

Minutes of meeting

New Acland Community Reference Group

Date:	13 December 2017
Time:	5:38 PM – 6:45 PM
Location:	Oakey RSL
Member Attendees:	Graham Cooke (Chair) Lindsay Evans Barry Mason Cathy Hartley Maree Scheuerle Matthew Boyd Helen Bawden
New Hope Group Representatives:	Andrew Boyd - NHG David Vink – NAC GM Helen Williams – NHG Naomi Tonscheck - NHG
Guest Speakers:	n/a
Apologies	Andrew Langton Danny Keenan Glenys Bowtell Jodie Collins Nancy Sommerfield

Agenda item Discussion

Meeting Introduction:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee Chair welcomed the group Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and adopted. Cathy H moved Matt B seconded.
Safety Share:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cathy H – be situational awareness. Be careful of your surroundings. Graham C – a gentleman has fallen off a silo and has been critically injured. He has a young family and the full extent of his injuries are not yet known. David V – Christmas and road safety. Most dangerous thing we do – 1 in 7 chance of being in a serious car accident. Please take care whilst travelling over the Christmas period. Matt Boyd – parents who have had a few drinks and then decide to ride their children’s toys are the most common injuries over the Christmas period.
CIF/CRG Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Helen suggested a number of different options for the CRG to consider involving the major project and next year’s March CIF round. The CRG voted to contribute more funds towards the major project but keep a proportion for the March round. The 6 key priority areas were discussed and distributed, as well as the community resources and needs assessment. The group discussed different options for the major project and how to roll it out. More focus will be put on this early next year. CRG applications – no new applications were received. We are pleased to advise that the current CRG will be staying on for another year. One change - Danny

	<p>Keenan has stepped back and we are looking at asking the high school for a substitute rep.</p>
<p>New Hope Group Company Update:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landholder function was a great event. Approximately 80 landholders attended. We gave an update on APC, NAC, NHG and the Koala survey. It was great to open it up to the broader group of NAC03 landholders. • Christmas shut – Christmas Day and Boxing Day. The CHPP will be also shut for a number of days but this will depend on coal supplies. • The new northern entry is almost ready to start using. There was some clearing required for visibility at the front entrance but it has been completed. • Second round of peering down at the JRLF has been completed. • Shirts have been removed off the fence. • Coal production is on target. Just in front in terms of coal for the financial year. Coal prices remain healthy. • House auction not very successful due to removalist costs. Rethinking the idea of how to sell these houses. • Reflecting on the year – many successful applications approved through the CRG. Some great outcomes and some truly great projects. • Andrew B gave an update on the State election. Labor re-elected and Lynham is still the mines minister. • We are working towards the Judicial Review scheduled for mid-March. It is a technical process due to the nature. • Really pleased with the community support. It all makes a difference. We are extremely grateful. • Andrew gave an update on the JR process and what is involved – timing, what to expect from the review etc.
<p>Community Updates:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cathy H – Goombungee update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jacaranda Day. Massive success. A lot of media and roughly 2500 people in attendance. People are booking earlier each year to be a part of the event. ○ Events in Goombungee, Christmas Markets, Christmas tree, Carols by candlelight, Rodeo. Busy time of the year. Trees decorated down the street. Historical shed is almost ready to go up. • Lindsay and Graham gave a Jondaryan update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jondaryan Hall has been painted. Great result. • Graham, Lindsay and Maree all spoke about rumours going the local area including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The amount of water being pumped out of the pit. 3 x 9” pipes running 24 hours a day. David V confirmed this was not true. ○ People believe that we are causing an effect on their bores because of depressurising the aquifer - massive hole in the ground. ○ Many locals in the Kulpi area are waiting on DNRM report to be released. ○ Encouraging locals to have a look at the mine and complete a tour. ○ People also are waiting on an outcome and are becoming frustrated. ○ Time for an article about the truth. Keep on promoting the truth. • Helen B gave an Oakey update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lions markets, parade, opening of the Info centre and the Santa Fair. Great event and very successful. ○ The health and wellness committee they have become a subcommittee of the Oakey Community Care Committee to help with their operations. Hoping to hold another Health expo again in 2018. ○ Amphitheatre is now opened. Helen B is looking into getting some toilet facilities installed. ○ Fun runs going extremely well. • Barry M gave a neighbour update:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The pigs are still a problem. ○ Everything has gone a little quiet. Pleased with Lynham being re-elected as Mining Minister. ● Maree commented on the orange signs and the fact that this is some people's way of showing their support. Locals are hanging in there waiting for an outcome. ● Matt B - Oakey hospital had a reaccreditation and passed. Great outcome.
General Business:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Can NHG commit to hiring locals and support local businesses? Big win for the area. David commented that we are moving towards this outcome. We are working with the chamber and breaking down the where we spend our money. Chamber come up with a shop local promotion at work and buying local vouchers for the employees. Employment is focussed on recruiting locally.
Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● n/a
Next Meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting closed 6.45pm. Next meeting to be confirmed.