



Minutes of Meeting

GPC Community Working Group (CWG) 6 March 2009

- Attendees** L. Ibell, J Sherriff, H Sayner, J Clark, R Tooker, G Sellers, P Mouna, R Torrasi, C Crosby, A Dahl
- Apologies** G. Young, V. Simon, J MacDonald, B McClatchie, R Hansen, L Pearce
- Reference Documents** GPC Environmental Update presentation & GHD Presentation - Fisherman’s Landing EIS (By GHD’s J Lee & GPC’s L Warren).
- Location** Large Conference Room, Kullaroo House (40 Goondoon Street, Gladstone).
- Next Meeting** **Friday 5 June 2009, Large Conference Room, Kullaroo House.**

Welcome

- Sharon Graham – Minuter Taker

Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

- All present reviewed previous minutes – Member of group mentioned that under the terms of reference the four major issues were, coal dust, water, light and noise, member thought that Land Use Study should have been included also.
- Under Terms of Reference 3rd dot point, member raised issue that “Environment” didn’t necessarily mean Environmental Personnel.

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| Motion Raised | Status |
| Minutes approved. | Accepted. |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GPC Environmental Update | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Presentation on Dust Deposition was discussed. • There was a high reading of dust at the Gladstone Marina for the month of Dec, this was not related to Auckland Point or RGT. • Dust reading above the limit at RGT was a result of earthworks. • Dust reading above the limit at Barney Point was a result of an unloading event. Rob Torrasi explained investigation to group. • CWG Member asked what the response time was for high readings, John Sherriff advised anywhere between 10 days to 2 weeks, but if sample taken for further analysis could be 2-3 weeks. • Mist Sprays will be installed on the Shipholder Final Transfer Point of the shiploader at Auckland. Rob Torrasi explained installation of spray systems and how more installations will progress along the loading systems over time. • There were 3 complaints during December due to loading operations • There were 5 general dust complaints during January • There were 2 complaints during February regarding coal at Barney Point Beach. This falls under the International Maritime requirements and has been referred to the Harbour Master. • Rob Torrasi liaised with member of the public regarding at noise coming from Barney Point. Successful outcome for both resident and the Port. Rob asked residents to make notes of times etc of when these things are happening, so that in future the port can find the source. • John Clark advised that the member of the public was his wife and neighbour and that he was very impressed by the response of the | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A copy of the presentation is to be made available to all members. |

Port Officers.

- Auckland Point – There is an increased shipping & Trucking Movements.
- There will be Military exercises here again in May/June.
- John Sherriff went through the Environmental Benchmark Report.
- Looking at a Wagon wheel Washing Station for Barney Point.
- Looking at a Bulldozer Crossing at RGT to reduce driving on existing roads which causes dust.
- Fine tuning of the water monitoring system in progress.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ GHD Presentation (Fisherman's Landing EIS) by GHD's Joanna Lee & GPC's Lee Warren | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lee Warren gave a Project Overview <p>GPC proposes to reclaim 153ha of land extending northwards from the existing Fisherman's Landing facility, 10 kms north of Gladstone City. The area is currently below the high water mark in Gladstone Harbour and is regarded as unallocated state land. The project will initially involve the construction of rock bunds to allow for the deposit of dredge material associated with channel widening and deepening and also berth construction within the harbour generally. The reclaimed land would enable an additional six (6) wharves to be built alongside the existing facility to support future demand for transport, storage and loading and unloading facilities. The project is currently in the feasibility phase of development and an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has commenced.</p> <p>The draft EIS will be subject to a public exhibition period for 20 days in the second quarter of 2009. A final decision on the EIS for the Project is expected by the Coordinator General in late 2009. Subject to all necessary environmental approvals being received and economic factors being considered, construction of the Project could commence in 2010. Completion of the project will be dependent on GPC's dredging program in the local area.</p> <p>GPC has engaged consultant's GHD to undertake an EIS as part of feasibility studies. The purpose of the EIS is to explore the potential environmental, cultural, social and economic impacts that may be associated with the proposed Project, and to recommend approaches to manage these impacts.</p> <p>The information contained in the EIS will enable the Queensland State Government to make an informed decision about whether or not the project should proceed to the next stage of development. The government must be satisfied that any adverse impacts identified in the EIS are minimised and that the benefits to the local community and region are maximised as much as possible.</p> <p>Details about the project and future consultation activities will be advertised in the Gladstone Observer and on the Gladstone Ports Corporation website.</p> <p>Project Team are seeking feedback from Community Working Group Members as they are trying to capture as much information as they can to include in the draft EIS before submission.</p> <p>The following concerns/Questions were provided:</p> <p>LNG Plant Location? Road along the foreshore and Bridge? Shale Oil Leases? Crabbing in northern part of Fisherman's Landing embayment Master Plan – Timing & opportunity for input? Why not put dredge spoil on mudflats? Saturation point for harbour? Access up & down to the Narrows with ships?</p> | |

Joanna advised that concerns & questions can also be submitted via email to FLNE@ghd.com.au

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| ○ General Business | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• It was suggested that “Environmental” be taken out of the title of this group – All members agreed new name is “Community Working Group” (CWG).• Member raised issue of Community Working Group not being approached for feedback (Sounding Board) for issues and that the public knew decisions before CWG Members.• Member discussed the release of the GPC Land Use Study, feels that CWG Members should have been provided with a copy of this study, before it was released. Has concerns that no prior community consultation was done by the port, member believes there is a great number of assumptions that could have been solved earlier with the community involvement, if they were the initial part of the process, Has concerns that history shows that once this is out that tends to be what’s going to happen and it is difficult to influence later. Mentioned that this issue was also mentioned at the Council Meeting. Member suggests community could have had some input at an earlier stage. It is unfair to the community, very short lead up time to respond.• Questions asked – Why didn’t Group have an opportunity to review Land Study document – could group be considered as a sounding board for these types of things. – Response – GPC Representative was also unaware of document, had GPC Rep known would have brought it to last meeting. Will talk to Responsible officers and see what opportunities there are for future response as it closed mid February.• Land Use study is available on the GPC Website, but all CWG Members will be provided with a copy. GPC Representative also advised that concerns can be logged through the GPC Website.• Next Meeting to be held Friday 5 June 2009 and any Agenda Items to be sent to Sharon, H.Sayner or L Ibell by 11 May 2009.• | H.Sayner / J. Sherriff S.Graham |

Meeting concluded at: 5.05pm

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Chairperson

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