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Minutes – General Meeting
6:15 pm Wednesday, 2 July 2025
By Zoom
Chair: Ms Melissa Falkenberg

1. Welcome and introduction

The meeting commenced with an acknowledgement of country.
Delegates to the MTF were warmly welcomed by the Chair.

Present:

Cr Matt Wood	City of Banyule
Michelle Herbert	City of Banyule
James Golub	City of Bayside
Jordan	City of Bayside
Cr Michael Nolan	City of Boroondara
Khan Nguyen	City of Boroondara
Anitha Anjay	City of Casey
Cr Ruth Jelley	City of Darebin
Kevin DeLeeuw	City of Darebin
Cr Arabelle Daniel	City of Glen Eira
Cr Kay Rimbaldo	City of Glen Eira
Tim deRuitjer	City of Hume
Alex Reid	City of Kingston
Emma Steele	City of Manningham
George Hibbard	City of Melbourne
Leo Hoffman –Lloyd	City of Melbourne
Sheida Roshankhan	City of Melton
Simon Stainsby	City of Merri-bek
Ross Evans	City of Monash
Damir Agic	City of Moonee Valley
Peter Bourlotos	Shire of Mornington Peninsula
Cr Kate McKay	Shire of Nillumbik

Adele Vosper	City of Stonnington
Jonathon McNair	City of Port Phillip
Karen Roache	City of Port Phillip
Cr James Gunn	City of Whitehorse
Cr Nic Brooks	City of Whittlesea
Russell Tricker	City of Whittlesea
Melissa Falkenberg	City of Wyndham
Cr Sophie Wade	City of Yarra
Guests	
Nil	
Associates	
David Stosser	Urban Transit Solutions
MTF	
Jane Waldock	MTF
Greg Day	MTF

Apologies

Cr Anna Chen – Manningham	Chris Phiniefs – Bayside
Cr Bernadette Thomas – Maribyrnong	Doug Rowland – Stonnington
Cr Alex Makin – Port Phillip	
Cr Kieran Simpson – Whitehorse	

2. Acceptance of Minutes of 7 May 2025 meeting

The minutes from the 4 June 2025 meeting were adopted.

MOTION: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2025 be adopted.

Moved: Cr Ruth Jelley

Seconded: Cr Kay Rimbaldo

CARRIED

3. Strategic Transport Advocacy

3.1 MTF 2025-26 strategy

The Chair presented the Strategic Actions which have been developed and reviewed by the Executive over several months.

MOTION: That the Strategic Actions for 2025-26 be adopted.

Moved: Mr Simon Stainsby

Seconded: Cr Ruth Jelley

CARRIED

4. Workshop: Advocacy objectives for 2025/26

Attending members were divided into four groups and reported on their council/shire's transport advocacy objective as part of our preparation for meetings with current members of parliament.

The MTF will aim to keep Transport front and centre for the major parties in the lead up to the 2026 election.

We want to meet with key transport ministers and opposition spokespeople.

We want to have good examples of local government asks when we have these conversations.

From this feedback we will create our pitches for discussions with parties transport people.

Some of the themes which arose in the groups included:

- Wanting better communication/information on state projects
- The funding of cross council projects – for example on arterial roads
- Bus reform, and better links to activity centres.
- Bus services/tram connectivity
- Shared pathways
- Lower speed limits
- Road safety
- Electrifying and duplication rail
- Providing more bus services with higher frequency
- Pedestrian and cyclist safety
- Accessible tram stops

5. Council Information Sharing

No presentations were made this month.

6. Ambassador Reports

The EO advised that Ambassadors would meet after the meeting.

7. Regular reports

7.1 – Treasurer's Reports

The Executive Officer presented the Treasurer's report for March 2025.

The following invoice approved by Exec in May 2025 was noted:

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| • Yarra Bookkeeping - Inv 2339 – bookkeeping | \$ 330.00 (inc GST) |
| • JWUrban – Inv 202504 – May/June secretariat | \$ 6213.35 (inc GST) |
| • Edunity – Inv 3673 Greg Day retainer Feb-May | \$ 2640.00 (inc GST) |
| • City of Melbourne – catering Feb meeting -Inv 220028830 | \$ 127.89 (inc GST) |

MOTION: That the Treasurer's report for May 2025, and 4 invoices approved by the Executive for payment in June 2025 be noted.

Moved: Mr Ross Evans
Seconded: Cr Kay Rimbaldo

CARRIED

7.2 Upcoming events

Mr Day advised that Minister Williams' office has proposed a meeting with MTF members. It will be on-line, and only for members. The EO will send a placeholder invitation to all members.

7.3 MAV

No report this month.

7.4 Administration

Nil

8. Correspondence

Nil

9. Up Coming Meeting Topics

2025

August Prof Jago Dodson – RMIT – VAMPIRE research.

Melbourne Airport Corporation – Airport Rail – TBC

October – Amy's Foundation (previously Amy Gillett Foundation)

10. General Business

10.1 MTF Executive casual vacancy –

A general executive position is open. Please contact the EO if you are interested.

10.2 Ambassador Vacancies

The Accessibility and Trains roles remain unfilled.

10.3 Feedback on transport aspects of ALGA conference in Canberra.

A brief discussion occurred on the conference in general.

10.4 Member survey

The EO will send out a brief survey to members seeking any feedback on the meetings.

11. Meeting closed 7:25pm