

MEETING MINUTES

Kagaru to Acacia Ridge and Bromelton Community Consultative Committee

DATE / TIME

14 May 2019
6:00 – 8:00pm

LOCATION

Algester Sports Club, 41 Endiandra Street, Algester

CHAIR

John Brent

SECRETARIAT

Nicola Mitchell

ATTENDEES

Committee Members	Wade Thompson
Lloyd Stumer	Mallory Wuthrich
Anne Page	Bob Wiley
Suzanne Corbett	ARTC representatives
Angela Harlen	Mercedes Staff
David Kenny	Nicola Mitchell
Chantal Swanton-Gallant	Harminder Bhar
Damon Gerebtzoff	Shane Harris
Hon Gary Hardgrave	Mark McNamara
Stephen Harrison	Kerrin Roberts
Phil Manitta	Guest
Dorinda Hall	Kathy Baburin

APOLOGIES (SHOW ORGANISATION IF NOT ARTC)

Cameron Thomas – Committee Member

Agenda items

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS (CHAIR)	<p>Welcomed members and observers.</p> <p>The Chair advised that ARTC has not received a decision from the Office of the Coordinator General (OCG) in regard to their request for coordinated project status.</p> <p>The Chair introduced a new CCC member – Wade Thompson, who is a representative of the local indigenous people.</p> <p>The Chair reminded all attendees of the terms of the CCC Charter and asked that all attendees address each other with respect. The Chair advised that observers are not participants in the meeting and asked that they refrain from interjecting. Questions may be asked by observers at the end of the meeting if time permits. The Chair encouraged</p>
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	<p>observers to pose questions to ARTC directly following the meeting via the various channels available if they are not able to pose a question during the meeting.</p> <p>ARTC advised they are not in a position to comment on Federal/political matters until after the Federal Election results are known due to Caretaker Provisions (NB: election held 18 May).</p>
<p>CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION (CHAIR)</p>	<p>The Chair reminded Members that whilst all perceived or real conflicts of interests must be declared, the presence of a conflict of interest does not preclude membership on the committee. Any such disclosures must be recorded in the meeting minutes.</p> <p>No conflicts of interest disclosed.</p>
<p>UPDATE ON ACTIONS (ARTC)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A request for confirmation that no members have a conflict of interest. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Complete. 2. A response to the following statement: “The CCC is concerned that the project we are considering is not the best option and seeks alternative routes to be considered for Inland Rail after Kagaru.” <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Complete. 3. The provision of links to reports regarding the development of the Inland Rail project. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Complete. 4. That the concerns of an observer at the meeting regarding the repair of fencing along the existing ARTC rail alignment be recorded and investigated. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Complete. 5. The provision of maps of the locations where environmental investigation will take place, once known. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ongoing. 6. Notification to the community as to the outcome of the request to the Office of the Coordinator General on the approval pathway. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ongoing. 7. That information provided by a member regarding schools located along the project alignment be considered in environmental investigations. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Note only. 8. That questions tabled by two Members at the conclusion of the meeting be answered prior to the next meeting, and responses provided to the Members for dissemination with their communities. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Complete.
<p>A PERSPECTIVE OF THE EIS PROCESS (SCENIC RIM CCC CHAIR, KATHY BABURIN)</p>	<p>Speaker advised she would like to share some learnings from her involvement in the Scenic Rim CCC. She advised the CCC Members have a very valuable role in providing information from the community to ARTC. Speaker advised it has been her experience that questions can arise from the community prior to the information being available.</p> <p>Speaker advised where the EIS process is up to in the C2K project area. Speaker urged Members to have their say and push ARTC for answers.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked if any Scenic Rim CCC members live adjacent to the project alignment, and what their view is on coal transport.</p> <p>The speaker advised the Scenic Rim CCC has members who live close to the alignment, and they have concerns. She advised there is scope for CCC Members to request</p>

	<p>independent technical advice be sought by ARTC. She asked if the Members would be interested in looking at seeking joint advice from an independent expert regarding air quality and the transport of coal?</p> <p>Members advised they would.</p> <p>A Member stated he put 72 questions to ARTC recently and feels they were not answered adequately. He does not believe ARTC are addressing negative impacts.</p> <p>The speaker advised planning for Inland Rail is proceeding. She urged the Members to work within the process to get the best outcome they can.</p> <p>ARTC advised they have provided responses to each of the Member's questions.</p> <p>A CCC Member advised he believes Inland Rail is good for the Scenic Rim area, but it is not good for the K2ARB community.</p>
<p>UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF PROJECT (ARTC PROJECT MANAGER KERRIN ROBERTS AND ENVIRONMENT ADVISOR MARK MCNAMARA)</p>	<p>ARTC Project Manager, Kerrin Roberts, provided an update on the project, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on progress on other Inland Rail sections; and • Discussion of upcoming environmental investigations. <p>ARTC Environment Advisor, Mark McNamara, provided details about the EIS process, should K2ARB be declared coordinated by the OCG, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The process to conduct an EIS, including how the community can make submissions; • Discussion on what the Terms of Reference are; • What will happen in the coming weeks if the project is declared coordinated; and • Methods of consultation during the EIS process. <p>A CCC Member asked which consultancy will undertake the environmental investigations.</p> <p>ARTC advised they are in discussions with technical consultancies about this.</p> <p>A CCC Member requested confirmation that ARTC will pay the consultancy.</p> <p>ARTC confirmed that is correct.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked what will happen if the project is not declared coordinated by the OCG.</p> <p>ARTC advised they would need to work with the State Government to determine the best alternative.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked if they will receive the results from the investigations.</p> <p>ARTC confirmed the community would be able to view the results of environmental investigations. This will be provided by ARTC.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked if they can request an independent evaluation of these studies, if they feel it warranted.</p> <p>ARTC confirmed the Committee can make such a proposal.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked where noise monitoring will take place.</p>

	<p>ARTC advised the monitoring locations must meet a set of criteria and are being considered currently.</p> <p>A CCC Member requested ARTC ensure they explain what any acronyms they are using mean.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked about the potential for the Labor Party to conduct an enquiry into Inland Rail if elected at the Federal election.</p> <p>ARTC advised they cannot comment on this.</p>
<p>PRESENTATION ON NOISE AND VIBRATION (ARTC ENVIRONMENT ADVISOR, SHANE HARRIS)</p>	<p>ARTC Environment Advisor, Shane Harris, provided a presentation regarding noise and vibration, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is noise, and how is it monitored; • What goals are ARTC adhering to in regard to noise; and • How can noise be mitigated. <p>A CCC Member stated that sound barriers are most effective for residents living immediately adjacent to them.</p> <p>ARTC confirmed that is the case.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked who would pay for the cost of any mitigation required.</p> <p>ARTC advised that ARTC would pay for this but it is too early to know where mitigation might be required.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked if curfews will be implemented for the operation of Inland Rail.</p> <p>ARTC advised that curfews will not be implemented.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked if the speed a train is travelling impacts on the noise it generates.</p> <p>ARTC advised that it does. The faster it is travelling, the more noise it will generate.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked if there will be continuous track segments.</p> <p>ARTC confirmed that this is the case.</p> <p>A Committee Member stated that when a train changes its speed, it is noisier.</p> <p>ARTC confirmed this is the case, and it is considered in the noise modelling.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked at what stage the community will be informed of who is eligible for mitigation measures at their property.</p> <p>ARTC advised that properties that may require mitigation are identified during the investigation process. Mitigation for operational noise/vibration would not be implemented until after the project is commissioned.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked if ARTC uses curve squeal lubrication.</p> <p>ARTC advised that this is considered in the design.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked about the operation of a crossing loop. What are the impacts for residents living adjacent to them?</p> <p>ARTC advised that a train would not be stationary in a crossing loop for more than 60 minutes. Noise and air quality assessments will be undertaken to determine what mitigation measures may be required.</p>

	<p>A CCC Member asked how the crossing loop locations were chosen.</p> <p>ARTC advised a design process is undertaken to determine their location. They are initially located due to operational considerations, but then factors such as topography and environmental are also taken into account. The operational position allows for some adjustment.</p> <p>A CCC Member stated he feels that ARTC are placing the crossing loops due to commercial reasons, and not considering the community.</p> <p>ARTC advised the current location is a starting point and will be considered further.</p>
<p>COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE (ARTC STAKEHODLER ENGAGEMENT LEAD NICOLA MITCHELL)</p>	<p>ARTC Stakeholder Engagement Lead, Nicola Mitchell, updated the Committee on communications, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication undertaken since the last meeting, including the launch of an interactive map and distribution of a Project Update; • Details of communication coming up, in particular once the Coordinator-General's decision is received. <p>A CCC Member stated that there should have been reference to the community's concern about coal transport in the recent project update newsletter.</p> <p>ARTC advised they will consider this for the next project update.</p> <p>A CCC Member stated it is difficult to liaise with the local community when they are not provided any funds by ARTC. The Member requested permission to distribute a pamphlet he has created.</p> <p>ARTC requested the Member refrain from doing so until the close of the meeting.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked for a copy of the Initial Advice Statement that was submitted to the OCG.</p> <p>ARTC advised this can happen once the Coordinator-General has made their determination on the project's request for coordinated status.</p> <p>A CCC Member stated that the Committee should have had input into the submission.</p> <p>ARTC advised the requirements of an Initial Advice Statement are clearly stipulated by the OCG under the requirements of the State Development of Public Works Organisation Act.</p> <p>A CCC Member stated his concern that community members believe that an EIS process will stop the project, and this is not the case. The Member stated that all participants in the meeting need to be open and honest with each other.</p>
<p>GENERAL BUSINESS</p>	<p>A CCC Member asked if a process alternative to the coordinated project process to complete an EIS would take longer and be less complicated.</p> <p>ARTC advised they cannot answer this with certainty, not knowing what the alternative process might be, but that it would likely be approximately the same duration and would not be less complicated.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked for clarification of what ARTC means by the term 'feasibility.'</p> <p>ARTC advised that feasibility refers to the environmental investigations they need to complete to achieve project approval. This refers to the feasibility of undertaking the proposed work.</p>

	<p>A CCC Member advised his belief that the Committee should seek to request an independent technical review regarding air quality and the transport of coal.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked who does not want the project to proceed, and how many people do want it to proceed.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked why the two proposed new crossing loops are named the Larapinta and Kagaru loops, but they are not located in these suburbs.</p> <p>ARTC advised the crossing loops are named in relation to the broader geographical area, but that ARTC will endeavour to note their location in public-facing documents.</p> <p>ACTION: ARTC to amend references to the two proposed new crossing loops in the project area to a geographical reference to prevent confusion regarding their location.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked how Inland Rail will benefit the K2ARB community.</p> <p>ARTC advised they are in the process of undertaking a study into regional benefits generated by the project.</p> <p>A CCC Member asked how ARTC is working with the State and Federal Governments to address the need for passenger rail and the condition of the Mount Lindesay Highway.</p> <p>ARTC advised that passenger rail is a matter for the State Government. ARTC understands that the Qld Department of Transport and Main Roads is currently undertaking a corridor preservation project for the Salisbury to Beaudesert passenger rail project. Also, traffic assessments will be undertaken as part of the environmental investigations to understand what the impact on the Mount Lindesay Highway might be.</p> <p>A CCC Member advised she has provided 23 questions from community members to ARTC.</p> <p>ARTC confirmed receipt.</p> <p>ACTION: ARTC to respond to questions tabled by a Member, prior to the next meeting.</p> <p>A CCC Member stated that the Committee should seek to request an independent technical review regarding air quality and the transport of coal.</p> <p>The Chair stated he will liaise with the Scenic Rim CCC Chair to gain an understanding of the work they have done in relation to an independent technical study into air quality.</p> <p>ARTC advised it is possible for a Committee to request independent technical advice, however such a request requires certain conditions to be met and the decision to proceed rests with ARTC.</p> <p>ACTION: ARTC to include on the next meeting agenda, a discussion regarding opportunity for the committee to request independent technical advice.</p>
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Actions

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1	ARTC to include on the next meeting agenda, a discussion regarding opportunity for the committee to request independent technical advice.	ARTC	Next meeting
2	ARTC to respond to questions tabled by a Member, prior to the next meeting.	ARTC	Next meeting

NO.	ACTIONS	ACTION BY	DUE DATE
3	ARTC to amend references to the two proposed new crossing loops in the project area to a geographical reference to prevent confusion regarding their location.	ARTC	Note
3	The provision of maps of the locations where environmental investigations will take place, once known.	ARTC	TBC
4	Notification to the community as to the outcome of the request to the Office of the Coordinator General on the K2ARB project approval pathway.	ARTC	Once the CG makes their decision

Next Meeting

6:00 – 8:00pm, 5 August 2019 at the Jimboomba Hall