

Friday 15th 2019 at WINS Community Centre, 27 Swift Street
Wellington

Attendees	Initials	Position
Garry West	GW	Independent Chairperson
John Goodworth	JG	Community Representative
Lindsay Hough	LH	Community Representative
John Xuereb	JX	Community Representative
Heather Gough-Fuller	HGF	Community Representative
Brad Bliss	BB	Community Representative
John Southwell	JS	Chamber of Commerce
Mark Branson	MB	CWP Renewables – Development Manager

Apologies

Jessica Petersen	CWP Renewables – Development Officer
John Watts	Dubbo Regional Council representative
Phillipa Smith	Community Representative

Observers

Mirjam Leitner	Landowner
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Item	Details and Actions
1.0 Welcome and Introductions	Meeting opened at 9:35am. GW welcomed all present and thanked everyone for their involvement. GW introduced John Southwell who is attending his first meeting.
2.0 Apologies	As listed above.
3.0 Declarations of Interest	No new declarations of pecuniary interest.
4.0 CCC Guidelines	GW advised that DP&E has revised the CCC guidelines as at January 2019 and an electronic copy of the guidelines will be forwarded to each member.
5.0 Minutes of meeting 02-11-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved
6.0 Business Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting dates for 2019
7.0 Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIL
8.0 Company reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MB UWF presentation - <i>Hard copies of presentation provided to all attendees. Electronic version to be made publicly available with minutes.</i>
9.0 Project Update / Discussion	<p>Project layout/design</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MB – WTGs between 200m and 250m are being considered and the project design is being updated to comply with the requirements of the NSW Wind Energy Guideline particularly visual amenity and noise. A decision will be made on the WTG and project design to be proposed once technical studies are completed in early 2019 <p>Community Landscape Survey</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response numbers were small and the general response to landscape values was mixed. Full results will be presented in the Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment. • HGF – some sites were not able to be adequately described <p>Roads and transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LH – Concerned about the eastern end of Twelve Mile Road being used for haulage of components. • MB – Clarified that over-dimensional transport would be via Goolma Road, turning on to the western end of Twelve Mile Road, toward the site entrance. • ALL – Twelve Mile Road needs to be upgraded to meet requirements, particularly widening. Biodiversity and Aboriginal heritage values will need to be assessed for any widening. • MB – In discussions with Dubbo Regional Council about traffic and transport issues, road upgrades and maintenance. • MB – WTG component haulage will be coordinated with police escorts and pilot vehicles. CWP is keenly aware of the transport risks and will be managing them closely with Council. • ALL - discussion about safety and lack of speed limit signs on Twelve Mile Road. Communication signals were poor in the general area and concern expressed if an accident occurred emergency services could not be notified. • JG – He had already responded to a ‘Black Spot’ survey but no action at this stage. It was agreed that the committee should express their concern to the Federal and State Members of Parliament requesting additional towers be installed in the area. ACTION: GW to write on behalf of the CCC. • MB – If the project is approved CWP will enter a S138 agreement with DRC which will allow the proponent to assess dilapidation and maintenance of Council roads. • MB – communication between school bus drivers and construction transport will be facilitated. CWP will look at providing 2-way radios. • JG – Will Wuulumun Road be used for construction traffic? • MB – advised over-dimensional and heavy vehicle construction traffic will not use Wuulumun Road Yarragal Road and there are no Project entrances off these roads. <p>Community Enhancement Fund</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All – General discussion about opportunities to help address high unemployment in Wellington. Rural training opportunities particularly shearers and shed staff was recommended • MB – Referenced the community investment program currently being rolled out at Sapphire Wind Farm, CWPR very surprised by the high level of community interest in New England region. <p>Biosecurity Impacts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LH – Biosecurity regarding farming enterprises needs to be carefully managed so to not introduce disease and weeds. • MB – Advised that biosecurity procedures are in place within the lease agreements and that all protocols and requirements from Local Land Services will be followed. <p>Next Steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community consultation ongoing • Technical studies being finalised for EIS • Engagement with Council regarding road upgrades
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Open Day to be held prior to EIS lodgement EIS lodgement expected mid 2019. EIS will be available in hard copy at Council buildings, particularly in Wellington. <p>GW thanked MB for project update and the discussion</p>
10.0 Matters, which Community Representatives wish to raise.	As above
11.0 Community Engagement Opportunities	GW - Keep as an agenda item if CCC have ideas for future opportunities
12.0 Meeting Dates	MB indicated he would have trouble meeting on 19 July. It was agreed to change that meeting date to 18 July at 1pm.
13.0 General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JX & LH - question about neighbour agreements. It was generally agreed that this was an issue for individual discussion with CWP MB – payments for those who are impacted but do not receive direct payment from hosting turbines for those who are in close proximity to turbines. Not everyone wants a NA. MB – It is a legal agreement. It is seen by department as a way to share the benefits of the project. The National Wind Farm Commissioner supports the use of neighbour agreements.
14.0 Next Meeting	26 April 2019

Meeting closed at 11:08am.

GW thanked all present for their attendance.

Action Items:

Item	Issue	Action By:
1	Write to Federal & State MPs concerning poor communication signals	GW