

Meeting: The Valley Tomorrow Community Reference Group #21

Date: 11/12/2024 Meeting began at 6.00pm

Location: Video conference call – Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

- Simon Lewin, Erin Boyd - Hamton (H)
- Anthony Brown, Rozalee Erceg - Moonee Valley Racing Club (MVRC)
- Jenny Nola - Save Moonee Ponds (SMP)
- Matt Bott – Moonee Ponds Primary School

Agenda Items:

1. Introductions/housekeeping
2. MVRC Projects – Masterplan
3. MVP – MVP Project Planning Update
4. MVP – Stonepine & Trackside House
5. Community activations
6. Other matters/Questions

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Simon (SL) opened the meeting and welcomed all members.

2 MVRC Projects - Masterplan

- 2.1 Anthony Brown (AB) share the results of the Infield Activation Community Survey.
- 2.2 AB confirmed that MVRC have appointed Symal as the ECI (Early Contractor Involvement) contractor to assist with design development, which is currently sitting at 80% resolved for the racecourse precinct.
- 2.3 AB confirmed that MVRC are in discussions with a shortlist of anchor tenants for the infield activations (such as national and local sporting organisations and potential entertainment partners), however no decision has been made and that appointment will not related to other daily uses that the community will be able to use the infield.

3 Status of Planning Permit Applications

- 3.1 SL confirmed that the planning permit for Flora East & West has been received and Hamton are progressing with marketing documentation with channel agent sales due to commence late Q1 2025, with public launch following shortly after that.
- 3.2 SL stated that construction cannot commence until the Racecourse Grandstand has been demolished, which is likely to occur in Q3 2026.
- 3.3 SL confirmed that the planning permit for the North South Road was received in August 2024 and commencement of those works will take place after the demolition of the grandstand.
- 3.4 In response to Jenny Nola (JN), SL confirmed that Hamton are working through the design staging for future stages and will be seeking the next planning permit sometime in 2025.

- 3.5 SL confirmed that the building on the corner on Dean & Feehan is still proposed to be a hotel and has a mandatory height limit.

4 Stonepine House & Trackside House

- 4.1 SL reported that construction of Trackside House and Stonepine House are progressing well, with structural works on schedule.
- 4.2 SL reported that structural pours are complete to level 7 of both buildings and installation of external façade panels has commenced to the ground floor and level. Fit out works to the internal apartments will commence in the new year.
- 4.3 SL confirmed that builder, Icon, remains on program and completion is anticipated for Spring 2025.

5 Community Activations

- 5.1 Erin Boyd (EB) confirmed the success of the MV+ Health and Fitness classes summer season. There was an average of 17-20 participants per class. These classes continue to be well received and contribute to the community's wellness and will recommence in late January 2025.
- 5.2 EB confirmed that Moonee Valley Park celebrated 5 years since launch with a family friendly event in Tote Park on 2 November 2024. The event saw over 100 kids participate in activities including an inflatable obstacle course and face painting, while parents watched on with a free coffee.
- 5.3 EB reported planning for the 2025 Beanbag Cinema is underway. More information and tickets will be launched in early 2025.
- 5.4 Rozalee Erceg (RE) reported MVRC will be holding their Christmas Race Meeting on Friday, 13 December 2024 which will see many local families come and enjoy the racecourse and kids activities.
- 5.5 RE reported that the race meeting on Saturday, 28 December 2024, is offering complimentary admission so that the local community can come and enjoy a day out after Christmas.

6 Other Matters/Questions

- 6.1 SL opened the meeting to questions.
- 6.2 JN requested an emailed copy of the presentation to share with Save Moonee Ponds members who were unable to attend today's meeting.

Meeting closed at approximately 6:20pm.