

## **Report on Meeting with Metro Rail on 27th March**

The only presentation relevant to South Yarra was the information provided by the Department of Transport and Planning concerning the future tram system.

The only announcement was that in mid 2024 a dual-purpose tram/bus stop will be constructed in Domain Road near St Kilda Road to provide flexibility in the future – that was all after more than 5 years. Disgraceful.

The following information emerged during questions.

- The Domain Rd line will be retained but it may or may not be used.
- If it is used it will continue across St Kilda Rd on to Park St. If we want to take the Domain Rd tram to the city, we must get off at St Kilda Rd and change trams.
- Although no survey has yet been done to determine tram passenger numbers along St Kilda Rd, any Domain Rd tram will not travel down St Kilda Rd to the city. So, whether the pre-tram/covid passenger numbers that drove the Domain Rd tram down Park St still exist is unknown.
- Government wants flexibility but without the necessary current information has decided to leave the Domain Rd tracks into Park St and not add tracks into the city to provide that option.
- The Toorak West tram may or may not be retained.
- There will be further community consultation.

**Conclusion:** No progress has been made by government.

Here are two links to documents tabled at the meeting:

[2024 03 DTP Presentation - Domain Road interchange update for RPV Domain CRG 27 March 2024.pdf](#)