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To: Victorian Environmental Assessment Council
Level 6
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East Melbourne, 3002

Box Hill
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Metropolitan Melbourne Investigation

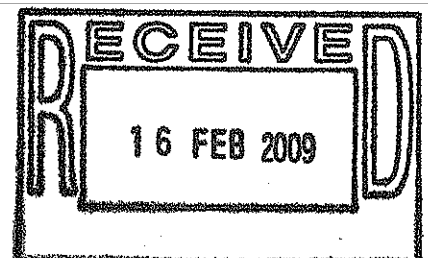
Submission from residents of Box Hill and visitors to the Box Hill Cemetery. City of Whitehorse

- We endorse the retention of Crown land for public use in the City of Whitehorse.
- The Crown lands in eastern Box Hill –
City Oval
Box Hill Cemetery
RHL Sparks Reserve
are all highly valued community assets and contribute significantly to the character and liveability of the area.
- The removal of access to the Box Hill Cemetery from the north side of the railway as part of the Middleborough Road Rail Separation Project in 2007 has seriously impeded pedestrian access to and through the Crown lands and neighbouring open spaces.
We strongly urge that consideration be given to restoring this access, and believe the construction of a small footbridge at the historic cemetery entrance feasible, physically and economically.
- The land along the north of the side of the railway, variously controlled by VICTrack and the City of Whitehorse, and proceeding from Middleborough Rd to Linsley St, and extending into the Cemetery Drive, is now a hazardous wasteland.
We request that consideration be given to restoring the public amenity of the Historic Cemetery Drive and these adjoining areas be made safe and accessible for pedestrians and cyclists.

We believe that the removal of our cemetery crossing has seriously downgraded the amenity and character of our area. We want future generations to continue to enjoy the Crown Lands fully.

We include copies of a petition and selected correspondence to further clarify and support our submission, and thank you for your consideration.

Yours Faithfully



In support of our submission we enclose a letter from the Box Hill Cemetery Trustees and copies of:

1. Aerial photograph from City of Whitehorse website 2008, showing non-existent walkway crossing, Cemetery access, 'Heritage Trail'

2a) Letter to VicRoads, 4th April 2008, from residents and Cemetery user groups, detailing problems faced

b) VicRoads initial response

3 Petition collected in the Cemetery and neighbouring streets in late 2006. The petition was presented to the Minister for Transport, Mr T Pallas, in 2007

4. Letters supporting the Petition

5. Some correspondence from/ to Mr Robert Clark MP, State Member for Box Hill.

6a) Letter from Box Hill residents to the City of Whitehorse

b) Response from City of Whitehorse.



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