



# Community Consultative Committee Carlton Elgin Towers Meeting 5

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## Meeting Agenda

<b>Time and date</b>	<b>5:30pm – 6:40pm, Monday 12 May 2025</b>
<b>Chairperson</b>	Katie Hall, Parliamentary Secretary for Housing
<b>Location</b>	<b>Community Room at 38 Elgin Street, Carlton</b>
<b>Attendees</b>	To protect privacy, names of community members and Homes Victoria (HV) staff are not published.
<b>Purpose</b>	Community Consultative Committee for Elgin Towers, Carlton

#	Time	Description	Presenter
1.	5:00pm	Arrival and food	
2.	5.30pm	Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country Housekeeping Approve Minutes of the last meeting	Chairperson
3.	5.35pm	Project update	Project team
4.	6:00pm	Engagement activity	HV Staff
5.	6:30pm	Evaluation and reflections	HV Staff
6.	6:40pm	Next meeting: Monday 16 June	Chairperson
7.	6:40pm	Close	Chairperson

# Meeting Minutes

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## **1. Opening, welcome members and Acknowledgement of Country (Chair)**

- Housekeeping and summary of agenda
- Minutes from previous meeting: approved and accepted
- Committee members agreed to the meeting being recorded for accuracy and once approved, minutes of the meeting will be posted on the Elgin Towers project page on the Homes Victoria website.

## **2. Presentation of Elgin Towers final designs (Project Team)**

- Planning approval has been received
- Internal stripping of the building has commenced
- Crane will be installed in mid-2025

Project Team presented slides; key points included:

- The updated designs show the footprint of both towers have been moved towards the footpath to create more space between neighbouring buildings, allowing for larger open spaces, wider walkways and easier movement.
- The upper levels of the towers will be stepped back from the podium (level 6) to appear less bulky at street level.
- Increased greenery and lighting across the site.

## **3. Engagement activity – Building better engagement with community (HV Staff)**

Members were asked to engage with their neighbours and the wider community to get their feedback on the following questions:

### **a) How can Homes Victoria better engage with the community?**

Responses:

- Ensure engagements are convenient and inclusive and offer multiple avenues for input such as online surveys, in-person workshops and mobile feedback stations.
- Being clear and transparent with community regarding drop-in sessions, how they will be run and the benefits of community participation.

- Be aware of consultation fatigue in the community.

**b) How can Homes Victoria ensure community voices are heard in the planning process?**

Responses:

- Gather input from former and future residents and from diverse communities.
- Focus on proactive communication and transparency and provide regular updates through various channels like community meetings, newsletters and social media.
- Facilitate Q&A sessions between community members and project leaders to help address concerns and build trust.

**c) How can Homes Victoria encourage community to have their say?**

Responses:

- Ensure community are aware that engagement is available and in place for them to provide feedback and have their voices heard.
- Provide additional support to assist community with forms.
- Establish clear and accessible channels for feedback, such as the use of online forums, suggestion boxes, and dedicated community liaison officers.

#### **4. Evaluation and Reflections (HV Staff)**

Committee gave positive feedback on the meeting. No changes were recommended.

Committee members were asked to consider the following questions before the next meeting:

- What advice would you give to the next CCC?
- What advice would you give to Homes Victoria?

#### **5. Next meeting: Monday 16 June**

#### **6. Chair thanked the Committee for their time and contributions.**

#### **7. Meeting closed at 6:40pm.**