

**FLYERS CREEK WIND FARM**  
**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting Minutes 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

<b>Date and Venue</b>	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2017 Blayney Shire Council Community Centre, 6pm
<b>Attendees:</b>	Ian Rogan (Chair) Mark Dicker (Blayney Shire Council) Kim Masters (Host landowner) John Platinga (Neighbour) Grant Christopherson (GC) (Regional Clean Energy Coordinator, OEH). Megan Richardson (Proponent–Infigen Energy)

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

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

**2. Apologies**

Rachael Young and Joe Dalzell.

**3. Endorsement of the Agenda**

The Chair requested any additions to the agenda. None were forthcoming and meeting agenda was endorsed.

**4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes from the previous meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017 were approved. Motion moved by Kim Masters (KM) and seconded by John Platinga (JP). All members in agreement.

**5. Business Arising**

The Chair reviewed the actions from previous meetings.

Megan Richardson (MR) confirmed that contact had been made and information provided to Joe Dalzell's (JD) neighbour.

MR advised that a site visit had taken place with the Department of Planning and Environment in July 2017.

**6. Committee Issues and Update**

No update.

**7. Project Update**

MR provided an update on the progress of Flyers Creek Wind Farm.

MR provided an update on the planning modification. Infigen provided a Response to Submissions on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2017 and is currently consulting with the Department of Planning and Environment about the location of turbine 3 and turbine 15. MR advised that she expects final approval to be granted in November 2017.

JP asked whether there were adequate wind speeds at the Flyers Creek project site to build a wind farm. MR explained that Infigen had undertaken over 3 years of wind monitoring at the site and confirmed that wind speeds were above average at the expected hub height of the wind turbines likely to be installed at the site. She further explained that in order to finance a wind farm project very detailed wind monitoring and analysis was required to demonstrate the suitability of the site and expected operational performance.

JP asked if the wind speeds in the North Sea were better than wind speeds at the Flyers Creek project site. MR explained that she whilst she doesn't have specific details of wind speeds in the North Sea but expected them to be generally higher than onshore wind speeds. MR advised that she would send some information on wind speeds at the site and in the North Sea to JP  
**[ACTION].**

A discussion ensued about the possibility of Cadia Mine developing a solar farm on their mine site.

## **8. Other Updates**

MD advised that Blayney Shire Council had initiated discussions with Infigen about the value of the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA). GC queried if land rates could be incorporated into the VPA rather than being valued through the council rates process as business rates.

## **9. Community Consultation Plan and Processes**

The Chair noted that this agenda item was on hold until the project was nearer to construction.

## **10. CCC Meetings**

The next CCC meeting was scheduled for 6pm on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017, but would be confirmed closer to the time based on if there was a relevant update.

## **11. AOB**

The CCC Meeting was closed by the Chair at about 7:00pm.