

New Chum Community Reference Group

Meeting Minutes

Title: New Chum Community Reference Group

Date: Monday 8 September 2014

Time: 6.00 – 8.00 pm

Facilitator: Nathan Williams

Venue: Ipswich City Council Administration Building, 50 South Street, Ipswich

In Attendance

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Nathan Williams – ‘Chair New Chum CRG’	Duchense Broad – Riverview Community	Greg Broad – Community member
Jo Pocock – Development Planning Manager, ICC	Jim Dodrill – President, IRATE	Paul Tutin – Member, IRATE
Doug Hughes – Regional Manager, TPI	Eric LeProvost – Interim TPI Operations Manager for New Chum	Olga Ghiri, Stakeholder and Community Liaison Officer, TPI
Neil Perry – General Manager Queensland, TPI		
Apologies		
Bruce Morton, Manager Environmental Health, WMHHS	Neil Randall – Principal, Riverview State School	Scott Blanchard – Regional Manager, DEHP

Notes & Actions

Item	Minutes	Action/Decision
1. Welcome & Apologies	Apologies received from Neil Randall, Riverview State School. Diarmuid O’Riordan, Principal, St Peter Claver College, had also communicated that he would be stepping down from the Group as he was leaving his current role. DR has proposed his	NW and NS to approach St Peter Claver College regarding their

	replacement to be Mr Anthony Elmore. NP and NW to follow up with the school to ensure Mr Elmore is receiving information and invite him to apply for a casual vacancy.	involvement with the CRG
2. Review of Minutes	<p>Review of Minutes from meetings from 28 July 2014. Chair went through the action items from the minutes from Monday 28 July and agreed to hold over some discussion for points outlined by JD via email as a separate item.</p> <p>PT again noted his concern that EHP was considering not attending all meetings given that environmental matters are of significant community concern. Discussion with the group to confirm that EHP would be available to respond to questions or queries and may attend meetings with notice.</p> <p>JD requested that TPI store a physical copy of all minutes, notes and correspondence from the CRG. NP agreed to this action on behalf of TPI.</p> <p>Group confirmed Minutes as a true and accurate representation.</p>	<p>NW to upload the confirmed Minutes to the New Chum webpage.</p> <p>Transpacific to locate a suitable storage facility for CRG notes and minutes</p>
3. New Community Member	New CRG member Greg Broad introduced himself to the group and discussed his credentials as a resident in the area for over 35 years and possessing extensive technical experience.	
4. Community Fund	<p>NP provided an updated copy of the Community Fund terms of reference indicating that changes proposed by PT and OG had been incorporated. Agreed by PT and OG.</p> <p>NP confirmed that he and DH would be the TPI representatives on the community fund.</p> <p>NP requested feedback as to the best method for how TPI should seek the 2 community reps for the management of the fund and how where to advertise this to get best impact / exposure.</p> <p>OG, JD and PT suggested advertising in The Queensland Times and Ipswich Satellite. NP agreed and noted that he would work with OG and the Chair to develop this process.</p>	NP, NW and OG to develop process for advertising for Community Members for the Community Fund.

	<p>- During the meeting there was a suggestion by TPI that they may invite applications for Fund Committee Membership from people experienced in funds management from the broader Ipswich area</p> <p>PT added the following:</p> <p>- As requested of all Members by the Chair, after further consideration there is one possible candidate for Fund Committee membership I can suggest TPI approach - Rev Dr Donald Stewart A.M.) who is on the ministry team of St Paul's Anglican Church Ipswich and has a history of managing large not-for-profit organisations. If he is not able to be involved, he might be able to suggest other appropriate people who could be approached. However, if this is to be a committee of four people, two of whom are from TPI, the process might be better served if the two from outside the company had no connection with Ipswich at all, such people being more likely to provide completely objective and dispassionate assessment of applications free of any personal interest. CRG could review suggested candidates and TPI select from those approved.</p>	
5. Terms of Reference	<p>JD requested a number of updates to the terms of reference including:</p> <p>Suggest that Dot point 2 should state that <i>draft</i> minutes will be provided to <i>members</i> (not just "attendees") within 5 working days of the meeting</p> <p>Suggest that Dot point 3 should state that finalised minutes would be distributed to members within <i>5 working days of confirmation of the minutes at the following meeting</i>. (At present it is not clear that the minutes of the meeting have to be confirmed by the next meeting before being finalised, distributed in final form and published)</p> <p>Dot point 3 - typo "<i>workings day</i>"</p> <p>Dot point 5 states that items proposed for the Agenda need to be provided to the Chair, <u>2 working days</u> before the next meeting, while dot point 6 states that the Agenda and relevant papers will be distributed to members <u>1 week</u> before the next meeting - this does not make sense. Suggest that the Agenda be distributed 5 working days prior to the meeting and the deadline for proposing items for the Agenda be 7 working days prior to the meeting.</p> <p>The section on Membership contains no clear methodology for calling for Expressions Of Interest for membership positions or the filling of casual vacancies on the CRG. Wider advertisement of community positions is needed to ensure that the maximum number of people from the areas abutting the landfill hear the call. Suggest an advertisement in the QT.</p>	NW to update TOR and share with the group

	<p>Appendix 1 - the reference to the Appendix on page 2 and the membership list need to be updated.</p> <p>The finalised TOR need to be made available to members and published on the New Chum website as the present published TOR are outdated.</p> <p>The chair and NP agreed to these changes and will amend TOR and share with the group.</p> <p>PT added- The New Chum website is still not visible in the TPI website site map (as is the Clayton Community information) or locatable via top or side menus. You have to put "newchum" (one word, not two) into the website's search function just to bring up a link to the page. No-one in the community would think of doing that. Information relating to the New Chum CRG needs to be more visible on TPI's website.</p>	
6. Whole of life management plan	<p>JD asked regarding the Whole of life management / rehabilitation plan - At the 28th July meeting, Eric LeProvost advised finalisation of the plan was 3-4 weeks away. Is the plan available? If not, when will it be?</p> <p>DH noted that Transpacific are still working on these items and that they will be presented to the Group as soon as they become available. DH also noted that a new consultancy had been appointed to develop these plans across TPI and this would delay this process by a matter of months as protocols, models and practices are established. The Terms of Whole of Life have not changed however this is about getting an independent review.</p>	
7. Other Business	<p>PT noted that the web-page designated to the New Chum facility and the CRG is not easy to locate or search.</p> <p>OG noted that Transpacific are currently updating their electronic media and that Transpacific is aware that this is causing some disruption. OG also took the group through the latest website changes to improve usability and provide clearer access to New Chum CRG information.</p> <p>JD asked: Progressive rehabilitation / re-vegetation / interim cap - What is the present status of progressive rehab of the site?</p> <p>DH states that the area of the site along Chum Street has all been re-vegetated.</p> <p>PT request a site visit from the group to review. NP agrees, will revert with times etc</p>	<p>OG to monitor ongoing matters with regards to the web page.</p> <p>JP to provide a final report to the Group regarding the Show-Cause notice.</p> <p>NP to advise likely times.</p>

	<p>JD asked Ipswich City Council Show Cause Notice for non-compliance - The 28th July meeting was advised that a number of the issues had been addressed with outstanding actions to be addressed in accordance with an Enforcement Notice being prepared by Council. Can Council update the meeting on finalised and outstanding matters, whether the Enforcement Notice is available and how to obtain a copy? Will it be available on pdonline?</p> <p>JD advised that Council is reviewing a representation. Met with TPI three times and that process is on-going. Those actions will be confirmed with the notice. That original approval is quite old so there is an opportunity to contemporize requirements and where those opportunities exist Council will look to do so.</p> <p>Please note that JD alter added: <i>The enforcement notice was issued on 22/8/14. I was away at the time on leave so I wasn't aware it had been issued.</i></p> <p>DH: TPI has shown a willingness to work through these issues. Everyone is doing his or her best to do it right.</p> <p>JP: We are seeking an improved outcome. Group agrees that in the past 18 months there have been improvements on the site.</p> <p>ELP indicates that his new role is to replicate these improvements around the country for TPI and is happy to be involved with New Chum in his new role.</p> <p>JP: Also indicates that those items in the show cause notice that can be addressed in the short term have been addressed by TPI.</p> <p>JD asked re Height of landfill - Has there been a negotiated decision on the final heights and contours of the landfill? When will this be made available to the CRG?</p> <p>NP indicates that there is still work underway with consultants to complete this work. Proposes a special CRG meeting in Oct when work is completed to share proposal with the CRG and seek feedback. Dates tbd, NW to come back to the group with dates</p> <p>JD asked regarding Asbestos - The July meeting was advised that TPI had resumed taking asbestos into Cell 2 as part of operations to remodel the gradient of the batters of Cell 2. The current DEHP permit states that once deposited, asbestos must remain covered by a specified depth of soil and not be disturbed, hence only a dedicated area is to be used. Once the operation to remodel Cell 2 is complete, is the company going to continue to accept asbestos? If so, IRATE assumes another approval would have to be sought from the DEHP to put it elsewhere, so</p>	<p>NW and NP to follow up with Councillors re attendance.</p> <p>NW to follow up to the group with special meeting to discuss height and contours planning for New Chum</p> <p>DH to investigate making water quality and dust monitoring statistics publicly available</p> <p>NW to come back with draft dates for 2015 at the next meeting.</p>
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that the position of the asbestos is known. This is important for decision-making on future land uses, to ensure the material is not disturbed. Can the company and DEHP please advise on these issues?

DH commented that the site is only taking in impacted soil not asbestos sheeting. ELP clarified that the asbestos being accepted is purely to fill remaining void space to best practice engineering standards and that the height of the Cell is unchanged.

JD asked re sub cell #2 in what proximity to subcell2 is this new, dedicated asbestos area?

ELP It is beside it. It is in the designated area for asbestos in the map. The cell was always there we have just filled it in. It is not an extension; it is part of the original design of Cell 2.

Further comment added 30/9 as per request by PT

- ELP said that a decision on the future acceptance of asbestos had not been finalised as the design and approval process for Cells 3 & 4 had not been completed and asbestos does not require a lined cell. The TPI staff present acknowledged that the company would need a new permit to put asbestos into another dedicated area on-site. They agreed with me when I said that the co-ordinates of that area would have to be known and documented.

- IRATE still has concerns about the possibility of fibres in the contaminated soil presently being accepted for the batters of Cell 2 and the Asbestos Sub-cell, becoming airborne during earthworks. What is the company doing to prevent this? For example, is the contaminated soil wet down during works? Also, it is desirable that areas containing asbestos are stabilised and re-vegetated as soon as possible.

JD Since the last fire on Cell 2 has there been any noticeable changes to water quality?

DH: No, we do bore monitoring every three months and haven't noticed any discernible changes.

PT asks why this information is not publicly available?

DH promises to review and come back to the group.

JD asked re Air-monitoring protocols - What is the number and position of dust monitoring stations on-site? Can TPI provide a map of dust monitoring stations to the CRG and on the New Chum website?

DH Certainly dust monitoring is set up on the site (produces map of air quality stations); PT confirmed they have seen this map before.

ELP indicates this is sampled every quarter.

PT indicates that this is sufficient and DH indicates this may also form part of the report that may be published in terms of environmental monitoring.

OG then takes the group through amendments to website to address usability concerns.

GB asks for clarification around when to share information, Chair and Group confirm that when information is in public domain it is available to share.

PT voiced his disappointment that there is no input from the locally Elected Members and this sentiment was agreed by the rest of the Group. Chair confirmed that Division 3 and Division 4 Councillors were copied into all correspondence and he had again received 'read receipts' from both offices. The Chair also noted that specific email request and follow-up telephone calls (regarding attendance at the CRG meetings) to the Elected Members had been made but no response had been received.

The Chair and NP agreed to follow up with the Councilors.

Group requests that next year's dates are pencilled in for the next meeting. Group would like to review meeting dates once per quarter in 2015.

Further comment added 30/9 following request by PT

- *Email read receipts (possibly from administrators) are no substitute for Councillor engagement and visible support of the interests of the electorate.*
- *Please note that I will not be able to supply my availability for next year's meetings until my work schedule is released in November.*

DH: notes that community-planting day to take place this Friday, September 12 with Riverview school.

Group formally thanked ELP for his contribution to the group. ELP responded that he was very happy with the achievements made by the Group and would be happy to contribute in the future where appropriate.

Further comment added 30/9 following request by PT

- *I drew attention to this document recently published by Council on pdonline which contains a projected final landform consisting of a single large hill 120m AHD. I said that this SWMP needs to be further updated by the*

	<p><i>Company's consultants to reflect approved heights and contours. Neil Perry agreed to follow this up.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Jo Pocock wanted to know where the document was published - it is published on Council's pdonline application enquiry section under MCU4250/2011. It is understood by all parties that this proposed final landform plan is defunct - that is, it has not been approved by Council who have indicated in emails also recently published on pdonline under MA-4250/2011A Permissible Change Application, that there is to be 0% change in currently approved final volumes on-site.</i> 	
8. Closing of meeting	7.20pm	
9. Next Meeting	<p>Date of Next New Chum Community Reference Meeting – Monday 24 November 2014.</p> <p>Venue – Ipswich City Council Administration Building, 50 South Street, Ipswich</p> <p>Time: 6 – 8.00 pm</p>	<p>NW to circulate Minutes from CRG Meeting.</p> <p>NW to circulate the agenda for the next CRG Meeting on 24 November</p>