

FLYERS CREEK WIND FARM COMMUNITY CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes Tuesday 11th October 2022

Date and Venue	Tuesday 11 th October 2022 Blayney Community Centre 6:00 – 7:20 pm
Attendees:	Mr Joe Dalzell (Neighbour and Chair this evening) Mr Mark Dicker (Blayney Shire Council) Mr Kim Masters (Host landowner) Mr John Plantinga (Neighbour) Ms Jenny Walsh (Proponent – Iberdrola Australia) Mr Bob Sykes (Proponent – Jacobs)
Apologies	Mr Ian Rogan (Chair) Ms Rachael Young (Community member)

1. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm by the Chair. Joe Dalzell noted that he was acting as Chair, in place of Ian Rogan who is not available this evening.

2. Apologies

Ian and Rachael

3. Endorsement of the Agenda

The meeting agenda was endorsed. No additional items added.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

John Plantinga (JP) noted amendment that he was not in attendance at the July meeting.

Mark Dicker (MD) moved that the amended minutes from 5 July 2022 were formally adopted and Jenny Walsh (JW) seconded this.

5. Business Arising

Actions were reviewed (see following page for updates and new actions).

Regarding Action 5: MD noted he would respond to this query.

Regarding Actions 4, 3 & 2: JW noted she would email this information to members. The information to be circulated has been checked with Blayney Shire Council.

Regarding Action 1 – JW and Bob Sykes (BS) noted that since July there have been meetings between Kim Masters (and other landowners) and senior Iberdrola staff as well as site design staff. Design changes have been made.

Kim Masters (KM) noted that some of his concerns have been addressed; others are in discussion.

6. Committee Issues and Updates [Chair]

N/A

7. Project Update

BS provided an update on the progress of the Flyers Creek Wind Farm development:

- Project is significantly behind schedule
- Fletcher Bros was employed for civil works, dismissed around August due to poor performance. GLC has now expanded subcontractors to use some more local companies. Spicers, INCO and A1 earthworks are carrying out civil works
- Concrete batching plant on site now commissioned; first turbine foundation pour (on 10 October) did not go well and improvements need to be made
- Prolonged wet weather causing issues for the project in general
- Tree felling almost complete; closure of Cadia Road and Four Mile Ck Road creating difficulties getting logs out
- Gap Road intersection expected to be sealed in three weeks' time and opened mid-November (conservative estimate)
- Errowanbang Road from Panuara Road to the Collector Group 3 site entry has been damaged by wind farm traffic. Iberdrola has instructed GLC to have road repaired. Emergency repairs have been made recently; more substantial repairs are needed.
- A1 has made a good start on the earthworks in Collector Group 2 (Green's property)
- First turbine component deliveries are expected to commence from 14 November, two turbines per week

JP asked where concrete aggregate and sand for project is coming from.

Action: Iberdrola to advise where concrete aggregate and sand is being sourced

8. Committee feedback from local community

KM noted concerns raised by members of the local community:

- Gravel trucks were on site before 7am this morning
- Locals are concerned about the culvert outside Rob McKenzie's place which is already collapsing at the side
[BS noted the construction team is aware of this culvert]
- General damage to roads is being compounded by other local road closures
- Truck movements
- Out of hours working
- Site staff working into the early hours for yesterday's turbine pour
- Low loaders coming from the south have been backing into the Collector Group 3 entrance disrupting cattle trucks and Cadia shift change traffic
[BS noted the CG3 site entry is now complete]

KM – Regarding the traffic disruptions noted that Newcrest is providing vouchers for affected neighbours.

9. Community Consultation Plan and processes

JW - Local community consultation is ongoing via:

- Weekly community construction updates emailed to mailing list
- Monthly Project Newsletters emailed to mailing list and available on project website

Blayney Shire Council and other local groups will share information on their Facebook pages, particularly regarding turbine component deliveries.

Looking to have an event in Mandurama in the New Year for local people to view a turbine blade being delivered.

Iberdrola is sponsoring the Carcoar Show on 29 October and will hold an information stand on the day. Also sponsoring the Tractor Trek local fundraiser.

JW to look at drone footage or time lapse photography for turbine erection.

10. Any Other Business

Discussion about speed limit reduction on Errowanbang Road.

Discussion about CCC terms of reference and function of the committee going forward

- MD noted the project is bound to have a CCC under its project approval
- JD noted the CCC is an important conduit from the community to Iberdrola
- JP noted that prior to construction the role of CCC members was to inform neighbours

It was noted that there is a process for replacing CCC members.

Discussion regarding community grants and the VPA

- KM asked that the allocation of funds be made more public – that Council should note which organisation the funds come from under the Financial Assistance Program

- JW asked that the Council website be updated on the FAP page to include a list of all the projects funded to date with the funding amounts. MD noted that this could be arranged.

Action: Council website be updated to include a list of all the projects funded to date with the funding amounts under the Financial Assistance Program.

BS noted that the site Christmas closure is planned to be 23 December to 3 January.

The date for the next meeting is called for **Tuesday 17th January 2023 (TBC).**

The Chair closed the meeting at ~7.20PM.

Actions

Action	Date Raised	Responsibility	Status
1. Council website be updated to include a list of all the projects funded to date with the funding amounts under the Financial Assistance Program.	11/10/22	MD	Open
2. Iberdrola to advise where concrete aggregate and sand is being sourced.	11/10/22	JW	Open
3. Senior Iberdrola representatives to consult with Kim Masters ASAP regarding his concerns.	5/7/22	JW	Closed.
4. Action: Ross Earl (RE) – Council (and Iberdrola) will circulate a list of money available under the VPA and the split of VPA funds within.	5/7/22	RE/JW	Open
5. Iberdrola to clarify process and oversight for distribution of VPA funds via BSC and to check VPA wording re fund distribution	5/04/22	JW	Open.
6. JW to check date of fist VPA contribution payment to BSC	5/04/22	JW	Closed.
7. CCC to ask Blayney Shire Council whether another member of staff can attend CCC meetings should the usual representatives not be available	5/04/22	JW	Closed.
8. Advise CCC of supplier open day details once confirmed	18/01/22	DW	Closed. JW issued email to all members 29/03/22 advising the supplier event Tuesday 5 April 4-6pm
9. IR to draft CCC Annual Report and circulate to the members for review and comment.	12/02/20	IR	Open.
10. MR to issue email to CCC members providing information on the local community engagement role.	10/11/21	MR	Closed. MR issued email to all members 10/11/21.
11. ALL members to complete the Declaration of Interest and Code of Conduct forms & return to IR.	12/02/20	ALL	Closed.
12. MR to send MD an email relating to biodiversity offset for Flyers Creek Wind Farm	19/05/21	MR	Closed. MR emailed MD 24/05/21
13. MR to arrange discussion re construction certificate(s) between Infigen and BSC.	19/05/21	MR	Closed. Meeting occurred by teleconference 21/05/21.
14. MR to notify aviation club of final wind turbine coordinates prior to construction	19/05/21	MR	Closed. Notification will occur via CASA.

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15. MR to circulate sponsorship form to CCC members	03/02/21	MR	Closed. MR circulated by email
16. IR to circulate CCC Guidance (2019) to CCC members.	19/09/19	IR	Closed. IR circulated by email 12/02/20
17. IR to investigate further and advise if any major changes between guidance issued in 2016 and new guidance issued in 2019.	09/05/19	IR	Closed. IR provided a summary at meeting of 19/09/19 advising that there were no notable changes between the 2016 and 2019 guidance.
18. MR to review KM RFS sponsorship request and advise if Infigen can support	18/01/19	MR	Closed. MR provided sponsorship form to KM and requested that any requests for sponsorship are applied for via the form.
19. MR to contact the local aviation club with project information.	18/01/19	MR	Closed. JD noted on 03/02/21 that he has spoken with the local aviation club and that they are aware of the proposed wind farm and expect to be notified in due course by CASA of any new structures.
20. JD advised that he we would pass on the contact details of a local aviation club.	11/09/18	JD	Closed. Information duly emailed 12/09 to MR.
21. IR advised that he would contact MD to query if Council could nominate an alternate if MD was unable to attend CCC meetings and if there were particular days of the week that were preferable for future meetings.	16/05/18	IR	Closed. Daniel Drum (DD) at Blayney Shire Council appointed as MD's nominated alternative at 11/09/18 CCC meeting.
22. MR to provide copy of average wind speed map of the project site to the CCC members.	16/05/18	MR	Closed. MR provided a printed copy of the maps to the CCC members at meeting of 11/09/18.
23. MR to provide details of sponsorship activities related to Flyers Creek in the last 12 months.	16/05/18	MR	Closed. For details see agenda item 9 of CCC meeting minute 11/09/18.
24. MR agreed to bring an average wind speed map of the project site to the next CCC meeting for information	02/02/18	MR	Closed. MR brought maps to meeting of 16/05/18 and shared with members.
25. MR to issue Infigen Community Sponsorship application form to CCC members	02/02/18	MR	Closed. Issued with draft minutes on 08/02/18
26. MR to provide wirelines which were lodged with the DPE as part of planning modification 3 to JD.	02/02/18	MR	Closed. Issued by email to JD 08/02/18

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27. MR to bring project maps in electronic form to next meeting to share with the group	02/02/18	MR	Closed. Maps brought to meeting of 16/05/18. It was agreed that MR would bring a copy to all subsequent meetings.
28. MR agreed to speak to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) about the process for adding a new CCC member to the group and report back on the outcome of this discussion.	02/02/18	MR	Closed. MR reported outcome of discussions with DPE at meeting of 16/05/18.
29. The CCC members supported this idea and requested that MD followed up with Council about the possibility of utilising this land for a viewing platform.	02/02/18	MD	Closed. MD followed up on this by email 12/02/18 advising that he has spoken to Councils Manager Operations and he has given very preliminary advice that the quarry area could be utilised as a “pull off area” and as a viewing area. Further detailed information would be required prior to any formal endorsement by Council.