



RATCH-Australia Corporation

**MT EMERALD WIND FARM – COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE
AGENDA/ MEETING MINUTES**

Date	12/04/2018	Time	4:00 – 5:30
Venue	Walkamin Community and Sports Club Hall 1 Kurrajong Road, Walkamin		

Attendees	Dr Steve Turton (Indep Chair)	Kim Forde
Sam Musumeci	John Hardy	Jim Carey
David Reynolds	Bronwyn Dwyer	Don Lennox
Connie Parmenter for John Parmenter	Ross Iraci	Lee Schwerdtfeger for Steve Lavis
Invitee	Ciara Bridgland (Intern – Kim)	
Apologies	Terry Johannesen	Paul McDonald
	Rene Kuypers	Gerry Turpin (MBarbarrum)

No.	Item / Discussion/ Action	Responsibility	Due date
1	Welcome, Introductions and apologies		
2	<p>Pecuniary interests: ongoing Sam Musumeci: TERM – supply to MEWF project</p> <p>Minutes from last meeting • Valuer briefing request update (KF).</p> <p>JP – are turbines electro-magnetic or permanent magnetic – <i>KF to ask TJ or PM</i></p> <p>RI - Signage at front gate – KF reply from RAC</p> <p>MEWF: signage to be installed on completion of roadworks.</p> <p>RI - May be too late to address issue identified of delivery trucks missing the turn-off and ending up in Oaky Creek, with the inability to find a place to safely turn around</p> <p>Minutes approved: JH / Seconded: DR Passed</p>	<p>KF – to continue to try to arrange briefing from REIQ member</p> <p>KF – request response</p> <p>KF – feedback to RAC MEWF management</p>	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>Next meeting</p>
3	<p>Purpose of Group – Communication and Representation</p> <p><i>Independent Chair Steve Turton remind CCC of the Charter. The key element is to respect everyone else’s view to enable the group to function better and for information to flow.</i></p>	Chair	
4	Roles, Rules, Responsibilities	Chair	

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5	<p>Project Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • construction progress: – presentation of new video of site update • delivery of plant status • condition of site after recent rains – including monitoring of WQ • proposed site visit 	KF	
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community meetings – briefings provided and planned • AWA Community Engagement Report 	KF	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorship applications received <p>KF mentioned MEWF sponsorship of, and entry of team into 2018 Mareeba – Chillagoe Wheelbarrow Race. Paul McDonald to lead team.</p>		
7	<p>Group Discussion – identify issues/ Requests for information/briefings</p> <p>Land Valuation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RI observation – some Oaky Creek land values have dropped dramatically. Some over \$70K: 2010-2013 • JH – approached Grant Maloney DNR – re presentation on Land Valuation. No permission to present. KF had similar response from her discussions with DNR. • Group – ongoing request to get valuer in to speak to group. <i>see note of Responsibility and Action above – KF</i> <p>RI – Facebook comment of dwelling on Oaky Creek Rd is only 1.3km from nearest turbine. Potential to build closer to their back fence. KF: location of legal residences at date of approval determines noise monitoring and visual amenity considerations and permit conditions. For any residences constructed after approval of MEWF, impact strategies are not retroactive.</p> <p>DR – on behalf of all CCC members – is it possible for each member to have a model turbine?</p> <p>CP – observed new monitoring towers erected – what is role. KF: new towers for ongoing monitoring. Older tower may be removed. This provides data overlap and redundancy.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>KF to continue to seek expert advisor to present to CCC</p> <p>KF to request to Vestas/MEWF management</p>	
8	<p>Information Sharing/ Information requests</p> <p>Any further requests</p> <p>KF listed various presentations made since last CCC meeting. More than 500 people spoken to already in 2018.</p>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>KF to provide copy of 'Big Numbers' fact sheet created for Mareeba Heritage Centre staff to all CCC members.</i> LS - When is next newsletter to be provided? - KF: TJ generates newsletters approx. 6 weekly. <i>KF will check on when next newsletter is due.</i> Reminded that all newsletters are uploaded onto website asap. • KF Provided copy of site map with current tower erection status to Lee Schwerdtfeger – <i>at meeting</i> 	<p>KF – asap</p> <p>KF to speak to TJ</p>	
9	<p>Next meeting – timing and location</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - KF passed on feedback from RK and commitment to arrange site visit during May / June, 2018. - A number of members will be away in either May/June. <i>KF to send email requesting availability of CCC members.</i> - CCC members are willing to visit on Sunday to avoid work conflicts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ST – possibility of 1 family member to join CCC site visit if on weekend? ○ ST – next formal CCC meeting within 2 weeks of site visit, if possible. 	<p>KF to email CCC members to identify possible dates/ availability during May/June</p> <p>KF to discuss with RK and site management – suitable date; family visit; support / guides on visit day</p> <p>KF to inform committee asap once dates confirmed for site visit.</p>	

Signed: Steve Turton
Independent Chair