealing of Jones Rd and Bunting Roads very welcome news.

Item 3. Adrian Ashford, Manager, Engineering Services, BCC, Sealing of Jones Rd and Bunting Rd update

Adrian also welcomed the new \$950,000 State Government funding, in addition to the \$900,000 already announced and \$750,000 from Council. Brimbank CC staff members have been moving quickly to look at options for the works required.

Work on Jones Rd will be undertaken in 4 sections creating a 9m wide asphalt surface with shoulders and table drains:

- 2 sections will be sealed using conventional paving
- 2 sections will be sealed using a stabilising product.

Work on Bunting Rd will be undertaken in 3 sections:

- The eastern end is already sealed
- The middle section will be sealed using a stabilising product
- The western section will be sealed using conventional paving.

The designs have been created and the tender for the works program will be open from the 7th March. Construction is planned to start in May, subject to contractor availability, and take about 10 weeks, subject to program confirmation with the contractor, weather and so on. The whole project is expected to be finalised by the end of the year.

Brimbank CC will be liaising with the adjoining property owners regarding this process shortly.

Question: How will further dust be prevented from settling on the roads once they are sealed?

Response: Adrian Ashford, BCC It is within the scope of the project for the entrances of adjoining properties to be sealed by industry. BCC will be discussing this with the owners. The new smooth solid surface can be swept if necessary before it becomes dusty.

Response: Matt Walsh, VicRoads It will also prevent dust and dirt being dragged on to arterial roads such as McDonald's Rd.

Response: Richard Marks, EPA The expectation from EPA is the same as for other roads - industries must control the emissions from their sites. It will be easier with the sealed road to monitor which industries, if any, are dragging mud onto the road.

Question: Will there be kerbing on Jones Rd to prevent trucks from turning around?

Response: Adrian Ashford, BCC Jones Rd will not have kerbing but it will be a 9m wide asphalt road (currently only 5.6m wide). Bunting Rd will have kerb both sides up to the crossing of the railway line. We will continue to monitor parking needs and bollards will be installed if necessary.

Response: Matt Walsh, VicRoads The smooth wide surface coupled with a centre white line should provide ample room within the road for trucks to pass and turn without going onto the shoulders or into the table drains.

Question: Are the adjoining landowners contributing any costs to the project and if not can they be asked to install wheel washers at their exits?

Response: Adrian Ashford, BCC The adjoining landowners are not contributing to the costs.

Response: Richard Marks, EPA Under this new scheme the landowners are effectively saving money and should be better placed to install measures to control emissions from their sites as stipulated in enforcement notices.

Question: Who will monitor the ongoing state of the roads?

Response: Adrian Ashford, BCC Council has an obligation to monitor all Council managed roads under the Road Management Act. Any mud and dust being tracked onto the roads can be brought to the attention of the EPA as part of the enforcement program.

Response: Matt Walsh, VicRoads Jones Rd and Bunting Rd are under the management of Brimbank CC. McDonald's Rd is a VicRoads arterial road and therefore VicRoads' responsibility.

Question: What is being done to address the many unsealed sites such as the Melbourne Container Park on Sunshine Rd which have dust levels way above acceptable levels and severely affecting the health of local residents? Response: Richard Marks, EPA The sites in that area are not within the Brooklyn area which is the focus of this forum. They are a concern and the EPA is happy to discuss this further after the BCRG forum.

Comment: The complaint regarding Sunshine Rd is valued and it is another example of how BCRG forum has helped share information that can lead to action. Thank you to all those who have worked towards securing the funding for Jones Rd and Bunting Rd. It is a major step forward from the VCAT decision in 2014 that had put sealing works on hold.

Question: Who is going to maintain and repair the roads from damage by all the truck traffic? Response: Adrian Ashford, BCC This will be the responsibility of Brimbank CC. BCC is confident the road design is appropriate for truck traffic and that the roads will last.

Item 4. Susan Fitton, Strategic Sites Officer, Brimbank CC Update on Brooklyn Evolution

Susan's presentation can be seen in full in Attachment 1.

Susan recapped the development of the Brooklyn Evolution project which began in 2010. Its purpose was to establish some certainty for businesses and residents in Brooklyn regarding the future planning for the precinct which would lead to an increase in investment and best practice development. Background research and consultation resulted in a strategic plan that would foster a transition to a better future. Since then several projects have been undertaken including the transition of Geelong Rd, development of guidelines for industry, justification for the focus on Jones Rd and Bunting Rd, and the Living Brooklyn project.

The number of planning permits submitted between 2011 and 2014 shows that businesses are investing in the area.

Comment: The owner of the personal training studio was present and commented on the odour issue near his studio that was affecting his business.

Richard Marks agreed to discuss the odour issue with the studio owner during the break.

The Brooklyn Evolution project proposed making changes to the planning scheme and introducing design requirements for new industry development.

Amendment C177 is being developed to update the Brimbank Planning Scheme. This will:

- Include references to Brooklyn within the Municipal Strategic Statement
- Introduction of Design and Development Overlay to the Brooklyn industrial precinct (applies to new development)
- Rezone land along Geelong Road from Industrial 1 Zone to Commercial 2 Zone

This means that when a new development is proposed there will be a consistent set of guidelines e.g. container parks would need to be set back from the road to allow room for landscaping. There will be a community consultation period for this amendment in April/May.

Question: Will these changes have an impact on dust?

Response: Susan Fitton, BCC: Potentially over time through changes to zoning, increases in buffer zones and sealed new developments.

Question: Will this stop the 'as of right' rule?

Response: Susan Fitton, BCC: No as these changes will not be retrospective and will only apply to new permit applications. The 'as of right' law is a State law that currently has no mechanism for change.

Comment: The properties with 'as of right' permits are still bound to comply with the EPA regulations regarding dust emissions.

Question: The rezoning along Geelong Rd will not improve the large industrial area where the worst dust emissions are happening. What has been implemented in the Brooklyn Evolution strategy?

Response: Susan Fitton, BCC: The amendments will affect the whole of the region and future developments. Of the short term actions in the strategy only three haven't been addressed and two of those are the responsibility of VicRoads. (refer to Report Card in <u>Attachment 5</u>)

Item 5. Andrea Mason, Executive Officer, BCRG

Andrea's presentation can be seen in full in Attachment 2.

Andrea gave an update on the current and potential marketing avenues for BCRG with a view to increasing the awareness in the broader community of dust, odour and noise issues and the BCRG forum itself.



A new Facebook page has been setup for BCRG. Participants were encouraged to 'like' it! Andrea and Jen are the administrators of the site – anyone wishing to contribute should message via Facebook or send an email to eo.bcrg@gmail.com.

It is hoped that people using the site will respect the values of BCRG to reduce the need for excessive moderation.

https://www.facebook.com/BrooklynCommunityRepresentativeGroup

Andrea asked to be notified of any other free or low cost options for publicising the BCRG forum.

Item 6. Richard Marks, Manager – Metro, and Chris Bydder, Team Leader - Compliance Strategy & Support - Metro EPA Victoria, Update on dust, noise and odour program

Richard's presentation can be seen in full in Attachment 3.

Richard gave an overview of the recent wins for Brooklyn.

Successes

- \$1,850,000 State Government contribution to the sealing of Jones Rd and Bunting Rd through a joint funding agreement with Brimbank City Council.
 - EPA strongly believes this work will significantly improve air quality in Brooklyn and surrounding suburbs based on EPA studies in 2011 estimating these roads contributed 30-50% of dust in Brooklyn. To ensure this work is complemented by similar levels of work by industry, EPA will be engaging directly with industry adjoining Jones and Bunting Roads to ensure suitable engineering controls are in place to prevent track out of mud and dust on to the newly sealed roads.
- Targeted compliance operation in January:
 - 9 companies have achieved compliance with their notices by either improving their site or relocating since July 2014 involving huge capital investment
 - 9 Notices have been escalated to enforcement since July 2014
 - 4 Official Warnings and 3 PINS have been issued (so far).
 - Strong improvement trends in poor air quality days
- Acquisition and deployment of Mobile Particle Monitoring in Brooklyn
- 5 notices issued for odour in November/December (compliance due April)

Figures 1 and 2 show major improvements to the Rocke Brothers and Containerspace sites. Richard applauded the substantial capital investment by these companies in both their sites and their future in Brooklyn.





Figure 1 Site improvements at Rocke Brothers – before and after images





Figure 2 Site improvements at Containerspace – before and after images

Chris Bydder reported on the promising trends for improved air quality in Brooklyn.

Air Quality Update

Figure 3 shows the cumulative dust exceedences recorded since 2009.

Rainfall was lower this year and so was the number of poor air quality days. It is hoped that the sealing of Jones Rd and Bunting Rd will contribute to this trend. EPA sends out alerts on bad air quality days. This year only 20% of predicted days actually become poor air quality. Of the 11 exceedences this year, 3 were due to broader air quality (i.e. wind storms). In the Port Phillip Region Geelong South recorded 4 exceedences.

Figure 4 shows the lower number of exceedences recently despite the lack of rain. This is likely attributable to works improving road verges by VicRoads, controls undertaken from some industry reducing dust emissions, and the departure of other industries. Time will tell if the downward trend is real and will continue.

Air Quality Update

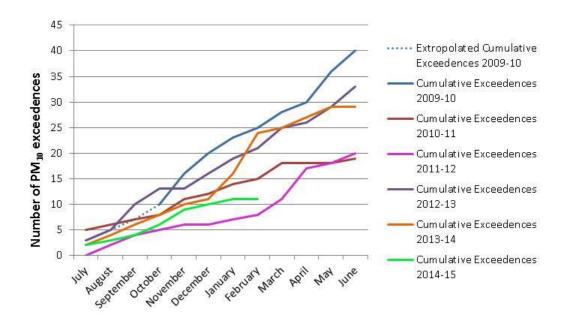
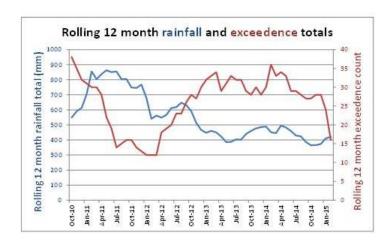


Figure 3 Air Quality Update

Dust and Rainfall



Financial Year	Exceederæs	Rainfall (mm)	% of Exceedences on dry days with northerly winds
2009-10 (from Nov 2009)	15	159.4	66%
2010-11	15	704.8	31%
2011-12	8	395.0	15%
2012-13	21	244.2	41%
2013-14	24	309.2	41%
2014-15	11	270.8	20%

Figure 4 Dust and Rainfall Update

Mobile Particle Investigation

This mobile technology was used at the Hazelwood fire to measure $PM_{2.5}$ but has been recalibrated to monitor PM_{10} which is the most relevant to the exceedences experienced in Brooklyn.

EPA scientists and Regional Officers are currently using the Mobile Particle "TRAM (Travelling Real-time Air Monitor) Track" system in Brooklyn on likely exceedance days to provide 'real time' data.

The route being covered by officers includes both the residential and industrial areas of Brooklyn to give a wider understanding of the localised dust impacts across the suburb. Figure 5 shows aggregate data from initial trials. Poor air quality was recorded around Jones Rd, Bunting Rd, Francis St and the industrial areas.

The data is already informing a variety of EPA functions including regulatory interventions and strategic interventions in Brooklyn and other areas.

Question: What was the time of day and wind direction during this monitoring?

Response: Chris Bydder, EPA The results shown were from two trials at around 7.30am – one with northerly wind and one quite still, but trials can be undertaken in any winds. Both showed similar results. The car is driven at less than 35 kph.

Mobile Particle Investigation

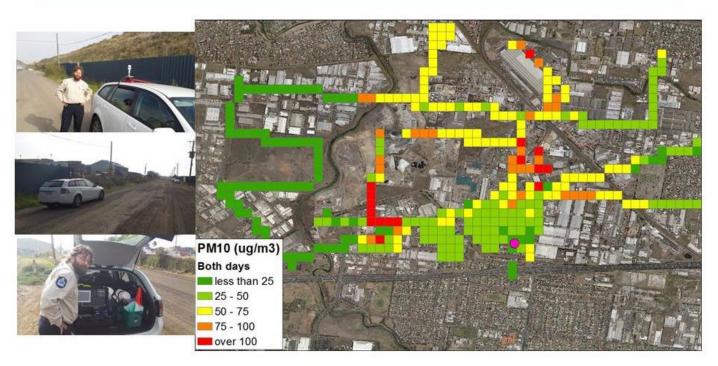


Figure 5 Aggregate results from Mobile Particle Monitor.

Compliance and Enforcement Update

- 23 Pollution Abatement Notices currently in place in Brooklyn, the majority of which relate to the control of dust emissions.
- 11 new draft notices have been issued on land owners and sites with emerging issues in the Brooklyn precinct.
- There have been 56 inspections so far this financial year including 35 in the last quarter. (Thanks to Anita for all her hard work!)
- In January EPA issued \$7381 Penalty Infringement Notices to J&M Ridolfi Transport Services Pty Ltd and Butler Freight Services Pty Ltd for not complying with Pollution Abatement Notices that required they have management plans and/or engineering solutions in place to minimise dust.
- Another four companies were also given official warnings relating to mud and dust leaving their premises. These sites will continue to be monitored for compliance in the coming months.

Strategic Priorities for 2015

- Close out regulatory role
 - Close out involvement with compliant duty holders.
 - Initiate enforcement action for non-compliant duty holders.
- Support the implementation of the Brooklyn Evolution Plan
- Continue to support BCC, HBCC, MCC and VicRoads to ensure the air quality impact of roads is mitigated in a timely and appropriate manner.
- Promote community awareness of the BCRG in Brooklyn and surrounds, through more diverse communication platforms.
- Collect and disseminate robust scientific data

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Question: When we were in the drought, there were many days of northerly winds but since then, the winds have predominately come from the SW and the bay. Is this why you are not seeing any results in your monitors? Response: Chris Bydder, EPA: EPA has an air monitoring station in Footscray which is NE of the Brooklyn industrial precinct and we do not record exceedences in Footscray related to Brooklyn from SW winds. When the monitor was in West Sunshine there were not significant exceedences registered. Brooklyn is the area of most concern.

Comment: The wind didn't seem to blow toward the monitor when the monitor was in Sunshine but now significant dust blows to Hertford Rd from the SW winds.

Response: Chris Bydder, EPA: Winds from the SW in Brooklyn wouldn't impact on Sunshine West. There are very few strong winds from the SE.

Response: Richard Marks, EPA: There was no impact from dust registered in Sunshine when the monitor was there.

Question: Why aren't there dust monitors stationed around the perimeter of the properties and not just at Brooklyn so we can monitor what is coming into Brooklyn before it gets here?

Response: Richard Marks, EPA: The monitor at Brooklyn provides the data relating to community impact and enables EPA to act accordingly. Perimeter gauges are not tall enough to measure windblown dust. It is hoped that the mobile device will help improve site monitoring.

Question: Were the five odour exceedences reported from five different sites?

Response: Chris Bydder, EPA: Five Pollution Abatement Notices were issued to two separate sites.

Comment: There are bitumen piles along Jones Rd which are getting larger and also a mountain of soil parallel to Geelong Rd which are a concern regarding dust.

Response: Chris Bydder, EPA: The dust is unlikely to be coming from the asphalt and BCC is working with the relevant industry regarding this.

Action 040315 1: Chris Bydder to report on the status of the soil mounds.

After the meeting the following response was received from Chris Bydder.

Brimbank have Planning Permit applications with 3 companies, Sunshine Groupe, City Circle and Delta with specific conditions regarding stockpile height. The Stockpile at Western Land Reclamation (the "Buxtons Landfill") is being addressed through a Pollution Abatement Notice (No. 90004355) See Attachment 7. At this stage it requires a plan for the progressive rehabilitation of the Landfill, the plan is due by July 2015. A copy of the notice is attached. However analysis of EPA monitoring data does not indicate that the stockpiles (per-se) are a major source of dust. If this was the case we would see more exceedences on weekends than we do. Most dust is attributable to vehicle movements on roads and unsealed sites.

Question: How long will the EPA have the mobile monitor in Brooklyn?

Response: Chris Bydder, EPA: The EPA owns the mobile monitor and it can be used in Brooklyn as long as it is not needed elsewhere e.g. for bushfires.

Question: Are you responding to community calls with the mobile monitor or operating on a schedule?

Response: Chris Bydder, EPA: Currently we are being more investigative than reactive in our approach and focussing on poor air quality days. We are still trialling how to use it most effectively.

Comment: How are the readings of PM₁₀ recorded?

Response: Chris Bydder, EPA: The readings of PM_{10} are registered every 5 seconds and recorded as an average over 1 minute which is why the car has to be driven very slowly during monitoring. Each square in Figure 5 is actually a few minutes of sampling. It can show where there are issues. It is hoped that Jones Rd and Buntings Rd will register as green once they are sealed!

Response: Richard Marks, EPA: EPA is trying to target our enforcement works with the help of the mobile monitor.

Question: There are still high stockpiles with cranes working on top emitting dust. Is the monitoring of dust stockpile heights still being undertaken?

Response: Chris Bydder, EPA: EPA and BCC are working closely together and using planning systems and enforcement for the recycler sites in Market Rd.

Comment, Jen: An update on the meeting of stockpiles by BCC can be seen in the BCRG targets document in Table 1.

Comment: The stockpiles are now even higher and on hot days the house smells of dust and superphosphate.

Response: Richard Marks, EPA: EPA will talk further with Brimbank CC regarding the stockpiles.

Action 040315_2: Brimbank and EPA to respond to stockpile height for the meeting notes.

Item 7. Jen Lilburn, Report on BCRG Targets

Jen's presentation is explained in detail in Table 1.

At the BCRG forum in November 2013, a number of targets were established for actions that BCRG could help influence and could be reported against by the end of 2014. Jen's presentation gave a quick rating on action against each of these targets. Jen thanked the councils, VicRoads and EPA for their feedback in relation to these.

It was pleasing that many of the targets had been substantially met. The high level of commitment from senior management of the three councils and EPA Victoria continues to be appreciated.

New targets for 2015/16 will be set at the July 2015 BCRG forum.

Matt Walsh, VicRoads Please note that if there are issues of dust and mud being tracked onto roads that are VicRoads responsibility please call Mick on 9313 1114 and he will endeavour to address the concerns as promptly as possible. In the event he is not able to be contacted please contact Luay Butrus - Team Leader Road Asset Management on 9313 1395.

Table 1 Targets proposed by participants at November 2013 BCRG meeting

<u>Topic</u>	Target proposed	<u>Details</u>	<u>Timeframe</u>	Who (action)	Who (reporting)	2014 results/ status @ Feb 2015	
	BCRG Meetings						
Represen	Relevant govt reps including Minister for Environment			Jen/Andrea. EPA to assist	Jen/Andrea	Repeated requests made to Minister's office during 2014 to no avail	
	Senior representation by HBCC (Cr Sandra Wilson; Director tbc)	Continuing	each meeting	Jen/Andrea/ Malcolm Ramsay	Jen/Andrea	Between them Cr Wilson and Cr Price attended 3/4 meetings. No attendance by Director level staff recorded	
tation	Senior representation by BCC (Jane Nathan, Stuart Menzies, Simon Vittorio, Sue Fitton)	Continuing	each meeting	Susan Fitton	Jen/Andrea	Between them Jane Nathan and John Watson attended 3/4 meetings. Senior staff attendance at each meeting	
	Senior representation by MCC (Ian Butterworth)	Continuing	each meeting	Jen/Andrea/ Foti Beratis	Jen/Andrea	Ian Butterworth attended each meeting	
Exceedences	50% reduction in number of exceedences compared with 2013	exceedences occurred in 2012 & 2013. Measures taken to end October each year.	Nov 2013 - Oct 2014	Industries	EPA Victoria	11 this Financial Year. Rolling 12 month average is 16. We're on track!	
	Less than 5 exceedences per annum		By end 2016	Industries	EPA Victoria		
	All offending industries should achieve 100% compliance when issued with a PAN		Within timeframe of PAN	Industries	EPA Victoria	Some have, those that haven't have been subject to enforcement action including PINs and official warnings.	

<u>Topic</u>	Target proposed	<u>Details</u>	<u>Timeframe</u>	Who (action)	Who (reporting)	2014 results/ status @ Feb 2015
Stockpiles	All exposed stockpiles achieve a height below bunds		By end 2014	Brimbank CC	Brimbank CC	Reduction in heights achieved over several sites. Amendment to permits received to formalise landscaping, heights and reference points for future monitoring.
	Encourage existing businesses to enclose stockpiles		Ongoing	Brimbank CC	Brimbank CC	Officers in continuous discussion with operators to encourage best practice
			Road	ds		
	Somerville & McDonald Roads verges scraped to kerb level and seeded		Scraping by Feb 2014Seeding by May 2014	Vic Roads	Vic Roads	Verge Removal Works: involved the removal of built up soil on the nature strips on these roads to reduce dust and sediment runoff in wet conditions. A depth of 200mm depth of material was removed over a 2 metre width of the verge and total of 2.6m length in both directions of these roads. The removed material equated to ~ 120 truck loads of soil. Completed Feb 2014. Hydro-seeding works: completed May 2014. Involved spraying a mixture of site specific and durable grass seed and binder onto the excavated verge. This specific seed should better withstand the industrial environment. NB: VicRoads will regularly inspect the verges along these roads to identify any build up of material.

<u>Topic</u>	Target proposed	<u>Details</u>	<u>Timeframe</u>	Who (action)	Who (reporting)	2014 results/ status @ Feb 2015
	Fortnightly monitoring re dust and drainage issues on arterial roads in Brooklyn. Cleaning within one month of identified issues.		as indicated	Vic Roads	Vic Roads	Sweeping: Somerville Road was last swept Feb 2015. Intervention sweeping of Somerville Rd and McDonalds Rd is undertaken on a 4 week basis in accordance with the Road Management Plan. Drainage cleaning: Cleaning of the drainage pits and pipes along these roads was last undertaken in Dec 2014. These roads will continue to be inspected on a fortnightly basis to identify any defects or hazards, which are then programmed for treatment.
	Bunting and Jones Roads sealed		2015	Brimbank CC	Brimbank CC	Design currently being prepared, refer to council agenda of 24 February 2015
	Francis Street between Cemetery Rd and Millers Rd	Unsealed shoulder section along Francis Street heading east is programmed for shoulder sealing to rectify failed sections.	By end of March 2015	Vic Roads	Vic Roads	Minor repairs were undertaken in late December 2014 to make the failed shoulder sections safe. A permanent more durable treatment is being investigated and is expected to be completed by end of March 2015.
	Implementation					
	Complete Living Brooklyn project in consultation with BCRG		By end 2015	Brimbank CC	Brimbank CC	Project underway

<u>Topic</u>	Target proposed	<u>Details</u>	<u>Timeframe</u>	Who (action)	Who (reporting)	2014 results/ status @ Feb 2015
			Metal Cru	ushing		
	All industries comply with SEPP N1 (Industry and Commerce)			Industries	EPA Victoria	No SEPPN1 breaches identified, Brooklyn noise levels are typical for suburban inner Melbourne
	All industries comply with permits/licences and not emit offensive odour into residential areas			Industries	EPA Victoria	No enforceable breaches identified, some residual odour present, notices on 2 sites at the moment with compliance due in April
	50% reduction in reported incidents compared with 2013 levels		To end 2014	Industries	EPA Victoria	199 complaints in 2013, 141 in 2014, no identified incidents.

Item 8. Questions to the Panel comprising Peter Rogers (MCC), Malcolm Ramsay (HBCC), Susan Fitton (BCC), Richard Marks (EPA), Matt Walsh (VicRoads)

Question 1 for Brimbank: Will the engineering plans be made available for the new works on Jones Rd and Buntings Rd?

Response – Adrian Ashford, BCC. There are plans at BCC which could be made available on request.

After the meeting: Adrian provided plans which can be seen in Attachment 6

Question 2 for VicRoads: McDonald Rd is swept every fortnight but why isn't the whole length of the road swept in one go? The problem is at the Jones Rd end where the gutter is always full.

Response – Matt Walsh, VicRoads. McDonald Rd is a VicRoads arterial road but the maintenance sweeping is undertaken by contractors. I would need to follow this up with the contractors.

Action 040315_3: Matt Walsh to check the contractor's records regarding sweeping of McDonald's Rd and report to the meeting notes.

Question 3 for VicRoads: Is it possible for the street sweepers to operate at times other than in the middle of the night?

Response – Matt Walsh, VicRoads There has to be a balance between safety and not interfering with business. VicRoads could review the schedules including options for residential areas compared to business zones. NB: many services, for example garbage collection operate during the early hours of the day.

Question 4 for EPA: Is the EPA able to give an update on the current court case regarding odour?

Response – Richard Marks, EPA The case will be returning to court for another two weeks making it four weeks in total.

Question 5 for EPA: Can we have an undertaking that EPA will address the need for wheel washers to be installed at the exit points from industries along Jones Rd and Bunting Rd?

Response – Richard Marks, EPA Yes, the team is already working on it.

Response – Matt Walsh, VicRoads It is up to individual property owners to install the appropriate treatment that complies with the EPA regulations however that may not necessarily be wheel washers.

Question 6 for EPA: If there is an infringement is that then a compliance issue regarding emissions?

Response – Matt Walsh, VicRoads Jones Rd is a council road therefore it is a council issue in conjunction with the EPA. **Response – Richard Marks, EPA** The EPA has multiple avenues for enforcement. The onus is on the property owners to undertake action preferably before they require enforcement.

Response – Matt Walsh, VicRoads The new sealed roads will greatly improve the monitoring of mud tracking off sites.

Comment: There is a smart phone App called *Snap Send Solve* that takes a photo and geographically marks where it was taken that could be used to record infringements.

Response – Stuart Menzies, BCC There is also a *My Brimbank* App which is linked to the council service response system. It is mostly used for rubbish and complaints but could be used for road issues.

Meeting Closed: 8:35pm

Notes were taken by Andrea Mason. Presenters were given the opportunity to review the notes relating to their item to ensure the discussion was accurately recorded. Additional comments received after the meeting have been highlighted as such.

ATTACHMENTS

(there is no Attachment 4)

- Attachment 1 The presentation from Susan Fitton, BCC can be seen on the Brooklynip website
- Attachment 2 The presentation from Andrea Mason on BCRG Marketing can be seen in full on the Brooklynip website
- **Attachment 3** The presentation from Richard Marks and Chris Bydder, EPA Victoria can be seen in full on the <u>Brooklynip</u> <u>website</u>
- **Attachment 5** The Brooklyn Industrial Precinct Report Card from Susan Fitton, BCC can be seen in full on the <u>Brooklynip</u> <u>website</u>
- Attachment 6 The BCC Engineering Plans for Jones Rd and Bunting Rd can be seen in full on the Brooklynip website
- **Attachment 7** The Pollution Abatement Notice from Chris Bydder, EPA Victoria can be seen in full on the <u>Brooklynip</u> <u>website</u>

OR

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Meeting Attendance Record – 04 March, 2015

43 people registered their attendance.

Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Adrian Ashford	Brimbank City Council	Kieran Carroll	Sunshine Groupe
Alex Kozeniauskas	Delta Group	Kieren McDermott	Transpacific
Andrea Mason	Executive Officer, BCRG	Laurie Bell	BRAG
Andrew Sassine	Resident	Leighton Black	Aust Tallow Producers
Ash Ellawala	Resident	Lindsay Wilson-	Electorate Officer to Wade
		Roberts	Noonan MP
Bert Boere	BRAG	Malcolm Ramsay	Hobsons Bay City Council
Bill Cole	Resident	Marie Long	Resident
Brian Long	Resident	Martin Hermans	Resident
Bruce Light	On The Nose	Matt Walsh	VicRoads
Camille Roland	Resident	Neil Tolliday	Western Melbourne Catchment
			Network
Carmen Largaiolli	Resident	Olga Ghiri	Transpacific
Chris Bydder	EPA Victoria	Peter Lancaster	Resident
Gabriel D'Angelo	Metal Therapy	Peter Rogers	Maribyrnong City Council
Garry Collins	Resident	Roger Isaac	Resident
Geoff Mitchelmore	Resident Altona North	Richard Marks	EPA Victoria
Heather Humphreys	BRAG	Ruth Cronin	Resident
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