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Further Submission on Transport Matters

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1. On request, this is a further submission to the Central Geelong Framework Plan Advisory Committee regarding critical transport planning matters that should be addressed immediately.
2. The critical transport issues to be addressed prior to adoption of the Framework include:
 - Review and finalise the bus network (including bus routes, shuttles, interchanges and stops).
 - Define key car parking locations and structures and link these to the road hierarchy, bus and pedestrian network.
 - Define and nominate primary and secondary pedestrian links.
 - Define and nominate shared zones.
 - Define and nominate bike infrastructure and strategic cycling corridors.
 - Define and nominate any green spines and boulevard treatments.
 - Define key street-based eating and dining precincts.
 - Define future traffic access controls policies for new developments.
 - Have regard to proposed open space and street-based landscape plans and initiatives.
 - Incorporate all of the above into a clearly defined road hierarchy plan.
3. A Draft Transport Plan that deals with the above critical transport issues should be prepared and made available for stakeholder discussion. Any potential conflicts between role and functions should be highlighted and resolved to provide clarity for future planning decisions and infrastructure investments.
4. The State and Council should jointly adopt the transport plan and it can then be incorporated into the Central Geelong Framework.
5. Following these steps, further work should occur on a comprehensive car parking strategy and management plan leading to finalisation of a Car Parking Precinct Plan. The car parking plan should have regard to long term objectives to boost active and public transport to and within Central Geelong.



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6. Consideration to new transport technologies being incorporated into the public transport network planning. There is a need to consider innovative transport technologies such as “Advanced Rail-less Trams” or “trackless trams” as part of addressing the public transport network in Geelong. A route for a trial of new Advanced Rail-less Trams through Central Geelong is currently being proposed via Committee for Geelong.

7. Finally, an integrated transport investment plan (with reference to the Regional Integrated Transport Strategy due for completion in May 2022) for the Geelong region should be finalised by the State and G21 Councils so that integrated outcomes can be provided across the region. This would leverage the rail network providing a walk up and go 10-minute rail frequency of service and ensure rail, bus or bus like services and active transport modes are connected and well planned.

Many thanks for the opportunity to provide this additional information to the Advisory Committee. If you have any questions please contact me on M: 0413 241 033 or via jennifer.cromarty@committeeforgeelong.com.au

Kind regards

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