

**BIALA WIND FARM  
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE – MEETING 11**

<b>Date/Time:</b>	Tuesday, 20 Aug 2019 5pm – 7pm
<b>Location:</b>	Council Chambers, Gunning 123 Yass Street, Gunning
<b>Attendees:</b>	Nic Carmody (NC), Chairperson Councillor Paul Culhane (PC), Upper Lachlan Shire Council Representative Paul Hewitt (PH), Committee Member Shane Laverty (SL), Committee Member Jenifer Heffernen (JH), Committee Member Robbie Williamson (RW) (BJCE), Applicant Representative Adam Lenihan (AL) (AECOM), Owner’s Construction Representative
<b>Apologies:</b>	George Shepherd (GS), Committee Member Tim Mead (TM), (Beijing Jingneng Clean Energy), Applicant Representative Kathy Cosgrove (KC), Committee Member

**CONSOLIDATED ACTIONS LIST**

- PC to discuss the damage on Grabben Gullen road within Council
- BJCE to circulate a high level Biala program to CCC members
- BJCE to update on the findings of the investigation into the delivery vehicle incident
- BJCE to update on how incidents will be recorded and what actions will be taken to avoid similar incidents going forwards
- BJCE to clarify with contractors what the interaction with RFS would be in the event of a bushfire (either on the project site or off it)
- BJCE to book the Grabben Gullen Community Hall for the next CCC meeting

**SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES**

<b>1. Welcome and Introduction</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NC welcomed everyone to the 11th CCC meeting</li> <li>• Apology received from Kathy Cosgrove, George Shepherd and Tim Mead</li> <li>• Nothing heard from John McCue or Vince Heffernan</li> <li>• NC read out his annual report on the Biala Wind Farm CCC which is provided to the Department of Planning and Environment</li> </ul>
<b>2. Code of Conduct &amp; Agreement</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No changes to the Declaration of Interest since the previous meeting.</li> <li>• SL stated that he had received offer of Biala Wind Farm Neighbour Deed in the post but nothing was agreed.</li> </ul>

<b>3. CCC Meeting Minutes</b>
CCC #10 Meeting Minutes were adopted
<b>4. Range Road</b>
<p>Damage on Grabben Gullen Road to the north of Grabben Gullen raised. Some in community feel that road has been damaged by the deliveries for the Range Road upgrades. Range road is not part of the “Windfarm Site” and therefore can be accessed by routes other than the Biala windfarm heavy and OSOM vehicles routes. Divall’s agreed the truck delivery route for the works with Council.</p> <p>It was noted that since the Yass sales yards opened Grabben Gullen Road has seen significantly higher levels of heavy traffic which has also contributed to road deterioration.</p> <p>Similar issue was flagged to BJCE at Grabben Gullen Progress Association meeting on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August.</p> <p>PC advised that Council are also aware of the issue and will follow up.</p>
<b>5. Haulage Route</b>
<p>NC read out a letter from local resident Scott Montgomery</p> <p>Scott has been informed by others within the community that they believe there have been two breaches of the Biala wind farm consent conditions in relation to the specified vehicle routes to site.</p> <p>RW responded that this was also raised at the Grabben Gullen Progress Association which BJCE attended and also directly from Scott.</p> <p>The issues are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. a delivery truck driving along Grabben Gullen Road through Grabben Gullen and;</li><li>2. a delivery truck driving down the OSOM route</li></ol> <p>BJCE are investigating this with their construction contractor.</p> <p>Some key discussion points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No heavy or OSOM vehicles should be going through Grabben Gullen for deliveries to the Biala wind farm site. This would be considered a non-compliance</li><li>• The conditions of consent reference NSW Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL)</li><li>• Under HVNL the definition of OSM is not just limited to the type of load which requires an escort such as the turbine components (blades, towers)</li><li>• Contractor interpretation of the HVNL guidance was that prime mover with a low loader (one of the delivery vehicles in question) meets the definition of an OSOM vehicle under HVNL.</li></ul>

<p>BJCE to provide clarification of how this will be recorded and monitored going forwards.</p>
<p><b>6. School Buses</b></p>
<p><b>School Buses</b>          Concern raised that a local school bus driver Craig Southwell might have been missed from the TMP. Action on BJCE to look into this.  <i>Post meeting update – BJCE confirm that Craig Southwell of “A little bus Bailey's garage, Gunning” is already listed in Table 2.5 of the approved Biala TMP (dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018):</i>  <a href="https://bialawindfarm.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/BWF_Balance-of-Plan_Traffic-Management-Plan.pdf">https://bialawindfarm.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/BWF_Balance-of-Plan_Traffic-Management-Plan.pdf</a></p>
<p><b>Project Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RW and AL gave a general update on the works taking place on the Biala windfarm site and the expected upcoming works on the substation and transmission line</li> <li>• Biosecurity measures for the first-time deliveries discussed. BJCE has been using independent inspectors to ensure equipment is clean when it arrives at site.</li> <li>• Works on construction compound have commenced and site intersections will start very shortly</li> </ul>
<p><b>8. General Discussion</b></p>
<p><b>Community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BJCE have added an “Accommodation” page on the website. People can add details of accommodation they’d like to offer Biala wind farm staff  <a href="https://bialawindfarm.com/accomodation-providers/">https://bialawindfarm.com/accomodation-providers/</a></li> <li>• BJCE have contacted residences within 4km of a turbine to make them aware of the visual impact mitigation condition within the Biala windfarm conditions of consent.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ BJCE to confirm if this is this only available for existing dwellings/DAs</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Text messaging service discussed</li> <li>• Feedback that BJCE should share a high-level program with the CCC members as they are often asked when certain things will happen.</li> <li>• BJCE intend to run community BBQ once the weather improves</li> <li>• Signage at roadside in advance of disruptive works/deliveries is a very effective way to communicate to community</li> </ul> <p><b>TV</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TV reception was discussed</li> <li>• Discussed latest state of VAST box technology (BJCE had contacted Hudson Pratley at previous suggestion of CCC)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ VAST service now offers the different regional options for the main channel (7, 9, ABC, etc)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Won't get the local special interest, lifestyle or shopping channels</li> <li>○ Local news available but with a 1 hour delay</li> <li>○ Some boxes can have dual tuner and can be fitted with additional memory capacity. This allows recording of one channel while watching another one.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Baseline survey work showed that much of Grabben Gullen already has poor signal and conversations with community have revealed that many residents already implement VAST boxes. In light of Hudson's feedback on the latest capabilities of VAST boxes, BJCE feel the best solution for residences whose TV is impacted by the Biala wind farm will be offering to install VAST boxes.</li> </ul> <p><b>Bushfire</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Revisited discussion from previous meeting around bushfire safety during construction. Previously it was indicated that presence of contractors with fire fighting equipment onsite provides some improved ability to deal with bushfire.</li> <li>● Concern around the interaction of contractors and RFS in the event of an incident. There was some concern that contractors may not be legally allowed to help.</li> <li>● BJCE advised Contractors are required to consult with RFS regarding emergency response and site bushfire management plan.</li> <li>● BJCE will follow up with contractors to get more information on the interaction with RFS</li> </ul> <p><b>Timing and Venue</b></p> <p>NC read out message from KC requesting committee to consider changing the time and venue. Decision was that timing would stay the same but would move venue to Grabben Gullen Community Hall for next meeting</p>
<p><b>9. Next Steps and Close</b></p> <p>Next meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> October 7, 5pm till 7pm          Venue changed to Grabben Gullen Community Hall          Meeting closed 7:00pm</p>