

MINUTES OF BOCO ROCK WIND FARM COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CCC)

9.00am, Tuesday 17th November 2015 Nimmitabel Community Centre

Attendees

Howard Charles (HC)

Richard Lawson (RL)

Landholder (host)

Community Member

Fiona Taylor (FT) Community Member/Neighbouring Landholder

Fr Sergei Shatrov (SS) Community Member

Cr Rogan Corbett (RC) - Alternate Deputy Mayor Cooma Monaro Shire Council

Mark Wiggins (MW) Operations Manager, BRWF – CWP

Mark Fleming (MF) Office of Environment & Heritage (Observer)

Peter Veljkovic (PV) CWP Renewables Lisa Andrews (LA) Independent Chair

Absent

Cr Brad Yelds (BY)

Bill Garnock (BG)

John Harrington (JH)

Bombala Council

Community Member

Community Member

Apologies

Cr Dean Lynch (DL) Mayor – Cooma-Monaro Council

Item	Action	
1.0 Welcome and Introductions		
Meeting opened at 9.05am. Lisa Andrews welcomed the attendees and asked that those present complete the Attendance Sheet.		
2.0 Apologies	Cr Dean Lynch (alternate Cr Rogan Corbett)	
3.0 Declarations of Interest	LA declared that she was an Independent Chair engaged by CWP to chair the CCC meeting.	
4.0 Confirmation of previous minutes	Motion: That the draft minutes be confirmed.	
	Moved Howard Charles	
	Seconded Richard Lawson	
	Accepted	

Item Issue 5.0 Business arising Provide a link to the noise study once it is Action items from previous minutes. available, which will be placed on the project 2 Enquire with Hewatt's on final settlement package. Link to interview by HC to be emailed to CCC members. 1 – Study is now available on website. 2 – Final settlement details emailed (refer correspondence). 3 – Link provided to members (refer correspondence). **6.0 Correspondence** Moved Lisa Andrews 11-5-15 – Email from LA to CCC with **Seconded** Richard Lawson clarification on Boco Rock's position with the Accepted re-use of the spare blade 19-5-15 – Email to CCC members with two action items (Downer's final payment to contractors & link to Howard Charles' interview on ABC 19-5-15 – Email to CCC members with draft minutes from 5-5-15 CCC Meeting 21/5/15 – Email from Fr Sergei Shatrov apologises for missing last meeting. 23/10/15 – Email to CCC members forwarding on an email from Mark Wiggins regarding staff changes at CWP with Siobhan Isherwood. 11/11/15 – Meeting Notice & Agenda for this meeting 12/11/15 – Email from the General Manager of Cooma Monaro Shire Council advising of Mayor Lynch's apologies and the Deputy Mayor, would be attending today 14/11/15 – Email from Fr Shatrov advising that he may be an apology today.

7.0 Boco Rock Project Update (MW) and general discussions regarding the energy industry

Screening/Planting of some non-involved properties has been undertaken following recommendations from a visual consultant. Three land owners accepted to have the screening. The assessment was undertaken based on the pre-montage and post montage appraisal for properties located within 5km of the towers.

Chris Hillman, Agronomist, from Landmark Cooma has been engaged to undertake the rehabilitation.

The first round of weed spraying for the season has been carried out successfully with spraying of weeds in the easement (and close vicinity).

The Community Fund applications are being assessed with a wide range of proposals put forward and approved.

Action: List of successful projects to be placed on BRWF website, so the community can see what has been approved in the area.

Action: Chair to provide link to CCC of Councils' consideration of the reports.

The August/September winds have not delivered what were modelled. Targets have been met in relation to maintenance. The shortfall is approximately 10% of what was predicted.

MF advised that the Federal Government produce an annual report on energy Generation

Action: Link to report to be sent with draft minutes.

Discussions were held about the Australian Energy Market Operator who provide a live forecasting website on energy production within the market (coal/wind/solar). This is based on telemetry information fed into the site.

Action: Link to AEMO site to be sent with draft minutes.

Concerns raised by SS regarding the cleanliness of the towers on Snowy River Way. MW advised they will be cleaned in the next maintenance schedule (Jan/Feb 2016).

Concerns were raised about the public accessing private properties and going up to the turbines. MW advised that it is difficult to stop. No entry

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	signs have been erected and locks placed on the		
	gates.		
	Suggestion of a Viewing Platform to take advantage of the landscape, which may be considered within Stage 2 of the project; in consultation with Council.		
	No information available from EGCO in relation to Stage 2 proceeding.		
	Discussions were held about coal fire powered stations vs renewable energy.		
	Cr Corbett enquired how the road situation was with MW responding that approximately 6 vehicles a day were using the road and its condition was satisfactory.		
	MF advised that the "Nature Near Me" APP is now available for downloading to android smart phones. Action: Link to APP		
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8.0 Community Concerns	Nothing submitted.		
9.0 General Business	Incorporated within Project Update.		
10.0 Next Meeting	The next meeting of the CCC will be held in the		
	Nimmitabel Community Hall on Tuesday 8 th		
	March 2016 at 9am.		

HC invited all present to view the recently acquired bronze bell that is located in the shed at the Showground. (MW/PV/LA/HC & RL attended.)

Meeting closed 10.07am

Action Items:

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1	List of successful projects to be placed on BRWF website, so the	MW/LA
	community is able to see what has been approved in the area.	
	Chair to provide link to CCC of Councils' consideration of the reports.	
2	Energy Generation Report - Link to report to be sent with draft minutes.	MF/LA
3	Link to AEMO site to be sent with draft minutes.	MW/LA
4	Link to APP	MF/LA