

Willatook Wind Farm Proposal Community Engagement Committee

Meeting date Wednesday 12 August 2020

Meeting time and location 3.30pm, via Zoom

1. Welcome

Cr Ryan welcomed Shari Rankin, Project Manager for Wind Prospect to the Committee.

2. Present

Cr Colin Ryan (Chair)
Cr Jim Doukas
Cr Mick Wolfe
Paul Lewis
Ken Johnston
Richard Barker, Senior Development Manager, Wind Prospect
Tanya Waterson, Wind Prospect
Shari Rankin, Project Manager, Wind Prospect

Vicki Askew-Thornton, Moyne Shire

3. Apologies

Graham Keane

4. Declarations of interest

Nil.

5. Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting

Moved by Richard Barker, seconded by Paul Lewis that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2020 be confirmed. **CARRIED**

6. Business arising from previous Minutes

- 6.1 Council has provided information on examples of Quarry Blasting plans, how blades are disposed of and some examples of decommissioning permit conditions.
- 6.2 Council invited DELWP to a CEC meeting, and asked for written responses to questions previously submitted for DELWP from Ken Johnston and Paul Lewis. DELWP's response was emailed to the CEC on 12 June.
- 6.3 WP has liaised with Sonus and Ken Johnson regarding derived 90th percentile value and the 2011 and 2018 scatter charts.

- 6.4 WP to seek information on spare capacity in the 500kV transmission line: WP understands that there is approximately 5500MW of capacity in the dual circuit 500kV transmission line and there is approximately 2000MW of capacity available for generation to connect in to.
- 5.5 Request for WP to arrange for a Sonus representative to attend the CEC meeting:
WP can arrange for Sonus to present on the noise findings from Willatook to date.
Council noted that such a presentation would not be held during a CEC meeting, and would need to be held separately from a CEC meeting with no minutes taken.
WP will consider whether any slides could be shared prior to a presentation.

7. Correspondence Incoming

- 7.1 20 January 2020 – Questions on notice for DELWP from Ken Johnston and Paul Lewis (Attachment 1)
- 7.2 Project update from Wind Prospect (Attachment 2)
- 7.3 Questions on notice from Ken Johnston via email:
A) If decommissioned blades from wind farms built within Moyne Shire are to be ultimately disposed of in landfill, will Moyne Shire make provision for the used blades to be buried within its own Shire rather than allowing the blades to be dumped on others elsewhere?
B) Can decommissioned blades from any constructed Willatook Wind Farm be buried on the wind farm site?
Response: Council has referred these questions on to its Manager of Environment and Regulatory Services.
C) What is the remaining lifetime of the Codrington and Yambuk wind farms?
Codrington Wind Farm began operating in 2001.
Yambuk Wind Farm began operating in 2005:
Response: Council is aware that Pacific Hydro is currently looking at future options for these wind farms, particularly in relation to the older Codrington Wind Farm.

8. Correspondence Outgoing

Nil.

9. Reports:

9.1 Wind Prospect (WP):

Summary of further discussion regarding the Project Update:

- Richard Barker is leaving Wind Prospect and Shari Rankin will take over as Project Manager on 17 August.

Richard noted that it had been good to see the level of interest in the project from the CEC members.

Cr Ryan thanked Richard for his input to the Committee.

- Revised noise modelling is being undertaken for the V162 model turbine.
- WP can issue 2 contour plots – one each for the CONCAWE and ISO methodologies.
- The final report cannot be done until the final proposed turbine layout is known. Once the report is done it will be audited by an EPA appointed environmental auditor and submitted to the TRG for review and comment.
- WP will ask AGL if it can provide the CEC with the noise contour plot modelled for the Macarthur Wind Farm.

9.2 Community Members:

Nothing further to add.

9.3 Council:

- (A) Cr Doukas asked if Council had provided Ken with the plot of predicted noise contours and other information relating to the Vestas V112-3MW turbines that are operational at the Macarthur Wind Farm.

Council responded that it had not yet located the file on its records, and that as the document would have been submitted to the Minister for Planning with the permit application, Council may not hold a copy. Council could consider whether to ask DELWP for a copy.

10. General business

10.1 WP noted that in regard to field consultants visiting the site recently, it was not WP's intention to cause any concern.

WP will check whether the relevant landholders were contacted prior to the site visits.

Next meeting – Wednesday 25 November 2020 at 3pm, via Zoom

Confirmed this / /

Chair

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