



Committee: Noise Reference Group
Date: Thursday 26 March 2009
Venue: KIC, 41 Hope Valley Road, Naval Base
Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

MINUTES OF MEETING

Attendees: Ron Kemp (Facilitator)
Frank Mofflin (BHP Billiton)
Nick Jones (City of Cockburn)
Allan Gade (Community)
Rod Fielding (City of Rockingham)
Chris Oughton (Kwinana Industries council)
Debbie Hoey (Kwinana Industries Council)

Guests: Paul Drew (Herring Storer)

Apologies: Peter Knol (DEC)
Cr. Julie Baker (City of Cockburn)

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1.	WELCOME, APOLOGIES, MEMBERSHIP Ron Kemp, Facilitator, welcomed attendees to the meeting. Members briefly introduced themselves and the above apologies were noted. It was noted that Cr. Julie Baker is unable to attend future meetings and no other councilors are available to attend. Nick Jones will continue to represent the City of Cockburn.	
2.	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING	
2.1	The minutes of the previous meeting held on 26 February 2009, were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. <i>Moved Allan Gade – seconded Frank Mofflin. AGREED.</i>	
2.2	Matters Arising (from the Action Plan) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Item 1 - Noise Complaints• Information was received prior the meeting from Allan Gade of noise complaints from North Rockingham and Hillman. Peter McKenzie, Town of Kwinana, also provided details of 3 complaints although non of them were attributed to industry. Information was requested from Ann Prince but this is yet to be received. Rod Fielding advised that he was not aware of any noise complaints received at the City of Rockingham. With regards to complaints from Cockburn it was agreed that any issues arising	

from Cockburn Cement would not impact on the KIA and therefore they should not be included. **Agreed.**

- **Item 2 – Proposal for Noise Monitoring April/May 2009**
To be discussed under agenda item 5.
- **Item 3 – Verification of the Noise Model**
To be discussed under agenda item 5.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

Following a discussion at the last meeting, the Terms of Reference were updated with feedback and comments. The updated Terms of Reference was presented to members for agreement. The following was noted:

- Membership of the NRG includes a community representative from the CIF Executive. It was agreed that KIC would contact Bob Cooper and Barry Nelson to invite one of them to become a member of the NRG. DH
- Previously agreed that 8 is a quorum however the membership of the group was also decreased and therefore it was agreed to reduce the quorum to 5 which should include at least one community member. DH
- Agreed to remove 'Facilitator' from the membership list. DH

4. NEW ISSUES TO BE NOTED

Chris Oughton advised that Peter McKenzie has provided him with information on some new technology that is available for cumulative noise modeling. Paul Drew confirmed that Peter had spoken to him about this. Members agreed that to form a more informed view on of the relative merits of software options they would need more detailed information. In light of the current model used by KIC now being unable to be supported, KIC needs to look at other options and discuss further with the DEC.

5. PAUL DREW – HERRING STORER

Paul Drew, Herring Storer, confirmed that he had received information regarding noise complaints in North Rockingham and Hillman from Allan Gade. The areas identified in the complaints were then placed onto a map to show members the locations. Paul requested clarification on whether the monitoring is to address community concerns or to find non exceedances of individuals. The model needs to reflect the reality of noise which will help find the sources.

There were concerns that the complaints received from North Rockingham and Hillman are intermittent with often several days of no complaints being received. In order to get a better understanding of the complaints it was suggested that additional information be taken from those making complaints about noise. Nick Jones offered to provide Allan with a proforma containing a number of questions that could be asked. NJ

Paul presented two proposals to members; one for the noise monitoring at a number of locations and one for the model verification.

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The proposal included background monitoring for two weeks to provide a baseline, using BarnOwl equipment. It also includes costs for Paul being available on-call should a complaint be received by Allan Gade. It would be an opportunity to track down the noise.

Ron thanked Paul for his presentation.

6. DEFINE THE PROJECT

There were concerns that Kwinana was not being adequately included from the noise monitoring, particularly areas such as Calista and Medina. This was due to there being no instances of noise complaints being forwarded to the group. Chris clarified that it was essential that the Kwinana suburbs be included in the monitoring, whether there were complaints to focus the monitoring or not. Paul was asked to include locations for monitoring in these areas in his updated proposal. Paul to email the updated proposal to KIC.

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7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Contributions to Noise Monitoring

Previously both the City of Rockingham and the Town of Kwinana have confirmed they will contribute to the noise monitoring planned for 2009. Rod Fielding advised that he would issue a purchase order in order for KIC to forward an invoice to the City of Rockingham. Chris to discuss with Neil Hartley.

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7.2 Additional Monitoring

Allan Gade advised of some high readings at residential properties in North Rockingham. It was suggested that a monitor could be set up using the 'yellow brick' from the Dept of Environment & Conservation. Allan Gade to contact Peter Knol on behalf of the NRG to discuss accessing and using the 'yellow brick' in North Rockingham.

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8. Date & Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 23 April 2009, 10.00am at KIC.

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NOISE REFERENCE GROUP - ACTION PLAN

Updated 26 March 2009

Ref	Item	Action	By Whom
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify number of noise complaints and locations received by Local Government for the last 12 months. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gather data from Local Governments on noise complaints received from 1 March 2008 to date. Indicate those that are more representative and significant. Information to be forwarded to Debbie at KIC. Information from North Rockingham, Hillman and Town of Kwinana provided to Paul Drew. 	PM/AP/AG
2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal for Noise Monitoring in April/May 2009 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul drew to make a presentation and provide a proposal at the next NRG meeting in March. NRG to agree what monitoring can occur in April/May. Paul to update the proposal based on discussions at the meeting and forward to KIC. 	PD All PD
3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verification of the Model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris Oughton and Paul Drew to discuss further. KIC to ask members if they have any unusual planned activities that are not taken into consideration in the model, prior noise monitoring taking place. 	CO/PD CO