## **Bodangora Wind Farm**

## **CCC Meeting – Minutes**

Date: 12.07.18 Time: 18.00 Location: Cow and Calf, Wellington

Participants – CCC Members			
Name	CCC Member	E-mail	
Mr. Ian Rogan (Chair)	Chair		
Mr. Cameron Tomkins	mid Macquarie Landcare		
Mr. Simon Barton	Host landowner		
Mr Brad Rogers	Community representative		
Mrs Pip Smith	Community representative		
Participants – Non CCC	Members		
Name	Invitee	E-mail	
Mr. Murray Wood	Dubbo Regional Council		
Mr Gavin Paul	Infigen Energy		
Ms Natalie Holmes	Infigen Energy		
Mr Michael Bullock	Infigen Energy		
Mr Zac Wood	CATCON		
Apologies			
Name	Role / Position	E-mail	
Clr David Grant	Wellington Ward Councillor		
Mr Joe Mason	Community representative		
Mr. Bob Sewell	Wellington business owner		
Mr. Stuart Black	Infigen Energy		
Clr Anne Jones	Wellington Ward Councillor		

Minutes		
1.0	Welcome & Apologies	
1.1	Update from Ian Rogan (Chair)	
1.2	Confirmation of Agenda	
1.3	Apologies - as noted on page 1	
1.4	Minute taker for this meeting. Confirmed as Natalie Holmes	
1.5	Committee welcomed everyone – brief round table introduction.	
1.6	Chair proposed minutes from last CCC meeting dated 1.5.18 be accepted.	
	Cameron moved and this was seconded by Simon.  Minutes from 1.5.18 accepted.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting and actions	
	The outstanding actions from last meeting are:  Committee asked if Infigen's approach to the Aboriginal Lands Council to offer CCC membership had received a response. Advised that there had not been a response. Through contact with Council, Brad advised that they are happy with works and otherwise busy with internal business at the moment.	
3.0	Construction Update	
3.1	Zac Wood from CATCON gave an update which included:	
	<ul> <li>18 towers installed</li> <li>Site roads completed</li> <li>2 cranes now working on site</li> <li>Deliveries continuing to site until August</li> <li>Cabling now fully installed and ready for energisation</li> <li>Grid connection is now ready to go</li> <li>Commissioning is approximately four weeks away</li> </ul>	
3.2	Brad said the intersection at the Goolma Rd turn-off (Mitchell Highway) has a distinctive pothole which is becoming larger.  Murray advised that Council will take action on this repair.	
3.3	Pip commented that public opinion is that it is costing \$1.2M on windy days. Zac advised that there were no community cost implications of this.	
3.4	Brad said there had been a decline in mobile phone coverage for both Optus and Telstra customers in Bodangora (four bars to one). Michael advised that he will look into it along with the television reception survey.	
4.0	Consultation / PR / Community	
4.1	Natalie provided update on community consultation and communication activities over the past few months.	
4.2		
	At the beginning of May, Infigen hosted a stand at the 2018 Wellington Show, with staff on hand to chat to locals, along with merchandise, information and some excellent face painting.	
	This interaction was very well-received with members of the community extremely impressed by the development and excited about the launch of renewable energy in the area.	
	Visitors to the wind farm also included the Wellington Men's Shed group (May 24) and former Dubbo Mayor/State election candidate Mathew Dickerson (June 30).	
4.3	During the period 1 May to 12 July, Bodangora Wind Farm has received widespread media coverage, including:	

	- ABC - Daily Liberal - Wellington Times - Mudgee Guardian - Dubbo Photo News - Freelance journalist Natalie Filatoff
4.4	Visitors to the wind farm have included the Wellington Men's Shed group (May 24) and former Dubbo Mayor/State election candidate Mathew Dickerson (June 30). Gavin noted that school tours can occur once the wind farm becomes operational. He also advised that if members of the CCC wanted to visit, they can contact him to arrange.
4.5	The following winter sponsorships have been allocated for distribution in July/August:  • Wellington Eisteddfod  • Wellington Golf Club  • Aboriginal Knockout Carnival (Wellington/Nanima)  • Gilgandra Windmill Carnival (Wellington team)  • Rhino Awards – category TBA  • Wellington Public School Breakfast Club  The Infigen Blades under 6 soccer team has also received sponsorship support from the farm.
4.6	Two Infigen representatives invited to Eisteddfod grand concert as part of sponsorship offer, Natalie and Gavin agreed to attend.
4.7	Media releases were as follows:  4 May: Wellington Show stand 21 May: Men's Shed visit 1 June: Bodangora Fire Brigade donation 5 June: launch of CBF (with Dubbo Regional Council) 12 June: Global Wind Day 22 June: Infigen Blades sponsorship
5.0	Community Benefit Fund
5.1	Round 2 of the Community Benefit Fund was launched in June, with promotion as per the previous round.  Print and radio advertising was booked with the Wellington Times and Binjang, along with distribution of posters, social media and assistance through Dubbo Regional Council. A total of 18 applications were received, with the CCC to make a decision on successful applicants.
5.1	Regarding the next round of funding, the CCC decided to proceed with promotion in early November (as with Round 1 in 2017) and work on the same timeframe as last year, with presentation to take place in mid-December. Recommendation made by Pip, seconded by Brad.
5.2	Murray also agreed to having members of the CCC presenting the funding, on a date TBA. The committee would like the presentation to be held on a date that coincides with another community event. Suggestions were:  - Wellington Eisteddfod – July 28 – August 18 - Arts and Sculpture Festival – September 1 - Red Bull Championships – September 22  Murray advised that it would be conducive to the next Council meeting, which will be on August 27. It was decided that the funding would be allocated asap subject to Council review.

6.0	AOB
7.0	<b>Date of next meeting: Mid-December</b> with a project update requested in late September.
	Close meeting

Key Actions Arising				
No	Ref.	Action	Resp.	Due
1.	3.2	Pothole at the intersection of Goolma Rd turn-off	MW	
2.	3.4	Decline in mobile phone coverage	MB	asap
3.	4.6	Representatives invited to attend Eisteddfod grand concert	GP/NH	18.8.18

Key Decisions for Noting				
No.	Description		Who	
1.	Date of CBF Round 2 funding	TBA	MW	
2.	Wind Farm visitation		GP	

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Approved by: CCC Date Approved: 14.11.18

Ian Rogan

On behalf of CCC