

WHAT ARE YOUR VIEWS ON MELBOURNE'S INNER NORTHERN SUBURBS?

The Bracks Government, as part of the Northern Central City Corridor Study, is investigating transport and land-use issues in Melbourne's inner northern suburbs.

The study will look at issues in relation to traffic congestion, delays, pollution and other problems experienced by residents and users of the inner northern suburbs of:

- Abbotsford
- Carlton and Carlton North
- Clifton Hill
- Collingwood
- Fitzroy and Fitzroy North
- North Melbourne
- Parkville
- Princes Hill.

The study will develop strategies covering all forms of transport, including public transport, cycling, walking and road traffic to address these concerns. The study will also examine opportunities for land use, urban design and heritage conservation in the area and will be developed in collaboration with other major government programs such as the Metropolitan Strategy.

The Department of Infrastructure is coordinating the study in liaison with Melbourne City Council and Yarra City Council. The study will result in the release of a draft Northern Central City Corridor Strategy in March 2002 before the study is finalised in May 2002.

As a starting point, we would like the community's views on transport, living and working conditions in the inner north area. We have provided a variety of opportunities for the public to contribute ideas and opinions.

HOW YOU CAN BE INVOLVED

- Come to the Community Forum at Collingwood Town Hall, starting at 7pm on Wednesday, 23 May – please RSVP on 9655 6659
- Visit our web site (<http://www.doi.vic.gov.au/innernorth>)
- email us on innernorth@doi.vic.gov.au
- Call us on 9655 6659 during normal business hours
- Fax your comments to 9655 8811
- Contact your representative on the study's Community Reference Group
- Complete the questionnaire on the back of this bulletin and return it to us.

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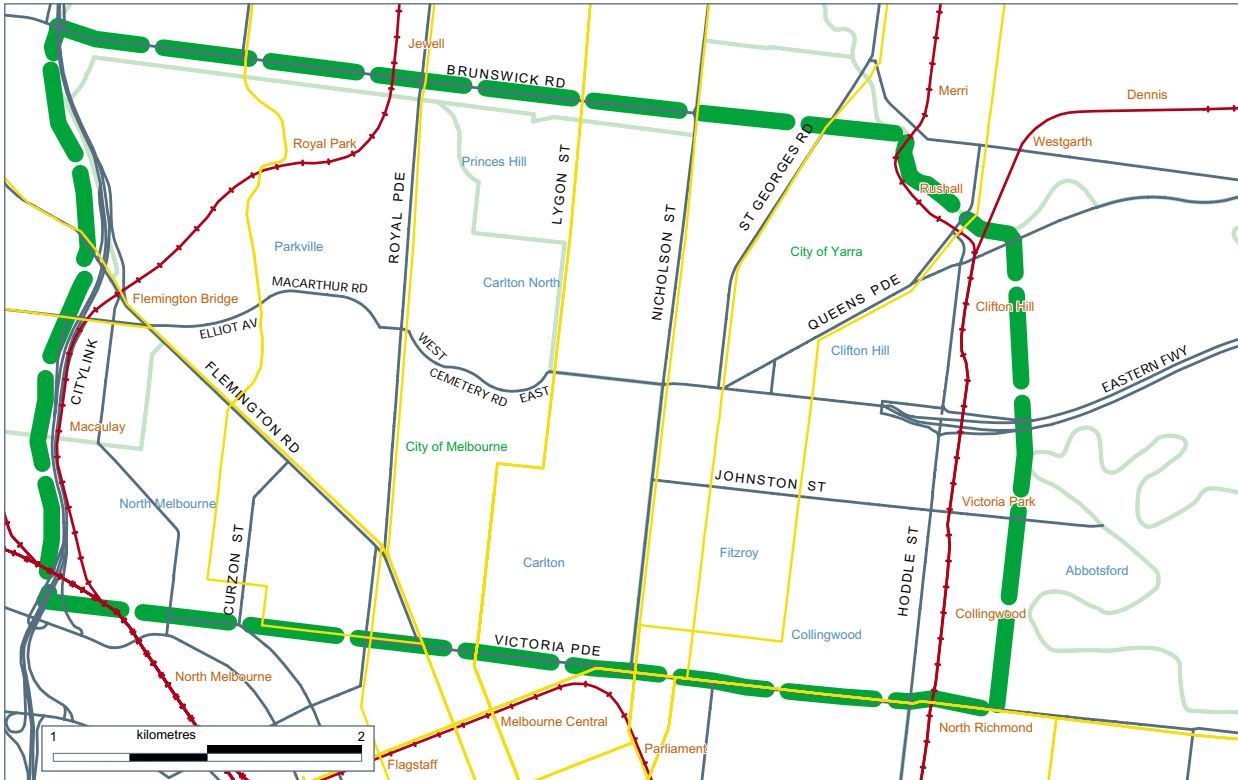
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Northern Central City Corridor Study area.



Minister's Message

The Bracks Government has initiated the Northern Central City Corridor Study in order to work with the community to identify measures for improving the transport system within this busy part of the metropolitan area. A key aim of the study will be to determine how best to integrate the transport network with the planning and management of land use in the area.

The Bracks Government is entering into this process without preconceived proposals or options. We will work with local government, community groups, businesses and individuals to develop a balanced approach that fully considers all

transport options. We will investigate a range of initiatives for improving services and facilities for walking, cycling, public transport and roads. Throughout the study, we will consult with the community on transport and land-use issues and opportunities.

Community updates like this one will be prepared at key stages in the process to ensure that the public is kept informed about the study and the opportunities to participate. I greatly encourage the community to make use of these opportunities to contribute to this important program that, in turn, will contribute to the sustainability and liveability of Melbourne's inner north.

PETER BATCHELOR MP

Minister for Transport

COMMUNITY FORUM

A community forum will be held at Collingwood Town Hall on Wednesday, 23 May 2001 at 7 pm. Come along to meet the study team and give us your views. For more information or to register your interest in attending, telephone us on 9655 6659, fax 9655 8811 or email innernorth@doi.vic.gov.au.

STUDY PROCESS

The Northern Central City Corridor Study is about providing the community with the chance to help build a transport and land-use strategy for the inner north. To this end, the study will:

- consult with the community over transport and land-use issues and opportunities in the inner northern suburbs
- review existing and possible future transport patterns and their impact on local communities
- identify road and public transport needs and how to manage their impacts
- identify any opportunities for urban design and land-use planning initiatives
- develop and present alternative transport strategies for public comment.

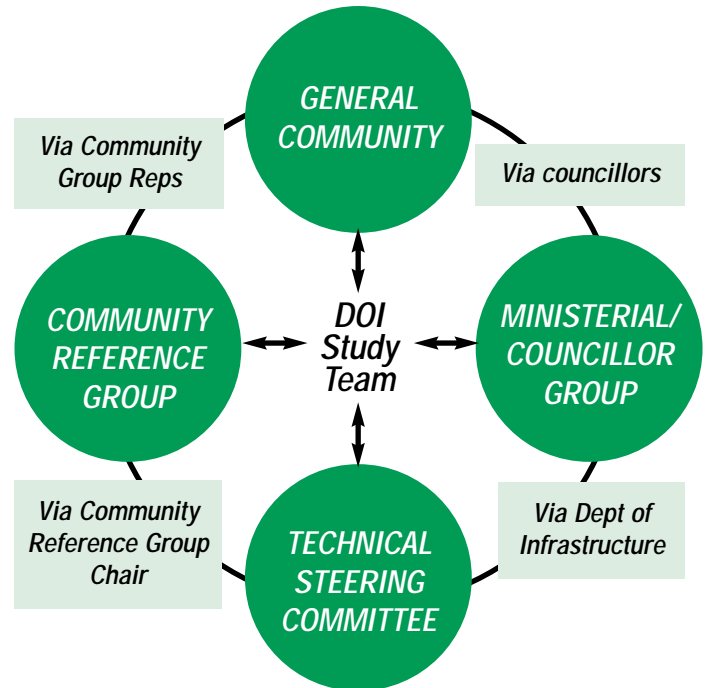
The process will include several stages and aims to get broad community support for:

- **objectives** for transport and amenity in the inner northern suburbs
- **measures** to form part of an integrated strategy
- **criteria** against which options will be assessed
- **selection** of a preferred strategy and its various components.

A previous study, initiated by the former Kennett Government, looked at the possibility of a road tunnel between the Eastern Freeway and City Link, and between the Eastern Freeway and the CBD. Engineering and operational issues were identified and alternative solutions were suggested in that study. A report on the previous study is available on the internet at www.doi.vic.gov.au/innernorth or by telephoning the Department of Infrastructure on 9655 6659 during business hours. The Bracks Government has reviewed the previous study and has decided that a more integrated approach is needed for the inner north area to provide a comprehensive package of measures to improve transport conditions and the amenity of the area.

The Northern Central City Corridor Study is being overseen by the Minister for Transport in conjunction with councillor representatives from the Cities of Melbourne and Yarra. The ministerial/councillor group will meet regularly to be briefed on the study's progress and to review the results of consultation and research conducted as part of the study.

STUDY STRUCTURE



Community Reference Group

Community groups
Metropolitan-wide stakeholders
Transport providers

Ministerial/Councillor Group

Minister for Transport
Two Councillors from the City of Melbourne
Two Councillors from the City of Yarra

Technical Steering Committee

Department of Infrastructure
Chair of the Community Reference Group
Office of the Director of Public Transport
VicRoads
Council officers

DETAILED STUDY PROCESS PAPER

A draft, more detailed description of the study process is available via the study web site: www.doi.vic.gov.au/innernorth. Alternatively, please telephone 9655 6659 or fax 9655 8811 for a copy to be posted, or email innernorth@doi.vic.gov.au for an electronic copy.

COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP

An important element of the consultation process for the Northern Central City Corridor Study is the establishment of a Community Reference Group to advise and provide feedback at the various stages in the process. Members include:

Chairperson	Prof Rodger Eade	9655 6659
Bicycle Victoria	Richard Smithers	9933 8420
Bus Association Victoria	Steve O'Callaghan	9488 2114
Carlton Residents Association	Dr Ray Nichols	9347 1427
Carlton Traders Association	Fab Succi	9347 5759
City of Melbourne	Cr Kevin Chamberlin	9658 9051
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Department of Education	Joe Corbett	9488 9488
Department of Infrastructure Planning and Heritage division	Paul Jarman	9312 1300
Department of Infrastructure Office of the Director of Public Transport	William Taylor	9655 6526
East Clifton Hill Traffic Management Group	Chris Pound	0419 504 294
Environment Victoria	Ben Smith	0410 309 303
Fitzroy Residents Association	Geoff Barbour	9419 1425
North and West Melbourne Association	Kaye Oddie	9329 0635
Parkville Association	Brian Evans	9603 9347
RACV	Peter Daly	9790 2863
Rathdowne Street Traders Association	Paul Davies	9347 6868
RMIT University	Laurie Cuttiford	9925 3969
Royal Park Protection Group	Colin Smith	0419 151 250
Transport Workers Union of Australia	Graeme Burgess	9645 1322
University of Melbourne	Fiona de Preu	8344 4212
VicRoads - Northwest Metropolitan Region	Brian Negus	9313 1111

Full contact details for these organisations are available on the study web site www.doi.vic.gov.au/innernorth or by calling the study team on 9655 6659.

STUDY TIMETABLE

January-April 2001	The study is established and a Community Reference Group is appointed to work alongside the study team and the ministerial/councillor group. A technical steering committee with representation from the Cities of Melbourne and Yarra, the Department of Infrastructure, the Office of the Director of Public Transport and VicRoads is also set up to oversee the study process.
May 2001	A community forum will be held to canvass the public's views and ideas on how we can better manage the transport and land-use needs of the inner north area.
July 2001	A report on the existing transport and land-use conditions in the area will be released to provide background material as part of the consultation process.
October 2001	A report detailing all the transport and land-use options for the inner north area, based on community feedback, will be released for public discussion.
March 2002	A draft strategy outlining a short list of options for the area will be prepared and released for public comment prior to the finalisation of the strategy in May 2002.

HOW TO CONTACT US

Contact the study team at the Department of Infrastructure:

William McDougall – telephone 9655 6659, fax 9655 8811

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Web site: <http://www.doi.vic.gov.au/innernorth>

Email: innernorth@doi.vic.gov.au

Attend the Community Forum at Collingwood Town Hall on 23 May 2001 at 7 pm – please call us to register your interest on 9655 6659.

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