

BODANGORA WIND FARM – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

Meeting 5 – Minutes and Action List

Date:	4 th March 2012	Time:	6pm
Location:	Grand Hotel, Wellington	Attendees:	Mr. Grahame Collier (chair) Mr. Frank Barker (mid Macquarie Landcare) Ms. Lyn Jarvis (Neighbour) Mr. Bob Sewell (local business owner) Mr. Mike Lyons (Neighbour) Mr. Simon Barton (Host landowner) Mr. Frank Boland (Proponent–Infigen Energy)
1.	Welcome and Apologies		Chair
	<p>Welcome by the chair. The Chair reiterated that based on the unanimously agreed motion in meeting four of the CCC, that this meeting will be chaired as more formal meeting. The chair emphasized that wording accuracy in motions important and that proper meeting procedures would be followed. Under normal circumstances, for each item a period of open discussion would occur, followed by a call for motions. Motions would only be put if they were moved and seconded [those not seconded would lapse].</p> <p>Dedicated minute taker for this meeting was Grant Christopherson.</p> <p>The NSW Wind Farm Guidelines are still in draft form, which provides a significant challenge for the CCC's.</p> <p>Apologies - Peter James and Michael Tolhurst.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> That if any member of the committee cannot attend the meeting and no substitute is put forward; Apology will NOT be accepted by the committee. (Carried) Moved Frank Barker and Seconded Bob Sewell Resolution: Carried – 2 Against, 3 For, 1 Abstain</p>		
2.	Approval of Meeting 4 Notes		Chair
	<p>Motion – Moved for the meeting minutes and actions to be accepted in their current draft Resolution: Carried unanimously</p>		
3.	Project Update		FB
	<p>Frank Boland provided an update on the planning process to the committee. Infigen's response to submissions and preferred project report has now deemed adequate by The Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DOPI) to make an assessment. He also stated that these responses can be found on the DOPI website. An overview was then provided on his understanding of the remaining assessment process; including a period of around 2 months for DOPI to finalise their project assessment report. Following this it will be referred to the Planning Assessment</p>		

	<p>Commission (PAC) where they will have a one day PAC meeting in Wellington. Frank Boland stated his commitment in keeping the CCC informed on process/content as it comes to hand.</p> <p>Bob Sewell inquired about the magnitude of project application costs compared to other states, and a brief discussion was held and views were made that they are out of line (too high) compared with other States.</p> <p>Consultation active since previous meeting. A new aviation impact assessment completed and shared with the Wellington Aero Club. Consultation occurred with the president and other senior members. One on one meetings and small group meetings continue, including a host landholder meeting held.</p>	
4.	<p>Consultation processes: updating and suggestions about further consultation required/occurring.</p> <p>Frank Barker suggested that an Infigen shop front should be established. No further group discussion was held and Frank Boland said he noted that suggestion.</p> <p>Lyn Jarvis asked that Infigen hold a non-host landholder meeting. <u>Motion:</u> That Frank Boland as project manager holds a Bodangora wind farm non-host landholder group meeting, the same that has been held with host landholders. Moved: Lyn Jarvis, Seconded: Mike Lyons</p> <p>Discussion: Frank Boland stated from his experience in developing wind farms, that he found that either one on one or smaller group meetings to be the most productive. He also stated that in addition to the PAC meeting he will be holding another information session once more certainty was known about the construction timetable.</p> <p>Resolution: Tie - 2 Against, 2 For, 2 Abstain</p> <p>Discussion: The Chair considered it inappropriate to give a casting vote without the full committee in attendance - (9) committee members, given the nature of the issue at hand. Lyn Jarvis raised the question of the independence of the chair, if he did utilize a casting vote.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Dissention motion against the chair, given a quorum exists at this meeting & substitute reps not present (3 members absent) the chair shall use casting vote to settle previous motion. Moved: Frank Barker, No seconder – motion lapsed.</p> <p>Discussion: Frank Barker had submitted an agenda item to discuss the possibility of a site tour for both a committee and the community. Clarification was sought on whether it would be the whole site, whether the landowner would give permission, and timing of tour with farming activities. Mike Lyons and Simon Barton also made comment about practicalities of allowing access onto the properties.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> That the accepting landholder approval, the proponent be requested to provide an extensive site tour, including public roads, for the CCC. Moved: Frank Barker, Seconder: Lyn Jarvis Resolution: Not carried - 3 Against, 2 For, 1 Abstain</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> As above, including the wider community.</p>	All

	Moved: Frank Barker, Seconder: Lyn Jarvis Resolution: Not carried - 4 Against, 2 For	
7.	<p>Update on VPA (Voluntary Planning Agreement) - Discussion/committee input</p> <p>Frank Boland outlined to the group that Infigen was continuing to negotiations with council on the VPA and making good progress. Council has engaged a consultant to assist with the negotiations and drafting of the VPA document. No council representation at this CCC, so it was thought that this item be carried over to the next meeting for further discussion.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> That council and Infigen provide an update of the VPA at meeting 6, & if they are unable to, they indicate why not? Moved: Frank Barker, Seconder: Bob Sewell Resolution: Carried - 0 Against, 2 For, 4 Abstain</p>	FB
8.	<p>Register of Community Benefits Scheme ideas - Tabling/review of Community Benefits Scheme Register & discussion - Additional ideas for the Register - Views about the current register, priorities</p> <p>Frank Boland again outlined the proposed concept of the Bodangora Community Turbine and explained the difference between the VPA and the Community Benefits Scheme.</p> <p>Frank also gave an update on the status of the ideas, including those that had been actioned since the last meeting.</p> <p>The chair then asked for any new suggestion for the register. The register will be updated to include the following suggestions: Simon Barton - Upgrade to swimming pool Lyn Jarvis - \$5k to Show Society Lyn Jarvis - \$20k to Western Lodge Cancer Care Mike Lyons - Additional fire truck for Bodangora Fire Brigade. (ML declared he is captain of the BFB). Frank Boland also acknowledges that he forgot to include this suggestion on the register previously. Bob Sewell – Supporting junior sport both people and facilities.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Those owners of ideas in the Community Benefits Register, to detail at next CCC meeting. Moved: Frank Boland, Seconder: Simon Barton Resolution: Carried - 0 Against, 5 For, 1 Abstain</p>	
9.	<p>Response to advice provided from meeting 4 concerning the role of the committee</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> That the meeting be extended 30 minutes Moved: Bob Sewell, Seconder Frank Boland Resolution: Carried - 0 Against, 5 For, 1 Abstain</p>	

	<p><u>Motion:</u> For the first year of the Community Benefits Scheme, this committee or a proportion thereof, as decided by a majority of the committee, will determine the allocation of the available funds under this scheme.</p> <p>Moved: Bob Sewell, Seconder Frank Barker</p> <p>Resolution: Not Carried - 3 Against, 2 For, 1 Abstain</p> <p>Verbal resignation by Bob Sewell, on the grounds that members should not vote against a motion, if they do not speak to that motion. At this point Bob left the meeting.</p>	
<p>10.</p>	<p>Other Business and meeting scheduling</p>	
	<p><u>Motion:</u> For the CCC, sitting fees & training fees be provided by the proponent.</p> <p>Moved: Frank Barker, Seconder Lyn Jarvis</p> <p>Resolution: Carried - 1 Against, 4 For, 0 Abstain</p> <p>Discussion: The chair wanted a schedule of dates for the remainder of the year. Frank Boland added that with the unpredictability of the upcoming activities on project that it is more appropriate to decide the meeting schedule after each meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on June10th, 2013. And that the CCC should try and spread the business around other venues in Wellington. The Wellington Hotel was suggested by Mike Lyons.</p> <p>A vote of thanks was proposed by Frank Barker to Grant Christopherson for being the minute taker.</p> <p>Meeting closed 8:30pm.</p>	