

Minutes of meeting

New Acland Community Reference Group

CRG meeting number:5/2015

Date:	3 August 2015
Time:	5.30pm
Location:	Oakey State High School
Attendees:	Chairperson – Graham Cooke Helen Bawden, Tracy Tully, Glenys Bowtell, Lindsay Evans, , Lois Cobon, Barry Mason
New Hope Group Representatives:	Jim Randell – Executive General Manager Mining Jennifer Wilson – Secretariat Helen Braithwaite – Senior Community Advisor
Apologies	Kathy Hartley, Nancy Sommerfield

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Welcome	Graham Cooke welcomed everyone. Matthew Boyd was unable to attend so requested Lois Cobon attend to give an update from the Hospital group.
Previous Minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting, presented and reviewed. Amendments requested: Lindsay Evans discussed the citrus thrips not Graham. Clarification that the water issues mentioned for the football grounds were as a result of the army not from the min. Moved –Glenys Bowtell – Seconded – Tracy Tully
Safety Share	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Care needs to be taken in closing sliding doors ▪ Caution when having small children in a vehicle with the keys left in and the possibility of locking the doors. ▪ An employee’s vehicle had the sunroof shattered which was only safety glass not laminated. They have written to the manufacturer asking why this is not a laminated glass. ▪ Caution with small children playing in the curtain blinds that they don’t get caught up in the drawstring, similarly for desk top telephone cords.
Community Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Jondaryan Residents Association is still not operating. ▪ No feedback from the community on the recent drop in sessions organised by New Hope at the Jondaryan Hall. These sessions will continue the first Thursday of every month and will be more widely advertised. ▪ The new generator has been installed at the Fire shed and will be tested every month during training. The hazard mitigation are doing sessions in various areas with local burns. ▪ The Hall Committee will hold the annual general meeting in coming weeks. ▪ Wild pigs are on the increase in the local area. Acland Pastoral are developing a weed and pest management program and will discuss suggested activities with individuals. ▪ A community group called Forging Future Together has been formed from the Oakey area. This group will work with all industries to bring prosperity to the town and district. An opportunity to develop ideas and has had a good result to date and gaining traction from different groups. The potential in the district to expand from all the developments in the region. A presentation on the Oakey Beef Export expansion was well attended. The next meeting is scheduled for 4 August at 5.30pm at the Oakey RSL. A suggestion that the group develop a booklet for the area to assist with showcasing what the town and district has to offer. ▪ The recent Community Investment Fund cheque presentations was well attend and a good opportunity to learn more from individual recipient of the funds. ▪ A plaque will be placed in the Hospitality room at the Oakey State High School recognising the funding support by New Hope. ▪ Recent international student visits have been a wonderful opportunity to open up the world to the students. Students from Taiwan, China and Japan study groups had fantastic feedback to the school and will continue to

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	<p>develop long term relationships that have set purpose and opportunities for future years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ More flag poles will be erected that will offer the opportunity to display the visiting international students flag. ▪ Open day on 15 August at the Wellcamp Airport will give an opportunity to market the training to students. The intention to build this type of training into the curriculum areas to build rigor in the school. ▪ David VonHoff has been nominated for the Queensland Landcare Aware for his innovative work on erosion. ▪ Follow up weed control on the mother of millions around the Pureland owned land has been completed. ▪ Palliative care unit is being furnished and will be completed in about 6 weeks. An invitation to have a look through the unit is extended. ▪ The following community activities are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Friends of McDonald AGM – 18 August ○ Community Care AGM – 7 September ○ CWA Baby Show – 8 September ○ RU OK day – 10 September ○ Hospital Spring Fair – 5 September ○ Lions RAW markets – 12 September ○ Toowoomba Regional Council Community Discussion night – 11 August. ▪ Suggested to have a farewell to the bridge that is being replaced. ▪ An EOI to the Department of Defence for a decommissioned helicopter has been made from the Museum.
New Hope Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Drilling being undertaken around Lagoon Creek is part of geotech drillings to identify soils, load bearing etc. There will be holes 50 metres from the centre of the creek to determine the mining model; this is outside of the conservation zone. If there is delay to the Stage 3 approval options are being looked at to ensure continue employment so additional drilling has been required. ▪ North of the mine there has been some bore drilling to identify water monitoring and levels. ▪ During blasting the Acland Silverleigh and Acland Muldu roads will have short closures (approximately 5 minutes) to ensure everyone is outside of the exclusion zone. ▪ Continued discussions on the Oakey Football grounds water bores with some issues to be resolved. ▪ Acland Pastoral are continuing with a water and fencing program ▪ AgForce State Conference included a site visit to New Acland and an opportunity to inspect the rehabilitated area. ▪ Due to personal commitments the hydrologist was not available to attend this meeting but will follow up his availability for next meeting. ▪ When Stage 3 is approved the Acland Silverleigh and Acland Muldu Roads will close. A map identifying roads will be brought to next meeting.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Timeline from Stage 2 to Stage 3 is extremely tight so will continue to work through process.
Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Monday 12 October – 5.30pm at the Oakey State School, Administration Building.