

Minutes & Actions

Western Downs Regional Community Consultative Committee

Meeting Minutes

5 December 2013

Miles Training Centre, Miles 2pm-5pm

Initial	Name	Position / Company	Attend	Apology
MEMBERS				
<i>KM</i>	<i>Kerry Mulholland</i>	<i>Chairman</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>CR</i>	<i>Craig Rutledge</i>	<i>Director Regional Investment and Projects, DSDIP</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>GS</i>	<i>Glenn Strandquist</i>	<i>Miles Chamber of Commerce</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>JJ</i>	<i>Jason Johnston</i>	<i>CCCI</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>BW</i>	<i>Ben Wiltshire</i>	<i>Miles Police</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>AG</i>	<i>Arthur Gearon</i>	<i>AgForce</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>CB</i>	<i>Cecily Brockhurst</i>	<i>Murilla Community Centre</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>DG</i>	<i>Doreen Goldsmid</i>	<i>Chinchilla Family Support Centre</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>JB</i>	<i>Rev Jeff Balnaves</i>	<i>Community</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>KG</i>	<i>Kel Gaske</i>	<i>Community</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>GM</i>	<i>Cr George Moore</i>	<i>WDRC</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>CH</i>	<i>Cr Charlene Hall</i>	<i>WDRC</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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SECRETARIATE and SUPPORT STAFF				
<i>RB</i>	<i>Rob Hart</i>	<i>Origin – Regional Manager</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>SB</i>	<i>Scott Bird</i>	<i>Origin – Regional Community Relations Manager</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>KLW</i>	<i>Karen Williams</i>	<i>Origin – Community Relations Assistant</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>KW</i>	<i>Kent Weastell</i>	<i>Origin – Community Investment Lead</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>AW</i>	<i>Alison White</i>	<i>Origin – Social Development Manager</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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1.	<p>Meeting open – 2.05pm</p> <p>APOLOGIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig Rutledge • Jeff Balnaves • Arthur Gearon • Charlene Hall • Kel Gaske • Jason Johnston • <p>MEMBERSHIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New members: • Resignations: <hr/> <p>SAFETY ITEM - Origin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB spoke to members with regard to travelling over the Christmas period. Encouraged all to plan your journey, not be impatient, take time to have a rest, and be aware of your surroundings and other people on the roads. SB advised we have recently launched more Darren Lockyer commercials as our safety ambassador. RB advised recent fatality around Biloela, worker travelling to work at MCJV, possibly inattention was the cause. No 1 cause of accidents is inattention. Most of business will finish on 20/12/13 and recommence on 6/1/14. Members made comment on traffic flow between Chinchilla and Dalby is much improved. 		
2.	<p>Confirmation of minutes</p> <p>MINUTES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KM asked for someone to confirm September meeting minutes, GM confirmed. • The committee adopted the minutes as a true and accurate record. 		
3.	<p>Update on actions from September meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • update from TSBE American tour to be provided by MM and FP Martin and Fraser were to be invited however Martin on leave and Fraser unavailable. Slides which can be shown at next meeting, March 2014. • SB to report on details on local content (4415/4413 postcodes) and particularly from key contractors. 		
4.	<p>APLNG – overview of (Rob Hart)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Upstream project progress – 54% complete & on track.</u></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; width: 50%;"> <p>Upstream Operated Goals</p> <p>500 operated well drilled</p> <p>First gas and water production at Condabri (Eastern Area)</p> <p>First gas and water production at Reedy Creek (Western Area)</p> <p>Main pipeline from Condabri to Gladstone 100% complete</p> </td> <td style="vertical-align: top; width: 50%;"> <p>Actual Progress</p> <p>Accomplished: 500 wells drilled</p> <p>Accomplished:</p> <p>On track: Construction progressing</p> <p>Accomplished: 100% complete</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Upstream Operated Goals</p> <p>500 operated well drilled</p> <p>First gas and water production at Condabri (Eastern Area)</p> <p>First gas and water production at Reedy Creek (Western Area)</p> <p>Main pipeline from Condabri to Gladstone 100% complete</p>	<p>Actual Progress</p> <p>Accomplished: 500 wells drilled</p> <p>Accomplished:</p> <p>On track: Construction progressing</p> <p>Accomplished: 100% complete</p>
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	<p><i>Half way through project, gas out of ground on 20 wells done and producing water and gas, water to Talinga. Water facility</i></p> <p><i>500 wells drilled, more rigs, speeding things up. 2 gas plants near Yuleba.</i></p> <p><i>Traffic still an issue, more complaint re dust, not traffic.</i></p> <p>RH <i>discussed the APLNG project is currently at peak impact and this is expected to last another 12 months.</i></p> <p><i>Early next year working all of 7 gas plants, last one we are working on is at Spring Gully, north of Roma.</i></p> <p><i>Hopefully will be finished by 1st quarter of 2014 Gas plant at Condabri Central.</i></p> <p><i>By middle of next year we will see a lot more calmness and these big ticket items will be up and running.</i></p> <p>Water <i>which is being collected from the area- is being taken to Condabri Central Water Treatment Plant. From Talinga to Monreagh dam approximately 30 km of pipeline.</i></p> <p><i>By March 2014, we will start providing water to landowners along Fairy-Meadow Road. Effectively there is enough critical mass so the water will flow into the 4 new dams being built. Fairy-Meadow Rd is very busy, with construction of these dams as well as road works.</i></p> <p>GM <i>commented it is exciting to see irrigation of good land with good farmers.</i></p> <p><i>Leasing is allowed December 2014 – water to waterways, only emergencies after this time, like flooding.</i></p>
5.	<p>Social Update (Scott Bird)</p> <p>Western Downs Planning Scheme/Darling Downs Regional Plan</p> <p><i>In terms of WD planning scheme, this scheme doesn't regulate CSG activity. Origin will provide comments during the public consultation phase on population predictions and future growth.</i></p> <p><i>The Darling Downs Regional Plan will have an impact on future development areas within a PLA (Priority Living Area) previously known as a 'buffer zone' Origin are working closely with WDRC on future development options, approval processes and community consultation with the view this legislation will be passed by Parliament in Q1 2014.</i></p> <p><i>SB - Should be able to present an idea of how any development plans will be implemented in partnership with WDRC at the March Meeting</i></p> <p>Housing and Accommodation</p> <p><i>Further discussions with Western Downs Housing Trust and Horizon Housing are being conducted.</i></p> <p><i>Short term solution is to move site based staff from rental accommodation in Miles to camp accommodation potentially providing 20 homes onto the open market. Circa 100 employees currently residing in Miles who can be accommodated in camps.</i></p>

Local Hands

- Currently recruiting OE staff to take part in QFRS training. 1st training likely to happen in January 2014.
- Entering into conversations with Land-care.
- By end of June we hope to have 5 organisations to be part of this program.

QFES Black-spot project

- **GM** advised lots of farmer are complaining to WDRC, when OE come into area we take over channels, everyone is turning down the sets and if emergency happens people are not being heard.
- **Action - KW advise at next meeting what is OE policy with regard to UHF radio frequency**

Wesley Research Project

- \$1M project to understand the broader community health issues in the Surat Basin and Gladstone Regions and develop clear implementation plans to mitigate these impacts

Ironbark

- Black rain, reported by residents, close to pilot well. Origin has engaged residents and undertook a study to ascertain whether this is a result of CSG. Discovered the residue is a result of an insect, called a lerp, which leaves behind a sticky residue. Provided this information to the residents. Subsequently there was Today Tonight episode questioning the results of the testing. Orion are 100% confidence there is no link to the 'Black rain' and CSG production. During the episode TT undertook water testing of the residents drinking water, these results were quite alarming and OE have suggested QLD Health undertake a further investigation.

6. "How CSG is affecting you and your organisation?"

Emergency Services - BW

- Level of violent offenses have more than quadrupled
- 800% drink driving in Chinchilla, and would be similar in Miles.
- **Question** – to WDRC and OE - what actions are industry and council doing to reverse these trends? **RH - Zero tolerance,**
- **SB – What can be done from a preventative point of view, Is there a chance of QPS coming to industry inductions, and talk about the community and QPS expectations.** BW – with current resources, this something which wouldn't be able to be done.
- Have made application for more staff, the next issue is affordable housing.
- CCTV - WDRC had funding, but with changes to federal government, this hasn't yet happened, believes this is preventative and reactive.

Chinchilla Family Support Centre - DG

- Centre staff are being asked a lot of complex issues. More time is needed to be spent with more clients.
- Dealing with new people to Australia, organising Medicare etc.
- A lot of single people in town, unable to access social housing
- Changing face of chinchilla, not a lot of unemployed, young families looking for assistance. Both parents are working, needing child care assistance,
- Currently providing 30 services out of Chinchilla centre. Thanks to Origin funding a demountable building for office space, and meeting room.
- Community garden going well.
- Lots of positives with regard to CSG in district.
- What's happening in Miles happened in Chinchilla 2 years ago.
- CSG has changed the face of community.
- Hoping through Wesley research, better medical services etc are available.
- Childcare study underway with QGC, what are the facilities, what is needed.

Murilla Community Centre - CB

- Housing every day, rents not coming down, nothing under \$500 per week. Concerned people are leaving town.
- Count Me In Program, tried to support the program. Can't find anyone to undertake program to start a Family Day care business in their home.
- Different nationalities, creating different problems.
- Subsidised rentals, appears to be working well with Roma. SB – advised Roma scheme is an unsustainable program, what happens when money runs out?
- Elderly people needing to come to town for services, unable to find accommodation/can't find anything they can afford.
- Essential services, Ambulances, police etc are needing houses
- Flights at Qantas, very keen to assist with patient Transit scheme, to be able to put patients on plane. SB - work is currently being done with regard to this service being more accessible.

Miles Chamber of Commerce - GS

- Losing people in community,
- Losing volunteers in community.
- Chamber is looking at ways to engage the new people in town. Ideas will come out of Community Investment plan and QGC Sustainability plan.
- Amount of rubbish along road between Chinchilla and Miles, Miles to Condamine. SB – trying to do a clean-up for 6 months through DTMR, still working on this. Trying to work with Local Hands and Land care.

WDRC - GM

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Housing trust are looking to build houses</i> • <i>Just about to start construction in Wandoan – Housing Trust</i> • <i>Approval for houses in Chinchilla – Housing Trust</i> • <i>125 houses currently for rent in Chinchilla</i>
8.	Agenda items
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Resignation of chair – Kerry Mulholland</i> <p>Action - OE will advertised in January 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Deanna Dodd, as an indigenous representative. Deanna is very keen to become part of WDRCCC.</i> <p>Action – SB to meet with Deanna early January 2014</p>
9.	Meeting close – 4.30pm
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Next Meeting</i> • <i>Date: Thursday 13 March, 2014</i> • <i>Time: 2-5pm</i> • <i>Venue: Chinchilla RSL, Chinchilla</i> • <i>Chairperson: TBA</i>