

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

9.00am, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017 Nimmitabel Community Centre

#### Attendees

Howard Charles (HC) Fr Sergei Shatrov John Harrington (JH) Mark Wiggins (MW) Lisa Andrews (LA) Landholder (host) Community Member Community Member Operations Manager, BRWF – CWP Independent Chair

Snowy Monaro Regional Council

Absent

Delegate

#### Apologies

Lisa Stiebel (LS) Mark Fleming (MF) Richard Lawson (RL) Bill Garnock (BG) Fiona Taylor (FT) Community Engagement Manager (CWP) Office of Environment & Heritage (Observer) Community Member Community Member Community Member/Neighbouring Landholder

Item	Action
1.0 Welcome and Introductions	
Meeting opened at 9.20am.	
Lisa Andrews welcomed the attendees and	
asked that those present complete the	
Attendance Sheet.	
2.0 Apologies	As listed above.
	LA explained LS's new role as Community
	Engagement Manager & advised that CWP are
	interested in working in partnership on some
	more long term community/economic
	development projects for submission to the
	amalgamated community benefit fund in 2017.
3.0 Declarations of Interest	LA declared that she was an Independent Chair,
	approved by the Department of Planning and
	Environment and engaged by CWP to chair the
	CCC meeting.
4.0 Confirmation of previous minutes	Motion: That the draft minutes be confirmed.
	Moved MW
	Seconded SS
	Accepted

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<b>5.0 Business arising</b> No outstanding action items.	No business arising from the previous meeting.
<ul> <li>6.0 Correspondence</li> <li>25/10/16 - Email from Chair to CCC members with the minutes from the adjourned meeting.</li> <li>17/11/16 - Email from Chair to CCC members advising of the release of the Department of Planning's new Community Consultative Guidelines for State Significant Developments.</li> </ul>	Moved LA Seconded JH Accepted
<ul> <li>Moved to General Business for presentation by LA.</li> <li>5/2/17 Email from Chair to CCC members reminding them to place the two meeting dates in their calendars for this year.</li> <li>9/2/17 – Email from Chair to CCC members forwarding on the Department of Planning's media release on the proposed Planning Legislation changes.</li> <li>20/2/17 - Email from Chair to CCC members with the meeting notice and agenda for this meeting &amp; advising that the site tour had been postponed.</li> <li>25/2/17 – Email from Chair to CCC members with a reminder for this meeting &amp; confirming</li> </ul>	
7.0 Boco Rock Project Update (MW)	<ul> <li>The switchboard building, supplied by RJE is currently being refurbished to replace the asbestos materials used in its manufacture. Whilst the asbestos levels are very low, Australian Standards (ISO 9001) require a zero asbestos content, therefore due to the potential liability RJE agreed to undertake the works, which are hoped to be complete by the end of April 2017.</li> <li>The turbines continue to be maintained in accordance with the schedule. The black marks on the turbines are from grease, where the blade sits in the hub. New seals have arrived and will be used to replace the existing seals, which takes approximately 12 hours. When completed, the towers will be cleaned.</li> <li>All the civil remediation works have been completed.</li> <li>Currently undertaking a weeds trial (when to spray, what to use, how to do it, etc). Agreement with host landowners to undertake weed spraying when convenient to them and then invoice CWP. This</li> </ul>

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	<ul> <li>ensures farmers are not disrupted during their usual agricultural programs.</li> <li>Overall – BRWF met their wind target (almost to the kilowatt) for 2016.</li> <li>Stage 2 is currently not being considered due to inconsistency with government policies and banks not willing to lend on renewable projects due to non-guarantees.</li> <li>Turbines were monitored during extreme hot weather conditions and core temperatures were verified. Gearboxes coped well and the cooling systems were activated.</li> <li>BRWF have been working with the oil supplier to ensure the lubricant's viscosity are performing effectively and efficiently.</li> <li>Pleased to report that staff are working</li> </ul>
	around projected wind forecasts, ensuring flexibility for capturing the resource at
	<ul><li>optimum times.</li><li>Discussions were held on the accuracy of</li></ul>
	forecasting with different meteorology
	websites and data bases.
8.0 Community Concerns	No issues raised.
9.0 General Business	LA provided a brief presentation on the new guidelines for State Significant Development Community Consultative Committees; providing a summary of the changes. LA distributed the new Code of Conduct and Pecuniary/Non Pecuniary Interest Forms for completion by members present. LA advised that the draft minutes would be sent out with CCC members having one week to provide comment/amendments. Final minutes will be posted on the website approximately 3 weeks after the meeting. It was agreed that it wasn't necessary to have an independent minute taker, as project is in "operational" stage and meetings are only held twice a year. Brief discussion on proposed Granite Hills Wind Farm Project at Steeple Flat, which propose 35 turbines. There are only two host landholders involved. A recent public meeting was held, where concerns will raised by the community. HC advised the CCC that he is putting his property up for sale. HC advised that CCC member, Richard Lawson is very unwell and currently in Bombala Hospital. It was agreed by all present, that a card be sent to Richard, wishing him well for his convalescence. SS provided a suggestion for the wording of the card.

<b>10.0 Next Meeting</b> The next meeting of the CCC will be held on			
	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2017, at the BRWF site		
	and will include a tour of the facility		
	(commencing at 9am).		

## Meeting closed 10.32am

## Action Items:

Item	Issue	Action By:
1	Send card to Richard Lawson	LA