

FLYERS CREEK WIND FARM
COMMUNITY CONSULTATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes Wednesday 8th May 2019

Date and Venue	Wednesday 8 th May 2019 Blayney Community Centre 6:00 – 7:15pm
Attendees:	Mr. Ian Rogan (Chair) Mr. Daniel Drum (Blayney Shire Council) Mr. Kim Masters (Host landowner) Mr. Joe Dalzell (Neighbour) Mr. John Plantinga (Neighbour) Ms. Rachael Young (Neighbour) Ms. Megan Richardson (Proponent – Infigen Energy)

1. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by the Chair.

2. Apologies

Apology from Mark Dicker (MD) (Blayney Shire Council). Daniel Drum (DD) attending in Mark's place.

3. Endorsement of the Agenda

The meeting agenda was endorsed. No additional items added.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Kim Masters (KM) moved that the minutes were formally adopted and Joe Dalzell (JD) seconded this.

It was noted that the minutes from the previous meeting in were approved by email and were available to view on the Infigen website.

5. Business Arising

The Chair reviewed the actions from previous meetings. These are outlined in the Actions Table at the foot of these minutes.

Megan Richardson (MR) advised that there was an application form which would be required to be filled out for any requests for sponsorship and provided this to KM so he could provide to the RFS for any future sponsorship request.

MR advised that she planned to contact the local aero club prior to commencement of construction activities. She advised that there is a process which will be followed under the Project Approval to ensure that CASA and any local aviation stakeholders are consulted pre and post construction to ensure they have information on the final position of wind turbines at the site.

6. Committee Issues and Updates

MR noted that she thought she had seen updated CCC guidance had been issued. Action on Ian Rogan (IR) to investigate further and advise if any major changes between guidance issued in 2016 and new guidance issued in 2019.

7. Project update

MR provided an update on the progress of the Flyers Creek Wind Farm development as described below.

Planning Modification 4: MR advised that the planning modification 4 application is currently being assessed by the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE). She advised that unfortunately the DPE has been very slow to refer the application to the Independent Planning Commission (IPC), which in part may be due to the recent state election. MR advised that she would let the CCC know when the application is referred and when the public meeting would be, noting that the public meeting will be advertised by the IPC.

Preferred supplier: MR advised that a competitive tender process has taken place for the contract to construct, operate and maintain the wind farm. She explained that the preferred contractor and turbine supplier contract negotiation was ongoing.

Pre-construction minor works: MR explained that Infigen CPP and NACAP contractors commenced pre-construction minor works in February which included:

- Investigative site survey works of the approved 33kV power line on the Errowanbang Road and of the approved access tracks, laydown areas and substation;
- Preliminary geotechnical survey of the approved wind turbine locations; and
- Establishment of site access and temporary laydown area and site survey office located off the Errowanbang Road near the intersection with Halls Road.

The information gained from pre-construction minor works is being used to inform the detailed design of the wind farm. It is expected that further early works will commence soon and notification to the community would be provided of this.

Timeline: MR indicated that commencement of construction is anticipated to occur later this year/early next year and is subject to all project approvals, contracts and finance being in place.

8. Community Consultation Plan and processes

MR asked the Chair if he could please provide a brief summary of how the community benefit fund under the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) is run at Infigen's Bodangora Wind Farm in Wellington.

IR explained the following:

- The fund is run by Dubbo Regional Council who manage, advertise and distribute the funds.
- The Bodangora Wind Farm CCC has a role in rating/ranking the funding applications and providing recommendations to DRC on which applications should receive the funds.
- IR advised that this process has worked very well to date.

9. Any Other Business

The date for the next meeting is called for Wednesday 14th August 2019 (TBC).

The Chair closed the meeting at 7:15 PM.

Actions from previous meetings

Action	Date Raised	Responsibility	Status
1. IR to investigate further and advise if any major changes between guidance issued in 2016 and new guidance issued in 2019.	09/05/19	IR	Open.
2. MR to review KM RFS sponsorship request and advise if Infigen can support	18/01/19	MR	Closed. MR provided sponsorship form to KM and requested that any requests for sponsorship are applied for via the form.
3. MR to contact the local aviation club with project information.	18/01/19	MR	Open.
4. JD advised that he we would pass on the contact details of a local aviation club.	11/09/18	JD	Closed. Information duly emailed 12/09 to MR.
5. IR advised that he would contact MD to query if Council could nominate an alternate if MD was unable to attend CCC meetings and if there were particular days of the week that were preferable for future meetings.	16/05/18	IR	Closed. Daniel Drum (DD) at Blayney Shire Council appointed as MD's nominated alternative at 11/09/18 CCC meeting.
6. MR to provide copy of average wind speed map of the project site to the CCC members.	16/05/18	MR	Closed. MR provided a printed copy of the maps to the CCC members at meeting of 11/09/18.
7. MR to provide details of sponsorship activities related to Flyers Creek in the last 12 months.	16/05/18	MR	Closed. For details see agenda item 9 of CCC meeting minute 11/09/18.
8. MR agreed to bring an average wind speed map of the project site to the next CCC meeting for information	02/02/18	MR	Closed. MR brought maps to meeting of 16/05/18 and shared with members.
9. MR to issue Infigen Community Sponsorship application form to CCC members	02/02/18	MR	Closed. Issued with draft minutes on 08/02/18
10. MR to provide wirelines which were lodged with the DPE as part of planning modification 3 to JD.	02/02/18	MR	Closed. Issued by email to JD 08/02/18
11. MR to bring project maps in electronic form to next meeting to share with the group	02/02/18	MR	Closed. Maps brought to meeting of 16/05/18. It was agreed that MR would bring a copy to all subsequent meetings.
12. MR agreed to speak to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) about the process for adding a new CCC member to the group and report back on the outcome of this discussion.	02/02/18	MR	Closed. MR reported outcome of discussions with DPE at meeting of 16/05/18.

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13. The CCC members supported this idea and requested that MD followed up with Council about the possibility of utilising this land for a viewing platform.	02/02/18	MD	Closed. MD followed up on this by email 12/02/18 advising that he has spoken to Councils Manager Operations and he has given very preliminary advice that the quarry area could be utilised as a "pull off area" and as a viewing area. Further detailed information would be required prior to any formal endorsement by Council.