

# SLCRG Minutes



**Date:** Wednesday 23rd July 2024

**Time:** 5.30 pm Meeting

**Location:** Stawell RSL: 3 Scallan St, Stawell (Downstairs Meeting Room)

**Online:** Microsoft Teams

Item	Description	Action
	<p><b>Attendees:</b>                      Angelique Lush (Chair)                      Ros Byass (Community)                      Danielle and Colin Workman (Community)                      Rhonda Clark (Cleanaway)                      Aaron Schulze (Cleanaway)                      Matthew Smith (Cleanaway)                      Ramya Gowda (Cleanaway)                      Stacey Bloomfield (EPA) - Online                      Jorine Bothma (Northern Grampians Shire Council) - Online                      Glenn Kilburn (ERR) – Representing Lionel Woodford - Online                      Ryan Staub (EPA) - Online</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b>                      Greg Ballinger (Community)                      Ken and Janice Jende (Community)                      Gilda McKechnie (Community)                      Lachlan McIntyre (Community)                      Lionel Woodford (ERR)</p> <p><b>About these minutes:</b>  <i>These minutes and supporting information align with the agreed Terms of Reference. Any concerns/queries about papers supporting the Stawell CRG should be raised with the Chair/Facilitator, Angelique Lush by emailing <a href="mailto:angelique@gov-insights.com.au">angelique@gov-insights.com.au</a>.</i></p>	Group
1	<p><b>Welcome and introductions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome and introductions were made.</li> <li>• Apologies were noted.</li> </ul>	Led by Angelique Lush
2	<p><b>Actions from previous minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jorine to provide Ken with DoH contact details <b>(Completed)</b></li> <li>• Stacey to follow up with Ken on odour issues <b>(Completed)</b></li> <li>• Cleanaway to report back on noise levels from monitoring activities. To be covered in Operational Update <b>(Completed)</b></li> <li>• Richard to invite Lionel Woodford as a permanent member <b>(Completed)</b></li> </ul>	Group Discussion

<p>3</p>	<p><b>Operational and environmental management update (Ramya)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ramya Gowda provided a Cleanaway update on operations at the site.</li> </ul> <p><b>Cell Construction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cell 4 is still active and is almost complete.</li> <li>○ Cell 5 construction was finalised in May 2023. EPA has approved waste acceptance in Cell 5. Waste was deposited in Cell 5 in April 2024.</li> <li>○ <i>Stacey asked for clarification about the longevity of Cell 5.</i></li> <li>○ <i>Ramya and Rhonda confirmed that it is estimated to be full in late 2026.</i></li> <li>○ <i>Confirmation that a Permit Amendment was submitted to the Northern Grampians Shire Council to relocate the office building, weighbridge, weighbridge office and workshop to the front of the site.</i></li> <li>○ Update on Cell 6 construction design and project timing. Once the design is approved by the EPA, Cleanaway will commence quarrying works. Blasting dates and other requirements will be shared with the regulators and the community closer to the date.</li> <li>○ <i>Colin asked if the presentation could be sent to him.</i></li> <li>○ <i>Ramya provided a hard copy of the presentation.</i></li> <li>○ <i>Danielle asked for clarification about dates for Cell 6 construction.</i></li> <li>○ <i>Ramya and Rhonda confirmed that dates are pending EPA approval and that they will be advised of the dates closer to the works taking place.</i></li> <li>○ <i>Rhonda also confirmed that there would be another Community Reference Group meeting before works on Cell 6 commenced.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Environmental Management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Surface runoff is captured in a series of stormwater dams and reused onsite for dust suppression.</li> <li>○ Quarterly landfill gas and surface emissions are monitored, and 6 monthly surface and groundwater monitoring is undertaken to ensure no environmental impact from landfill operation.</li> <li>○ All monitoring data is verified by EPA-appointed auditors and submitted to EPA every 2 years.</li> </ul> <p><b>Odour Impacts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Odour curtains are installed along Pomonal Road, along the north-western corner of the active cell and next to the leachate pond to minimise odour impacts.</li> <li>○ The landfill gas extraction system is operational and connected to Flare since Nov 2022. This helps in minimising landfill gas odour.</li> <li>○ Total gas flow through the flare is approx. 2011767 m3. There has been a significant reduction in gas reading in the perimeter gas bores.</li> <li>○ 2 aerators have been operational in the new leachate pond to minimise odour impacts.</li> <li>○ <i>Ros asked about how the odour curtain worked. Matthew explained that the odour curtains use a misting technique that captures the odour.</i></li> </ul>	<p>Ramya Group discussion</p>
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	<p><b>Noise</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Noise bunds around the site have been extended and improved.</li> <li>○ EPA had issued an improvement notice to Cleanaway to generate a noise remediation action plan.</li> <li>○ Noise remediation action plan was developed and submitted to EPA for approval in March 2023. EPA approved the plan and revoked the improvement notice.</li> <li>○ Noise remediation has taken place including a change to the reversing alarm on the trucks, road and machinery maintenance, etc.</li> <li>○ <i>Danielle confirmed that the noise of the reversing vehicles had improved with the change.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Communication</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cleanaway will continue to provide updates to the community about the site regularly through emails, letter drops, newsletters and CRG meetings.</li> <li>○ Ramya invited community members to make contact if they have any issues or if they require further clarification about our operation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Questions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Stacey asked if the presentation could be shared with those people not in attendance.</i></li> <li>○ <i>Ramya confirmed that the presentation would be sent out with the minutes. Rhonda confirmed that the presentation will also be available on the Cleanaway website.</i></li> <li>○ <i>Ryan asked if there had been any community reports since the last meeting. Matt confirmed there had been a couple of conversations about odour. Ryan suggested to add number of complaints received in the presentation.</i></li> </ul>	<p>Presentation to be sent out with Minutes</p>
<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>General business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Rhonda advised that after working on the Stawell project for over 3 years, she will move on from the Regional Manager role. Aaron Schulze will be taking over the position. Rhonda then thanked the community members and the group.</li> </ul>	<p>Group discussion</p>
<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>Next meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBC</li> </ul> <p><b>Meeting Closed</b></p>	<p>Angelique Lush</p>