



Gladstone Region LNG Community Consultative Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 16th February, 2016

1:30pm to 4:30pm

Volunteer Marine Rescue Building, Alf O'Rourke Drive, Gladstone

1. Opening

The Gladstone Region LNG Community Consultative Committee (RCCC) was called to order at 1:40pm on Tuesday 16th February 2016 at the Volunteer Marine Rescue Building, Alf O'Rourke Drive, Gladstone, facilitated by Prof John Rolfe, Independent Chair.

2. Attendees

The following people attended the Gladstone Region LNG Community Consultative Committee meeting:

Gladstone Region LNG Community Consultative Committee Members	LNG Representatives
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rob Plumridge (Volunteer Marine Rescue)• Mick McAulley (Volunteer Marine Rescue)• Maxine Brushe (Gladstone Regional Council)• Cynthia Smyth (South End Progress Association)• Belynda Waugh (Northern Region of GRC LGA)• Veronica Laverick (Gladstone Regional Council)• Natasha Fee (Gladstone Interagency Group)• Ron Doherty - proxy (Local Marine Advisory Committee)	<p>APLNG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nedizha Thierry Stakeholder Engagement and Communications Advisor <p>Santos GLNG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Garry Scanlan Marine and Stakeholder Manager <p>QGC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Robyn Sotiris Stakeholder Feedback Coordinator

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kaleb Roberts (Gladstone Youth Council) 	<p style="text-align: center;">Independent Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor John Rolfe Central Queensland University
Apologies - Committee Members	Secretariat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Johnson (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community) • Darryl Branthwaite (Gladstone Area Promotion and Development Board) • Cheryl Wickes (Southern Region of GRC LGA) • David Manttan (Department of Education, Training and Employment) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marissa Hausler Community Relations Assistant (Australia Pacific LNG) <p style="text-align: center;">Apologies – LNG Companies</p> <p>APLNG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob Gibb Manager, Communities & Sustainable Development <p>QGC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lorna McGinnis Social Performance Manager

3. Meeting Agenda

The following items of business were discussed as per meeting agenda.

Agenda	Details
a) Meeting overview	The Chair led roundtable introductions of committee members and gave a broad overview of the meeting format and requested that committee members identify any agenda items to be discussed during community feedback or general business.
b) Safety Moment	Safety Moment shared regarding Apple© recall of AC Wall Plug Adapter.
c) Adoption of previous minutes	The minutes of 17th November 2015 Gladstone Region LNG Community Consultative Committee were adopted.
d) Action items from 17 th November 2015	<p><i>“The LNG companies will contact Department of Parks and Wildlife and request that future EMP Action Group meetings be minuted.”</i></p> <p>Steering Committee contacted QPWS with the Committee’s concern. An email response from QPWS advised that the EMP Reference Group is an information sharing forum and as such minutes are not recorded formally. However, QPWS has provided feedback to members on important matters which have been raised at the EMP Reference Group meetings either directly for a timely response or as verbal update at the next meeting.</p> <p>Committee deemed the response does not address the concern and requested Gladstone Regional Council to advocate for a formal record of meeting minutes and provision of information about current and planned activities within the EMP.</p> <p>Action:</p> <p><i>Matter to be referred to Gladstone Regional Council by member representative.</i></p> <p><i>“Interagency and Council Representatives to provide committee with an update on Social Issues and Employment figures for Gladstone Region”</i></p> <p>For the purposes of continuing to monitor and understand the impacts of LNG construction ramp down on the Gladstone Region, members were asked to provide a verbal update from their networks on the current issues affecting the Gladstone region community.</p> <p>The biggest social issue currently being faced is unemployment and financial hardship. Members acknowledged that these issues were not a consequence solely of LNG construction, with local economy retracting in line with other regional centres and other sectors and industries making redundancies. Feedback from members included:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Systems are available for those that require support • Financial counselling services at the Community Advisory Service are being fully utilised. Women’s Health and Uniting Care have planned financial planning workshops. • Some instances of financial hardship being seen involve individuals being reluctant to adjust their lifestyles to match their financial circumstances, hence, living beyond their means. A shift in household dynamics with stay at home mums returning to the workforce due to their partners being unemployed. • Some qualified tradesmen, finding it hard to secure local work, are endeavouring to source work outside of the region (FIFO / DIDO). Families are being impacted. • Committee member advised that currently it is difficult to secure school-based work experience placements in the fitter and boilermaker fields. • Member reported that Centrelink expects there is a 5-6 month lag in individuals registering for support due to Curtis Island workers having liquid finances above the qualifying thresholds. • Due to considerable decrease in rental and house prices some grandparents are returning to the region, providing extended family support. • Domestic violence reports and bookings for couples’ counselling are increasing, with the majority of issues linked to financial hardship. • Drug use - 68% increase in ‘Ice’ and methamphetamine use since 2012 and 3 ‘Ice’ related suicides reported in 2016 (Queensland Police Service statistics provided by member) <p>Committee members acknowledged that Bechtel (the principal employer across all 3 LNG sites during construction) has done a lot to assist construction workforce that are completing employment periods.</p> <p>LNG ramp down is only one contributor of the current unemployment trend, with a number of other local industries and businesses having to reduce their workforce due to economic pressures and a downturn in the mining sector. There is nothing unusual about what is now happening and it is expected that over the next 6-9 months there will be a significant demand for counselling services.</p> <p>A Committee member suggested that the community should embrace all the LNG construction workers’ success stories. People have bought their own homes and paid off debts.</p>
<p>e) LNG Project Updates</p>	<p>APLNG Project Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First export cargo 9th January 2016 • Five export cargoes to date • Controlled shutdown for planned maintenance commenced 10th February • Train 2 construction continuing – completion ~ end Q3 2016 • Current total workforce 2728 (896 local employees)

	<p>Santos GLNG Project Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Train 1 Practical Completion –1 February 2016 • On track for first LNG T2 ~ end Q1 – 2016 • Practical Completion T2 ~ June 2016 • 16 export cargoes to date • 1 million tonnes produced • Workforce of 1700 on site – January 2016 <p>QGC Project Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Train 2 TCCC occurred in November 2015 • Train 1 Operational shut down in December 2015 • Under 150 Bechtel workforce on site • Camp demobilisation strategy in place • Both LNG trains are now running at plateau, with 32 cargoes delivered in the fourth quarter of 2015, making a total of 83 cargoes throughout the year. • Supported the development and distribution to all households of GRC's <i>Ready?</i> Booklet and have partnered with GRC for the <i>Celebrating Community Resilience</i> campaign
<p>f) RCCC Case Study Discussion</p>	<p>Committee members were provided with hard copies of the RCCC Case Study to distribute throughout their networks.</p> <p>The Chair asked the committee for their feedback on how they would like to see the Case Study distributed.</p> <p>The Committee requested the Case Study and cover letter, signed by the Chair on behalf of the RCCC members, be distributed by the RCCC secretariat to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Queensland Government - Coordinator General • Queensland Premier • State Member for Gladstone • Federal Member for Flynn • Key Queensland Government departments • Coordinator Generals in other States • Local Government Association Queensland (LGAQ) • Other Queensland Local Governments • GRC Elected Members & Key Staff • Gladstone Region Community Development Committee (GRCDC) • APPEA • Minerals Council of Australia (MCA) • Queensland Resources Council / Queensland Minerals and Energy Academy • Upstream RCCCs • Past RCCC guest speakers • Past RCCC members • Bechtel • Other industry projects • Gladstone Industry Leadership Group (GILG) • Gladstone Engineering Alliance (GEA) • Gladstone Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCCI)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Queensland University (CQU) • University of Queensland (UQ) • APLNG, Santos GLNG, QGC (Internal) • Gladstone Regional Council libraries <p>Action:</p> <p><i>Steering Committee to distribute the Case Study with cover letter from the Chair.</i></p>
<p>g) LNG Operator Traineeship</p>	<p>Committee members were informed that 18 Gladstone locals were successful in securing a position in the 2016 LNG Operator Traineeship program which commenced 1st February 2016.</p> <p>The Committee endorsed and congratulated the 3 LNG companies for the establishment of the LNG Operator Traineeship. Members said it was the best collaborative LNG initiative and will be a living legacy.</p>
<p>h) General Business</p>	<p>A Committee member spoke about the upcoming GRC event at Mount Larcom, <i>Celebrating Community Resilience Open Day</i>. The event is 1 year on from ex-Cyclone Marcia. The disaster recovery initiative will highlight ways communities can improve their resilience when residents connect and work together. Emergency kits will be distributed.</p> <p>A Committee member spoke about an upcoming event, <i>Queensland Youth Strategy Future Building Forum</i>, on the 15th April which will encourage the youth of our region to share their visions for the future.</p>
<p>i) Representatives and Proxies</p>	<p>The Committee was advised of the following resignations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gladstone Local Marine Advisory Committee representative - due to relocation. LMAC to advise replacement • Southern Region of GRC LGA representative - due to relocation. Committee investigating alternate representation • GRC elected member representative – due to retiring at completion of term. GRC to advise new representative post-election <p>The Chair identified that a number of committee members don't have proxies and encouraged them to go back to their networks to fill the position.</p>
<p>j) Committee Members' Feedback</p>	<p>Committee member advised that the flaring notifications are valuable and are working well to keep the community informed.</p> <p>Committee member praised the success and growth of the Port Curtis Harbour Watch program.</p>

4. Agenda items for the next meeting

- LNG companies will provide an update on ongoing Collaborative Social Investments

5. Meeting Close

The meeting was closed by Prof John Rolfe at 4:20pm

The next Gladstone Region LNG Community Consultative Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st June 2016 from 1.30pm – 4.30pm at the Volunteer Marine Rescue (VMR) Base, Alf O'Rourke Drive, Gladstone.

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