

Minutes of meeting

New Acland Community Reference Group

CRG meeting number: 6/2014

Date:	15 September 2014
Time:	5.30pm
Location:	Oakey High school Trade Centre, Oakey
Attendees:	Chairperson – Graham Cooke Barry Mason, Greg Jones, Nancy Sommerfield, Glenys Bowtell, Victoria Menkins, Andrew Langton, Lindsay Evans
New Hope Group Representatives:	Jim Randell – Executive General Manager Mining Jennifer Wilson – Secretariat Helen Braithwaite – Senior Community Advisor
Apologies	Matthew Boyd, Sarah Due, Jodie Collins
Visitors	Roberta Vaughan - Acting D.O.N Oakey Hospital – Matthew Boyd Proxy

Agenda item Discussion

Welcome	Graham Cooke welcomed everyone
	Greg Jones gave the group an opportunity to tour the Trade Centre facilities. Introductions and background of members to Roberta Vaughan
Previous Minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting, presented and reviewed. Moved – Barry Mason. Seconded –Greg Jones Actions Arising from Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Helen advised there was no further update on Condamine Alliance project ▪ School Bus route decision will not be finalised by Department of Transport until the Acland Stage III is approved.
Safety Share	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mother of Millions is a poisonous plant and caution should be taken when handling. ▪ Power tools should be used with extreme caution especially if not used often. ▪ Focus on safety and Standard Operating Procedures within the Trade Centre and proper PPE must be worn by all students and visitors.
Community Group Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Push on more development within Oakey to coincide with the Brisbane West airport and second range crossing, bigger opportunities for growth. ▪ Oakey Santa Fair being organised for 10 December. ▪ Positive outcomes from the Economic strategy which identified areas to work with the Council. ▪ Dog baiting program around the mining completed. ▪ Neighbouring property still has an issue with a fungus on the roof. Samples have been taken and did not identify coal. ▪ Submissions to the EIS clarified. ▪ Goondir van offers culturally appropriate health services and will be located in the main street in Oakey. ▪ Toowoomba Council preparing submission for AEIS and update from DEHP on dust sampling has been organised. ▪ Moorlands opening up for Australian Open Gardens, stalls available for local craft and businesses – 18/19 October. Victoria will circulate details. ▪ Presentation to Careflight of funds raised at the recent Jondaryan theatre restaurant. ▪ Rural fire activity has been low. ▪ Nancy Somerfield was guest speaker at the Landcare AGM ▪ Jondaryan Woolshed coffee shop has opened. ▪ No update on the Jondaryan Residents group. ▪ Oakey State School appreciate the assistance given by New Hope with attending the agriculture shows. ▪ Oakey high School students have had success in the equestrian events. ▪ Local aboriginal football team playing Redcliffe next week and will be televised, local players part of the team. ▪ Acland church has been accepted by the Jondaryan Woolshed with further discussions to finalise. It will be re-located and placed on stumps.

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AEIS Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Helen provided update on the AEIS and advised that the Coordinator General reviewed EIS and requested update on some topics or specific concerns. This information is now available for the general public to view and comment on. Submissions close on 29 September with copies and fact sheets available for Oakey Office. Community members are encouraged to make submissions. ▪ A CRG member comment suggested some visible Acland Pastoral properties were identified as having incomplete work and wild turnip growth. Also belief that the formula for compensation of SCL and after use mining was not available. ▪ The Camp being advertised in Oakey is related to Wellcamp and the second range crossing.
New Acland update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Public tours continue and next one scheduled for 1 October. ▪ Wirtgen miner showing positive results. Trial will finish end September. ▪ Coal prices dropped down to \$65 per tonne, A\$ has been decreasing. Market impacts are from China making moves to outlaw imports of high ash coal, possibly Indonesian coal. This will put 40-50MT back on the market and will affect the price further. ▪ NHG will start utilising a pivot irrigator on pastures at West Moreton operations ▪ Stage II Grazing trial is finished with the report being finalised. Draft report identifies penetration of roots to depth of 900mm. Meat results not available for 70-80 days. ▪ Tree planting completed at Lutheran church. Screen planting of bamboo at JRLF will start by end of year. ▪ Stocks remain under 200Ktonnes at JRLF. ▪ Acland Pastoral has engaged RCS to develop fencing and watering program under a five year plan. Still some challenges with weeds however it is important to look at the positive work done on the pear and boxthorn. Commitments of five year plan have been given to provide long term approach to management of pastoral land. ▪ NAC provided all TEOM data to DSITIA for their reference and understand the interim six month report will be finalised. NAC are regulated by the rolling 24 hour average and doesn't look at the origin at where the dust comes from. No elevated results during the DSITIA program.
Community Investment Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Helen thanked the group for attending the launch of the program. Some of the projects have started. Next round will close 30 September; encourage any community groups to complete submissions. ▪ Helen will circulate application details as soon as possible.
Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The next meeting will be last for this term. A separate visit to be organised to inspect the Wirtgen. ▪ Monday 20 October 2014 venue to be confirmed. ▪ Meeting closed 7.00pm.