



**COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP
Minutes**

Date: 11/06/19

Time: Start 7.10pm and 8.25pm finish

Place: Bungaree Recreation Reserve

Attendance: Tracey Ward (Community Engagement Manager, Lal Lal Wind Farms), Shane Murphy, Mick Frawley, Ron Read, Damian Ryan, Sue Witherspoon

Apologies: Mike Stephens, Kate Banner, Andrew Aitken, Peter Britt

Guests: Vanessa Osborn (Moorabool Shire Council), Heather McMahon (Lal Lal EPA)

Minutes: Tracey Ward

Meeting Agenda

Item	Description	Action	Who By	Due
1	<p>SW asked for apologies for this meeting, then called for the minutes from the previous CRG meeting 140519 be accepted and seconded</p> <p>Business arising from the previous minutes Left off Heather McMahon as guest as well as Sue Witherspoon and Damian Ryan at attendees. Minutes have been updated.</p>	Accepted Seconded	SM MF	
2	<p>Post construction noise testing, presentation by Kevin Garthwaite (RES)</p> <p>Kevin provided a background on SLR and ARUP. Noise testing will commence after last turbine has been commissioned. Then a second test 12 months after this and finally the data will be assessed by the EPA auditor. Acoustic assessment occurs twice over the lifespan of the project. SCADA records will be reviewed with noise complaints to check compliance.</p>			

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	<p>Questions about how often noise testing as well as moisture in the ground may have a bearing on this. Air density may have an impact. Testing at different times of the year suggested by CRG. Principle consultant with SLR, Gustav will attend the August CRG meeting to provide an update.</p> <p>Asked about wear and tear, will be faults from time to time. Turbine manufacturer provides a warranty.</p> <p>Looking for vibrations in the bearing. Time frames and escalation of complaints.</p> <p>Feedback on NCIRP, Kevin asked about how the community would like to worked with. HMCM said, speed with dealing with complaints. Heather said there should not be people who still can't sleep because of noise. Perhaps if the noise is happening at certain wind speed and at a certain direction, look for trends with noise complaints coming from a certain area across the project .</p> <p>CRG would like noise testing to cover seasonal changes. Pre construction testing, is the less forgiving model, worse case scenario. Hard and soft ground.</p> <p>Two tests required only. VO, suggestion of more testing in the future, every 3-5 years, take back to the board.</p> <p>Indication of sound picked up by vibrations. Consistently complaints in a certain area, would you consider do more testing? (HMCM)</p> <p>Build the project and wait and see what happens.</p> <p>DR commented that the train line near where he lives, sometimes is loud other times you can't hear it.</p> <p>A noise complaints form will go on the website to record people's experiences of the noise they are hearing, weather conditions etc.</p> <p>Update from Community Engagement Manager, monthly report for May 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landscape program <p>Fifty applications received, 1 application for landscaping the rest for payments. HMCM said her members are waiting to hear back from the project regarding how to apply for landscaping. TW said a</p>			

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	<p>community bulletin has gone out and emails have been sent to those on the waiting list.</p> <p>TW asked HMCM to provide more information as to where her members live so she can check with Australia Post that these areas have been covered with future community bulletin distributions</p> <p>TW explained that Aus Eco Solutions will be carrying out the landscaping and has already conducted a visit to the landscaping applicant. TW also said that the landscaping program will include a 2 year maintenance program, inclusive of watering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction update <p>30 turbines constructed, 3 cranes on site <u>Elaine progress:</u> Trenching delayed because of the weather Rehab works put back at Yendon Metmast on Lal Lal Estate will be de commissioned. Most of the civil works completed at Yendon, still some trenching works at Elaine</p> <p>Turbine construction commences at Elaine in 2 weeks time. Final turbine components delivered to Elaine in August. Horsehill Road closures to move the cranes around, commence the week after next for a few weeks. There will be lights on inside the nacelle's with turbine construction in Elaine, similar to what occurred in Yendon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community events update <p>This event has now been booked in for Wednesday 7 August at 6.30pm at Lal Lal Soldiers Memorial Hall and later drinks at Lal Lal Falls Hotel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCRIP (Noise Complaint Procedure) <p>Discussions continuing with DELWP regarding endorsement. Submitted to DELWP on 8 February 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community benefit fund, 2019 round <p>Applications open on 8 May and close on 19 June. Allocations will be discussed in the CRG meeting on 9 July 2019.</p> <p>Still receiving acquittal forms from last year's round.</p>			
3	Community issues and complaints (Feedback from TW)			

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	Aviation lights, 2 complaints received by the project and Council. A fact sheet will go on the website regarding the radar activation of the aviation lights.			
4	<p>Any further Items?</p> <p>CBF applications for 2019, TW to provide summary of last 2 years of allocations. TW will work with DR to review applications and will invite the others who could not make the meeting this month to participate.</p> <p>There was a request for TW to organise a white board and pens for the next CRG meeting to discuss and review CBF allocations.</p> <p>Next CRG meeting will be on Tuesday 9 July 7pm, Bungaree Rec Reserve, closed meeting, discussion of CBF applications. This will be a closed meeting.</p>			