# **Community Communication Strategy**

Central Tunnelling Package

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## **Definitions**

AFJV	Acciona Ferrovial Joint Venture
ВС	Burwood Council
CALD	Culturally and Linguistically Diverse
CBC	Canada Bay Council
CBD	Central Business District
CCMS	Construction Complaints Management System (Sydney Metro)
ccs	Community Communications Strategy
CEMF	Construction Environmental Management Framework
CICG	Communications Interface Coordination Group
СТР	Central Tunnelling Package
СоА	Conditions of Approval
COVID-19	Coronavirus disease/COVID
DPHI	NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrustrucutre
EPA	Environment Protection Authority
EPL	Environment Protection Licence
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
IAP2	International Association of Public Participation
IWC	Inner West Council
LGA	Local Government Area (Council jurisdiction)
LOTE	Languages other than English
NSW	New South Wales
occs	Overarching Community Communications Strategy (Sydney Metro)
PDCT	Project Delivery Communication Team
Proponent, the	Sydney Metro (Transport for NSW Cluster, Government transport agency)
SEARs	Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements
SOPA	Sydney Park Olympic Authority
SCEM	Stakeholder and Community Engagement Manager (AFJV)
SM	Sydney Metro
SSI	State Significant Infrastructure
ТВМ	Tunnel Boring Machine
TfNSW	Transport for NSW
The project	Sydney Metro West (Central Tunnelling Package, The Bays to Sydney Olympic Park)

## **Section 1 Strategy overview**

#### 1.1 Purpose and approach

The Acciona Ferrovial Joint Venture (AFJV) Community Communication Strategy (CCS) draws on experience from being involved with a wide range of Sydney's major infrastructure projects, including Sydney CBD and South-East Light Rail, Sydney Metro Northwest, NorthConnex and WestConnex M4–M5 Link Tunnels. It is this experiences that provides us with the understanding of the need for proactive, timely and clear consultation and communication with stakeholders and the community.

AFJV's approach to stakeholder and community engagement is:

- Proactive to ensure early identification and mitigation of issues while considering bigger picture impacts from potential cumulative impacts
- Inclusive by providing a variety of communication tools and opportunities for engagement within diverse communities to achieve better outcomes
- Reliable in terms of consistency in our messaging and approach that ensures we follow through on what we say
- Empathetic to the needs of those impacted by the project.

AFJV's design and construction approach to the Central Tunnelling Package (CTP) aims to minimise impacts before they occur, while delivering program surety and timely completion.

#### 1.2 Collaboration with Sydney Metro

This CCS provides an integrated approach which incorporates the Sydney Metro project communication and engagement objectives listed in the Overarching Community Communications Strategy (OCCS) and is underpinned by the Sydney Metro and AFJV plans, policies and values of Collaboration, Safety and Wellbeing, Achievement, Excellence, Innovation, Integrity and Respect.

AFJV will build on the relationships already established and knowledge gained while the project developed. We will continue to implement a targeted and personal approach that ensures the community, stakeholders and businesses are informed and engaged in a proactive and meaningful way throughout delivery of the CTP scope of work.

By coordinating communication activities with interfacing projects, we will support Sydney Metro through regular updates on emerging issues, potential cumulative impacts, complaints management (in accordance with the Construction Complaints Management System) and ongoing engagement opportunities.

Given the staged and ongoing planning approval process for the Sydney Metro West project, AFJV will communicate regularly on these matters with Sydney Metro via the weekly meetings to ensure effective coordination and collaboration with any planning related activities, and provide support wherever possible. This includes effective ongoing interface and coordination with the Eastern and Western tunnelling package delivery teams.

We are sensitive to recent changes to our social structure and economy and the need for respectful communications and an engagement approach which is reflective of the vulnerabilities resulting from COVID-19. This is woven through AFJV's culture as we use appropriate tone and adjust communication methods in response to community and stakeholder needs.

#### 1.3 Objectives and requirements

This strategy will support AFJV's commitment to deliver on the objectives from the OCCS which are:

- Minimise project impacts on stakeholders and the community where possible
- Minimise project impacts on local businesses recognising specific needs and requirements
- Provide adequate, timely and coordinated stakeholder and community communication, engagement and consultation opportunities where appropriate
- Assist stakeholders and the community in their understanding of project construction including activities to be undertaken by project delivery partners and their objectives, benefits, potential impacts and expected outcomes
- Appropriately address stakeholder and community issues
- Provide consistency across our external communication activities and interfaces with stakeholders during delivery of all Sydney Metro projects
- Coordinate approach to managing project enquiries and complaints with interface projects, where appropriate
- Act as a conduit and advocate between the project team and the broader community
- Provide an overview of the purpose, approach, objectives, and compliance (Section 1); roles and responsibilities of our team and how we will work (Section 2); CTP's scope of work including impacts from construction activities (Section 3); analysis of key stakeholders (Section 5); as well as processes, systems, and tools we will use to take the community, stakeholders, and businesses on the Sydney Metro West journey (Section 4, 6, 7 and 9).

In accordance with the requirements outlined in Appendix A, this CCS and its Sub-Plans have been developed to comply with all requirements of the:

- Sydney Metro Overarching Community Communications Strategy (OCCS)
- Sydney Metro West Concept and Stage 1 Conditions of Approval including Environmental Impact Statement, Sydney Metro West, and other plans as part of the Construction Environmental Management Framework
- Requirements of the Environmental Protection Licence
- Communication obligations outlined in interface agreements with key stakeholders such as local Councils and Sydney Olympic Park Authority (SOPA).

To achieve these requirements and objectives through early engagement to identify and minimise impacts on the community, businesses and stakeholders, ongoing communication, and liaison about changes in their neighbourhoods, and wherever possible involving them in consultation and project milestones. AFJV commits to this from start of our early work and site establishment to handover of each site to the follow-on contractors.

Compliance with all Planning Approval Conditions and REMMs are tracked in the Sydney Metro West - CTP - REMM and CoA Construction Compliance Register (Teambinder SMWSTCTP-AFJ-1NL-EN-REG-000021) which is updated on a six monthly basis.

#### 1.4 Interface with other management plans

This CCS is the governing plan in the communication hierarchy with six (6) Site Specific Community Communication Sub-Plans, a Tunnelling Community Communications Sub-Plan and a Small Business Owners Engagement Plan.

As per Figure 1, the CCS is linked to other project management plans including the Construction Environment Management Plan (CEMP), Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP), Construction Parking Access Strategy (CPAS), Small Business Owner Engagement Plan (SBOEP) and the Sustainability Management Plan.

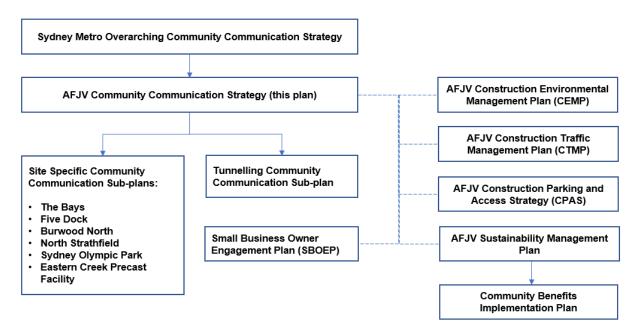


Figure 1: Project management plan hierarchy

#### 1.5 Ongoing review and development

While AFJV has considered lessons learnt from other major infrastructure projects as well as knowledge sharing sessions with Sydney Metro, we are conscious engagement approaches need ongoing review and what is outlined here will be regularly reviewed and amended in line with AFJV's continual improvement objectives.

#### These include:

- Providing clear communications about different impacts at each site
- Establishing and maintaining personal relationships with directly affected communities, businesses, and stakeholders
- Including community obligations in contracts with subcontractors to address issues such as parking
- Applying a rigorous and regular program of communication in advance of tunnel excavation and to communicate progress
- Early identification of and engagement with properties above cross passages.

AFJV will further develop this strategy and its Sub-Plans throughout the project lifecycle to consider:

- Changes that need to be considered as part of design or construction program changes
- Information learnt from business identification surveys and general engagement with residents and businesses at each site
- Feedback obtained from the community, businesses and stakeholders as the project moves between different phases.

An updated version of the CCS will be submitted to Sydney Metro for review and approval and will be reviewed and updated every 6 months.

## Section 2 Roles and responsibilities

## 2.1 Project Delivery Communication Team structure

As shown in Figure 2, AFJV's Project Delivery Communication Team (PDCT) is structured to support objectives and requirements of the Sydney Metro OCCS and to ensure compliance with the Conditions of Approval for SSI 10038 (CoA), Environment Protection Licence (EPL) while engaging openly with stakeholders, the surrounding communities and directly impacted businesses.

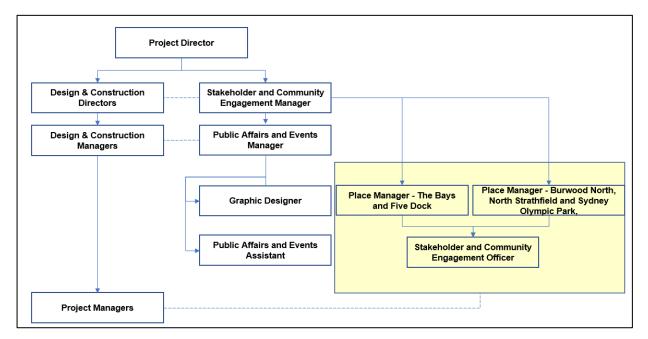


Figure 2: AFJV Project Delivery Communication Team structure

#### 2.2 Specific roles and responsibilities

The Stakeholder and Community Engagement Manager (SCEM) is the discipline lead and a member of the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) reporting to the Project Director to recognise the importance of leveraging broader community and environmental outcomes through major infrastructure projects.

The SCEM is the designated community and stakeholder management representative for the project, responsible for informing Sydney Metro about all stakeholder, community and business issues and decisions impacting the wider community.

The Public Affairs and Events Manager (PAEM) has similar interfaces, including with Sydney Metro, and reports directly to the SCEM.

Dedicated Place Managers are allocated to individual worksites and are embedded within the site construction teams (reporting to the SCEM and Project Managers), which reflects the importance of a personalised approach.

Place Managers are responsible for implementing Site Specific Community Communication Sub-Plans and at least one Place Manager will be allocated per two construction sites however resourcing requirements will be reviewed regularly to ensure adequate and appropriate resourcing is in place to deliver on project requirements.

Role	Responsibility
Stakeholder and Community	<ul> <li>Manage the Stakeholder and Community Engagement requirements for the project and manage the PDCT team</li> </ul>
Engagement Manager	<ul> <li>Liaison with Sydney Metro as well as regulatory authorities and interface partners as required</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Coordination with other project teams including construction and programming team to ensure community, business and stakeholder communication and consultation requirements are considered in the overall construction program</li> </ul>
	Provide advice to the AFJV Senior Leadership Team (SLT)
Public Affairs and Events Manager	<ul> <li>Manage AFJV's compliance with Sydney Metro Brand guidelines including for public communication materials, site signage/banners etc.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Identification, and in collaboration with Sydney Metro, production of digital resources including website, social media content, animations etc.</li> </ul>
	Photography and filming
	Support Sydney Metro regarding media enquiries, responses, and events
Place Managers	<ul> <li>Identify stakeholder, community and business issues and develop strategies to address and prevent complaints and minimise impacts</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Participate in site construction and programming meetings to provide advice on required communication and engagement activities</li> </ul>
	Develop and distribute Public Communication Materials
	<ul> <li>Implement regular face-to-face consultation with the community, businesses, and stakeholders</li> </ul>
	Arrange information sessions, site visits as required and meetings on request
	Maintain Consultation Manager database
	<ul> <li>Available for events, and via a roster system for phone contact by the community or Sydney Metro to respond to enquiries and/or respond to complaints 24/7</li> </ul>
Public Affairs and Events Assistant	<ul> <li>Assist with organisation and implementation of media events, site visits and any other events, including photography and filming</li> </ul>
Graphic Designer	Manage the preparation of all graphic design elements required of the team
Stakeholder and Community Engagement Officer	Aid the Place Managers in delivery of all their duties

Table 1: PDCT roles and responsibilities

While the SCEM will be the key point of contact for all community and stakeholder engagement matters with Sydney Metro, the Public Affairs and Events Manger or a Place Manager may be nominated as a second-in-charge (2IC) to facilitate interaction when the SCEM is not available.

#### 2.3 Other team members

While the PDCT is primarily responsible for community and stakeholder liaison, a wide range of project team members will also play important roles. The wider project team's community and stakeholder responsibilities are outlined in Table 2.

Role	Responsibility
Project Director	Ensure adequate resourcing is available to comply with the Planning Approval and other project communication and engagement requirements
Construction and Project Managers and Directors	<ul> <li>Ensure construction teams are working with the PDCT so construction work is planned and carried out to minimise impacts and in response to reasonable requests</li> <li>Provide subject matter experts to attend community events and meetings as required</li> </ul>
Interface Manager	<ul> <li>Primary AFJV relationship owner for local Councils and other key stakeholders as nominated by Sydney Metro interface agreements. PDCT will support the interface manager in communicating and liaising with these stakeholders as required. This role will work very closely with the Sydney Metro interface team.</li> </ul>

Role	Responsibility
Environment, Approvals and Sustainability Managers	<ul> <li>Responsible for consultation with regulatory agencies as required by the Planning Approval</li> <li>Partake in investigation and resolution of environmental complaints</li> <li>Attend community events and meetings as required</li> <li>Provide environmental document and reports for upload to the project website as required by the Planning Approval.</li> </ul>
Traffic and Transport Manager	<ul> <li>Place Manager liaison to develop the CTMP and CPAS as well as ongoing identification of traffic related changes that require notification</li> <li>Primary contact for Transport and Traffic stakeholders including at the Traffic Control Group (TCG) and Traffic and Transport Liaison Group (TTLG) meetings</li> <li>Attend community events and meetings as required</li> </ul>
All AFJV employees and subcontractors	<ul> <li>As the front-line face of the AFJV, must attend project induction and adhere to all stipulated requirements</li> </ul>

Table 2: AFJV roles and responsibilities

# Section 3 Project context and construction activities

## 3.1 Sydney Metro West

Sydney Metro West is a new 24-kilometre metro line with stations confirmed at Westmead, Parramatta, Sydney Olympic Park, North Strathfield, Burwood North, Five Dock, The Bays, Pyrmont, and Hunter Street in the Sydney CBD (see Figure 3). Construction on Sydney Metro West started in 2020.



Figure 3: Sydney Metro West alignment

This once-in-a-century infrastructure investment will transform Sydney for generations to come, doubling rail capacity between the two CBDs, linking new communities to rail services, and supporting employment growth and housing supply.

The Sydney Metro West project will support a growing city and deliver world-class metro services to more communities

This new underground railway will connect Greater Parramatta and the Sydney CBD, with a target travel time of about 20 minutes between the two city centres.

#### 3.2 Central Tunnelling Package

The Central Tunnelling Package (CTP) is the first of three Sydney Metro West major tunnelling packages that will connect Greater Parramatta and the Sydney CBD and involves construction of:

- Twin 11-kilometre metro railway tunnels from The Bays to Sydney Olympic Park
- Excavation and civil works for five new stations at The Bays, Five Dock, Burwood North, North Strathfield, and Sydney Olympic Park

- Excavation of two access shafts at Burwood North and The Bays
- Excavation of a crossover cavern at Burwood North
- Construction of one of two precast concrete facilities at Eastern Creek that will produce around 72,000 concrete segments required to line the twin tunnels.

Two double-shield, hard rock Tunnel Boring Machines (TBMs) will be launched at The Bays Station and retrieved at the Sydney Olympic Park metro station.

Construction of the CTP scope of work will be carried out over several distinct construction stages. Table 3 below, provides the timetable of key construction impacts. The responses and mitigations associated with these impacts are detailed in the Specific Community Communication Sub-Plans.'

Stage	Key construction activities	Impacts (will vary between sites)
Early work (low impact) Q3 2021	<ul><li>Survey work</li><li>Sydney Metro property inspections</li><li>Heritage investigation</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Low impact work that is considered of importance for successful project delivery. This work was carried out as part of the Sydney Metro OCCS.</li> </ul>
Early work Q3 2021 – Q1 2022	<ul> <li>Property condition surveys around station sites</li> <li>Geotechnical investigation</li> <li>Utility investigation</li> <li>Fencing</li> <li>Installation of monitoring instruments and survey points</li> <li>Installation of environmental controls</li> <li>Heritage investigation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Noise from geotechnical drilling and utility investigation (vacuum suction trucks)</li> <li>Short term traffic and pedestrian impacts (temporary lane closures and equipment delivery)</li> <li>Visual impacts from temporary geotechnical and utility investigations</li> <li>Potential cumulative impacts from WestConnex 3B and Sydney Metro West enabling works</li> <li>Potential Out of Hours (OOH) work</li> </ul>
Site Establishment Q1 – Q4 2022	<ul> <li>Utility relocation</li> <li>Demolition</li> <li>Clearing and grubbing</li> <li>Equipment and material delivery/removal</li> <li>Earthworks including piling and d-wall</li> <li>Installation of compounds and acoustic sheds including tunnelling support infrastructure such as workshops, water treatment plants and laydown areas</li> <li>Establish precast facility at Eastern Creek</li> <li>Hoarding installation</li> <li>Installation of traffic arrangements including changes to parking, temporary pedestrian arrangements, additional signage, and fencing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dust, noise and vibration from demolition work and piling.</li> <li>Traffic and pedestrian impacts from temporary lane closures due to equipment/material deliveries and removal.</li> <li>Some parking impacts at Five Dock and North Strathfield</li> <li>Visual impacts from establishment of new station sites and installation of hoarding.</li> <li>Potential cumulative impacts from WestConnex 3B and Sydney Metro West enabling work.</li> <li>OOH work</li> </ul>
Station box excavation Q3 2022 – Q4 2023	<ul> <li>Excavation of station boxes at The Bays, North Strathfield, and Sydney Olympic Park</li> <li>Excavation of shafts and station boxes with roadheaders at Five Dock and Burwood North</li> <li>Spoil removal including increase in heavy vehicle movements</li> <li>Equipment delivery including TBMs to The Bays, road headers to Five Dock and Burwood North and other excavation and rock breaking equipment</li> <li>Equipment and material delivery and removal</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dust, noise and vibration from excavation and piling work</li> <li>Traffic and pedestrian impacts from temporary lane closures due to equipment/material deliveries and removal</li> <li>Traffic impacts from spoil haulage</li> <li>Some parking impacts at Five Dock and North Strathfield</li> <li>Visual impacts from establishment of new station sites and installation of hoarding</li> </ul>

Stage	Key construction activities	Impacts (will vary between sites)
		<ul> <li>Potential cumulative impacts from WestConnex 3B and Sydney Metro West enabling work</li> <li>OOH work</li> </ul>
Tunnelling Q2 2023 – Q4 2024	<ul> <li>Deliver and assemble two (2) TBMs at The Bays</li> <li>Launch tunnel drives from The Bays heading west</li> <li>Excavate, waterproof and concrete line over 40 cross passages</li> <li>Invert construction</li> <li>Disassemble and retrieve TBMs at Sydney Olympic Park</li> <li>Progressive completion of Post-Construction Property Condition surveys</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ground borne noise from tunnelling and cross passage excavation (short term as TBM expected to move approximately 30m/day)</li> <li>Traffic impacts from spoil haulage (only applicable at The Bays where spoil is extracted)</li> <li>Traffic impacts from segment deliveries (only applies to The Bays)</li> <li>Traffic impacts associated with TBM delivery and retrieval (The Bays and Sydney Olympic Park)</li> </ul>
Finishing and handover Q1 2024 – Q1 2025	<ul> <li>Complete remaining work in tunnel and station sites</li> <li>Demobilise and hand over to follow-on contractors</li> <li>Completion of remaining Post-Construction Property Condition surveys</li> </ul>	Dust, noise and vibration from excavation and piling works

Table 3: CTP scope of work

## 3.3 Key issues

Key issues that will need to be considered will vary across the project based on locations and in turn require specific and individual approaches which are outlined in the Site Specific Community Communication Sub-Plans.

Table 4 outlines the key issues identified through review of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) consultation, knowledge sharing sessions provided by Sydney Metro as well as information gathered by AFJV since late 2021. Note a number of the activities listed below have now been completed.

Location	Issues
The Bays	<ul> <li>Traffic impacts associated with spoil haulage and precast segment deliveries on Port Access Road</li> </ul>
	Potential noise, vibration, and dust from station box excavation work - completed
	<ul> <li>Potential concern about worker parking and impact on Roberts Street business and customer parking – Robert Street not used for worker parking</li> </ul>
	Heritage precinct and potential impact
	<ul> <li>Cumulative impacts from Rozelle Interchange work, Western Harbour Tunnel work, Sydney Metro enabling work for the 33kv line and various projects as part of the urban renewal and transformation of The Bays precinct</li> </ul>
Five Dock	Construction fatigue (including from Council streetscape improvement works)
	<ul> <li>Proximity of work sites to residents and businesses on Great North Road, Second Avenue, East Street and Waterview Street</li> </ul>
	Noise, vibration and dust from demolition,general construction
	Noise from spoil haulage during station box excavation – almost completed
	Out of hours work during early work, site establishment work and utility work
	<ul> <li>Traffic impacts as a result of spoil haulage during station box excavation on Great North Road, Lyons Road West, First Avenue, Second Avenue and Waterview Street – almost completed</li> </ul>

Location	Issues
	<ul> <li>Loss of parking on Waterview Street, Second Avenue and Great North Road and due to local traffic changes – implemented in early 2022</li> </ul>
	Visual impact from demolition and site establishment work - completed
	Concern about the potential for property damage
	Concern about worker parking impacts
Burwood North	Construction fatigue (including from M4 East and Concord Oval Upgrade work)
	<ul> <li>Proximity of work sites to residents and businesses including security concerns associated with removal of back fences (Loftus Street and Burton Street)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Noise, vibration and dust from demolition and general construction during site establishment</li> </ul>
	Noise from spoil haulage during station box excavation - completed
	Out of hours work during early work, site establishment work and utility work
	<ul> <li>Traffic impacts as a result of spoil haulage during station box excavation on Loftus Street, Gipps Street and Burwood Road - completed</li> </ul>
	Traffic impacts as a result of kerb and driveway adjustments on Loftus Street, Burton Street, Parramatta Road and Burwood Road - completed
	<ul> <li>Loss of parking on Burton Street and Burwood Road and due to local traffic changes – implemented in 2022</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Traffic and noise impacts as a result of tunnel support activites on Loftus Street, Burton Street, Parramatta Road and Burwood Road</li> </ul>
	Visual impact from demolition and site establishment work - completed
	Concern about the potential for property damage
	Concern about worker parking impacts
North Strathfield	Proximity of work sites to residents and businesses across the road on Queen Street
	Noise from box excavation and spoil haulage during box excavation –completed
	Proximity to The McDonald College, Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Primary School
	<ul> <li>Loss of parking on Wellbank Street and Queen Street and due to local traffic changes – implemented in 2022</li> </ul>
	Pedestrian safety and train station accessibility
	<ul> <li>Traffic impacts as a result of spoil haulage during station box excavation on Queen Street and Wellbank Street –completed</li> </ul>
	Concern about worker parking impacts
Sydney Olympic	Proximity of work sites to businesses on Figtree Drive, Herb Elliot Avenue
Park	Potential impact on major sporting and cultural events
	<ul> <li>Noise, vibration and dust from demolition and general construction during site establishment</li> </ul>
	Noise from spoil haulage during station box excavation - completed
	<ul> <li>Traffic impacts from spoil haulage during station box excavation on Figtree Drive, Olympic Boulevard and Herb Elliot Avenue - completed</li> </ul>
	Visual impact from demolition and site establishment work - completed
	Concern about the potential for property damage
Eastern Creek	Traffic impacts associated with precast segment deliveries
Precast Facility	Future development and use of site
Tunnel	Ground borne noise impacts from tunnelling and cross passage excavation
alignment	Concern about property damage from vibration or settlement

Table 4: Key issues per site

# **Section 4 Communication approach**

#### 4.1 Our approach

AFJV will actively minimise construction impacts on the community, businesses and stakeholders including reoccurring issues through our strategies and tools, personalised approach of our Place Managers and responsive construction methodologies.

AFJV's approach to stakeholder and community engagement is:

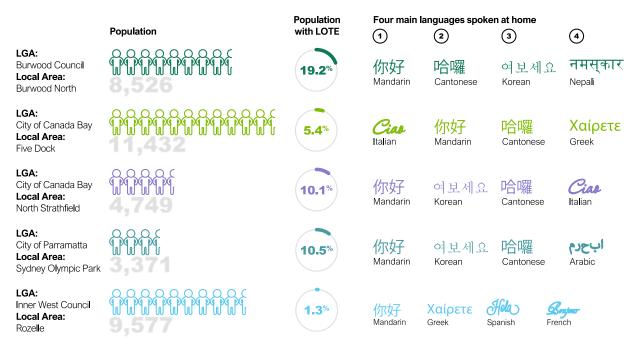
- Proactive to ensure early identification and mitigation of issues while considering bigger picture impacts from potential cumulative impacts
- Inclusive by providing a variety of communication tools and opportunities for engagement within diverse communities to achieve better outcomes
- Reliable in terms of consistency in our messaging and approach, ensuring we follow through on what we say
- Empathetic to the needs of those impacted by the project.

#### 4.2 Working with diverse communities

Due to the demographics as evidenced by the Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) statistics in Figure 4 for the project areas, AFJV will utilise the tools included in the Sydney Metro OCCS for people who speak Languages other than English (LOTE) and CALD communities as follows:

- The Sydney Metro website can be translated into 58 different languages using the Google translate tool at the bottom of the home page (www.sydneymetro.info)
- All printed materials include contact details for the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS National)
- The Sydney Metro Connect App can be translated into more than 100 languages.
- Translated Sydney Metro fact sheets are available on the Sydney Metro website in Arabic, Greek, Chinese (simplified), Chinese (traditional), Korean and Hindi
- Project advertisements will be placed in community language newsletters where appropriate
- Providing translators for meetings as required

We will adhere to Sydney Metro's guidelines to ensure inclusivity is prioritised and consistent as well as being respectful of all cultures, practises, and situations.



Source Australian Census 2016

Figure 4: CALD Profile for key areas along project alignment

#### 4.3 Public Communication Material timeframes and approvals

Public Communication Material (PCM) will be developed throughout the project to clearly communicate construction information and methods in a range of formats for the benefit of community, businesses, and stakeholders.

All PCM, and Marketing Promotional Material (MPM) including any use of the brand and logo for such items as site boundary hoarding, sheds, walls, and fences, will be developed in accordance with Sydney Metro requirements, comply with Transport for NSW Editorial Style Guide and Sydney Metro Projects Brand Guidelines. See Table 5.

All final PCM will be provided to Sydney Metro in a Web Content Accessibility compliant pdf format for uploading to the Sydney Metro website on the same day they are distributed.

No material shall be released or distributed without the prior approval of the Sydney Metro Project Communications team.

The schedule of materials will be informed by program needs and discussed in recurring communication meetings with Sydney Metro during which we will review the lookahead program and agree on requirements.

Various PCM will form part of a larger program of delivery by Sydney Metro, such as educational and social engagement programs and AFJV will contribute information as requested and to agreed timeframes.

A specification will be maintained for the development and production of PCM including photography/videography scope and animations for the project. This includes details relating to the development and timeframes for production, role of the graphic designer and other team members.

ltem	Purpose (in line with IAP2 spectrum in OCCS)	Frequency	Approval Timeline	Distribution timeframe prior to
Project contact details	Inform	Before construction starts	N/A	Before construction starts
<ul> <li>Notifications</li> <li>Start of work at new location</li> <li>Start of new activities with new/different impacts.</li> <li>Night work</li> <li>Changes to pedestrian or traffic routes</li> </ul>	Inform	As required	5 business days from acceptable submission*	7 calendar days
Fact sheets and Frequently Asked Question documents	Inform	As required	5 business days from acceptable submission*	7 calendar days
Email updates	Inform	Weekly	5 business days of first update	7 calendar days and then weekly
Sydney Metro App	Inform/Raise awareness	Weekly	1 business day	7 calendar days and then weekly
Sydney Metro West website	Inform/Raise awareness	As required	N/A	Nil
Emergency work	Inform	If and as required	As required	Within 2 hours of starting work
Project advertisements: Significant traffic changes, detours, disruptions Invitations to Community Information Sessions	Inform/Raise awareness	As required	5 business days	7 calendar days prior to changes, activity, impact, or event
Newsletters	Inform/Raise awareness	Twice yearly	10 business days	As approved
Site signage and variable message signs	Inform/Raise awareness	As required	5 business days	7 calendar days prior to changes, impact, or activity
AFJV project website	Inform	As required	As new Planning Approval documents and reports become available	Within 48 hours of Planning Approval documents and reports being finalised
Traffic and utility alert emails	Inform	As required	5 business days	7 calendar days prior
Interactive public display material for In person information sessions Online virtual community information rooms Mobile displays	Inform / Consult / Educate	Quarterly or as required	20 business days	As approved
Project induction	Inform/Educat e	As required	10 business days	As approved

ltem	Purpose (in line with IAP2 spectrum in OCCS)	Frequency	Approval Timeline minimum	Distribution timeframe prior to activity
Marketing and Promotional Material:	Inform	As required	10 business days	As approved
<ul> <li>Presentations</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>ASX announcements</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Joint venture or subcontractor website, media, social media content</li> </ul>				
Award submissions				
<ul> <li>Technical papers and reports</li> </ul>				

**Table 5: Public Communication Material (PCM)** 

#### 4.4 Cumulative impacts

AFJV understands the infrastructure sector in Sydney is experiencing an infrastructure boom which creates potential for cumulative impacts and has the potential to confuse stakeholders about which contractor is responsible for what work and who to approach regarding enquiries and concerns.

As part of the Sydney Metro program of work, some stakeholders will have an interest in multiple projects and follow-on contractor works, therefore collaboration and coordination between contractors, Customer Journey Planning (TfNSW) and Sydney Metro is the key.

Within the CTP area, stakeholders may experience cumulative impacts and construction fatigue due to several current construction projects, including but not limited to:

- New Sydney Fish Market has potential impact to communities surrounding Blackwattle Bay including Rozelle, Glebe, Annandale, Pyrmont, and Lilyfield
- Rozelle Interchange and Western Harbour Tunnel Enabling Work project (WestConnex Stage 3B) due for completion in 2024 has cumulative impact on properties in the Rozelle and Lilyfield area. Further details are provided in The Bays Community Communication Sub-plan

Other potential cumulative impact risks extend to future planned or possible major infrastructure projects (construction or consultation) such as:

- Sydney Metro West Western Tunnelling Package and Eastern Tunnelling Package and its interface with CTP's station box excavation at Sydney Olympic Park and The Bays
- Glebe Island and ports uses including silos strengthening works, construction and operation of a new aggregate handling and concrete batching facility and ancillary facilities
- Western Harbour Tunnel
- Sydney Trains line-wide maintenance works including potential for major refurbishments
- Transport for Tomorrow (T4T) early works contractor carrying out work for Sydney Metro at North Strathfield - completed
- Large scale residential and/or commercial developments in Sydney Olympic Park.

AFJV will proactively collaborate with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) (including Customer Journey Planning), WestConnex/Transurban and their contractors, utility providers, local councils, developers as well as Sydney Metro with an aim to identify conflicts, coordinate work,

mitigate impacts and, where possible seek opportunities and coordinate communication through Communications Interface Coordination Groups (CICG) established by Sydney Metro.

The PDCT will work closely with the AFJV Interface Manager to ensure coordination through interface meetings to assist with identification, coordination and mitigation of work that has potential to cause cumulative impacts on other projects, utility providers and Councils. AFJV has developed Site-Specific Community Communication Sub-Plans for each station site, Eastern Creek Precast Facility and tunnelling activities that outline communication and consultation approach, tools, timing required for engaging with community members, businesses, and stakeholders on issues important to them.

AFJV will continue to communicate regularly with Sydney Metro via the weekly meetings to ensure effective coordination and collaboration with any planning related activities. This includes effective ongoing interface and coordination with the Eastern and Western tunnelling package delivery teams.

#### 4.5 Complaints and enquiries management

AFJV understands the importance of timely response and management of enquiries and complaints, as per the Sydney Metro Construction Complaints Management System (CCMS), for building and maintaining a positive culture around listening and resolving stakeholder issues.

All enquiries and complaints are opportunities to review the implemented process and look for better ways of doing something to minimise repeat impacts, wherever possible. Our overarching approach to complaint and enquiry handling is to:

- Be available and responsive
- Provide factual and timely information
- Show empathy and care
- Absorb feedback, lessons learnt and adapt wherever possible.

Project contact details will be available on all PCM including the website, fencing and/or hoarding. All project staff, workforce and subcontractors will be required to attend the project induction which will outline the requirements for complaints and enquiry management.

The PDCT will be available to respond to all CTP related enquiries during business hours and via a roster for any after-hours complaints. After hours on-call team members will have a general knowledge of OOH night works.

Complaint escalation will be in accordance with the Sydney Metro Construction Complaints Management System and timeframes. See Table 6.

Contact type	Medium	Timeframe
Enquiries	Telephone	Verbal response within 2 business hours of receipt
	Social media	Within 2 business hours of receipt
	Written (email, letter, fax)	Within 1 business day of receipt
	Media, government, or stakeholder groups	Immediately referred to Sydney Metro
Complaints	Telephone	Verbal response within 2 hours of receipt, where a phone number is provided or is available in Consultation Manager

Contact type	Medium	Timeframe
	Written	Verbal response within two business hours of receipt, where a phone number is provided or is available in Consultation Manager, or a written response where a phone number is not available
	Social media	Provide Sydney Metro with a response within two business hours of receipt
	Requests for information from Sydney Metro, community complaints mediator or other relevant specialist about complaints	Within 2 business hours
	From media, government, or stakeholder groups	Immediately referred to Sydney Metro

Table 6: Complaint and enquiry response times

All enquiries received will be entered into Consultation Manager within 48 hours of being received and all complaints within 24 hours of receipt.

AFJV will enter complaints directly into the Sydney Metro complaints register in Consultation Manager by 2pm each business day. The daily complaints report should include any complaints received during the previous 24 hour period to 12pm.

#### 4.5.1 Complaints process

Complaints are defined as any interaction with a community member or stakeholder in which dissatisfaction is expressed with regards to the Project activities, proposed activities, or staff member. Complaints can be received in person, via phone, email, social media or in writing but at times they may also be referred to via Sydney Metro or other parties.

All complaints will be answered and responded to 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The Sydney Metro call centre will receive the initial call, record basic details, and advise that the on call AFJV place manager will call them back.

Place Managers will be the primary points of contact for ongoing management of complaints with escalation to Stakeholder and Community Engagement Manager, other teams within the project where required.

As shown in in Figure 5, where further escalation is required, it will comply with the Sydney Metro Construction Complaints Management System which may include involvement of the Environmental Representative and/or referral to the Community Complaints Mediator.

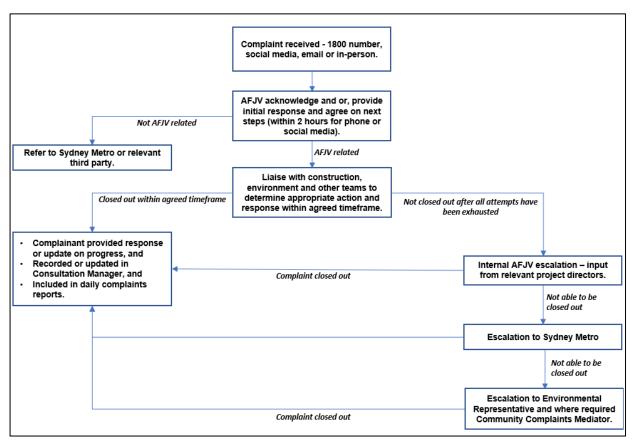


Figure 5: AFJV complaints process

Complaints investigated and identified as not being related to AFJV scope of work would be referred to Sydney Metro and/or other relevant parties and classified as not related.

AFJV complaints management will be reviewed every six months for the duration of the project in line with this plan.

#### 4.6 Reporting and information to Sydney Metro

AFJV understands the importance of establishing and maintaining a strong and proactive working relationship with Sydney Metro, achieved through clear and consistent reporting guidelines.

The SCEM will chair weekly communications meetings and PAEM will chair the monthly (or as otherwise agreed) media meetings with Sydney Metro to:

- Provide information on upcoming work and communication and consultation items
- Provide update on project progress
- Discuss issues of concern and proposed rectification
- Outline photography, filming, and media opportunities.

The detailed reporting schedule is outlined in Table 7.

Format	Frequency	Content
Daily complaints	Daily	<ul> <li>Daily complaints will be entered by 2pm (for the previous 24 hour period from 12pm to 12pm) directly in Consultation Manager</li> </ul>

Format	Frequency	Content
		<ul> <li>Daily EPA complaint reports for the period between 12pm and 12pm each business day</li> </ul>
Weekly meeting	Weekly	<ul> <li>Two and four week lookaheads for construction and communications planning</li> <li>Key stakeholder issues and impacts</li> <li>Mitigation measures for impacts</li> <li>Public communication materials</li> <li>Public events, site visits and media milestones</li> </ul>
Fortnightly CICGs	Fortnightly	<ul> <li>Upcoming work</li> <li>Lookaheads for communications planning</li> <li>Complaints and close out actions</li> <li>Emerging issues summary</li> </ul>
Monthly media meeting	Monthly or as required	<ul> <li>Milestones and Events</li> <li>Photography and Filming</li> <li>Time-lapse and Animations</li> <li>Website and Social Media</li> <li>Media and Government Relations</li> </ul>
Monthly report	Monthly	<ul> <li>Compliance with CCS</li> <li>Enquiry statistics, trends, and responses</li> <li>Complaint statistics and status, lessons learnt, escalation</li> <li>Outgoing contacts summary including audience, issues, and outcomes</li> <li>Month look ahead including site visits, milestones, changes to engagement program or scope of work, night works and proposed communications strategies, media, or other opportunities</li> </ul>
Community Communication Strategy (CCS) Community Communication Sub-Plans	Bi-annually	Updated CCS and Community Communication Sub-Plans which will consist of a detailed six-month look ahead program as required

**Table 7: AFJV Reporting schedule** 

#### 4.7 Interface

AFJV has a dedicated Interface Manager that will be AFJV's primary relationship owner with local Councils, utility providers, adjoining projects, and key stakeholders such as SOPA and Place Management NSW. Other subject matter experts on the project including the SCEM and Place Managers will be required to participate in interface meetings.

AFJV Interface Manager works closely with the Sydney Metro interface team and ensure they are aware of discussions being carried out and invited to various meetings.

AFJV Environment, Sustainability and Approval Managers are the primary owners of regulatory agencies for consultation on CEMP and various other compliance matters.

AFJV Traffic Manager is the lead on engagement with traffic and transport stakeholders with support from SCEM on matters of traffic, haulage, parking, and access impacts.

AFJV attends the regular Traffic Control Group (TCG) and Traffic and Transport Liaison Group (TTLG) meetings to discuss planned work, conflicts, cumulative impacts, and combined solutions.

## **Section 5 Stakeholders**

AFJV recognises the diverse consultation and information needs of the community, businesses and other stakeholders and will tailor engagement according to their interests and via appropriate communication tools. Table 8 is a summary of key stakeholders associated with the CTP scope of work, their potential topics of interest and issues as well as what tools we propose to use to engage with them.

Our engagement approach is guided by the IAP2 public participation spectrum and best practice. For further information about the IAP2 spectrum please visit <a href="https://iap2.org.au/resources/spectrum/">https://iap2.org.au/resources/spectrum/</a>

Being in the construction phase of an approved project, most of the communication and engagement effort will be focused on informing local communities about upcoming work and anticipated impacts.

There will also be targeted consultation with local residents and businesses to develop solutions to mitigate construction impacts.

Any proposed modifications to the approved project design would be subject to a formal consultation process. Stakeholders will be made aware when issues are negotiable or non-negotiable.

For any identified negotiable issues, AFJV would utilise:

- 'consult' level communication tools to work closely with the community including local residents and businesses
- 'involve' level communication tools to work closely with local government and utilities providers
- 'empower' and 'collaborate' level communication tools to work closely with state government departments, authorities and agencies (via Sydney Metro).

Stakeholder group	Stakeholder detail	Interest / potential issues	Level of IAP2 Consultation	Communication tools
Elected representatives – Federal	<ul><li>Member for Grayndler</li><li>Member for Reid</li></ul>	<ul> <li>On time project delivery</li> <li>Impact to constituents during construction and operation.</li> </ul>	Collaborate	Support Sydney Metro in communications with elected officials e.g., briefings, reporting
Elected representatives – State	<ul> <li>NSW Premier</li> <li>Minister for Infrastructure, Cities and Active Transport</li> <li>Minister for Transport</li> <li>Member for Balmain</li> <li>Member for Drummoyne</li> <li>Member for Strathfield</li> <li>Member for Auburn</li> </ul>	On time project delivery     Impact to constituents during construction and operation	Collaborate	Support Sydney Metro in communications with elected officials e.g., briefings, reporting

Stakeholder group	Stakeholder detail	Interest / potential issues	Level of IAP2 Consultation	Communication tools
Government agencies/ departments	Transport for NSW (including Customer Journey Planning) Department of Planning and Environment Heritage NSW NSW Environment Protection Authority. Emergency Services – Police, Fire, Ambulance, SES Place Management NSW NSW Ports Authority NSW Office of Water Infrastructure NSW Department of Education	<ul> <li>Regulation and compliance</li> <li>Management of cumulative impacts</li> <li>Reputation and brand</li> <li>On time project delivery</li> <li>Impact to stakeholders during construction and operation</li> </ul>	• Collaborate	<ul> <li>Consultation during development of relevant project management plans, where appropriate</li> <li>Reporting on compliance</li> <li>Attend and participate in various interface and coordination meetings</li> <li>Organised site visits and inspections</li> <li>Provide all required information as requested within timeframes</li> </ul>
Local Government (staff and elected officials)	Inner West Council Burwood Council City of Canada Bay Parramatta City Council Blacktown City Council (Eastern Creek Precast Facility)	<ul> <li>Impact on local infrastructure</li> <li>Impact on flora and fauna</li> <li>Increased truck movements</li> <li>Impact on traffic and parking</li> </ul>	Collaborate	<ul> <li>Interface agreements</li> <li>Briefings</li> <li>Regular meetings</li> <li>Formal correspondence</li> <li>Local traffic committee</li> </ul>
Transport and traffic	<ul> <li>Sydney Metro</li> <li>Transport for NSW</li> <li>Customer Journey Planning</li> <li>Sydney Trains</li> <li>Sydney Buses</li> <li>Private bus operators</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Impacts to road network during construction and operation</li> <li>Road safety</li> <li>Impact to bus stops, routes, and travel time</li> <li>Pedestrian safety</li> <li>Cyclist safety</li> </ul>	Collaborate	<ul> <li>Interface Manager liaison</li> <li>Attend existing briefings such as TCG and TTLG</li> <li>One of specific meetings as required</li> <li>Formal correspondence</li> <li>Interface agreements</li> </ul>
Road users, Pedestrians	<ul><li>Commuters</li><li>Pedestrians</li><li>Cyclists</li><li>Ride-share</li><li>Taxi Council</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Increased truck movements</li> <li>Changed traffic conditions (detours/delays)</li> </ul>	Consult	<ul><li>Signage</li><li>Fencing/hoarding</li><li>Website</li><li>Phone and email</li><li>Notifications</li><li>Project advertisements</li></ul>

Stakeholder group	Stakeholder detail	Interest / potential issues	Level of IAP2 Consultation	Communication tools
	Heavy Vehicle Industry     Local councilc	Changed pedestrian access Changes to parking		<ul> <li>Email updates</li> <li>Posters</li> <li>Sydney Metro Connect App</li> </ul>
Residents	Within 60m for underground work  Within 100m for standard hours surface work  Within 200m for work out of hours	<ul> <li>Noise</li> <li>Ground borne noise (tunnel excavation)</li> <li>Dust (surface work)</li> <li>Vibration</li> <li>Access</li> <li>Parking</li> <li>Visual impacts</li> <li>Service interruptions</li> <li>Construction fatigue</li> <li>Workforce behaviour</li> <li>Truck movements</li> </ul>	• Inform / Consult	<ul> <li>Door knocks</li> <li>One-on-one meetings</li> <li>Newsletters, notifications, and progress updates</li> <li>FAQs</li> <li>Property condition surveys as required</li> <li>Phone and email</li> <li>Sydney Metro Connect App</li> <li>Website</li> <li>Meet the team and site open days</li> <li>Project inductions</li> </ul>
Businesses	The Bays – Roberts Street  Five Dock – Second Avenue, Great North Road, East Street and Fred Kelly Place  Burwood North – Paramatta Road and Burwood Road  North Strathfield – Queen Street  Sydney Olympic Park – Figtree Drive and Herb Elliot Avenue  Five Dock and Majors Bay Chamber of Commerce	<ul> <li>Business access and visibility</li> <li>Passing trade</li> <li>Customer parking</li> <li>Loading zones and deliveries</li> <li>Construction impacts (noise, vibration, and dust)</li> <li>Visual amenity</li> </ul>	• Inform / Consult	<ul> <li>Business identification surveys</li> <li>Door knocks</li> <li>One-on-one meetings</li> <li>Newsletters, notifications, and progress updates</li> <li>Phone and email</li> <li>Sydney Metro Connect App</li> <li>Website</li> <li>Business initiatives</li> <li>Meet the team and site open days</li> <li>Project inductions</li> </ul>
Education Facilities	<ul> <li>Five Dock Primary School</li> <li>Domremy College</li> <li>MLC School</li> <li>Southern Cross Catholic Vocational College</li> <li>St Mary's Catholic Primary School</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Noise and vibration (potentially time sensitive)</li> <li>Increased truck movements</li> <li>Pedestrian movements</li> <li>School bus and public bus operations</li> <li>Bus stop changes</li> </ul>	Inform /     Consult	<ul> <li>Briefings</li> <li>One-on-one meetings as required</li> <li>Newsletters, notifications, and progress updates</li> <li>Phone and email</li> <li>Community and social initiatives</li> <li>Meet the team and site open days</li> </ul>

Stakeholder group	Stakeholder detail	Interest / potential issues	Level of IAP2 Consultation	Communication tools
	Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Primary School     The MacDonald College North Strathfield	Sydney Metro     Education     Program		
Other Sensitive Receivers (aged care, medical facilities, places of worship)	St Alban's Anglican Church Inner West Montessori School C3 Church Rozelle Parkview Nursing Home St Mary's Villa Aged Care St Mary's Catholic Parish Sydney Happy Presbyterian New Life Indonesian Community Church Heritage of Faith Sydney Cheil Church	<ul> <li>Noise and vibration (potentially time sensitive)</li> <li>Increased truck movements</li> <li>Workforce behaviour</li> <li>Access impacts</li> <li>Parking impacts</li> </ul>	• Inform / Consult	<ul> <li>Briefings</li> <li>One-on-one meetings as required</li> <li>Newsletters, notifications, and progress updates</li> <li>Phone and email</li> <li>Community and social initiatives</li> <li>Meet the team and site open days</li> <li>Project inductions</li> </ul>
Media	<ul> <li>Chinese Daily News</li> <li>Daily Telegraph</li> <li>Sydney Morning Herald</li> <li>The Australian</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reaching project milestones</li> <li>Sydney Metro Education Program (outreach activities)</li> <li>Incidents</li> <li>Employment opportunities</li> </ul>	• Inform	<ul><li>Project advertisements</li><li>Holding lines</li><li>Media releases</li></ul>
Other contractors	<ul> <li>WestConnex / Transurban</li> <li>Property developers</li> <li>Other Sydney Metro contractors (WTP, ETP)</li> <li>Council</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cumulative impacts</li> <li>Customer service continuity</li> <li>Confusion about with whom to raise a complaint or enquiry</li> </ul>	Collaborate	<ul> <li>Interface agreements</li> <li>CICGs</li> <li>Work closely to ensure coordination</li> <li>Clear public communication material</li> </ul>
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse groups (CALD)	<ul> <li>Community groups/organisat ions</li> <li>Community centres/venues</li> <li>Cultural events</li> <li>Including community language media</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Project benefits and details</li> <li>Accessible information</li> <li>How to get in touch with the project team</li> </ul>	Consult	<ul> <li>Translated material</li> <li>Translation services</li> </ul>

Stakeholder group	Stakeholder detail	Interest / potential issues	Level of IAP2 Consultation	Communication tools
	<ul> <li>to be</li> <li>determined in</li> <li>collaboration</li> <li>with Sydney</li> <li>Metro</li> </ul>			
Utility providers	<ul><li>Sydney Water</li><li>Ausgrid</li><li>NBN</li><li>Telstra / Optus</li><li>Jemena</li><li>Others</li></ul>	<ul><li>Impact on services</li><li>Project delay</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Consult</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Interface agreements</li> <li>Regular briefings to coordinate work</li> <li>Robust programming to minimise impact to the community, businesses, and stakeholders</li> <li>Clear and concise public communication material regarding service impacts</li> </ul>
Aboriginal Land Council	Metropolitan Land Council of NSW	<ul> <li>Heritage and cultural impact</li> <li>Future Sydney Metro phases/stages of work</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Involve</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Briefings</li><li>One-on-one meetings</li><li>Formal correspondence</li></ul>
Other special interest community groups	<ul> <li>Train heritage etc. NSW Rail Museum</li> <li>Local historical groups etc. Ashfield &amp; District Historical Society</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Project details</li><li>Historical and heritage finds</li><li>Site visits</li></ul>	Consult	<ul> <li>Provide newsletters, notifications, and progress updates</li> <li>Email blast</li> </ul>
Other stakeholders	Within 500m of work	<ul> <li>Traffic impacts from haulage</li> <li>Parking changes</li> <li>Service interruptions</li> </ul>	• Inform / Consult	<ul> <li>Provide newsletters, notifications, and progress updates</li> <li>Email blast</li> </ul>

**Table 8: Summary of stakeholders** 

# **Section 6 Community**

#### 6.1 Profile

The scope of the CTP works will impact 11 kilometres of the Inner West which is made up of multiple communities with different characteristics, interests and issues as shown in Table 9 as well as in the Site-Specific Community Communication Plans.

Site	Profile
The Bays	A heritage industrial precinct
	<ul> <li>The station box site does not have a lot of directly impacted residential receivers however is directly adjacent to the Rozelle Interchange and Western Harbour Tunnel projects</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Heavy vehicle impacts associated with spoil haulage and segment deliveries are of interest to Port Authority of NSW and Place Management NSW who are overseeing a number of redevelopment projects around The Bays</li> </ul>

Site	Profile
Five Dock	Two work sites on opposite sides of Great North Road in a dense residential area, located near the busy local shopping strip
	<ul> <li>Main issues of concern will be impacts on local traffic and parking as well as construction impacts (noise, dust, vibration) associated with demolition, shaft, and station box excavation</li> </ul>
Burwood North	Two work sites located on either side of Parramatta Road and surrounded by a community who have experienced prolonged construction in the area including construction of the M4 East Motorway and Concord Oval redevelopment
North Strathfield	<ul> <li>The station box site is within the Sydney Trains rail corridor, directly across the road from the Queen Street local shopping strip. This site is surrounded by residential properties and key issues of concern are expected to be around heavy vehicle impact on local streets during the station box excavation.</li> </ul>
Sydney Olympic Park	<ul> <li>This station box site is in the middle of the popular Sydney Olympic Park that is host to numerous large-scale sporting and cultural events each year. There are three hotels (owned by Accor) close to the site with several businesses on Figtree Avenue and Herb Elliot Avenue.</li> </ul>
Eastern Creek Precast Facility	The site is surrounded by large industrial businesses that will be interested in traffic impacts from precast segment deliveries (no residential receivers nearby)
Tunnel alignment	<ul> <li>The tunnel excavation with the Tunnel Boring Machines will start in The Bays precinct then head west under residential properties in Rozelle, Five Dock, Canada Bay, North Strathfield as well as go under Callan Park at Lilyfield, Iron Cove, Bicentennial Park and P3 car park at Sydney Olympic Park. Issues of concern along the route will be ground borne noise.</li> </ul>

Table 9: Site profiles

AFJV will continue to monitor information about the make-up of our communities, review and adapt feedback received from the communities to further refine and develop appropriate communication and engagement processes.

#### 6.2 Community display material

The community profile for each construction site is unique and requires a tailored approach by our Place Managers as outlined in specific Community Communication Sub-Plans.

In addition to the PCM outlined in Section 4.3, AFJV will organise site or activity specific information sessions which could include:

- Community open days for residents and businesses at The Bays, Five Dock, Burwood North, North Strathfield and Sydney Olympic Park
- Business specific events at Five Dock
- Community Information Sessions e.g. to outline tunnel and cross passage excavation process in lead up to tunnelling starting

Sydney Metro would be included in planning activities of any information session formats through early identification in regular communication meetings and monthly project reports. A0 information boards would be used with at least three A0 boards allowed for Sydney Metro themed information.

Alongside PCM one of the other ways AFJV plans to showcase community display material is via an online virtual community information room. This is used to feature key elements of construction work such as 'how a station box will be excavated', 'how a TBM works' or to facilitate input if and as required by Planning Approval or design changes.

The Virtual Community Information Room is regulalry reviewed to capture progress, design developments, and consider stakeholder and community feedback in consultation with Sydney Metro and in consideration of existing content on the Virtual Community Information Room.

Links to the temporary Virtual Community Information Room are periodically included in various PCM and contribute to minimising impacts to the community through the increased understanding of the type of work required on the project.

#### 6.3 Site boundary display material

All external site boundary hoardings, sheds (acoustic or site sheds that form part of the boundary), walls and fencing will be covered with banners that will incorporate Sydney Metro designed and approved artwork.

AFJV will provide Sydney Metro with detailed site layout information including locations of all boundary hoardings, sheds, fencing, public viewing holes and access gates for the purposes of designing temporary or permanent external banner artwork.

Sydney Metro will develop site plans outlining what artwork will be used taking into consideration high visibility locations and access points. Once artwork design and locations are approved and provided, AFJV will procure and install the external banners in the form of:

- Permanent vinyl banners (covered with anti-graffiti clear coating) on long term use sites no
  later than 40 business days of the date the external hoarding, shed, wall or fence is
  installed, or the artwork is provided.
- Shade cloth artwork on temporary construction sites such as geotechnical investigation sites as well as on long term use sites where the permanent vinyl artwork cannot be installed straight away. These would be installed on the same day the fencing or hoarding is installed.

Regular inspections of all site boundaries will be carried out by Place Managers to ensure they are kept graffiti and advertisement free as well as to note any deterioration or damage.

Identified graffiti or unauthorised advertising will be removed in line with the following timeframes (pending any safety requirements such as need for road occupancy licences or implementation of temporary pedestrian detours):

- Offensive material or unauthorised advertising will be removed within 24 hours
- Not offensive but highly visible unauthorised material will be removed within a week
- Neither offensive nor highly visible within one month.

## **6.4 Community initiatives**

AFJV will implement actions and initiatives that reflect the need for respectful workforce behaviour and a focus on public safety.

This aims to improve positive outcomes for the community and is underpinned by the Sydney Metro and AFJV's shared values.

The workforce behaviour element recognises the cumulative impact construction work has on those living nearby and encourages respectful behaviour towards the community around project work sites and empowering the workforce to participate in identifying and addressing issues.

Public safety is a key area of focus and the PDCT will work closely with the construction, traffic, and safety teams to identify opportunities for continuous improvement to promote safety and proactively identify potential issues and implementation of preventative measures. This

may include safety and directional signage, to increase understanding or actions to be taken by the public.

#### 6.4.1 Community Benefits Implementation Plan

AFJV recognises that delivery of this major piece of infrastructure within an established community is likely to be disruptive. While various mitigation measures will be implemented to counter those impacts, it is also our intent to support the community through a number of initiatives such as direct funding, assisting with fundraising or by providing 'in-kind' support through the provision of labour, skills or knowledge to create positive social outcomes for local communities.

Initiative selection will be guided by the Sydney Metro community benefit development process as documented in the Sydney Metro Community Benefit Plan with reference to identified "social priorities".

AFJV has developed a Community Benefits Implementation Plan that details how AFJV intends to deliver a number of local initiatives with tangible benefits over the course of the project.

Initial research has identified key organisations already undertaking various community activities across the project footprint that AFJV plans to partner with, including but not limited to:

- City of Canada Bay Council
- St. Albans Church at Five Dock
- Touched by Olivia Foundation
- Burwood Community Welfare Services Meals on Wheels at Concord
- Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre 20 for 1 Community at Rozelle
- Ebenezer Mission
- Chinese Australian Services Society
- Burwood Womens and Girls Emegrnecy Centre

Another key focus of the legacy initiatives will be career opportunity development with key activity areas to include opportunities to support the disadvantaged groups in the local project area:

- CareerSeekers on supporting young people with refugee and asylum seeker background who are settled in the local project area
- Aboriginal cultural awareness and celebration of Aboriginal significant dates to provide a more inclusive culture
- Delivering unconscious bias awareness sessions

# **Section 7 Business Management**

#### 7.1 Approach

Requirements for engaging with local businesses are included in this Section of the CCS and the seven (7) site-specific Community Communication Sub-Plans. A Small Business Owners Engagement Plan (SBOEP) has also been prepared in accordance with the conditions of approval (D70).

The AFJV approach to engaging with business stakeholders will occur in phases:

- Phase 1 site specific during site establishment and station box excavation
- Phase 2 progressively rolled out ahead of tunnel excavation

The Phase 1 business identification surveys were carried out in late 2021 to identify all businesses that could be impacted by construction within 50m of the six sites.

A further alignment wide business identification exercise will be carried out as tunnelling progresses to identify businesses that may be sensitive to tunnel excavation activities such as medical facilities with high precision equipment or recording studios.

One-on-one engagement is preferred and will be prioritised by AFJV as potential impacts on cafes would be very different to potential impacts on specialty stores or larger business operators such as the hotels at Sydney Olympic Park.

Business specific events to communicate project information will be organised as necessary through ongoing liaison with businesses by the Place Managers.

## 7.2 Business identification surveys

The Phase 1 business identification survey was developed in consultation with Sydney Metro. The intent was to obtain the following information to confirm contact details, communication preferences and feedback:

- Business name, address, type, and operating hours
- Business size (number of employees)
- Nominated contact (name, number, and email address)
- Key interests and concerns in relation to construction
- Preferred method and frequency of communication and engagement
- Other feedback for consideration.

Findings from these surveys enable Place Managers to further populate and refine the implementation plan within the site-specific Community Communication Sub-Plans.

Based on feedback from businesses, Place Managers will make fortnightly contact to provide updates on progress and seek feedback.

Business owners and employees will be actively encouraged to subscribe to the project email distribution list as well as to download the Sydney Metro Connect app.

#### 7.3 Affected businesses

The business identification survey will be the primary tool used to develop a detailed database of businesses at each site and along the tunnel alignment. Table 10 provides a high-level

summary of issues and mitigation measures required to minimise impacts to businesses near the CTP construction sites and will be further informed by outputs of the survey.

Site and location of businesses	Key issues	Mitigations (some listed are site specific)
The Bays Robert Street	<ul><li>Noise</li><li>Dust</li><li>Workforce parking on Robert Street</li><li>Cumulative impacts</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Business identification surveys</li> <li>Place Manager to establish good relationship with local</li> </ul>
Five Dock     Great North Road     Fred Kelly Place     East Street	<ul> <li>Noise (construction and trucks)</li> <li>Dust from demolition and excavation</li> <li>Concern about sections of Waterview Street and Second Avenue becoming one-way</li> <li>Visual amenity</li> <li>Customer parking impacts</li> <li>Heavy vehicles on local streets</li> </ul>	businesses and maintain regular contact  • Encouraging staff/workforce to support local businesses  • Adhere to EIS commitments and compliance with CoA and EPL
Burwood North  Parramatta Road  Burwood Road	<ul> <li>Construction fatigue</li> <li>Construction impacts</li> <li>Heritage</li> <li>Parking impacts</li> <li>Dust</li> <li>Bus stop relocation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dust, noise, and vibration monitoring and sharing results</li> <li>Limiting heavy vehicle site access via James Craig Road at The Bays</li> <li>Implement CPAS and</li> </ul>
North Strathfield	<ul> <li>Pedestrian safety and station accessibility.</li> <li>Customer parking</li> <li>Haulage routes and traffic congestion</li> <li>Dust, noise and vibration</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CTMP</li> <li>GPS tracking of spoil trucks</li> <li>Identification stickers on spoil trucks</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Sydney Olympic Park</li><li>Herb Elliot Avenue</li><li>Figtree Drive</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Noise, dust, and vibration</li> <li>Haulage routes and traffic congestion</li> <li>Impact on major events</li> <li>Night work (Hotel patrons)</li> <li>Construction activities related to TBM retrieval</li> </ul>	sponsorships, donation drives and other initiatives
<ul><li>Eastern Creek Precast Facility</li><li>Lenore Drive, Erskine Park</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Traffic congestion due to ongoing precast segment deliveries</li> </ul>	

Table 10: Business issues and mitigations

AFJV will include all business engagement activities in the community and stakeholder section of the project monthly report.

# **Section 8 Mitigation**

AFJV has a robust approach to managing potential and emerging issues associated with the project across the alignment including tunnelling and the Eastern Creek Precast Facility.

Guided by the Sydney Metro General Specification requirements, OCCS, CoA and EPL, we will build good relationships with stakeholders to better understand impacts and appropriate mitigations for community, businesses, and stakeholders.

AFJV will routinely provide Sydney Metro with details of current and upcoming work activities, potential impacts, mitigation measures and details of current complaints and enquiries via email communication and at regular coordination meetings. Key issues and mitigation mesaures are summarised in Table 11 below.

Issue	Details	Mitigation and management strategy
Design issues	<ul> <li>Potential for low awareness of the project design</li> <li>Potential changes to EIS approved design</li> <li>Opposition to design</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wide range of communication tools and materials to demonstrate project design including website and online 3D visualisations, infographics, notifications, detailed reports</li> <li>Close engagement with impacted persons</li> </ul>
Planning Approval	<ul><li>Confusion about planning approval process</li><li>Confusion about the packages of work</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Close liaison with Sydney Metro to respond to enquiries and complaints about the Planning Approval or other</li> </ul>
		Key messages/key material translated into local languages
Airborne noise	<ul> <li>Noise generated by a range of activities including from deliveries, reversing beepers, excavation/demolition, night work, tree clearing, compound operations, increased construction traffic</li> </ul>	Adhere to approved operating hours of work
		Minimise nightwork wherever possible
		Installation of acoustic sheds
		<ul> <li>Follow mitigations and management procedures outlined in Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) and Sub-Plans</li> </ul>
		Early notification
		Implement respite policy
and access dathers	Fatigue due to construction timeframe	Knowledge share with Sydney Metro place managers about fatigued stakeholders
	Multiple development infrastructure projects nearby	<ul> <li>Take additional time to liaise with household, provide answers to questions, provide project documentation</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Provide key communication material in key languages where required</li> </ul>
		Implement respite policy
		Attend CICG meetings

Issue	Details	Mitigation and management strategy
<ul> <li>Disruption to operations for schools (North Strathfield and Five Dock)</li> <li>Disruption to Special</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Temporary detours for bus services</li> <li>Potential changes to accessible parking spaces</li> <li>Inadequate site signage</li> <li>Increase of heavy vehicles</li> <li>Disruptions or delays to bus services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Targeted consultation with bus operators and schools as required</li> <li>Regular updates</li> <li>Clear and concise signage</li> <li>Early notification</li> <li>Regular liaison with Sydne Olympic Park Authority</li> </ul>
Events (Sydney Olympic Park)	<ul> <li>Disruption or delays to pedestrian movements</li> <li>Increase of heavy vehicles</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Modify activities to accommodate the requirements of special events</li> <li>Carry out activities in a way that minimises any interface or disruption to special events or the planning and preparation for special events.</li> <li>Attend any meeting relating to special events or the planning and preparation for special events as required and requested by Sydney Metro.</li> </ul>
• Dust	<ul> <li>Dust generated by construction activities</li> <li>Concerns about potential health impacts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Early identification of sensitive receivers</li> <li>Fencing, shadecloth and hoarding</li> <li>Use of water carts, hoses, and misters</li> <li>Stopping work during windy conditions</li> <li>Prompt response to any complaints</li> </ul>
Vibration	<ul> <li>Vibration from demolition, piling, station box excavation</li> <li>Vibration sensitive equipment in businesses (recording studios, surgeries) or receivers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Early identification of sensitive receivers and early communication material</li> <li>Noise and vibration monitoring</li> <li>Prompt response to any complaints</li> <li>Implementation of the respite process where required</li> </ul>
Lack of awareness and understanding of the project	<ul> <li>Need and purpose for the project not accepted</li> <li>Public not sure how to contact project team</li> <li>Complaints about other projects, other developers, Council services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wide range of communication material across the project sites including hoarding, shade cloth, signage, notifications, posters all carrying project contact information, location name and photography</li> <li>Communication tools and materials that show project design, project location including website, infographics, notifications, detailed reports.</li> <li>Use of Sydney Metro Connect app</li> <li>Media releases and other social media posts</li> </ul>
Local infrastructure and utilities	<ul> <li>Unplanned service interruptions</li> <li>Planned power outages (daytime and overnight)</li> <li>Out-of-hours work for utility investigation and relocation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Implementation of interface protocols</li> <li>Communication coordination meetings with Sydney Metro, Councils, key projects, utilities authorities to develop mitigations and communication measures to minimise impacts and clearly communicate with affected stakeholders and community</li> <li>Collaborate with utilities authorities or others to minimise impacts to stakeholders and the community across the life of the project</li> <li>Pre-construction condition reports of assets to capture baseline for future restoration activities</li> <li>Information provided to sensitive receivers well in advance</li> </ul>

Issue	Details	Mitigation and management strategy
		Prompt resolution of unplanned service interruptions
		<ul> <li>Provision of generators to sensitive receviers</li> </ul>
Location of site compounds	<ul><li>Visual impacts</li><li>Noise, litter, workforce parking issues</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Face-to-face and online communication with affected properties to detail requirements for operating the site, power the TBMs, support the workforce, remove spoil from underground</li> </ul>
		Overshadowing assessment at Five Dock
		<ul> <li>Distribute newsletter for each site before site establishment starts</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Established regular communication with affected stakeholders to maintain productive working relationship</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Out of Hours Work</li> </ul>	Noise and lighting impacts	Notifications, door knocks, email, and Sydney Metro app updates
	Cumulative impacts if other contractors are working in	<ul> <li>Offer of meetings with affected residents/businesses leading up to OOHW</li> </ul>
	the same area	Regular contact once work starts as key contact
	Lack of understanding why it must be at night	Implement AFJV Respite Policy
	<ul> <li>Impact to sensitive receivers (e.g., religious services, school exams)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Property impacts</li> </ul>	Concerns about potential property damage from	Pre-construction property condition surveys of all properties within eligible zone
	construction	<ul> <li>Knowledge share sessions with Sydney Metro to understand sensitive issues</li> </ul>
	Maintaining property access	<ul> <li>Investigate any property damage claim on its own merit</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Communicate with owners and tenants about access impacts</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Respond quickly to complaints or requests for project information</li> </ul>
Social impacts	Impacts of construction on residential amenity and community cohesion	<ul> <li>Open and regular communication with community, businesses, and stakeholders</li> <li>Identify Community Benefit Initiatives to implement with AFJV Sustainability team</li> </ul>
Spoil haulage and	Increased heavy vehicle movements	GPS tracking
haulage routes	Potential for vehicle damage	Truck identification stickers
	Noise from trucks	Ensure street sweepers and water carts are responsive to complaints and enquiries
	Concern about pedestrian safety	about on-street dust and spoil material
		Clear pedestrian detour signage and prior notification
Traffic management	Disruptions, delays, temporary detours, traffic switch,	Comply with the CTMP and CPAS
and transport		TCG and TTLG attendance
	<ul><li>turning paths</li><li>Cumulative effects on local traffic, through-traffic, public</li></ul>	Provide target stakeholders including Council, peak bodies, heavy vehicle industry
	transport operators, travel times and school bus travel	advance information about traffic changes via liaison, email blast and notifications
	<ul> <li>Impacts to pedestrian, cyclists, motorists,</li> </ul>	Project advertisements in metropolitan, local and CALD newspapers
	emergency vehicles	Targeted meetings
		Clear signage and use of VMS

Issue	Details	Mitigation and management strategy
	Maintaining access and minimising disruption to	Community update/newsletter information
	residents, property owners, businesses during construction	<ul> <li>Prompt responses to complaints and enquiries</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Information posters at bus stops and other key locations</li> </ul>
	On-street parking changes and workforce parking	<ul> <li>Information at meetings, briefings, site visits and other forums with targeted stakeholder and community groups</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Vegetation removal</li> </ul>	Removal of vegetation with social, environmental, or other value	Minimise removal through design
		<ul> <li>Liaise with key stakeholders including Council prior to removal</li> </ul>
	Displacement of fauna and insects	<ul> <li>Adequate notification in advance of removal activities</li> </ul>
	Local environmental group interest	<ul> <li>Clear marking of species to be preserved including training for construction staff</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Ground borne noise</li> </ul>	• Impact on sensitive businesses (e.g., medical centre/day	Business identification surveys
	surgery, printing press, scientific lab)	<ul> <li>Noise prediction tool and proactive application of respite policy</li> </ul>
	Tunnel and cross passage excavation	<ul> <li>Consideration of special circumstances such as medical conditions</li> </ul>
		Pre-construction property condition surveys
<ul> <li>Workforce behaviour</li> </ul>	On-street parking use	On-site parking wherever possible
	<ul> <li>Interaction with local residents, businesses, road users</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Construction Parking and Access Strategy in place</li> </ul>
	Littering	<ul> <li>Clear and concise project and site inductions that build awareness of requirements and expectations</li> </ul>
		Clear disciplinary policies
		Prompt response to issues

Table 11: Mitigation and management strategies for key issues

## **Section 9 Communication tools**

AFJV understands that a variety of communication tools ensures a wider reach within the community and allows for more diverse and targeted approaches across the 11km of the project alignment. As such, AFJV will use a range of communication tools and techniques to ensure stakeholders are adequately informed and engaged throughout the project lifecycle.

This will include using tools and channels which are proven to have an impact such as:

- Face-to-face engagement (door knock and meetings)
- Email and phone contact
- Website and social media
- Traditional printed materials such as newsletters, notifications, fact sheets, correspondence
- Digital materials such as photography, videography, animations
- Signage, hoarding and advertising.
- Interactive events and forums including Temporary Virtual Community Information rooms and online community information sessions meetings, briefings, forums, webinars and open days as required

Table 12 provides a list of communication tools AFJV will use and for what purpose.

Tool	Purpose
Community information line	Respond to enquiries during business hours
• 1800 612 173	Respond to complaints 24/7
1800 Contact cards	<ul> <li>Issued to every employee who attends the project induction to provide them with details of community information line and CTP email address.</li> </ul>
Email	Respond to enquiries and complaints
• <u>MetrotunnelsAFJV@transport.nsw.gov.</u>	Provide advice on new activities
<u>au</u>	Provide weekly progress on work or milestones.
Postal address	To facilitate receipt of correspondence from community and stakeholders that do not use email.
Signage (static and variable),	Provide advice on changes to any traffic, pedestrian, public transport, or cycleway changes
External banners	<ul> <li>Provide contact information, project identification, wider Sydney Metro messaging and where possible significant local matters (history or heritage)</li> </ul>
Websites	Sydney Metro website for general project information (notifications, newsletters, invitations to sessions and events etc)
	AFJV website for Planning Approval document requirements
Sydney Metro Connect app and other social media platforms	Provide advice on new activities
Social media piationns	<ul><li>Provide weekly progress on work or milestones</li><li>Provide advice of emergency work</li></ul>
Consultation Manager database	<ul> <li>Record all contact with community, businesses, and stakeholders</li> <li>Produce reports</li> </ul>

Tool	Purpose
Newsletters (4 x A4 pages with one page for Sydney Metro content)	Bi-annually for the individual sites to provide information on site layouts, high level program, progress, and other interesting information
	<ul> <li>Quarterly once tunnelling activities start to provide tunnelling progress to date and expected progress over coming 3 months</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Delivered to all properties within 500m of aboveground activities and 60m of underground activities (tunnel or cross over excavation)</li> </ul>
Notifications	Advise of start of work at any new location
	Advise of activities with new or different impacts
	Advise of night work      Describe a great hours late of words at a sale site.
	<ul> <li>Provide a monthly update of work at each site</li> <li>Once tunnelling starts providing monthly update on tunnelling</li> </ul>
	progress to date and expected progress in affected suburbs
	<ul> <li>Delivered to everyone within 100m of activity for work during standard construction hours</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Delivered to everyone within 200m of activity for work outside standard construction hours</li> </ul>
	Delivered to everyone within 60m of underground activities (tunnel or cross over excavation)
Doorknocks	<ul> <li>Ahead of new work starts and then regular check ins around sites.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Weekly ahead of the TBMs reaching specific areas with flyers encouraging residents to contact us if they have any questions.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>PDCT would comply with all NSW Health requirements if carrying out door knocks, including wearing masks.</li> </ul>
Meetings (one-on-one or group/street as required)	<ul> <li>Provide opportunity to discuss specific issues of concern one- on-one or general project enquiries.</li> </ul>
Fact sheets and Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) documents	<ul> <li>Inform and educate on specific matters of interest such as pre- construction property condition surveys, site layouts or tunnelling processes.</li> </ul>
In-person Community Information Sessions	<ul> <li>Provide opportunities to learn about the project, progress and for consultation as required by Planning Approval or design changes.</li> </ul>
Temporary virtual community information rooms	Alternate to in-person sessions to feature key elements of construction work such as 'how a station box will be excavated', 'how a TBM works' or to facilitate virtual Community Information Sessions to seek feedback and input if required by Planning Approval or design changes.
Mobile displays	<ul> <li>Provide consultation and engagement opportunities with businesses, schools, or places of worship.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Ahead of tunnelling to provide information at places like the shopping centres along the tunnel route.</li> </ul>
Meet the team and site open days	Introduce community members and other stakeholder to key team members and foster better working relationships
	Open days to coincide with TBM launch and breakthrough events
	Tunnel walk-through event
Advertising	To provide information about significant traffic changes or impacts.
Media events	Mark and celebrate milestones and achievements
Photography, videography, time-lapse	Capture progress, milestones, and human-interest stories
Animations	<ul> <li>To educate how certain aspects of the project are being constructed, to be developed in consultation with Sydney Metro.</li> </ul>

Tool	Pι	ırpose
TBM tracker	•	To track progress of TBM tunnelling activities once they start in late 2022
Translation services	•	To be included on all public community materials and where appropriate advertisements placed in community language newspapers

**Table 4: AFJV communication tools** 

# **Section 10 Procedures**

#### **10.1 Consultation Manager**

The PDCT will capture all incoming and outgoing interactions with external stakeholders in the Consultation Manager (CM) database which will include:

- Enquiries
- Complaints
- Meetings
- Site visits
- Information session
- Public communication materials
- Marketing and promotional materials
- Property condition surveys, property treatments and damage claims.

Accurate and timely recording of interactions is essential in providing reliable reporting for Sydney Metro and as such interactions will be recorded in CM within 48 hours for general enquiries and events and complaints recorded within 24 hours.

#### 10.2 Media and government relations

AFJV understand the timely and sensitive nature of responding to media and government enquiries on high profile projects such as Sydney Metro. The PAEM will implement a project specific high-quality media plan that ensures:

- All incoming or outgoing communications with media and government stakeholders relating to the project's activities is coordinated through Sydney Metro as the responsible party for managing all communication with media and government stakeholders.
- Sydney Metro is advised immediately of any contact by media or a government representative.
- No member of AFJV or our subcontractors provides any comment (verbal or written) or material (traditional or digital) about any aspect of the project to the media or any government representative unless written approval is provided by Sydney Metro.

- The PAEM will be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to assist (or as required and requested) Sydney Metro with the management of media and government enquiries, including the provision of:
  - A holding statement within 30 minutes of request and a full response within two hours of an enquiry or contact being made.
  - In the event the Public Affairs and Events Manager is unavailable, the SCEM and Project Director will be available to fulfil the above obligations.

#### 10.3 Crisis and incident communication

All incident and crisis communications management will be in accordance with Sydney Metro's policies and direction. Figure 7 outlines the high-level process AFJV will implement if it considers an incident or issue which has occurred may impact the community, environment, personnel or attracts the attention of the media, the Minister for Transport and Roads, a local Member of Parliament, local council, or the broader community.

AFJV will immediately notify Sydney Metro of the incident and issue an appropriate holding statement within 10 minutes of the incident and provide ongoing updates hourly during the event.

AFJV has developed a crisis communication package which will form part of the project wide crisis management plan.

When AFJV hold crisis event management exercises, key Sydney Metro personnel may be invited to either observe or participate.



Figure 7: Crisis communication process

#### 10.4 Site visits and events

Sydney Metro West is expected to attract considerable interest from the community, stakeholder as well as media and government

The PDCT will prepare a project milestone calendar (with monthly updates to reflect changes or new information) and work with Sydney Metro to manage all planned events and ad-hoc requests for site visits. AFJV will provide relevant viewing areas for events and arrange site logistics required to make them safe and successful including pre-event inspections, access to site, escorts, safety equipment, inductions, power, and lighting.

An event specification will be produced for each event covering details as outlined in general specification and submitted to Sydney Metro for review and approval.

AFJV will provide Sydney Metro 48 hours written notice of any proposed stakeholder or community site visits as well as accommodate specific site visits or events as requested by Sydney Metro.

#### 10.5 Branding

AFJV will ensure Sydney Metro brand compliance on all external facing signage, communications, collateral items and major plant and equipment including if any brand updates are implemented for the duration of the project.

AFJV will ensure that only NSW Government and Sydney Metro logos are included on the following items where they are branded:

- Public communication materials
- Marketing and promotional materials
- External banners
- Major plant and equipment including TBMs, road headers, cranes and their flags, vehicles, and.
- Personal protective equipment.

#### 10.6 Site inductions and training

The project stakeholder and community engagement requirements will be incorporated in the project induction that every employee and subcontractor will have to attend before being allowed to work on site.

Induction content as well as broader training for employees will equip them with the knowledge of what to do when they come across members of the public and comply with Sydney Metro's requirements.

Focus will be placed on increasing awareness of potential community impacts, incident management, incident reporting procedures, community enquiries or complaints, and procedures for managing approaches from government representatives and/or media enquiries.

Refresher sessions will be conducted to ensure community and stakeholder requirements and associated procedures are adhered to.

Project inductions will be reviewed by the SCEM and the PAEM before being submitted to Sydney Metro for review and approval, at least 10 business days before being publicly used.

Specific toolbox talks will also be organised to cover off site specific issues of concern while requirements and good news stories will be widely circulated internally through channels like

- Project specific intranet
- Monthly town halls.

#### **10.7 Property**

Liaison with property owners and access to private property will at times be required for the purpose of conducting pre and post construction property conditions surveys, access to adjoining properties prior to demolition work starting to install monitoring equipment.

AFJV has developed a communication process that outlines a three (3) step offer process to owners of properties eligible for the pre and post construction property condition surveys for properties around the individual construction sites as well as along the tunnel alignment.

Pre-construction property condition survey offer letters were issued to eligible properties from September 2021 around the construction sites and then progressively from early 2023 for the tunnel alignment ahead of tunnel excavation progress. Copies of complete pre-construction property condition surveys would be provided to owners 30 days before relevant construction starts. Same process would then be applied to post-construction property condition surveys. This process would be supported by fact sheets and training of inspectors.

Access to private property will only be sought via the relevant PDCT member and formalised in writing at least seven (7) days in advance of the required access.

Access to any Council owned land would be managed through the Interface Manager and relevant interface agreements.

#### 10.7.1 COVID-19 considerations

AFJV acknowledges that as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic situation, some property owners may be concerned with visitors entering their property.

AFJV takes the risks associated with COVID-19 very seriously including the health and safety of our employees, contractors, stakeholders and the community.

We will implement measures to safely carry out property condition surveys and will comply with any NSW Health requirements.

Some of these measures include:

- Inspectors being subject to strict screening with regards to their recent movements and contact (if an inspector has any COVID-19 type symptoms or have been in any of the casual or close contact locations, they are not allowed to attend work)
- Inspectors strictly observe hygiene recommendations that includes wearing masks and gloves and using sanitised equipment when carrying out the surveys
- Inspectors strictly adhere to the social distancing requirements and do not shake hands
- Inspectors are not required to touch any surfaces within the homes and just need to use their camera to take photos and clip board to take notes.

#### 10.8 Respite management process

AFJV will manage noise and vibration mitigation in accordance with the requirements of the:

- Conditions of Approval
- Environment Protection Licence
- Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (CNVMP)
- Detailed Noise and Vibration Impact Statements (DNVIS)

TfNSW Construction Noise and Vibration Guideline.

Where possible AFJV will manage the impacts of noisiest construction work by modifying activities and the hours scheduled for work to occur during standard construction hours wherever possible. Despite those efforts, at times high impact work will need to be carried out outside of standard construction hours which might result in noise and/or vibration that exceeds human comfort, triggering offers of respite and/or alternative accommodation (AA).

Civil construction activities that might trigger respite could be utility investigation and relocation, demolition, site establishment work and station box excavation. Respite and AA offers would generally be based on exceedance of airborne background noise levels during the shoulder and night-time periods. Background noise levels will vary between the different sites.

Tunnelling activities that might trigger respite offers relate to tunnel and cross passage excavation and would generally be based on when moderately to highly intrusive ground borne noise is expected to be 10 + dBA above the background noise level of 35dBa as defined by TfNSW Construction Noise and Vibration Guideline.

Consideration will also be given to individual and personal circumstances such as medical conditions to facilitate respite and AA offers on compassionate grounds.

AFJV has developed a respite and alternative accommodation offer management process that outlines:

- Project requirements for alternative accommodation and respite offers
- Types of respite offers
- Alternative accommodation process, eligibility, and rules
- Governance
- Frequently asked questions.

Most of the AA offers are expected to be made in advance of ground-borne construction noise impacts of for various civil work around the stations during site establishment.

All respite offers would be made to the eligible and/or identified properties at least 7 days in advance of the impact.

# **Section 11 Evaluation and monitoring**

AFJV is committed to continuous evaluation of our performance and opportunities for improvement. Ongoing monitoring and evaluation will highlight areas of concern or areas for further refinement and improvement through a range of mechanisms and will inform the six (6) monthly review and updating of the CCS to ensure set objectives are being met and if not, that corrective actions are implemented.

Throughout the project, the PDCT will monitor the level of effectiveness and performance against Sydney Metro requirements to inform reporting including:

- Print, broadcast digital and social media monitoring
- Tracking attendance at community sessions and events including surveys of attendees on appropriateness of materials, timeframes, availability of relevant team members
- Tracking enquiries, complaints, outgoing contacts and compliments statistics and trends as well
- Discussing effectiveness of PCM development and implementation
- Stakeholder, community and business sentiment through regular interactions and targeted surveys
- Findings from internal and external audits of management plans and Sub-Plans every six months or as required. Audits will also be undertaken by senior Acciona or Ferrovial Stakeholder and Community Managers annually.

Other reasons that may trigger evaluation and update of the CCS include:

- Design changes
- Changes in law
- At the direction from the Principal's Representative.

AFJV will also compile monitoring data to include key lessons learned based on the six (6) monthly monitoring program and performance measures for businesses which as per Table 7 of the OCCS include:

- Awareness of construction activity and likely impacts
- Measures implemented to maintain vehicle and pedestrian access, parking, visibility and amenity
- Agreed measures to minimise noise and vibration impacts on noise and vibration sensitive businesses

### 11.1 Infrastructure Sustainability Council of Australia (ISCA)

AFJV will seek ISCA 1.2 certification during delivery of the project and the PDCT will work closely with the Environment and Sustainability Managers to provide evidence for the certification across all four stakeholder ratings in terms of approach, processes, and success in collaborating and managing stakeholder and community engagement.

# Appendix A: Requirements of the Community Communications Strategy (CCS)

Table 1 - Requirements of the CCS

Requirement	Reference
General specification requirements	
Section 5 – plans and reporting	
Community Communication Strategy	This document
Monthly progress report	Section 4.6
Stakeholder and community engagement report	Section 4.6
Communication process for property condition surveys	Section 10.7
Communications process for property records register	Section 10.7
Communication process for access to private property	Section 10.7
Communication process for site investigations	Site specific community communications sub-plans
Section 6 – community and stakeholder engagement	
Commitment to general obligations including timeframes and notification	Section 4.3
Roles and responsibilities including stakeholder and community engagement personnel	Section 2
Information to the Principal's Representative	Sections 2, 4 and 10
Communication Interface Coordination Group	Sections 4.7 and 5
Community information sessions	Sections 6 and 9
Public Communication Material (PCM)	Sections 4 and 9
Marketing and Promotional Material (MPM)	Section 4.3
Site boundary hoarding, sheds, walls and fences	Sections 4.3 and 6.3
Branding and logos	10.5
Community display material (up to 4 pages)	Section 6
Animations	Sections 4.3 and 9
Community engagement database	Section 10.1
Enquiries and complaints management process	Section 4.5
Media and government relations process	Section 10.2
Crisis and incident communication procedures	Section 10.3
Site visit and event requirements	Section 10.4
Photography and filming requirements	Sections 2.2 and 4.6
Site inductions and training	Section 10.6
Overarching Community Communication Strategy requ	uirements
Values including alignment with Sydney Metro values	Section 1
Approach to community and stakeholder engagement	Section 1
Relationship of the CCS to other plans in the communication hierarchy and environmental management framework	Section 1
Objectives	Section 1
Site specific stakeholder scan	Section 5
	Site specific community communications sub-plans
Site specific community scan, including community demographics	Sections 4.2, 4.4, and 6
Communication approaches for key demographics including CALD as required	Sections 4.2 and 5

Requirement	Reference
Site specific business scan	Section 7 Site specific community communications sub-plans
Process for identification of small businesses that may	Section 7
qualify under the small business owners engagement plan	Site specific community communications sub-plans
Communication tools	Section 9
Site specific communication coordination plans (cumulative impacts)	Site specific community communications sub-plans
Complaint management processes across nearby projects including processes for resolving any property damage complaints	Section 4.5
Site establishment communication action plan (per site)	Site specific community communications sub-plans
Site specific issues identification and mitigation measures	Site specific community communications sub-plans
Process for evaluating and updating the CCS as per requirements of the OCCS	Section 11
Process for reporting on businesses engagement as per	Section 7
the OCCS	Site specific community communications sub-plans
Other requirements	
Communication process for unexpected finds during demolition	To be developed before demolition starts in Q1 2022
Identification of key potential community and stakeholder	Sections 3.2, 3.3 and 5
issues relating to the construction scope of works	Site specific community communications sub-plans
Communication approach for managing respite including alternative accommodation	Section 10.8