

# BODANGORA WIND FARM – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

## Meeting 4 – Minutes and Action List

<b>Date:</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> December 2012	<b>Time:</b>	6pm
<b>Location:</b>	Grand Hotel, Wellington	<b>Attendees:</b>	Mr. Grahame Collier (chair) Mayor Rodd Buhr (Wellington Shire Mayor) Mr. Michael Tolhurst (Wellington Council) Mr. Frank Barker (mid Macquarie Landcare) Mr. Peter James (Bodangora Resident) Ms. Lyn Jarvis (Neighbour) Mr. Bob Sewell (local business owner) Mr. Mike Lyons (Neighbour) Mr. Simon Barton (Host landowner) Mr. Frank Boland (Proponent–Infigen Energy)
<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies</b>		
	Nil.		
<b>2.</b>	<b>Approval of Meeting 3 Notes</b>		
	<p><b>Notes and Actions:</b> Make the following corrections to the meeting 3 minutes: Add mover and seconder to item 3 regarding the register and edit item 4 as per Lyn Jarvis suggestion. Approval of Meeting 3 notes. In line with the agreed meeting process at that stage of the meeting the minutes as corrected were approved.</p>		ALL
<b>3.</b>	<b>Introduction to new CCC member – Mayor Rodd Buhr</b>		
	<p><b>Notes and Actions:</b> Mayor Rodd Buhr introduced himself and explained the context he will be involved and his expectations from participating as a member. He was welcomed by the Chair and the Committee. He also noted that his delegated replacement would be Councilor Grant.</p>		RB
<b>4.</b>	<b>Meeting process matters</b>		
	<p><b>Notes and Actions:</b> Discussion Minuting The Committee considered the issue of the meeting progress and discussed two proposals raised by members. The first was to reduce the notes section of the meeting minutes but continue to work in a discussion/ consensus manner, where votes would be taken if an issue was contentious. The second option was to move towards a more formal meeting process.  Motion: The Committee agrees to change its meeting protocol to a formal process of minute taking and discussion.  Moved: Peter Jones, Seconded: Michael Tolhurst Passed - unanimously</p>		GC/All

The Proponent in consultation with the Chair will determine how formal minuting is to occur for subsequent meetings.

Chair's note – the remainder of Meeting 4 was chaired more formally in that ideas were sought and put to the committee. However the formal process of those speaking 'for' and 'against' the motion on the table was not followed. It is the Chair's intention, in line with the agreement above, to chair future meetings formally.

Discussion Recording: It was then noted that Lyn Jarvis was recording the meeting on her own hand held device. Some members of the CCC expressed concern about this and were disappointed that the committee was not advised in advance that that this was occurring. Lyn indicated that she felt she was acting in accordance with the agreement in Meeting 3.

Discussion then ensued about the decision taken at the previous meeting concerning electronic recording of the meeting. Differing viewpoints were raised about the spirit and intent of the process for recording that was agreed in Meeting 3. A key area of dispute was - did members have the right to individually record the meeting, Following a somewhat heated discussion it was generally considered that the intent of the Meeting 3 agreement was that the Meeting was to be recorded by the Committee itself. The meeting accepted Lyn Jarvis' apology for not indicating that she was recording the meeting. It is reiterated she was of the view that she was acting in accord with the Meeting 3 agreement.

Further discussion was held related to formally minuting the meeting in the future and the following motion was put.

Motion: The Committee will not electronically record its future meetings

Moved: Lyn Jarvis Seconded: Bob Sewell  
Passed - unanimously

Discussion Alternate members: When the agenda item of Bob Sewell's alternate was raised, Frank Boland introduced Mrs Sue Knowles. She was attending as an observer to determine whether she would like to be involved in the CCC as a replacement. Item was noted.

Discussion Replacement of Committee Members who Resign: A discussion progressed to on the replacement of CCC members.

Motion: If a Committee member resigns, that member nominates a replacement for Committee endorsement

Moved: Frank Boland, Seconded: Peter James

After discussion and with the agreement of the mover and seconder, the following amendment was put:

**Amendment:** If a Committee member resigns that member nominates a replacement for Committee endorsement. In the event that the new member is not acceptable to the Committee the position will be advertised and the Committee will select a replacement from the applicants.

Moved: Frank Barker Seconded: Bob Sewell  
Passed unanimously

5.	<p><b>Project and planning process update</b></p>	FB
	<p><b>Notes and Actions:</b></p> <p>Frank Boland updated the group on the work that Infigen had undertaken and what their interpretation of the remaining planning process. He also outlined that it has been difficult getting a clear schedule of the process from the Department. He also flagged the likely Planning Assessment Commission process.</p> <p>Lyn Jarvis also enquired about how advanced the project was and asked Frank Boland how he would rank it compared to the Flyers Creek wind farm proposal. She also raised notes from a variety of public presentations on the Infigen development pipeline. Frank Boland responded that he believed it was at an advanced planning stage following the response to submissions.</p>	
6.	<p><b>Register of Benefits Scheme ideas and further discussion of possible options</b></p>	All/PJ
	<p><b>Notes and Actions:</b></p> <p>Discussion in this item centered on reviewing the decision made at Meeting 3 concerning the Community Benefits Scheme. Input concerning Item 7 (Michael Tolhurst) and 8 (Frank Boland) was brought forward with the agreement of the Committee so that it could be taken into account. Discussion reinforced the need for a Register</p> <p>Motion: The Register of Community Benefits Scheme ideas will be tabled at each meeting of the Committee</p> <p>Moved: Michael Tolhurst, Seconded: Rodd Buhr</p> <p>Passed unanimously</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Frank Boland indicated that the Register would be updated for each meeting and attached to the final agenda (sent 2 weeks prior to the Meeting) for that meeting to facilitate discussion and amendment.</p> <p>It was then agreed to park item 6 while item 7 and 8 were discussed.</p>	
7.	<p><b>Update on VPA (Voluntary Planning Agreement) with Wellington Council</b></p>	FB
	<p><b>Notes and Actions:</b></p> <p>Michael Tolhurst provided an update on the discussions between council and Infigen on the VPA. He also explained the three main components of the VPA, which consisted of a community, infrastructure and compliance and reminded everyone that council sought to retain autonomy in managing the quantum and allocation of funds. He indicated that another Committee would be established by Council to consult with the Community concerning the VPA. An update on the Coborra Mine VPA processed was outlined to provide some context to the negotiation framework.</p>	
8.	<p><b>Bodangora Community Turbine and Contribution</b></p>	
	<p>Frank Boland again outlined the proposed concept of the Bodangora Community Turbine and the key changes since introducing it to the CCC in meeting 3.</p>	

	<p>There was considerable discussion about this agenda item in context to the discussions held in the previous two. Issues raised included:  Significant commentary and questions related to the proposed community turbine and the intention to establish a separate Committee to manage this project if it goes forward. Where this proposal sat with regard to other Community Benefit Scheme proposals and the VPA, generally.</p> <p>Concern was expressed that there seemed to be three committees being raised and what exactly was the role of this committee in the light of two other committees that were flagged</p> <p>Motion: This Committee will be the group that provides advice on contributions (Community Benefits Scheme) to the Bodangora Community about the wind farm project</p> <p>Moved: Bob Sewell; Seconded: Frank Barker</p> <p>Passed 8 votes to 1</p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Report on any other communication processes and consultation suggestions</b></p>	
	<p>Discussion: Peter James outlined the recent consultation activity relating to the Bodangora township residents. Included in this was the landowner BBQ with Frank Boland, and a meeting with the Wellington Council. He mentioned that he thought the session was well received and very worthwhile.  Frank Boland thanked Peter for hosting and asked the broader CCC group if they had any feedback on other consultation suggestions.</p>	
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Other Business and meeting scheduling</b></p>	
	<p><b>Notes and Actions:</b>  This item did not begin prior to 8pm, the as agreed time for the end of the meeting (see Meeting 1).  Motion: That the time for completion of the meeting is extended to 8:20pm</p> <p>Moved: Bob Sewell, Seconded: Frank Barker  Passed - unanimously</p> <p>At 8:20pm and with no subsequent motions related to this agenda item, the Chair flagged to close of the Meeting.</p> <p>Motion: That the time for completion of the meeting be extended to 8:35pm</p> <p>Moved: Bob Sewell Seconded Frank Barker  Defeated: 7-3</p> <p>It was agreed that the <b>next meeting</b> would be held on <b>March 4, 2013</b>. And that meetings for the year would be scheduled at that meeting.</p> <p>Meeting closed 8:20pm.</p>	