



Meeting	Coopers Gap Wind Farm at Cooranga North – Community Consultative Committee
Meeting no	29
Venue	Cooranga North Memorial Hall, Cooranga North
Time	4:00pm
Date	13 December 2018
Chair	Rob Hart
Attendees	<u>Committee Members</u> : Mick Cosgrove, Cyril Stewart, Bill Sparkes, Tom Hoare, James Scutt, Russell Glodes, Neil French Rob Hart (Independent Chair), Will Tarry, Judy Pickering, Val Stewart, David Martingale, Gayle Carroll, Phil & Carmen Trebbin, Alice Sharp, Bruce Gooderham, G&B Glode, Barry Glode, Lauren Glode, Michelle Davis, Val Stewart, Delta Sparkes, Julie Entwistle, Celeste Nelson, Glenn Strandquist, Rob Fitzherbert (TAFE QLD), Ros Heit (SBRC), Mitchell Anderson (TSBE), Lance MacManus (TSBE), Neil Cooke (AGL) <u>AGL</u> : Brian McEvoy (Project Director AGL), Han Tay, Clare Wilkes, Ray King, Hannah Coffey <u>GE-CATCON</u> : Andrew O’Conner, (Onsite Manager) <u>AECOM</u> : Michael Yeo
Apologies	Jodie Taylor (WDRC)

Meeting Minutes

1 Welcome

Rob Hart, Independent Chair

- The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming the committee and guests and introducing new AGL people including Brian McEvoy, Project Manager, Brenton Farr, Project Manager, and Hannah Coffey, Community Relations. The Chair also welcomed Neil Cooke, former Project Manager.
- Apologies were noted.
- No conflicts of interest were raised.



Minutes of previous meeting

Actions;

<p>Bus trip to site – carry action over</p> <p>Ray will be in touch with all interested attendees to arrange. Anyone interested can contact Ray to be added to the list of attendees.</p>
<p>TV Reception - Complete</p> <p>The contractor will be in touch before Christmas to arrange a time to visit. This will be the third time this has been offered, and will be the final time. If anyone has not heard from the contractor please contact AGL to arrange. By when and how.</p>
<p>Viewing platform - Complete</p> <p>South Burnett Council and Western Downs Council to manage the development of the viewing platform, with input from AGL. Councils to lead this process.</p>
<p>Niagara Road – carry over action</p> <p>Ros to share the Niagara Road route to discuss opportunities to remove some of the bends.</p>
<p>Water provision – carry over action</p> <p>Neil French questioned why South Burnett Council were not getting water from the bores provided. Ros to enquire and provide feedback.</p>

Mick Cosgrove moved: That the minutes from the meeting 30th August 2018 were a true and correct record. Neil French seconded.

Carried



2 Project Update

Brian McEvoy, AGL Coopers Gap Project Director

Brian introduced himself and gave an overview of his background and a brief project update.

Brian also announced Ray King's resignation from AGL, and thanked Ray for his contribution to the project to date.

3 Construction Update

Andrew O'Connor, GE-CATCON Site Manager

Andrew O'Connor gave an overview of the construction works to date.

Expected that civil works will be complete by February at the latest, pending the weather. The project maintains its excellent safety record.

Electricity Works: Andrew O'Connor advised the substation on site is now live, and all electricity is being treated as live on site. A safety signage program has been rolled out across site. Early in the new year all impacted neighbours and landowners will be contacted and provided with a document outlining safe behaviour around live electricity. A program of safety signage inspection and replacement where necessary will also be implemented. Andrew confirmed that training will be available at any point during construction and operation.

Andrew also confirmed that little to no works are expected to be undertaken during the Christmas shut down period of 21 December to 7 January.

4 Community Update

Clare Wilkes and Hannah Coffey, AGL

Clare gave an overview of the major issues impacting the project, including the delivery of the blades.

In response to a question from the audience relating to possible delays caused by the blade delivery issues, Clare advised that agreements had been made to transport multiple blades and decreasing the time. Clare also advised that Catcon were ahead in their civil works program.

Clare thanked Ray King for the commitment he had shown to working with the community to manage and resolve any issues identified.

Clare also gave an overview of her recent visits to Canberra, noting energy policy is complex and politically topical.

Mobile coverage was also discussed. Clare continues to pursue this with David Littleproud MP.

Noise monitoring analysis is complete and noise map was available for review at the meeting.



5 Community Fund

Clare Wilkes and Hannah Coffey, AGL

Clare and Hannah provided an overview of the Community Fund and AGL's work to standardise its community engagement practice across sites.

Mick Cosgrove noted the purchase of land for \$3m, compared to the future Community Fund was not viewed by the community as equal and is a cause of concern. When asked what the community feel would be equal, Mick suggested \$100K pa x 30 years totally \$3M.

Rob Hart mentioned Community Funds offered by other projects – noting some of these projects are in development and may not eventuate – are much greater than the CGWF Fund.

The Emergency Relief Fund allocated to the CWA was mentioned and references to this in previous minutes discussed.

Clare noted that while it's important to discuss this, the project is owned by PARF and the Community Fund has been incorporated into their financials.

Action: AGL to compare the CGWF Community Fund to funds across other projects in the area

Action: AGL to raise the \$100K pa x 30 years with PARF or internally and report negotiations to CCC.

Action: The CWA to invoice AGL for \$7,500 for the Emergency Relief Fund.

Action: AGL to either upload successful applicants to CGWF website, or email the mailing list.

Action: Western Downs Council to confirm the Cooranga North Hall's eligibility for the Hall Restumping Program.

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6 General Business and Q & A

Neil French thanked Ray King for his efforts and hard work during his time on the project.

Ray King made a brief speech, thanking the community and wishing everyone the best.

Rob Hart wished everyone a safe and happy Christmas.



7 Next Meeting and Close

Proposed meeting date for 2019 are: 13th March, 12th June, 11th September and
12th December

Close at 5.10pm

Item	Discussion
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