

Meeting Minutes



QGC Southern Community Committee

Thursday 9 December 2010
Tara Community Centre, 19 Fry Street, Tara

1. Opening

The fifth meeting of the QGC Southern Community Committee was called to order at 9.15am on Thursday, 9 December 2010 at the Tara Community Centre, Tara facilitated by Mr Jim Cavaye, Independent Facilitator.

2. Attendees

The following people attended the QGC Southern Gas Field Community Committee meeting:

QGC Southern Gas Field Community Committee Members	QGC Representatives
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Denis Sommerfeld, Tara Futures Group• Beth Wood, Dalby Welcoming Committee• Ros Wade, Tara Neighbourhood Centre• Matthew Prain, Community Development Coordinator, Western Downs Regional Council• Lyn Clancy, Myall Youth and Community Network Centre Inc	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bruce Coats, General Manager Field Operations• Tony Heidrich, Social Performance Manager - Gas Fields• Eric Marsden, Superintendent - Kenya• Beth Cooney, Community Investment Manager• Meredith Connor, CSR Manager
Apologies	Independent Facilitator
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Carissa Hallinan, Tara and District Landcare• Erica Stewart, Dalby Chamber of Commerce• Ros Bougoure, Tara Shire State College P&C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jim Cavaye, Cavaye Community Development

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3. Meeting agenda

The following items of business were discussed as per the meeting agenda:

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a. Introductions and meeting overview	<p>Jim Cavaye led roundtable introductions of Community Committee members and QGC representatives.</p> <p>Apologies were offered for Carissa Hallinan from the Tara and District Landcare and Ros Bougoure from the Tara Shire State College P&C.</p> <p>Jim Cavaye gave a broad overview of the meeting format.</p>
b. Safety moment	<p>Jim Cavaye invited Committee members to share a safety moment.</p> <p>A Committee member reminded the Committee about responsible driving and personal safety after heavy rain downfalls and not driving across flooded roadways.</p>
c. Follow up from last meeting	<p>Jim Cavaye led a discussion regarding action items from the last meeting. Key points were:</p> <p>CSRM Social Monitoring: Meredith Connor advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSRM had been provided with feedback about the social indicator monitoring questionnaire and that the CSRM had appreciated the feedback <p>Jim Cavaye advised the Committee that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Centre for Social Responsibility in Mining had completed their initial social indicator monitoring consultations with the Community Committees • Further social indicator monitoring consultation between the Community Committees would be initiated directly between the CSRM and the Community Committees • Committee members can make direct contact through Dee Elliott at QGC about social indicator monitoring consultations with if required <p>A Committee member requested 2011 meeting times be allocated for discussion about social monitoring indicators, social issues and impacts, contracts and procurements and a Social Impact Management Plan update.</p> <p>Action: Include social monitoring indicators, social issues and</p>

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	<p>impacts, contracts and procurements and a Social Impact Management Plan update as discussion items on 2011 Southern Committee meeting agendas (Meredith Connor).</p>
<p>d. Adoption of Minutes</p>	<p>Jim Cavaye asked the Committee to formally consider the September 16 minutes and asked for suggested changes.</p> <p>The September 16 Southern Community Committee minutes were adopted by the Committee.</p>
<p>e. Community Feedback</p>	<p>Jim Cavaye invited Committee members to share feedback from their networks. Issues raised by community members included:</p> <p>Housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting low-income groups in the community through affordable community housing • Housing speculation in the Western Downs area • Over-heating of the local housing market • High rental prices • Accommodating the QCLNG workforce in work camps versus privately-owned/investor local properties <p>Bruce Coats advised the Committee that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QGC recognises that more information about housing needs to get out to the community • QGC is developing an Integrated Housing Strategy (IHS) • The IHS conditions QGC to provide affordable accommodation and housing for the QCLNG project construction workforce • QGC have a preference to locate the construction workforce in accommodation camps • On-going operational staff would be accommodated locally <p>The committee requested a housing discussion at the next Community Committee meeting</p> <p>Action: Schedule housing discussion for next meeting (Meredith Connor).</p> <p>Field Compression Stations: A Committee member asked what the distance between the field compression stations is, and how many wells fed into the field compression station.</p> <p>Action: QGC to report back to the Committee about separation distances between rural residential areas and field compression</p>

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	<p>stations and compensation for landholders located close to field compression stations (Tony Heidrich).</p> <p>Communication A Committee member said there was ongoing community uncertainty about how the QCLNG project was proceeding.</p> <p>The Committee discussed placing a column in the local media and newsletters to inform the wider community about the QCLNG project schedule. The Committee said it was important to use language that was accessible and community-friendly. It was suggested that Origin sets a good example in this area.</p> <p>The Committee indicated that the community wants more information about the pipeline construction component of the QCLNG project.</p> <p>Tony Heidrich advised that QGC is looking at appointing a dedicated communications person in the field.</p> <p>The Committee commended QGC on the advance boundary surveying notification provided. The Committee said the more up-front communication approach discussed in previous Committee meetings was seen to be taken on board by QGC and was appreciated by the community.</p> <p>Roads The Committee advised that the community wished to work more effectively with QGC and the Queensland Government to ensure road networks are adequately maintained.</p> <p>The Committee suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working with other QGC Gas Field Community Committees to generate support for lobbying the Queensland Government to improve WDRC roads• Committee members advised that they would pursue this outside Community Committee meetings• Beth Cooney advised the Committee members that proposals developed by Committee members would need to be outside the QGC Community Committee structure <p>Thanks Committee members thanked QGC for funding the Myall Creek Master Plan and for QGC's donation to the Tara Neighbourhood Centre from funds raised at the Chinchilla PS & R Auction.</p>

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f. Regional Community Committee Feedback	<p>Denis Sommerfeld provided the Committee with an overview of the Regional Community Committee meeting held on November 18. Key points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QGC’s Final Investment Decision on QCLNG by BG Group • The Negotiation and Relations Manager, Scott Smith had provided a land access presentation and discussion • QGC would set up a technical discussion between QMDC, Condamine Alliance and AgForce to discuss water issues
g. QGC Update	<p>Bruce Coats provided a QGC update.</p> <p>Key points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bruce Coats is relocating from the Windibri office to the QGC shop-front in Chinchilla and was looking forward to engaging more actively with the local community • Recruitment has commenced for the Ruby Jo development block • The Reverse Osmosis plants at Windibri and Kenya are proceeding • QGC is looking to build more collaborative relationships with other LNG proponents • A deal has been signed with four LNG proponents for an emergency helicopter to be used by personnel and community members
h. Sustainable Communities Fund	<p>Beth Cooney, Community Investment Manager took the Committee through a presentation and discussion about QGC’s Sustainable Communities Fund. Key points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SCP will encompass a range of QGC community activities including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Sponsorships and donations – Sustainable Communities Fund – Community Committees – SIMP related activity – Social and community investment partnerships – Impact monitoring regime activity <p>The SCP will have three categories of investment or grants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sponsorships and Donations 2. Sustainable Communities Fund 3. Social Investment and Impact Mitigation Projects,

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	<p style="text-align: center;">Initiatives and Partnerships</p> <p>The Sustainable Communities Fund (SCF): The SCF is a key element of QGC's Sustainable Communities Program and supports QGC's commitment to ensuring that communities benefit from QGC's presence on an enduring basis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SCF will provide an opportunity for meaningful community input into project selection • Two funding rounds will be held each year with one-off grants of \$10,001 - \$50,000 • SCF rounds are February 1 – March 31 and August 1 - September 30 • The SCF will be supported by three Grants Assessment Panels established across the QCLNG project area • The Grants Assessment Panels will represent communities in the local government areas of the Western Downs, North Burnett/Banana Shire and Gladstone • The Grants Assessment Panels will have equal numbers of community and QGC members • Expression of Interest forms for the Grants Assessment Panels will be distributed to Community Committee representatives • Information sessions and grant writing workshops will be held in the first week of February 2011 <p>The Committee discussed community funding in general. Key points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project sustainability • Understanding the long-term requirements and maintenance for funded projects • Joint funding with councils <p>Beth Cooney advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local government can apply directly for SCF funding • A QGC partnership would be a category 3 project • Community groups need to be incorporated or auspiced by an incorporated organisation or local government

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4. General business

Agenda items for the next meeting were sought. Update on social monitoring indicators, social issues and impacts, contracts and procurements and a Social Impact Management Plan to be included on 2011 meeting agendas.

5. Meeting Close

The meeting was closed by Jim Cavaye at 12.10pm.

The next QGC Southern Gas Field Community Committee meeting will be at 9.00am sharp on Friday, 25 February 2011 at the Dalby Chamber of Commerce, 133 Cunningham Street, Dalby.

Southern Gas Field Community Committee Members

Committee Representative	Organisation
Beth Wood	Dalby Welcoming Committee
Carissa Hallinan	Tara and District Landcare
Denis Sommerfeld	Tara Futures
Erica Stewart	Dalby Chamber of Commerce
Lyn Clancy	Myall Youth and Community Network
Matthew Prain	Western Downs Regional Council
Ros Bougoure	Tara P&C
Ros Wade	Tara Neighbourhood Centre