

Project:	Coopers Gap Wind Farm
Meeting No:	Inaugural Community Consultative Committee meeting
Date:	Thursday 24 May 2012
Venue and Time:	Cooranga North Community Hall 2pm – 4pm
Document:	Meeting notes and actions
Chair/Facilitator:	Barbara Campany (BC) GHD
Minutes:	Sara van der Schatte Olivier (SO) GHD
AGL representatives:	Nigel Bean (NB) Head Energy Development; Evan Carless (EC) Project Manager; Nicole Rizgalla (NR)Media Advisor
Community attendees:	Approximately 50

**Meeting Minutes** 

Item		Action
1.	Welcome and Introductions BC opened the meeting, welcomed the community and introduced the AGL team.	Noted
2.	AGL welcome and aim of CCC  NB welcomed the community and outlined purpose of establishing a Coopers Gap Community Consultative  Committee. Key points:  a. Poor consultation on part of AGL  b. Willingness to improve  c. Rigour and regularity to engagement process going forward	Noted
	<ul> <li>Comment from community regarding work of Future Eye and availability of report.</li> <li>AGL commented the research was to inform AGL of community issues regarding Wind Farm and not for publication.</li> <li>AGL explained that key outcome of the report was to establish a CCC.</li> <li>AGL agreed to make available summary of the conclusions and recommendations of the report</li> </ul>	AGL to provide summary of Future Eye conclusions and recommendations.

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- AGL is taking action toward creating a sustainable energy future for our investors, communities and customers. Key actions are:

  > Being Australias largest private owner and operator of renewable energy assets

  > Gaining accreditation under the National GreenPower Accreditation Program for AGL Green Energy®, AGL Green Living® and AGL Green Spirit

  > Being selected as a constituent of the FTSE4Good Index Series





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3.	Project Update  EC provided a project update (See presentation	
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	attached.)	
	Explained that over the next 8 to 12 months	
	AGL will work with the community to develop	
	responses to submissions made, for input into	
	the Revised Assessment Report.	
	A summary of issues was presented and	
	discussion on which should be addressed in	
	order of priority.	
	There was consensus that noise and potential  health impacts were the key issues.	
	health impacts were the key issues.	
	Local member for Nanango Deb Frecklington     appropriate that Dept of Planning is gurrently.	
	commented that Dept of Planning is currently	
	undertaking a review of the State Planning Process regarding noise.	
	<ul> <li>EC commented that AGL must comply with noise conditions and needs to demonstrate how these</li> </ul>	
	conditions will be met for the project to receive	
	approval.	
	<ul> <li>Some discussion regarding failure of turbines</li> </ul>	
	meeting noise criteria and subsequent turbine	
	shutdown.	Noise to be
	<ul> <li>AGL explained some turbines had not performed</li> </ul>	discussed in detail
	to the standard advertised. These are switched	as a priority
	off in order to be repaired.	through the CCC.
	<ul> <li>AGL acknowledged that noise is a significant</li> </ul>	Expert to attend
	concern and will be discussed further through	meeting.
	the CCC.	meeting.
	<ul> <li>Some discussion around AGL's flexibility to</li> </ul>	
	modify the wind farm plan.	
	<ul> <li>AGL explained the plan will be shaped by</li> </ul>	
	technical studies and input from the community.	
4.	Proposed framework and objectives of CCC	
	BC provided an overview of the draft Terms of	Noted
	Reference and asked the community to comment by	
	exception.	
	The CCC is designed to act like a peak body for	
	the community.	
	The members are asked to make a commitment	
	to attend the meetings and raise issues from the	
	groups the members represent.	
	The process is designed to be inclusive and non-	
	committee members are invited to attend,	
	observe, and ask questions through the chair at	
	appropriate times.	
	<ul> <li>There was discussion regarding the need to</li> </ul>	
	have experts attend meetings.	
	<ul> <li>AGL confirmed that specialists could/ would be</li> </ul>	
	invited to present and discuss their areas of	
	expertise on key topics.	



5.	Membership	
5.	The following nominated groups were confirmed as	Noted
	members of the Coopers Gap CCC:	Noted
	<ul> <li>Cooranga North Concerned Citizens Group</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Coopers Gap Wind Power Supporters</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Neighbours</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Participating Landowners</li> </ul>	
	Cooranga North Community	
	Western Downs Regional Council	
	South Burnett Regional Council	
	Government agencies will be invited to attend	
	meetings of relevance including representatives from	Noted
	Qld Health	
	<ul> <li>Qld Fire and Rescue Service</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Qld Department of Energy and Water Supply</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Qld Department of Environment and Heritage</li> </ul>	
	Protection	Advertise
	Qld Department of State Development,	
	Infrastructure and Planning	meetings 1-2 weeks in advance
	<ul> <li>Local member for Nanango</li> </ul>	
	The broader community would be advised of the	and the main
	meetings through advertising in the two local papers	topic of
	and invited to attend as observers.	discussion.
6.	Prioritising issues for discussion at future CCC	
	meetings	Noted
	The group reached consensus on the following order of	
	priority to address issues:	
	<ul> <li>Noise and setbacks</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Health impacts, shadow flicker,</li> </ul>	
	electromagnetic interference	
	<ul> <li>Traffic and construction impacts</li> </ul>	
	Impact on property values (suggested input	
	from the Old Valuer General)	
7	Impact on flora and fauna  Ongoing community ongogoment	
7.	<ul><li>Ongoing community engagement</li><li>The group agreed that the minutes should be</li></ul>	Upload minutes
	uploaded to the project website.	2 weeks after
	aproduce to the project website.	meeting.
	<ul> <li>The group agreed that notice in the local</li> </ul>	Advertise
	papers advising of the subject of discussion at	meetings 1-2
	the forthcoming CCC is desired.	weeks in
	•	advance.
1	<ul> <li>A regular update in the local papers would help</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Prepare regular</li> </ul>
	to provide current information to the community.	community updates.



8.	Next meeting and subject	
	<ul> <li>Group agreed that CCC meetings should occur on third Thursday of each month at 2.00pm with the exception of the next meeting which will occur on Thursday 14 June at 10am. Meetings will be held at Cooranga North Community Hall.</li> <li>Next meeting will focus on the noise assessment criteria with a view to invite a noise expert to the July meeting.</li> <li>AGL was requested to forward information on how they intend to comply with noise regulations for the wind farm in preparation for discussion at the next meeting.</li> </ul>	AGL to forward information on how they intend
		to comply with noise regulations for the wind farm with agenda for June meeting.
9.	Meeting closed at 3.50pm	Noted