

Meeting Minutes



QGC Southern Gas Field Community Committee
Thursday 7 March 2013
Dalby Chamber of Commerce, 133 Cunningham Street

1. Opening

The 14th meeting of the QGC Southern Gas Field Community Committee was called to order at 9:00am on Thursday 7 March at the Dalby Chamber of Commerce facilitated by Ms Margaret Cruickshank, 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">• Scott Torcetti, Myall Youth and Community Network• Patricia Peck, Wieambilla Country Club• Beth Wood, Dalby Welcoming Committee• Liz Ryan, Dalby Chamber of Commerce• Jayne Swift, Ozcare	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zoe Carroll, Acting Social Performance Manager• Todd Vickery, Area Field Manager South• Michael Whitelaw, Security and Emergency Response Team Lead• Anthony Mouzouris, Land and Community South Superintendent
Apologies	Independent Facilitator
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Richard Thornbury, Tara Futures Group• Ros Wade, Tara Neighbourhood Centre• Ric Whiting, Tara P&C• Donna Ashurst, Western Downs Regional Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Margaret Cruickshank

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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>Margaret Cruickshank led roundtable introductions of Community Committee members and QGC representatives.</p> <p>Margaret Cruickshank gave a broad overview of the meeting format.</p>
b. Safety moment	<p>Margaret Cruickshank invited Committee members to share a safety moment.</p> <p>Committee members discussed road safety in wet weather.</p>
c. Actions from previous meeting	<p>Margaret Cruickshank reviewed the actions from the previous meeting.</p> <p>Site Tour The tour planned to follow the March meeting was postponed due to the wet weather and localised flooding. The tour was rescheduled to follow the next meeting on the 20 June.</p> <p>Water disposal QGC has measures in place to manage water disposal during floods. QGC is working with SunWater, Queensland's largest bulk water supplier, to manage the supply of treated CSG water to customers in the Chinchilla Beneficial Use Scheme. SunWater will operate the scheme and work with QGC to manage the supply of treated water when Condamine River floods. Management of the scheme will include using QGC's large water storage pond network, in addition to reducing the volume produced by the Kenya Water Treatment Plant, where possible, to mitigate potential impacts during local flood events.</p> <p>Emergency response QGC liaises with local emergency services, including Tara SES during emergency events. Most recently, through the Western Downs Regional Council local disaster management committee during the February flood event.</p>
d. Adoption of minutes	<p>Margaret Cruickshank asked the Committee to formally consider the Thursday 22 November 2012 minutes and asked for suggested changes.</p> <p>The 22 November 2012 Southern Gas Field Community Committee minutes were adopted.</p>

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<p>e. Community feedback</p>	<p>Margaret Cruickshank invited Committee members to share feedback from their networks.</p> <p>A Committee member said noise and activity near Crosbies Road was affecting a family. Zoe Carroll said she would investigate the complaint.</p> <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to follow up on complaint.</p> <p>A Committee member asked for an update on the Western Downs Affordable Housing Trust. Zoe Carroll said Jane Holdsworth from the Trust had presented to QGC's Regional Consultative Committee on 28 February 2013. The Trust has identified land to purchase in Chinchilla and Wandoan and appointed a housing company to design, build and manage affordable housing. The Trust is continuing to search for suitable land in Miles.</p> <p>A Committee member reported people were presenting to the Myall Youth and Community Network looking for affordable housing.</p> <p>The Committee asked QGC to provide the following feedback to the Western Downs Affordable Housing Trust Reference Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a shortage of affordable housing in Dalby • Setting the price of housing should be income-related not linked to market price <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to provide feedback to Reference Group.</p> <p>A Committee member provided a summary of government procedures and criteria for crisis housing.</p>
<p>f. QGC update</p>	<p>Todd Vickery provided an update on QGC's activities. Key points were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of the LNG plant on Curtis Island, off Gladstone is well advanced • An engineering milestone was achieved with the raising of a 900-tonne steel dome to the top of LNG storage tank B on Curtis Island – a Queensland first. A video is available on QGC's website • QGC and its contractors completed Australia's longest large-diameter underwater "pipe pull" across Gladstone Harbour. A video is available online • In the Surat Basin, QGC has drilled 1160 wells of the 2200 to be completed by late 2014 • Six Field Compressor Stations (FCS) are in operation and a further 19 are under construction or planned. • Two Central Processing Plants (CPP) are in operation and four are under construction or planned. • In the South, the workforce is at 1300 and expected to

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	<p>increase to 1800 by mid-year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work is focused on well construction, gathering and ponds construction this year <p>A Committee member asked how deep the pipe under Gladstone Harbour was buried. Zoe Carroll said she would provide an update at the next meeting.</p> <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to report back on pipe depth.</p> <p>A Committee member asked why QGC's maps didn't show QGC's tenements in relation to other landmarks. Todd Vickery said he would amend the maps prior to the next meeting.</p> <p>Action: Todd Vickery to update map.</p> <p>A Committee member asked if QGC was aware of a local group dedicated to maintaining water levels in Lake Broadwater for recreation. Zoe Carroll said she was not aware of the group but was interested in speaking to them.</p>
<p>g. QGC Emergency Flood Preparation and Response</p>	<p>Michael Whitelaw provided the Committee with an update on QGC Emergency Flood Preparation and Response. Key points were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QGC has procedures in place to plan for and respond to natural disasters, including flooding and bushfires • The Flood Emergency Response Plan identifies triggers for flooding and outlines the procedures to follow before and during a flood to minimise impacts to the company and the community • QGC monitors flood risk via information sources such as the Bureau of Meteorology, Western Downs Regional Council, Department of Transport and Main Roads, Emergency Services, local police and local staff knowledge • QGC had to respond to the flooding over the Australia Day long weekend • A small number of drilling rigs were cut off and several worksites isolated • QGC stopped all construction work and non-essential travel to and within the region • Staff were accounted for, and emails and SMS service used to keep staff up-to-date with alerts, such as road closures • Evacuations of non-essential personnel and shift rotations were conducted via helicopter to minimise potential food and potable water pressures on isolated sites and manage fatigue. Fresh food and other supplies were flown in • All sites have provisions of food, potable water and other supplies for 5-10 days to manage isolation • QGC aviation supported the community through providing QPS with situational awareness and flying Ergon staff into

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	<p>the area to address power issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QGC also housed evacuated community members on camps and assisted in clean-up efforts • QGC donated \$50,000 to the Red Cross Flood Appeal 2013 and will match up to \$20,000 in staff donations to the appeal. <p>A Committee member said they were pleased to see QGC use local knowledge.</p>
<p>h. Social investment update</p>	<p>Zoe Carroll provided an update on QGC's recent social investment initiatives. Key points were:</p> <p><i>QGC Sustainable Communities Fund (SCF)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round 5 of the Fund opened on February 1 and closes on April 4 2013 • To date, 38 projects across the Western Downs have been funded totalling more than \$1.2 million • To support community groups and organisations in applying for funding through the SCF, three community information sessions were held in the Western Downs in February at Wandoan, Tara and Chinchilla • Expressions of interest for community representatives for the Grants Assessment Panel have closed. Three community members have been selected to assist with providing local knowledge and input into the decision making process for SCF projects. <p>A Committee member said some potential applicants had found it difficult to get trades, including electricians, to visit Tara to provide quotes. Zoe Carroll thanked the Committee member for the feedback.</p> <p><i>Social Impact Management Plan initiatives</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QGC has invested more than \$1.3 million over two years to support the University of Queensland's Centre for Online Health and UniQuest to deliver a Health e-Regions Project • The project is designed to provide better access to medical specialists in Toowoomba and Brisbane and reduce travel through provision of online medical services based in Dalby, Chinchilla and Miles • The service will be managed through the centre for Online Health and focus on paediatric, geriatric and aged care services • QGC and the State Government are partnering to build a new Multi-Tenant Service Centre in Chinchilla.
<p>i. QGC Rural Properties Management</p>	<p>Zoe Carroll presented on QGC's Rural Properties Management. Key points were:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QGC purchases land where it needs to install major infrastructure • In total, the company has 38 properties totalling 44,000 ha • Each property is managed in accordance with it's agricultural capability • Where farming is possible, QGC utilises third parties for agistment • QGC has advertised in local newspapers for expressions of interest for agistment • At present, 22 properties totalling 33,000 ha are under third party occupation. This include 4,200 heads of cattle and 1,250 ha irrigated and dry land crop production • Where land is not suitable for agricultural production QGC will manage the land responsibly, including weed, pest and bushfire management • All of QGC's properties are assessed for weeds and measures are in place to prevent the spread of weeds, including limiting the number of vehicles, weed washdowns and chemical treatment. <p>A Committee member asked whether QGC has supported Council weed washdown facilities and whether the company was aware of private entities looking to establish businesses in Dalby.</p> <p>Zoe Carroll replied that QGC had supported Council weed washdown facilities in Wandoan and Chinchilla. QGC works with a number of weed hygiene companies to provide weed washdown certificates.</p>
<p>j. Items for next agenda</p>	<p>Margaret Cruickshank invited the Committee to propose agenda items for the next meeting.</p> <p>No additional agenda items were nominated.</p>

4. General Business

The Committee welcomed Scott Torcetti as a new member representing Myall Youth and Community Network. Scott replaced Lyn Clancy who has retired from the Myall Youth and Community Network.

5. Meeting Close

The meeting was closed by Margaret Cruickshank at 11.30am.

The next QGC Southern Gas Field Community Committee meeting will be on 20 June 2013 from 9:00am to 11:30am at the Tara Customer Service Centre and followed by tour of Ruby Jo.

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6. Southern Gas Field Community Committee Members

Representative	Organisation
Beth Wood	Dalby Welcoming Committee
Richard Thornbury	Tara Futures
Scott Torcetti	Myall Youth and Community Network
Donna Ashurst	Western Downs Regional Council
Jayne Swift	Ozcare
Liz Ryan	Dalby Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Ric Whiting	Tara P&C
Ros Wade	Tara Neighbourhood Centre
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