



COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP

Minutes

Date: 04/09/18

Time: Start 7.08pm and finished 8.45pm

Place: Yendon Recreation Reserve, Pope Street

Attendance: Mike Stephens (Chair), Tracey Ward (Community Engagement Manager, Lal Lal Wind Farms), Sue Witherspoon, Peter Britt, Shane Murphy, Kate Banner, Mick Frawley, Ron Read

Apologies: Andrew Aitken, Tony Trigg

Guests: Charlie Perry (Vestas)

Minutes: Tracey Ward

Meeting Agenda

Item	Description	Action	Who By	Due
1	<p>MS asked for apologies (Andrew Aitken), then a call for the minutes from CRG meeting 070818 be accepted and seconded</p> <p>MS asked for acceptance that the CRG meeting minutes for 070818 were a true and accurate recording of the meeting</p> <p>Business arising from the previous minutes TW to follow Moorabool Shire Council regarding a response to the letter MS wrote on behalf of the CRG</p>	<p>Accepted Seconded</p> <p>Accepted Seconded</p>	<p>MF SW</p> <p>SW SM</p>	
2	<p>Update from Community Engagement Manager, monthly report for August 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary Landscape program Program has been put on hold until a review has taken place • Construction update Access tracks and civils continue. First concrete pour was delayed this week due to frost in the morning. 			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community event, blade park up in Yendon at the end of the year • Tenders (landscaping and TV) TV and Radio tender has closed, landscaping tender closes on 070918 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to Ararat Wind Farm This is put on hold, very hard for people to get the day off.			
3	Follow up on council letter from MS TW to follow up with Moorabool Shire Council at her meeting the following day. <i>Feedback from council is that Vanessa Osborn will be following this up. A letter is currently being drafted.</i>			
4	Update from Charlie Perry from Vestas, haulage route and potential night works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power poles lying on the road, network connection to Ballarat sub station. • Elaine, Powercor, no access in paddocks, works taking place inside substation • Manufacturing of 540 components, all by 24 towers are manufactured at Keppel Prince manufactured overseas in China and Vietnam, • First items shipped to site anchor cages • Required strength is 28 days to set for turbine foundations, 7-21 days to set, set so you can walk on it 48 hours, covers and blankets to retain moisture • Route for the main components was discussed, CP provided maps • Smallest turbine components are the hubs, the biggest is the blades, blades 67 metres long, trucks is 75 metres, tip of the blade out the back • Nacelles are 4 metres high, 105 tonne, approval process to go through, route negotiated • 38 turbines Yendon 22 Elaine, A300 turn off for Elaine, site entrances turn into. • Mike asked about trees in Yendon, TW said that there will be meeting in October. Two routes, exception 5 turbines, 15 deliveries are coming into Gordon because some bridges won't take the loads. • Time frames, Nov to Apr, Elaine, March to June 2019 , first turbine up early December. • National heavy vehicle register, Narmbool and school groups, we will talk to Narmbool on a regular basis. • Midland Highway rolling closure, spots where you can overtake, some areas where you can't overtake. This is part of reason why the movements need to take place overnight. 			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nightworks, constrained by wind, hard to construct while wind is blowing. Part way through the erection of turbines, need to carry on to make it structurally sound, grout the base, hold point, once the tower goes up the nacelle needs to go on. • Not planning on doing nightworks every night, we get a wind forecast and plan the week out. Can't really do works in constant darkness, not ideal or safe as during the day. • Nov to Apr, some works going into the evening. Noise and tradies coming backwards and forwards. There will be about see 15 cars leaving site at night. • Overnight works, not anticipating a lot of these. Isolated. Will be happening, some weeks may be required. • Haulage maps will go on the website. 			
5	<p>Community issues and complaints (Feedback from TW) Some concerns with delays in rolling out landscaping program.</p>			
6	<p>Any further Items? HMcM asked if RES would uphold Macquarie's promise to start monitoring noise early, not wait for 12 months after construction of the last turbine. <i>TW following up with Vestas.</i></p>			