

Environment Protection Authority Lake Macquarie Lead Community Reference Group

Minutes

24 September 2015, 6:00pm - 7:40pm

Chair: Adam Gilligan (Acting)

Community Reference Group Attendees:

Anne Sullivan (Community), Nicole Gerrard (Community), Tony Cade (Community), Karen McCraw (School), Lloyd Hill (Business),

Other Attendees:

Dr Craig Dalton (NSW Health), Richard Bastow (Ferrier Hodgson), Chris Harle (LMCC)

Secretary: Jackie Teal (EPA)

Apologies: Greg Piper, Cr Wendy Harrison (LMCC), Emma Hale (Community)

Absent: Cr Rob Denton (LMCC)

Agenda Item 1 - Welcome

Acting Chair, Adam Gilligan (AG) welcomed all to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Agenda Item 2 – Apologies

AG noted Greg Piper, Cr Wendy Harrison and Emma Hale's apologies.

Agenda Item 3 – Minutes from Previous Meeting

The Minutes from the previous meeting were adopted unanimously.

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Agenda Item 4 – Actions Arising from Previous Minutes

AG addressed the action items arising from the last meeting.

NO.	ACTION ITEM	RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTION	UPDATE
1	Dates and Times of Additional Blood Level Clinics	HNEH	Complete
2	Roster for Living Smart Festival	Karen McCraw	Complete
3	Collation of current Facts Sheets	GP, AD, RB & TC	Complete

Agenda Item 5 - Legislation and 149 Certificates

Nicole Gerard (NG) provided a detailed presentation on various parts of legislation, the processes involved in applying for a Development Application and the issues that can arise during this process.

Discussions continued on these processes, the inequities and whether it was possible to streamline.

AG advised that the Lead Expert Working Group's report to government may include recommendations on the planning process. He also advised that the CRG will have input into this report. The report was due to be completed before the end of the year, but is now more likely to be February.

AG thanked NG for her presentation to the CRG as well as to the LEWG.

Agenda Item 6 - Living Smart Festival

Karen McCraw (KM) thanked Chris Harle and Jackie Teal (JT) for their assistance leading up to the Festival. She advised that there was a constant flow of people to the stall and that 83 out of 100 "show bags", which contained information from Lake Macquarie Council, Health and the EPA, were handed out. Feedback forms collected at the Festival will be provided to the EPA to be addressed.

Feedback from the community regarding the stall and the information that has been handed out has all been positive.

AG thanked all that assisted in the CRG stall and KM for all of her work putting it together.

Agenda Item 7 - General Business

Marmong Point

Tony Cade (TC) advised that he had received a text from a community member regarding the Marmong Point remediation and the lack of erosion and sediment control.

The EPA was also made aware of the problem and has inspected the site and the issue has been addressed.

Public Meeting

The date, venue and content of the public meeting were discussed with a date in February to be considered to coincide with the LEWG's finalisation of the report to government.

Containment Cell

Future use of the containment cell was discussed. Richard Bastow (RB) advised that it will be an open space land with the top grassed, the sides dense with trees and will have access tracks. The CRG asked if it was possible to have a site tour.

ACTION 1: RB TO ARRANGE SITE TOUR – POSSIBLY NOVEMBER.

Achievements of the CRG

ACTION 2: AG AND JT TO CIRCULATE TO THE CRG THE GROUP'S ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE.

Agenda Item 8 – Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items

Next Meeting: JT to arrange Meeting Closed: 7.40pm

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ACTION ITEMS

NO.	WHO	WHAT	WHEN
1	RB	To arrange a site tour	November
2	AG/JT	Circulate list of CRG achievements to date	Next Meeting
3	JT	Arrange next meeting time	ASAP

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