

Friday 21st of August 2020 via Microsoft Teams
teleconference

Attendees	Initials	Position
Garry West	GW	Independent Chairperson
Heather Gough-Fuller	JG	Community Representative
Brad Bliss	BB	Community Representative
John Southwell	JS	Community Representative
Pip Smith	PS	Community Representative
Lindsay Hough	LH	Community Representative
Matt Flower	MF	CWP Renewables – Development Manager
Jessica Petersen	JP	CWP Renewables – Development Officer

Apologies

John Xuereb	Community Representative
John Goodworth	Community Representative

Item	Details and Actions
1.0 Welcome and Introductions	Meeting opened at 9:57am via Teams teleconference Major technical problems caused a late meeting. GW opened meeting.
2.0 Apologies	JG, JX
3.0 Declarations of Interest	Responsibility of all members to keep declaration updated. GW to share declarations, group to consider and decide what to do. BB employed to undertake the cultural heritage surveys and is reimbursed his travel costs. Group is comfortable with this.
4.0 CCC Guidelines	Nothing new
4.0 Minutes of meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved by all
6.0 Business Arising	Nil
7.0 Correspondence	Nil
8.0 Company reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MF threw to JP to run the presentation <i>Electronic version sent via email and will be made publicly available with minutes. Hard copy to be sent by post to CCC members on request</i>
9.0 Project Update / Discussion	Outline Project update, DA process, new mast, planning status, preliminary overview submissions (key themes), next steps

	<p>Activities since last meeting</p> <p>DA/EIS exhibited online only for 6 weeks May-July.</p> <p>Was notified to community via Hardcopy and e newsletter and more detailed letters sent out, media advertisements circulated in months prior to exhibition.</p> <p>Some printed copies provided to the CCC members to review and pass around to interested parties.</p> <p>JP: Did those copies move around?</p> <p>PS: 'I shared it with three or so people'.</p> <p>GW received no contact requesting EIS outside of the CCC.</p> <p>BB downloaded the EIS and passed it to the Indigenous groups and contacts.</p> <p>New mast is onsite – 160m tall on Uungula property which was approved by Dubbo Regional Council as a separate DA.</p> <p>Aviation authorities notifications made into Vertical Obstacle Database – it has alternating red and white colours at the top.</p> <p>Project is now in Response to Submissions (RtS) phase of the planning application (step 4 of 6 in the planning application cycle).</p> <p>We prepare RtS, DPIE consider the response and all the submissions, DPIE provide an assessment, a report, and a determination.</p> <p>GW: timing?</p> <p>JP: in the coming 1-2 months (discussed later).</p> <p>Presented a graphical overview of the RtS process.</p> <p>Explained that process: DPIE receives submissions, publishes them, provides to proponent, proponent responds, may amend the project, sends that RtS to DPIE.</p> <p>DPIE check, may ask for more info or refine certain aspects, place the RtS online, then start the assessment process.</p> <p>JP: any questions?</p> <p>All: no</p> <p>Presented submissions summary.</p> <p>Quoted numbers from slide 7.</p> <p>All submissions are on the DPIE website.</p> <p>Geographical cut of submissions – presented numbers shown on slide 8.</p> <p>Preliminary analysis of submissions complete, responses underway.</p> <p>We have been analysing the issues brought up in all the submissions.</p> <p>We categorise and group into themes to respond accordingly.</p> <p>We have identified high level issues so far, are continuing our analysis.</p> <p>Issues raised included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Socio economics: pros and cons to the labour market, good opportunities for Wellington. - Technical issues: road upgrades, visual, biodiversity. - Broader issues of energy policy and wind farms in general. <p>Agency slides</p>
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	<p>Consultation undertaken with agencies to gain a better understanding of their requirements and needs to address.</p> <p>Consultation with DPIE to discuss submissions and how we will be responding.</p> <p>Ongoing consultation is occurring with agencies as we develop the RtS. Focal areas include the intersection design at Goolma/Twelve Mile Roads.</p> <p>Further agency consultation may shape the requirement to undertake additional studies, however at this stage additional work and studies is being undertaken on biodiversity, heritage (test excavations), intersection design (pending agency consultation), updated reports for bushfire and hydrology.</p> <p>Presented the planning and approvals flow chart (slide 11)</p> <p>A question was raised regarding timing of submitting the RtS.</p> <p>MF stated timing was if all is well then aiming for mid-end September, but as to when the DPIE would publish the RtS that would be once they are satisfied with that the RtS content and format addresses the issues raised.</p> <p>JP: beyond that point the timeline is in DPIE's hands.</p> <p>Larger overview project timeline presented showing the steps and approximate dates:</p> <p>Planning approvals hopefully early 2021, construction commencement hopefully end of 2021, operational 2023.</p> <p>Opened to questions</p> <p>LH queried what bushfire fighting equipment would be onsite, noting the addition of extra gates would slow the response time to fires and presumably all operations staff would need to be trained by the RFS?</p> <p>MF responded that on some of other projects, the consent conditions require a certain amount of water is stored in a tank at the offices and other specific equipment held on site to manage fires. The specific details of what equipment and training would be required will be outlined in a plan post-approval called an Emergency Response Plan and a Bushfire Management Plan which would be developed in consultation with the RFS.</p> <p>LH made note that firefighting response time is difficult in the area due to the location of equipment and local responders and that firefighting with trailers is not suitable in that country, you need a stand alone unit on a 4WD.</p> <p>MF made the point further that our project is not going to add substantially more gates than are there now.</p> <p>BB queried how many phases there would be to the test excavation, noting that our RtS timeline would be pushed out if additional investigations were required?</p> <p>MF replied that it was one for now and would take the archaeologists advice as to how much more work is required once this part of the program is finished. We would need the amount of information required to identify the archaeological significance of the sites for the RtS and dependent on the project footprint, would plan future phases</p>
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	<p>accordingly. We will take the guidance of the archaeologist consultants.</p> <p>JS observation on LH's comment regarding gates and access on the Bodangora project has not seemed to impede access.</p> <p>LH queried if explosives would be used on site and if so, how would the potential fire hazard and damage due to vibrations (particularly on house foundations) be addressed. Would the project be liable if they were to cause a fire on site?</p> <p>MF explosives could be used in constructing foundations etc, but there would be lots of very strict safety controls, risks assessments and management plans in place prior to the use of explosives.</p> <p>MF will follow up regarding the potential impact of vibrations which was included in the EIS.</p>
10.0 Matters, which Community Representatives wish to raise.	Nothing new
11.0 Community Engagement Opportunities	MF – will be presenting to the Wellington Business Chamber at their next meeting at the request of Jessica Gough to let local businesses know how they become involved with the project.
12.0 Meeting Dates	Proposed 23 rd October at 9:30am (location to be determined)
13.0 General Business	GW noted again the responsibility of CCC members to declare any pecuniary interests they have in the project. Members can contact GW to send them a form to fill out.
14.0 Next Meeting	23 rd October at 9:30am

Meeting closed at 10:40am.

GW thanked all present for their attendance and patience with the different type of meeting.

Action Items:

Item	Issue	Action By:
1	UWF outline the emergency preparedness esp considering bushfire response (under ordinary circumstances and also when blasting is occurring)	JP/MF
2	UWF provide information on vibration impacts	JP/MF