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Memo to: Howard Collins

Cc : Rino Matarazo

: Ian Mutton

Re : Meeting of 8th March 2019

Date : 28th March 2019

Good Morning Howard

On 8 March Ian Mutton and I met with Rino and you to discuss Sydney Trains' (ST) future plans for use of the rail line and the immediate process required to progress with the Sydney Harbour HighLine. Thank you for making available the time to meet with us both.

You advised in summary that:

1. ST will require use of the rail corridor for the next 7-10 years.
2. The frequency of use of the corridor will increase over the next few years due to work on the Metro and TI line.
3. ST's use of the corridor will not prevent construction of the walking trail providing it meets the design constraints to comply with safety issues. ST has agreed that while the corridor continues to be used for trains the walking pathway may be constructed and used in conjunction with ST.
4. Although it was envisaged 18 months ago that some of the heritage trains currently located at Eveleigh may be moved onto the corridor and located in shedding at the eastern end of the line, with the move of those heritage trains to Chullora in the next few years, storage will not be required at Lavender Bay.
5. Feature trips promoted by Transport Heritage along the line by the Red Rattler will continue infrequently as has been the case for the last few years.
6. ST intends to reinstate the original Lavender Bay platform to allow passengers to embark and disembark at this location.

7. ST will continue to work with the Sydney Harbour HighLine association (SHHL) to refine designs and costs pending financing of the project.
8. Once ST's use of the rail corridor ceases in 7-10 years SHHL's long term plan is to implement its original design for terracing and access to Harbourview Cres. See attached schematic that provides two platforms and the retention of two rail lines.

Steps to be now undertaken:

- a) Rino to organise an introduction for ST's Quantity Surveyor (QS) to speak with me. I'll then arrange a meeting between ST and SHHL QS's to meet in order to compare costs and timing for the two respective project areas ie the walkway and the rail corridor upgrades.
- b) While reassessments of the design and costs are proceeding it is suggested that ST or RailCorp, as the owners of the rail corridor land, prepare and lodge an application under Part 5 of the Act by way of a Review of Environmental Factors as Development without consent.
- c) Progressing (b) above will assist in expediting the funding approval and commencement of the project.

Please review the above summary and suggested pathway to move forward. Kindly advise of any changes, in particular to the suggested 'Steps to be undertaken now'.

The target for the SHHL Association is that the funding for the project be included in the 2020/21 State budget and to do so will require completion of all of the above activities by September 2019.

Regards



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