

MINUTES OF AGL TORRENS ISLAND COMMUNITY DIALOGUE GROUP MEETING
Held on Tuesday 20th August 2024 (11:00 am – 1:00 pm)
Adelaide Business Hub, 6 Todd Street Port Adelaide

1. Opening and acknowledgement

Chair of the meeting Barbara Chappell opened the meeting at 11:05 am and acknowledged we were meeting on the lands of the Kurna people and pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.

Barbara invited everyone to introduce themselves as there was a new representative (Chad White AGL) attending for the first time.

2. Attendance

Present: Barbara Chappell (facilitator), Kieran O’Dea (FG), Jo Madin (AGL), Alex Hayter (PRSC), Kevin Taylor (AGL), George Karlis (AGL), Grace Derrick (ASC), Tony Bazeley (PAREPG), Johan Revalk (AdBri), Chad White (AGL).

Apologies: Stephen Waites (DSKT), Merle Simpson and Jeffrey Newchurch (Kurna), Antony Evans (AGL), Kevin Anderson (AGL), JulieAnn Stoll (PAREPG).

3. Previous Minutes

Barbara called for any amendments to the minutes. There being no amendments, the motion was put, “That the minutes of the 21st May 2024 be accepted as a true and accurate record”.

Moved: Kieran O’Dea. Seconded: Tony Bazeley. Motion carried.

4. Matters Arising

4.1 Obligation of member attendance at meetings re: item 2.8 was raised for notice. As per the Terms of Reference (ToR), “*Regular attendance is essential. If a CDG member is unable to attend, they must notify the Chair electronically where possible. Members should commit to attend all AGL Torrens Island CDG meetings and if unable to attend provide appropriate notice, where possible, to the CDG Chair and nominated AGL Torrens Island contact*”.

4.2 Jo Madin provided an update on the request to remove names from the ToR and only list representative organisations (revised copy attached). Jo has done this and also sent through a table of representative contact details via email. Representatives have listed organisation email addresses apart from Alex Hayter who has approved having his email address on the contact list for distribution on the ALG CDG web page; and Merle Simpson as the Kurna representative who Jo will contact to request approval for the use of her email address on the contact list.

4.3 A visit to Lot 303 by PAREPG members Tony Bazeley and Julie Ann Stoll was organised by George Karlis in consultation with the Kurna Conservation Group and Friends of Torrens Island. Thanks to George for organising.

5. AGL Operational Updates

5.1 Operational Update – Kevin Taylor

Operational Update
Kevin Taylor



- A ‘wind drought’ across SE Australia has seen increased generation at Torrens through autumn and winter.
- Lowest levels of wind generation in approximately 10 years.
- Increased generation from Torrens as a result.
- Operational challenges at Barker Inlet – camshaft bearing failure and cylinder head replacements.




5.1.1 Kevin gave an operational update, including some technical challenges at Barker Inlet Power Station. Alex Hayter asked what the costs were for a replacement engine. Kevin replied that the construction cost of Barker Inlet was \$295 million but stressed that this was the total cost of the power station, including the electrical equipment, buildings and facilities, not just the engines.

5.1.2 How does the damage occur to the camshaft? Kevin indicated the engines being turned off and on multiple times during the day is more frequent than in a ship engine application, and the stop/start regime is more difficult.

Key themes

- Strong earnings results underscored by improved generation availability and a strong contribution from the Torrens Battery
- Significant growth in customer services
- Two-year Customer Support Package increased by \$20M to \$90M
- Development pipeline doubled to 6.2 GW
- Acquisition of Firm Power and Terrain Solar (8.1 GW)

AGL Annual Results



ASX & Media Release
AGL enters into a binding agreement to acquire Firm Power and Terrain Solar

Barker Inlet Stage 2 (BIPS 2)

- BIPS 2 development is progressing
- Provides firming energy to SA's world-leading penetration of solar and wind
- Gas peakers and storage will continue to play a critical role in the energy transition
- Cultural heritage survey to be undertaken in consultation with Torrens Kaurna Advisory Council

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5.1.3 Kevin gave an update on the development of Barker Inlet Power Station 2 (BIPS2) and that it is progressing. Kevin also explained the way different sources of electricity operate together throughout a day depending on the weather and environment. He also noted the capacity for forecasting wind activity.

5.1.4 Tony asked about the range of the cultural heritage survey being undertaken at Torrens. The cultural heritage survey will be on AGL land only.

5.1.5 Tony asked where the gas for BIPS2 will come from? Kevin responded that it will come from the Cooper Basin in northern SA or Western Victoria. Kevin explained that the volume of gas depends on system requirements.

5.1.6 Alex asked about the amount of heat to come out of BIPS2. Kevin responded that the BIPS2 exhaust stacks will be shorter than Torrens B Station and, unlike Torrens B, no hot water will go into the Barker Inlet.

5.2 Environmental Update – George Karlis

Environmental Update

George Karlis

Environmental protection activity since last Torrens CDG meeting:

- Torrens Lot 303 Environmental Visit, 8 August 2024
- AGL Closure and Post Closure Plan Submission to EPA, 31 May 2024
- PFAS Remediation Options Proposal (ROA) Submission to EPA, July 26, 2024
- Recent Drain and Marine Water Sampling, 5 August 2024
- EPA Compliance Visit, 25 July 2024



5.2.1 Green Adelaide revisited the site and are planning further planting of the Adriana plant (by AGL) and are considering the option to reintroduce butterfly larvae around the site.

5.2.2 AGL is planning for further weeding. The Kurna Firesticks Team is planning for clearing and cool burning at the site.

5.2.3 Low PFAS levels detected on the island from legacy activity. Under the Voluntary Site Contamination Assessment Program entered into with the EPA, AGL is working with an Environmental Consultancy to develop a Remediations Options Assessment.

CDG Torrens Island Visit



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5.2.4 Feral animals are a challenge to the flora and fauna on Torrens Island. SA Government is using AI to selectively bait foxes with a gel they groom off themselves. This ensures that the program is isolated to foxes.

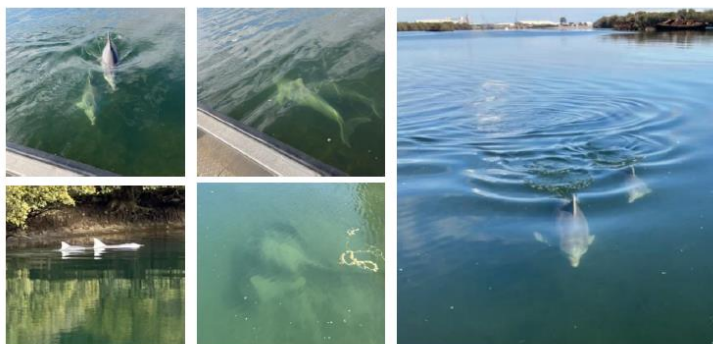
5.2.5 There has been some recent positive news about dolphin health and numbers in the river from [source ABC News].

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Environmental Water Sampling



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5.3.3 Tony Bazeley asked what is the Station Air System? The old system was based on pneumatics controls. As systems are decommissioned, the requirement for air is no longer needed and the air system can be decommissioned.

5.3.4 Tagging system being used to track decommissioning of services. Using green, yellow and red tags to identify what is to be decommissioned

Torrens A Station Decommissioning and Demolition



Torrens A Station Decommissioning and Demolition



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5.3.5 Demolition of cooling water screens and pumps adjacent to the seawall being organised. No water will be going to the outlet.

6. Open Dialogue

6.1 Nil

7. Next meeting

The proposed date for the next meeting was Tuesday 19th November 2024 commencing at 11:00 am in the Business Hub, 6 Todd Street, Port Adelaide.

8. Meeting closed at 12:25 pm.