



**MINUTES OF BOCO ROCK WIND FARM  
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE  
(CCC)**

9.00am, Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018  
Boco Rock Wind Farm Site, Avon Lake Rd, Springfield

**Attendees**

Lisa Andrews (LA)	Independent Chairperson
Fiona Taylor (FT)	Community Representative
John Harrington (JH)	Community Representative
Adam West (AW)	Facility Manager, BRWF
Bill Garnock (BG)	Host Landholder

**Apologies**

Fr Sergei Shatrov (SS)	Community Representative
Howard Charles (HC)	Community Representative
Derek Dymond (DD)	Asset Manager – CWP

**Absent**

Delegate	Snowy Monaro Regional Council (SMRC)
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*An inspection of the site office, substation, one of the turbines and hardstand area was undertaken by all attendees under the instruction of Adam West. The members then returned to the boardroom for the CCC meeting.*

<b>Item</b>	<b>Action</b>
<p><b>1.0 Welcome and Introductions</b> <i>Meeting opened at 10.28am.</i> Lisa Andrews welcomed the attendees and thanked Adam West for organising the site tour and explaining the power processes, turbine maintenance, environmental monitoring, etc.</p> <p>LA informed the CCC of the sad passing of one of its original Community Representatives, Richard Lawson, at Bombala hospital, following a debilitating stroke last year.</p>	<p>All present were requested to complete the Attendance Sheet.</p> <p>Card to be sent to the Lawson Family expressing the committee's sympathy.</p>
<p><b>2.0 Apologies</b> LA reported on the apologies and also advised members that Sergei Shatrov has moved away from the area and resigned as a Community Representative on the CCC</p>	<p>As listed above.</p>
<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b> LA declared that she was an Independent Chair, approved by the Department of Planning and Environment and engaged by CWP Asset Management to chair the CCC meeting.</p>	<p>No change to previous declarations.</p>

#### 4.0 Business arising

The minutes of 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017 were finalised and sent to CCC members on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

##### Action:

- **Item 1** – Arrange for Bill Buckley to attend properties and conduct audit on weeds -DD **Complete**
- **Item 2** - Copies of Community Enhancement Fund documents between Lachlan Shire Council and Taralga Wind Farm to be distributed to members for their information and feedback - DD **These were provided by Derek & emailed to members on 31/10/17**
- **Item 3** - Code of Conduct and Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary Interested Forms to be completed and returned. - DD & AW **Complete**

**1** Discussions held regarding weed spraying. BG informed the CCC that most landowners would prefer to spray the weeds and refer the invoice to CWP for payment. AW advised that a "Weed Spraying Policy" needs to be created, in coordination with landowners and CWP.  
**Action.**

**2** Discussions held about the BRWF Community Enhancement Fund (CEF) and strong concerns that there has been no allocation of funds for three years, despite CWP depositing the money with Council.

AW has been discussing the issue with Nola Brady (Manager Governance - SMRC) and will be attending a meeting at the Council, with the Mayor and General Manager at the end of March 2018.

JH who is a member on the CEF committee, in his role as Lions Club president provided the attendees with a briefing on how the committee operated during its first year of operation, however, has not met since.

##### **Moved:**

**1 That the Chair write to SMRC requesting an update on the proposed disbursement of funds.**

**2 That the BRWF CCC nominates Fiona Taylor, Community Representative for a position on the fund committee.**

#### 6.0 Correspondence

- 18/10/17 – Email to members with the draft minutes
- 27/10/17 – Email to members with the finalised minutes
- 31/10/17 – Email to members with the Taralga Wind Farm Community Enhancement documents
- 5/3/18 – Email to members with the Meeting Notice & Agenda for this meeting
- 13/3/18 – Further email to members seeking RSVPs
- 14/3/18 – Apology from HC
- 14/3/18 – Apology from SS as well as resigning from this CCC
- 14/3/18 – Email to SS thanking him for his contribution during his time on the CCC and wishing him well for the future.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 16/3/18 – Email to members with a reminder for this meeting.</li> <li>• 16/3/18 – Email to Snowy Monaro Regional Council following up request for delegate on this CCC</li> </ul>	<p><b>Moved</b> LA  <b>Seconded</b> BG  <b>Accepted</b></p>
<p><b>7.0 Boco Rock Project Update (AW)</b>  AW provided attendees with an update on what is occurring on site at BRWF.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road maintenance and grading is occurring. Water carts will be used for dust suppression.</li> <li>• There is some graffiti on one of the towers, which will be removed.</li> <li>• Environmental Audits are occurring on a regular basis</li> </ul>	
<p><b>8.0 Community Concerns</b></p>	<p>No issues raised.</p>
<p><b>9.0 General Business</b>  <b>LA</b> advised the CCC that she has recently been appointed to the “Talent Pool” of Independent Chairpersons with the Department of Planning and Environment.</p> <p>Recommended that given the BRWF project is in “operational” mode; that the two community representative positions not be replaced at this stage; however, should Stage 2 of the project proceed or any proposed modifications, then advertising for nominations be called.</p> <p><b>BG</b> mentioned that as Howard Charles is no longer a host landowner, that his position be moved to Community Representative and that another “host” be permitted to join the CCC.</p> <p><b>JH</b> advised of a recent report from the University of Canberra, commissioned by the Snowy Monaro Regional Council on regarding its Tourism Strategy.</p> <p>Tabled an article from the Daily Telegraph detailing that holiday makers are now swapping beach/coastal destinations for the bush, with tourists flocking to rural areas such as Parkes, Cooma, Jindabyne, Goulburn, etc.</p> <p>The positioning of the Nimmity Bell has progressed. The Trustees and Committee of the Gelmacher House have decided to allow the bell to be erected in its grounds. The amended DA will go before the May Council meeting. If approved, the installation and landscaping works will be undertaken shortly thereafter.</p>	<p><b>Agreed. BG to speak with other landowners, seeking expressions of interest in joining the CCC.</b></p> <p>Link to Council Report:  <a href="https://www.snowymonaro.nsw.gov.au/DocumentCenter/Home/View/6164">https://www.snowymonaro.nsw.gov.au/DocumentCenter/Home/View/6164</a></p>
<p><b>10.0 Next Meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting of the CCC is scheduled for <b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018</b> at the Nimmitabel Community Centre, commencing at 9am. However, given the committee’s concerns with the non-distribution of funds from the BRWF Community Enhancement program, the CCC resolved to hold an “extra-ordinary meeting” to discuss a strategy in</p>	<p><b>AW to provide feedback from his meeting with Snowy Monaro Regional Council regarding the Boco Rock Wind Farm Community Enhancement Fund.</b></p>

moving forward to ensure that the money contributed by CWP is directed to community projects that are impacted by the project.	
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***Meeting closed 11.45am with LA thanking all for their contribution and attendance.***

**Action Items:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Action By:</b>
1	Send sympathy card to Lawson Family	LA
2	Weed Spraying Policy to be created	AW/BG
3	Write to Snowy Monaro Regional Council regarding the Community Enhancement Fund (CEF)	LA
4	Discussion with host landowners to fill position on CCC	BG/LA
5	Provide feedback from meeting with Council regarding the CEF	AW
6	Next meeting date for CCC to be confirmed	LA