New Chum Waste Management Facility Community Reference Group

Agenda

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Chair: Bernard Houston

Venue: 100 Chum Street, New Chum, Ipswich

Bernard Houston – Chair, New Chum CRG	Neil Perry – Head of Development, Qld, Cleanaway	Jim Dodrill – President, IRATE
Brett Davey Development Planning Manager, Ipswich City Council	Doug Hughes – Regional Manager, Cleanaway	Geoff Yarham - Secretary of IRATE
Cr Kerry Silver	Scott Blanchard – Regional Manager, DES	
Duchense Broad – Community Member	Greg Broad – Community Member	Cr Kylie Stoneman
Apologies		
Cr Stoneman	Meg Saunderson	

Actions	
Bernard Houston will:	 The Chair will amend the attendance list for the April Special Meeting minutes to include Ms Richardson (GHD) and Mr Ruxton (Golders) in the attendance list and redistribute these minutes to all CRG members. A link to DES's inspection report of the New Chum site will be distributed to the CRG before the next meeting.
All CRG members	 All CRG members will consider these questions and provide a response through the Chair What has this CRG achieved? How has this CRG evolved? What is this CRG's ongoing/ future role? All CRG members are to advise the Chair of their availability on 27 August and 3 September.

6:30 to 6:40 Welcome and

apologies

Mr Perry (Cleanaway) acknowledgement the Traditional Owners of the land on which this meeting was held.

The Chair apologised that the February minutes have not been completed and distributed.

Comments from CRG:

- IRATE is displeased that the February minutes have not been finalised and distributed to the CRG.
- IRATE relies on the content of past minutes as important to guide the current discussion.
- IRATE is concerned that Cleanaway is influencing CRG discussions by directing the Chair to withhold minutes.

Response from the Chair:

 The Chair takes personal responsibility for the preparation and distribution of all minutes.

Review of previous minutes - Special CRG Meeting:

- Melanie Richardson from GHD is missing from the attendance list
- Nigel Ruxton from Golders is missing from the attendance list
- There were no other comments and the April Special Meeting minutes were accepted by the CRG.

Actions:

6:45 to

 The Chair will amend the attendance list for the April minutes to include Ms Richardson (GHD) and Mr Ruxton (Golders) in the attendance list and redistribute these minutes to all CRG members.

6:55 Cleanaway updates

- Community benefit fund update
 - FY 16 Grant to Ipswich Historical Association. This Association is still waiting necessary Council approvals for their project. Cleanaway is holding this money while these approvals are finalised.
 - FY 17 Westfalen Community Gardens Project. Cleanaway has not been able to contact the Westfalen Community Gardens on the expenditure of this money.
 - FY 18 Applications are currently being assessed. Successful applicants will be notified in the next month.
 - FY 19 Cleanaway would like to notify community groups of next year's grant round in September.

- Comment: Many community groups do their yearly planning in October/November
- IRATE advised they had attended a Collingwood Park State School (CPSS) Parents and Citizens committee meeting to provide information at the request of some committee members who were concerned about CPSS accessing Cleanaway grants.

Operations update

- Safety: No significant incidents in the period
- Security: There have been five incidents including one cyclist without authorisation accessing the site. The site fence has been cut in the other four incidents.
 - Comment: One CRG member said they had seen motor bikes in this area
 - Comment: Cleanaway will put more rocks in the impacted areas as a deterrent and safeguard
- o Fire: No incidents
- Incidents:
 - A B-trailer tipped onto its side after some soil was caught up. There were no injuries or damage to the trailer.
 - One pump failed at the site's storm water drain. This has been repaired.
 - A light vehicle clipped a bollard and the bollard was knocked out of the ground. These bollards have now been upgraded.
- Employment: There have been three staff replacements.
- Development update: Cleanaway is continuing work on its Redesign and Rehabilitation Application for this site.
 - Cleanaway submitted an operational works application for Cell 2B in March.
 - Question: Why was this application not discussed at February's CRG meeting?
 - This application was brought forward and is part of the continual development of the land fill.
 - This application will remedy onsite stormwater issues.
 - Cleanaway apologises that this application was not advised at the Feb meeting.
 - Apart from Cleanaway's current application for the Redesign and Rehabilitation Project and the (discussed) operational works for Cell 2B, Cleanaway is not expecting to lodge any other applications to Council between now and the next CRG meeting
 - Question: are there any plans available for Cell 2B?
 - There is no profile change for this cell
 - This is an operational works application for the land lining system and how it will operate.

 Statement from CRG: This operational works application currently lists Cell 2B as an asbestos cell. CWY to review and advise.

Equipment update

- Currently there are two DS size dozers onsite for soil cover operations.
- Cleanaway have moved some old gear off site including a truck and a compactor.
 - Question: How many compactors and how many water trucks are operating onsite?
 - Response: There are three compactors (two operational at the moment) and two water trucks fitted with water cannons.
 - Statement from CRG: Compactors are generating significant noise.
 - Statement from CRG: Boral are also conducting operations on an adjoining property and generating significant noise
 - Statement from CRG: Soil has also been removed from the Woodlinks property development.
 - Statement from CRG: Cleanaway has recently conducted a noise survey and noise sensors were placed at the bottom end of Collingwood Park near residential properties.

Complaints update

- Four complaints have been received. These were made by the same person. These complaints were made about dust.
- One community member contacted Cleanaway enquiring about odour. The type of smell described by the community member to Cleanaway in combination with the prevailing wind direction meant that this odour would not have emanated from the landfill operation. Cleanaway provided information to the resident about making a complaint to DES.

Inspections

- The National Institute of Weights and Measures conducted a regulatory calibration inspection. One bridge was out by 10Kg.
- These bridges are re-calibrated every six months
 - DES gave notice that New Chum will be inspected in the next three weeks. This inspection report will be finished by the next CRG and will be made available on the public register.
 - Update on visual impact of Cell 4 liner
 - Cleanaway have trialled different sprays to mask the visual impact of this liner. This colour failed to fix on the liner.
 - Cleanaway will trial putting coloured shade cloth over the liner.
 Cleanaway is having trouble sourcing sufficient quantity of shade cloth.

Actions/ decisions

 A link to DES's inspection report of the New Chum site will be distributed to the CRG before the next meeting.

- Review of control of dust at New Chum
 - Cleanaway is undertaking these dust suppression activities:
 - Two trucks with sprays and water cannons.
 - Two spray units positioned around the working area.
 - wheel wash. Subsidence of previous wheel was caused through its operation.
 - Question: how long has wheel wash been out of operation
 - There has been a temporary wheel wash in operation since (circa) November.
 - Asphalt driveway
 - Street sweeper a couple of times a day.
 - Question: how much of Chum St is covered by the street sweeper
 - Response: as far as the old rail line
 - CRG Comment: Cleanaway could partner with other New Chum businesses on a joint sweeping operation.
 - Cleanaway is awaiting a proposal to trial a fan assisted water unit.
- Status of DES dust monitoring requirements
 - Initial sampling report was submitted in late 2017. DES have requested further information and monitoring. This includes additional health based sampling (particulate monitoring). Two monitors have been installed.
 - Question: Why would a consultant provide an incomplete report to Cleanaway?
 - Response:
 - DES have requested additional information from Cleanaway.
 - DES wanted additional information from monitoring points that were closer to the community.
 - They also wanted additional health based sampling included in this report.
 - DES sought this information to have a better understanding of what impact this operation has on the community.
 - Question how do you monitor dust?
 - Qualifying statement: the site based management plan does not appear to be adhered because dust can be seen external to site.
 - The CRG was reminded of information presented on dust monitoring at previous meetings.
 - Request for 2017 Environmental report
 - This is information summarised in the 2017 Annual report data.
 - A summary report will be placed on the Cleanaway website.

- Question: is there a particulate requirement with respect to dust leaving the site? What is an unacceptable particulate level.
- Response: DES requires an impact on nuisance sensitive receptors (for example residential addresses) of (120mg. Advice has been provided to IRATE by DES on dust monitoring and compliant procedure
- Some CRG members reported personal impacts from dust at the New Chum Site.

Actions/ decisions

7:10 to

7:20 Community Reference

Group TOR review

- What has this CRG achieved?
- How has this CRG evolved?
- What is this CRG's ongoing/ future role?

Actions/ decisions

Comment: TOR should not include a list of names.

Action: All CRG members will consider these questions and provide a response through the Chair.

7:20 to Redesign and Rehabilitation Project

7:35 Update on New Chum

Mr Luis Rodriguez (Group Engineering Manager) was invited to join the meeting.

Mr Rodriguez summarised the development application process and community engagement activities conducted by Cleanaway in support of this application. Mr Rodriguez said that one community information session was cancelled by a shopping centre proprietor.

Community comments to DA application as raised at the information sessions:

Community concerns:

- There will be an increase in noise, odour and dust
- Cleanaway may seek future extensions on the site
- Impact on visual amenity
- Waste toxicity
- Perceived increase in truck movements

Other community comments

- Majority supported rehabilitation of void 10
- Community felt the proposal gave green space, parks, recreational areas, walking tracks and increased access between suburbs
- People felt the application gave something back to the community

- Question: What is Cleanaway's final proposed height?
 - Response: Final maximum height is RL 98m post closure and post settlement, the RL98m represents less than 1% of the proposed landform area, i.e. it's a peak. The majority of the landform is between RL30m and RL80m.
- Question: will this look like pre-mining days
 - Response: the maximum pre-mining height was RL80m in the footprint of the current landfill.
- Statement from CRG member: The landfill will not fill the current voids. It will be higher.

Rehabilitation

 Progressive bunds will provide visual screening. Camouflage nets / screens will provide additional screening during the operational process of constructing the bunds.

Question: Where does phyto capping fit with best practice.

Response: Phytocapping is used national and internationally. If the hydraulics of soil does not support phytocapping then barriers are installed. Both technologies can be used on this site. Capped design must meet regulatory guidelines. Victoria has the strongest guidelines and the redevelopment is planned to meet these guidelines

The CRG was asked to indicate if they supported filling Void 10.

Responses:

- IRATE is opposed to:
 - o expansion of landfill height
 - expansion to the footprint
 - any activities that expand into the buffer zone
 - o filling void 10.
- Another CRG member would like to see the void partially filled to prevent further drownings.

Question: will Cleanaway build the recreational facilities indicated in their DA?

Response: This is contingent on if the DA and any other community activities that may be required by Council for the rehab area. Cleanaway will deliver the final design after these discussions

Question: Can Council make a decision on a hypothetical open-ended question such as filling void 10?

Response: The DA application will list three other options for Void 10 including one advocated by IRATE of not filling the Void but tapering back the high wall cliff areas

Question how will Cleanaway be held accountable for delivering the approved DA?

Response: It is difficult to give a response to this question at this point however like in any DA process any approval if granted will have conditions imposed on Cleanaway that it will be required to achieve and adhere to

Comments: Other CRG members provided a range of ideas of how this this might be done.

Question

How can Cleanaway management say they had commenced this project in 2018 if they had pre lodgement meeting with Council in late 2017.

Response: Cleanaway discussed the concept with Council in late 2017 as part of its project evaluation process conducted commercial in confidence. The formal planning process began in 2018.

Actions/ decisions

7:35 to 7:40 Next meeting

Proposed for 27 August 3 September

Actions/ decisions

 All CRG members are to advise the Chair of their availability on 27 August and 3 September.

7:40 to 7:50 Other business

No other business was discussed.

Actions/ decisions

• There are no actions

7:50 to 8:00 Review of minutes and actions

This meeting closed at 8:00pm following a long discussion.