

Minutes of Meeting

White Rock Wind Farm Community Consultative Committee

Present:	Jane Newsome	Chair	JN
	Adrian Maddocks	Development Manager, Goldwind	AM
	Sandra Royal	Local Representative, WRWF	SR
	Sunny Rutherford	Community Engagement Manager	SRu
	Adam Anderson	Community Representative (host landowner)	AAAn
	Joanne Wright	Community Representative	JW
	Anthony Alliston	Inverell Shire Council Representative	AA
	Steve Toms	Glen Innes Severn Council Representative	ST
	Lauren Zell	North East Regional Coordinator, Regional Clean Energy Program (RCEP) (observer)	LZ
	Neil Eigeland (phone in)	Community Representative	NE
	Sandy Fitzgerald	Observer	SF
	Robert Dulhunty (phone in)	Community Representative (host landowner)	RD
	Peter Sniekers	Department of Industry (observer)	PS
	Keith Appleby	Director of Infrastructure, Glen Innes Severn Council (Observer)	KA
Apologies	David Dettwiler	Site Representative, WRWF	DD
	Jim Ritchie	Community Representative	JR
	Ruth Sim-Brummell	Observer	RSB

Date: 4 May 2017 at 1:30pm

Venue: White Rock Wind Farm shop front, 303c Grey Street, Glen Innes NSW 2370

Purpose: Community Consultative Committee Meeting No.8

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1	Introduction The Chair opened the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) meeting at 1:43pm and welcomed all attendees to the meeting.	
2	Apologies Apologies received as above. Motion to accept apologies: moved by AM seconded by JW motion carried.	

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3	<p>Declaration of pecuniary or other interests.</p> <p>AAn declared their interest as host landowners.</p> <p>Motion to accept: Moved by JW seconded by AA motion carried.</p>	
4	<p>Confirmation of previous minutes</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting on the 2 February 2017 were accepted.</p> <p>Motion to accept Minutes: Moved by AM seconded by ST motion carried.</p>	
5	<p>Business arising from previous minutes.</p> <p>Action item 11– AM to follow up on GST process for WRWF for community fund amounts. AM advised that after discussions within Goldwind Australia, all applications are to be inclusive of GST.</p> <p>Action item 13 – SR to organise a media release introducing the new Chair, CCC members, and what the CCC is about. Photographer at last CCC meeting – further request for head shots sent out 22 February 2017 – only 2 received – request at meeting for CCC members to send through photo</p> <p>Action item 14 – ST to provide list of comments on the draft guidelines to the secretariat ST emailed list through to SR</p> <p>Action item 15 – SRu to check the Inverell Shire Council and Glen Innes Severn Council are on the media distribution list Completed 06/02/2017</p> <p>Action item 16 – SR to organise meeting with editor of the Inverell Times Dependent on Action item 13 and return response from Inverell Times</p>	<p>Action item 11 – Closed</p> <p>Action item 13 – Ongoing</p> <p>Action item 14 - Closed</p> <p>Action item 15 – Closed</p> <p>Action item 16 - Ongoing</p>
6	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>The Chair noted that there was only one item of incoming correspondence since the previous meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email from Adam Marshall – refer to Agenda item 10 General Business 	
7	<p>Project update</p> <p>AM presented the project update including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recap of relevant project details 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outline of anticipated timeframes noting that completion of construction will be late 2017. Despite issue (ie: bad weather) the project is still on target with commissioning starting in June 2017. The Commissioning phase will continue in small groups, and then in groups of 10 until all pass testing. • Transgrid will be stringing the power lines shortly, including by helicopter over the gullies • Alternative power line connection – noted that a modification application (MOD4) has been lodged with the Department of Planning and Environment to connect WRWF to the 330kV transmission network. Public exhibition period closed on 21 February 2017 and we may know an outcome in April/May 2017. We are waiting to hear back about the approval, and understand that there were no public submissions, and have addressed the Departments submission. Added to MOD4 has been an increase in Ribbon Gum clearance. We have consulted with DP and OEH and will increase the offset package. • Transportation of turbine components started on 5 December 2016. A schedule of deliveries is available on the WRWF website and at the shop front. • Transportation via Ben Lomond– currently looking at potential route through Ben Lomond. Have the three councils (Armidale, Inverell and Glen Innes Severn) approvals. AM noted that no vehicle (truck) should be using this route at this time. Road works is happening along the Maybole and Kelly’s Road sections, and that the Kelly’s Road section would take significant resource to upgrade the road back to the highway. • Construction activity was discussed with update on foundation numbers, cable trenching, etc • Stage 2 update – initial assessments underway and preliminary discussions are being held with nearby neighbours. Noted that Stage 2 will only be built if the 330kV line connection is approved. • Community Engagement update included update on sponsorship, survey, and presentations. Additionally noted that the EOI for administration of the community fund has been published in the Glen Innes Examiner and Inverell times and submissions close on 26 May 2017. • WRSF including benefits of the wind-solar hybrids and that WRSF reached financial close. <p>Members discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When will Stage 1 be operational, and how does this happen – refer above for response from AM • AAn asked what would need to happen for Stage 2 to go ahead? AM advised that for Stage 2 to progress, initially MOD 4 would need to be approved, then there would be further updates to planning eg: transportation route, costs, vegetation increase will be important. WRWF are currently progressing: Vegetation report (complete); Cultural and Heritage report; Stage 1 noise report (submitted) which 	

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	<p>will be used as the starting point for Stage 2; reviewing turbine size and output; and detailed designs that need to be as precise as possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JN asked about noise from WTG. AM advised that a bigger rotor leads to more rotor noise and we need to make sure that Stage 2 works from a noise perspective, and that there are some interesting options coming through our R&D section which assist with the reduction of noise that WRWF may benefit from. • ST asked if Glen Innes Wind Farm one of the reasons for MOD4? AM advised that there had been no discussion at this point with Glen Innes Wind Farm and that the 330KV connection (MOD4) is specific to WRWF Stage 2. <p>Members left meeting at 2:30pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RD (difficulties with phone reception quality) and JW 	
8	<p>Community Fund</p> <p>Members discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Expression of Interest (EOI) was in the Glen Innes Examiner and Inverell Times on 18, 20, 25 and 27 April 2017 • An email was sent to all CCC members on 18 April 2017 to advise that the EOI would be in the paper • That there had been some interest from the local community and organisations. • Applications close 26 May 2017 	
9	<p>Community feedback</p> <p>Members provided the following feedback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted that CCC members were invited to be included in a WRWF site tour on Saturday 29 April 2017. • 3 x CCC members attended: AAn, NE, AA 	
10	<p>General Business</p> <p>Letter from Adam Marshall to JN regarding letter he received from John Matthewson about the road conditions along Kelly's Road, Maybole Road and Grahams Valley Road.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KA was invited to speak by ST • KA advised that Glen Innes Severn Council had provided Fulton Hogan a defects list. • SR noted that works had been underway for this section and should be completed by end of week. • KA mentioned that a road dilapidation survey was completed prior to WRWF using the roads and that the wind farm is responsible for wear on the roads during construction. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ST said that Sapphire Wind Farm seemed to have been proactive with roads in their area, and that part of the problem is resident's being confronted with change ie: more traffic than usual. • AA advised that with Sapphire Wind Farm, there are the road dilapidation surveys at the start and end of the project with regular monitoring of road quality throughout the period. • LZ asked what the critical path is for residents with complaints • KA advised that residents can call Glen Innes Severn Council on ph: 02 6730 2371 and dependent on urgency, the Council will go and inspect the road. KA advised that if works required after inspection, then Council would provide WRWF with a written notice to complete the works. If works is not started within 7 days then council can do the work and bill WRWF. <p>AM asked whether any of the CCC members had received a request by a research student for CCC members to be interviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most CCC members had already been contacted by the research student • Decision was that it would be up to the individual CCC member to decide if they would engage in the process. 	
11	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>The next meeting will be held at 1.30 pm, Thursday 3 August 2017 at the White Rock Wind Farm shop front, 303c Grey Street, Glen Innes.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 3:34pm.</p>	