

**BIALA WIND FARM
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE – MEETING 12**

Date/Time:	Tuesday, 22 Oct 2019 5pm – 7pm
Location:	Grabben Gullen Community Hall, Grabben Gullen
Attendees:	Nic Carmody (NC), Chairperson Paul Hewitt (PH), Committee Member George Shepherd (GS), Committee Member John McCue (JM), Committee Member Shane Lavery (SL), Committee Member Jenifer Heffernan (JH), Committee Member Kathy Cosgrove (KC), Committee Member Tim Mead (TM), (Beijing Jingneng Clean Energy), Applicant Representative Robbie Williamson (RW) (BJCE), Applicant Representative Adam Lenihan (AL) (AECOM), Owner’s Construction Representative Zac Wood (ZW) (CATCON), Civil Works Project Manager Paul Howard (PHo), Observer
Apologies:	Vince Heffernan (VH), Committee Member

CONSOLIDATED ACTIONS LIST

- PC to discuss the damage on Grabben Gullen road within Council (carried over from meeting 11 minutes)
- BJCE to provide updated high level Biala program to CCC members
- BJCE to provide an update on the issue of delivery routes to site
- BJCE to contact AP&H Society about the times and dates that community groups use the showgrounds, including the Pony Club.

SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome and Introduction
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NC welcomed everyone to the 12th CCC meeting • VH apology
2. Code of Conduct & Agreement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JH declared that she is renting out a property to a wind farm contractor. NC noted this. • No other changes to the Declaration of Interest since the previous meeting.
3. CCC Meeting Minutes
CCC #11 Meeting Minutes were adopted
Update on the Consolidated Actions from previous minutes:

- **PC to discuss the damage on Grabben Gullen road within Council (not close in meeting 11)**
 - PC not present so carried across to next meeting
- **BJCE to circulate high level Biala program to CCC members**
 - BJCE provided A3 print outs of high level Biala program
- **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**
 - ZW summarised the findings from CATCON investigation into incident. Key points were driver arrived early (arrived on the weekend though delivery was expected Monday and did not make contact with site supervisor)
 - The measures to prevent similar incidents were discussed:
 - Driver will not be used on Biala WF again
 - Delivery drivers are required to have route maps in cabin
 - CATCON confirm the routes taken as part of a site induction and record this
 - Signage ordered to be placed at strategic roadside locations to deter delivery drivers using certain roads
 - TM confirmed that this information has been shared with DPIE.
 - TM shared other instances where the incorrect routes have been used for deliveries. It was discussed that incidents are being picked up, action is being taken to minimise them and that non-compliances need to be considered in context of 200+ heavy/OSOM deliveries which have arrived at site so far.
 - NC suggested that BJCE should provide an update at the next CCC on the level of compliance with the delivery routes. BJCE agreed this was a good idea.
 - It was noted that the current specified routes preclude CATCON from using some locally based contractors
- **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)**
 - CATCON have prepared a Bushfire Management Plan in consultation with local RFS.
 - GS described how the contractors and RFS would interact in the event of a fire.
 - RFS plan to visit the site for an inspection
- **BJCE to book the Grabben Gullen Community Hall for the next CCC meeting**
 - Done

Range Road
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Range Road primer seal has been completed • Council and Divall's to agree when the final seal should be done (weather dependent) • Line markings to be done after final seal • Council will also do a road safety audit • BJCE to confirm how long construction speed reduction will remain in place • Some concerns were raised about the condition of a couple of sections of the road. BJCE and Council are already aware of some locations that require minor rectification and will follow up on this when the final seal goes down.
Project Update
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ZW provided update on CATCON's Civil Works. Key milestones: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Intersections sealed that day ○ First foundation concrete pour the day before ○ Good progress on 11 foundations ○ 30% of access roads formed (no gravel yet) • AL provided an update on status of transmission line and substation works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CPP mobilised to compound near Gullen Range substation ○ Some exclusion fencing has been erected within substation in preparation for works ○ Awaiting final approval of Traffic Management Plan from Council before starting works. • There was discussion around bridge restrictions which are being introduced around the shire and potential implications for the Biala WF. BJCE are monitoring the situation and will discuss with Council, RMS, and DPIE as necessary. • CCC members raised that maintaining bridges in the shire is important for locals, especially in order to be able to deliver stock using trucks
Complaints

TM provided Biala WF complaint update:

- One complaint has been received since construction commenced.
- Community member called in relation to an issue with unauthorized bitumen spraying by a roadworks truck.
- BJCE investigated in consultation with Council and Divalls
- BJCE found that the truck had worked on Range Road upgrade works
- Worker flushed bitumen spray nozzle at an area previously used for Council stockpiling. An approx. 1.5m by 50mm strip of bitumen was left on the ground
- Council Environmental Ranger concluded that environmental risk was negligible. Advised no further action required but future bitumen flushing should be done within Divalls works area in future.
- BJCE have left a message with the community member summarising findings.
- PHo flagged this area is a common dumping ground and the neighbouring residents are sensitive about it being misused.
- BJCE have summarised in complaints register which is downloadable from website.

8. General Discussion

OSOM Definition Ambiguity

- It was acknowledged that there is some ambiguity in the precise definition of over-dimensional / over-sized / over-mass vehicles in the conditions of consent. BJCE confirmed that Biala TMP definition for OSOM is being used by the development however it is noted that many vehicles require a road permit from relevant road authorities to travel on the road network. RMS and Council have the responsibility to issue vehicle permits and they define the route that the vehicles need to follow. By law, the specified route in the vehicle permit has to be followed by truck drivers.

TV

- TV reception was discussed
- BJCE engaged Hudson Pratley (previously suggested by CCC) to install a VAST box at Bannister Hall to get feedback on the technology from construction staff living there
- BJCE feel that offering to install VAST boxes to any residences whose TV is impacted by Biala is a pragmatic solution given the existing baseline reception

Timing and Venue

Committee agreed to use the Grabben Gullen Hall again for the next meeting and to have it at 6pm.

9. Next Steps and Close

Next meeting 28th January 2020, 6pm till 8pm
 Grabben Gullen Community Hall
 Meeting closed 7:00pm