RESPONSE TO COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS MEETING OF THE PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL

DATE 18 NOVEMBER 2020

Item 7.5 - Petition - Speeding vehicles and excessive traffic noise in Port Phillip

Question from Cr Pearl

Can Officers provide details of known operations by the Environment Protection Authority on noise pollution, particularly in the Port Melbourne area?

Response

Council Officers are not aware of any known operations by the Environment Protection Authority on noise pollution. Details of EPA operations are not publicly available.

The EPA have advised that they do not measure the noise of vehicles travelling on the road. On occasion, they work with Victoria Police on a traffic 'blitz' where the EPA will test the exhaust noise of individual vehicles 'pulled over' by police. This is done with handheld noise meters. EPA.

If Police suspect a vehicle has breached noise levels, the owner/driver is given a notice to comply with noise standards. The vehicle must then be taken to a licensed vehicle tester to be tested to ensure compliance.

*Please note: answers to any questions in Public Question Time which were answered at the meeting are included in the minutes of that meeting.