



# BIALA WIND FARM COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE – MEETING 7

Date/Time:	Tuesday, 22 May 2018
	12pm – 1pm
Location:	Council Chambers, Gunning
	123 Yass Street, Gunning
Attendees:	Nic Carmody (NC), Chairperson
	Councillor Paul Culhane (PC), Upper Lachlan Shire Council
	Representative
	Kathy Cosgrove (KC), Committee Member
	Tim Mead (TM), (Beijing Jingneng Clean Energy), Applicant
	Representative
	Alice Patterson (AP), (Beijing Jingneng Clean Energy), Applicant
	Representative
	Robbie Williamson (RW) (Beijing Jingneng Clean Energy),
	Applicant Representative
	Jenifer Heffernan, Independent Observer
	Charlie Prell (CP), (Australian Wind Alliance), Independent
	Observer
Apologies:	John McCue (JM), Committee Member
	Vince Heffernan (VH), Committee Member
	Paul Hewitt (PH), Committee Member

## **SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES**

#### 1. Welcome and Introduction

- NC welcomed everyone to the 7<sup>th</sup> CCC meeting
- Apology received from Paul Hewitt & Vince Heffernan

## 2. Code of Conduct & Agreement

• NC asked committee if there were any changes to the Declaration of Interest since the previous meeting – no changes declared

#### 3. CCC Meeting Minutes

CCC #6 Meeting Minutes were adopted

## 4. New CCC Members Advertising

- NC received two new membership requests. Shane Laverty submitted his application and NC is still waiting to hear from applicant two. NC to forward application forms to the Department of Planning for ratification.
- One position remains vacant on the committee.
- NC suggested it is best for the proponent to only have 2 or 3 representatives at each meeting.
- KC requested to change the time of future meetings. NC to email committee and ask for the preferred time to meet.

## 5. Transmission Line JRPP status

- NC advised the committee that the Transmission Line JRPP was deferred
- TM gave a brief update on the latest progress of the application since the JRPP





deferral. The next JRPP meeting is expected to be held in July 2018.

- The requirements for who can speak at the JRPP were discussed.
- PC mentioned the specific items required by the JRPP include a more closely defined route and more information regarding the Environmental and Heritage impacts.
- The committee was advised that additional information can be found on the proponents website.

## 6. Project Update

- TM provided a general project update;
  - o Progress on roadworks to Kialla Road
  - Onsite surveys are being conducted by Environmental and Heritage consultants
  - o Four Met-Masts are scheduled for erection at the end of August.
  - Tender process for Balance of Plant Contractor nearing finalisation and announcement of winning tenderer to be made soon.
  - o Proponent in ongoing discussion with Transgrid about the connection
  - Monthly project newsletters have been distributed including as an insert in the Crookwell Gazette as a once off. Newsletters encourage people to register their email address for electronic distribution.

## 6. General Items for Discussion

- NC explained the NSW Department of Planning & Environment has requested a copy of the minutes from all CCC windfarm meetings
- NC mentioned the National Wind Farm Commissioner (NWFC) visited Rye Park CCC to discuss his yearly report. NC to circulate a copy of this annual report and presentation to members.
- JH questioned if there has already been/or will be any monitoring of residents'
  TV reception throughout the area prior to construction. TM discussed
  conditions of consent relating to TV and stated that it is the intent to complete
  baseline TV surveys. JH stated expressed concern about the difference
  between local TV reception and VAST boxes. CP explained the TV mitigation
  measures completed for the community surrounding Taralga Wind Farm. JH
  explained her discussion on this topic with the NWFC.
- Draft Community Consultation Plan discussed. KC would like to include government agencies including Local Land Services and Landcare to page 9 of the plan. TM to update and circulate.
- CP showed the committee the latest Australian Wind Alliance publication "Building stronger communities'
- PC requested the nomination form for new committee members remain on the website.

## 7. Next Steps and Close

Next meeting 11<sup>th</sup> September, time TBA Meeting closed 1:05pm