

Community Engagement Committee

June 2021 Agenda/Minutes

1. Date, Location and Time:

- June 18th, Berrybank Hall at 10am

2. Attendees:

- Nathan Micallef – GPG – Community & Stakeholder Engagement
- Robyn Alexander – Community Member
- Kevin Molesworth – Community Member
- Peter and Brenda Rumler - Community Members
- Brendan Keating - Community Member
- Moira Turner - Community Member
- Garry Moorfield - Corangamite Shire Council – Community Development Officer
- Nicholas Cole – Corangamite Shire Council – Councillor
- Max Kerr – Community Member

3. Apologies:

- John Kampen – TransGrid – Project Manager
- Jane & Malcolm Cooper – Community Member
- Peter Ridsdale - Golden Plains Shire Council – Coordinator Economic Development (MT)
- Helena Kirby – Golden Plains Shire Council – Mayor (MT)
- Jennie Schoof – Golden Plains Shire Council – Community Partnerships Officer
- Morgan Rumler – Community Member
- Anton Viljoen – Vestas – Site Manager
- Janene Trickey – DELWP – Engagement Program Manager

4. Declaration of pecuniary or other interests:

- N/A

5. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting:

- **Moved:** Robyn Alexander
- **Seconded:** Peter Rumler
- **All in favour:** All

6. Business arising from previous minutes - response to issues raised or provision of additional information requested:

- Action Items for Committee Members
 - Review and provide recommended changes to Terms of Reference

- Amendment to clause for number of community members to be changed and appointments to be made via committee
 - Provide recommendation on date and times of upcoming meetings
 - Request has been made to move the meeting day to a Monday at 10am, which has been agreed.
 - Provide recommendation on nominations for chair of meetings
 - Robyn Alexander, Nicholas Cole and Garry Moorfield have nominated to be chair of meeting on a rotating basis.
 - **Moved:** Peter Rumler
 - **Seconded:** Moira Turner
 - **All in favour:** All
- Moira Turner: First time back at Berrybank Hall since upgrades completed, Did the scope of works include covering of floor?
 - GPG Response: Covering of floor was not included in the scope of works provided by the hall committee, email with scope of works below:
 - List of upgrades as per meeting with Rohan and Mira Turner on 20th October 2019: Remove Wood Fire Heater and Replace with Split System Unit, Repair holes in floor, walls, ceiling, and Maintain original Blackboards and cupboards – preserve schoolhouse look and feel of building.

7. Correspondence:

- N/A

8. Community Update - GPG:

- Operations period of Berrybank Stage-1 Wind Farm has now commenced as of May 17th, moving forward all questions, queries or complaints will be directed to the Operations Team. The on-site GPG Operations Team is headed up by Nathan Dumais and Nathan can be contacted at: Nathan.dumais@globalpower-generation.com.au.
- Solar Power Program is still being rolled out with the final systems to be installed shortly.
- GPG and both Golden Plains and Corangamite Shire are still working together to roll out the community grants program and will have further updates to the committee in the coming months.
- During the Operations Period GPG will be running several programs for the local community which include; School Program, Scholarships Program, Traineeships Program plus more.

9. Council Update – Golden Plains and Corangamite Shire Councils:

- **Golden Plains**
 - **Teesdale Turtle Bend Reserve Upgrade**
 - Upgrading of public toilets – **Completed**
 - Installation of new basketball and netball half-court – **Completed**
 - Maintenance of park features – improved fencing and maintaining rock wall centerpiece – **Completed**
 - New culvert and driveway crossing Pantics Rd – **Completed**
 - Upgrading of power supplies – for powered vendor vans at local events – **Completed**
 - Installation of outdoor play and walk areas with seating – **Completed**
 - Installation of new pedestrian bridge – **Shop drawings are being assessed with fabrication of footbridge to take place shortly**
 - Upgrading of carpark – sealing of turning circle - **To be completed after pedestrian bridge is installed to reduce possibility of damaging surface**
 - **Three Trails Project**

- Audits of all three trails now complete
 - Concept Scope of Works complete for discussion 1/7/21
 - Trail head signage, transitional signage and directional signage concepts being developed
 - Project Working Group meetings held
 - **Golden Plains Economic Development, Tourism & Investment Attraction Strategy**
 - The consulting group SGS Economics & Planning have been engaged and the Inception Meeting completed
 - **Streetscape Improvement Projects**
 - COVID Restrictions imposed since last date have delayed the community consultation process. Community consultation in Linton, Scarsdale and Smythesdale scheduled for Saturday 3rd July 2021. Internal stakeholder consultation complete including key businesses, strategic planning officers, local developers, etc.
- **Corangamite**
- Garry reported that the community hall projects are nearing completion and the energy efficiency phase 2 program is being rolled out and the participating households have been identified.
 - The Skipton Recreation Reserve Changerooms Project has been deemed not viable at this time and the project has been changed to the installation of lighting for the sports ground at the Skipton Recreation Reserve.
 - The Skipton public art project is looking for a replacement art project as Grain Corp has withdrawn its support for painting of the silo, the committee are working on finding another art project for Skipton.

10. DELWP Update:

- Janene is going on secondment from 1 July until February 2022, Janene will inform GPG and the committee a new contact person once appointed.

11. Issues and comments identified by the community or local government representatives:

- Moira Turner raised the concern that works currently underway have caused problems with the water flow, issue is that the water is draining onto roads that don't have current gutters and also draining into private paddocks and the community believes that wind farm has caused the water issue and needs to be addressed ASAP.
- Discussion was had between GPG, Community Members and Corangamite Shire about the condition of the local road surrounding the wind farm, with several community members raising the same concerns, Garry advised the committee that if they have seen any issues with the local roads, they can lodge their concerns with the council directly and the council will follow up on these issues.
- GPG advised that they along with the councils inspect the local roads affected by the wind farm on a monthly maintenance in accordance with the Traffic Management Plan and if there are any issues identified during the inspections that are to be repaired by the wind farm.

12. General business:

- Helena Kirby has requested a change of day for meetings as the council has lots of meetings on Friday's and meetings tend to clash. Proposed to change the meetings to a Monday. (Addressed in correspondence)
- Robyn Alexander has requested that the consideration of funding for Cressy be had for the Community Grants Program.
- Max Kerr asked how does a community group get proposals for ideas/works?
– Garry Moorfield answered: Obtain quote/s and supply request to council and attached to

Grant application for consideration. Councils manage the Grant applications and process. (not managed by GPG) \$48,500 available for first year of operation of BBWF1. Could be up to \$100,000 per year once BBWF2 is incorporated into the Grant fund. (for operational years of the windfarm), Nicholas Cole also advised that there is a quick response Grant available through the councils also: up to \$500

13. Next meeting:

- Tentative date has been set at Monday 2nd August with a backup date of Monday 9th August if Covid restrictions are in place. The meeting will be held at 10am at the Wallinduc CFA Hall.