

Friday 5 November 2021, WINS Centre, Swift Street
Wellington

Attendees	Initials	Position
Garry West	GW	Independent Chairperson
Lindsay Hough	LH	Community Representative
Brad Bliss	BB	Community Representative
John Southwell	JS	Community Representative
Pip Smith	PS	Community Representative
Mr Martin	MM	Observer
John Xuereb	JX	Community Representative
John Goodworth	JG	Community Representative
Matt Flower	MF	CWP Renewables (CWPR) – Project Manager
Brendan McAvooy	BM	CWP Renewables (CWPR) – Head of Construction

Apologies

Heather Gough-Fuller HGF Community Representative

Item	Details and Actions
Welcome and Introductions	Meeting opened at 9:36am GW welcomed the committee and thanked everyone for attending.
1.0 Apologies	Heather Gough-Fuller
2.0 Declarations of Conflict of Interest	Nil
3.0 Minutes of previous meeting	The Committee confirmed the minutes of previous meeting held 16 July 2021 and they have been uploaded to the project website. Closure of actions from previous meeting: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) MF: UWF could seek opinions from this CCC on community sponsorship applications to the extent permissible under the CCC guidelines (they note decision making on funding is not within the CCC role) 2) GW: current incentives for mobile phone towers under the Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) are uncertain 3) MF: mobile phone boosters on wind turbine towers is theoretically possible however not yet widely done in Australia.
4.0 Business Arising	Nil.
5.0 Correspondence	Nil.
6.0 Company reports	Activities since last meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community sponsorship announcement made, no applications prompted by this project received yet. • EPBC Act approval received. • Management plans are being drafted including traffic management plan. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PS: will the community get to see plans and comment on them? I would like to know so I can liaise with others such as the cycling committee.

- MF: not prepared with community comment because according to our requirements in the consent we will need to work with the various agencies in preparing them (such as Dubbo Regional Council (DRC)).
- GW: given the level of interest CWP could notify the committee when management plans are ready.
 - **Action:** MF to notify GW/CCC when management plans are accepted.
- Secretary approval sought and gained to use the minor roads linking back to the western end of Twelve Mile Road (TMR):
 - PS & LH: please queried what this refers to.
 - MF: this is a request to use the minor roads: Ungula Road, Wuuluman Road (western end of the loop accessed from Ungula Road), and Ilgingery Road, for pre-construction phase with light vehicles and some trucks (e.g. drill rig floated on a truck) for periodic surveys and investigations (not every week). It does not change the commitment to minor road use east of the project entry along Twelve Mile Road.
- Road design for Twelve Mile Road and the Twelve Mile Road / Goolma Road intersection being drafted but not completed yet, noting it will be as per described previously.
- Contracting discussions ongoing with the turbine suppliers, civil, electrical companies.
- Online contractor information session held in August which was well attended.

EPBC Act Approval

- Approval under this Commonwealth legislation received in August. Conditions largely consistent with the NSW conditions and can be viewed at:
<http://epbcnotices.environment.gov.au/publicnoticesreferrals/>

Timeline

Construction commencement planned for April 2022.

Introduction to CWP Renewables Construction

Brendan McAvoy introduced as CWP's head of construction. BM spoke to a number of points:

- There will be a CWP team onsite monitoring construction contractors.
- CWP will put the construction lead contact or Project Manager on this CCC.
- Twelve Mile Upgrade will be ca. 5-6 months and must be completed first.
- Likely first construction activity onsite will be to build the network of access tracks which will likely take approximately 12 months.
- Next comes excavations and concrete pouring, followed by over-sized/over-mass large component delivery, turbine lifting/erection, commissioning and electricity generation. The generation will start with only a handful of turbines spinning at a time to check all the systems are running.
 - JS: how many personnel onsite?
 - BM: depends on work front scheduling – perhaps around the 400 people mark.
 - LH: is the Twelve Mile Road upgrade construction commencement?
 - BM: yes it is.
 - PS: when will the community hear about the TMP contents?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MF: currently in draft before negotiation with DRC and Transport for NSW (TfNSW), will be notified to the CCC (see action item). ○ BM: obviously it will be mindful of trying not to impact other road users. ○ BM: we're always keen to hear feedback now and during implementation through feedback mechanisms yet to be announced (an example may include a Facebook page). ○ GW: CWP would need to consider what is appropriate if not only Facebook. ○ JG: perhaps a mailbox drop? ○ BM: we will take that on board. ○ JS: what about imposing speed limits? ○ MF: it's possible however changing the speed limit of a road requires steps only DRC or TfNSW can take although on other projects we have had project speed limits and radio call up points although not applicable to all traffic, however seemed to work well. ○ PS: would radio be used, and which radio channel would be used? ○ BM: yes, various channels, mindful of those already being used in the area. ○ PS: offered to send the list of existing farm radio channel use. (action) <p>Current and Future Workstreams</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Management plans are being drafted in preparation for agency liaison. ● Road design ongoing for Twelve Mile Road and the Twelve Mile Road / Goolma Road intersection. ● Contracting discussions ongoing with the turbine suppliers, civil, electrical companies. ● CWP financing process ongoing. ● Various on-ground surveys and investigations. <p>Sponsorship Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CWP put out the announcement around the time of the last CCC meeting but no applications have been received prompted by UWF. ● An additional round of pre-Christmas funding has been announced and released to media announcements. Amount is \$30,000 across the regions in which our projects are located.
<p>7.0 Matters which Community Representatives wish to raise</p>	<p>LH: will there be gates or grids throughout? MF: it depends on the wishes of the landowner, and it won't be 100% one or the other but rather a mix. LH: the Rural Fire Service (RFS) will require maps of the site. MF: this will be part of the emergency plans we must prepare prior to construction. There will also be a requirement to place an emergency plan at the front gate. CWP will also organise tours of the site at milestones during construction to familiarise the RFS crews of how to get around. PS: where are the turbines made? BM: various places, mostly in Asia. GW: what about the battery? MF: this is being deferred into a later stage and not being proposed as part of the construction of the project initially. BB: noted there's a battery at the Wellington substation and so many other new projects around. GW: offered to send the CCC a map or link to the website (action).</p>

8.0 Community Engagement Opportunities	BM announced that CWP is planning a community open day at Crudine Ridge Wind Farm in January 2022 and this committee would be notified (action).
9.0 General Business	Nil
10.0 Next Meeting	TBA GW – thank you for attending today.

Meeting closed at 10:40am.

Action Items:

Item	Issue	Action By:
1	CWP to notify GW/CCC when management plans are accepted.	MF (as available)
2	CWP to be sent a list of existing radio channel use	PS (by next meeting)
3	CWP to notify UWF CCC of open day at Crudine Ridge Wind Farm in Jan 2022	MF (upon announcement but likely later in November or early December 2021)
4	GW to send the CCC a map of all the upcoming projects in the region	GW (3/12/21)