

NWTD SLG MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Name:	NWTD Stakeholder Liaison Group Meeting
Meeting date:	25 July 2023
Meeting location:	Cradle Coast Authority, 1-3 Spring St, Burnie
Chairperson	Rodney Greene

Invitees

Name	Initials	Organisation	Role
Chris Bennett	CB	Skills Tasmania	Member
Jess Berechree	JB	Cradle Coast Future Energy Hub	Member
Matthew Dance	MD	TasTAFE	Member
Ian Jones	IJ	Business NW	Member
Laura Johnson	LJ	Youth Panel	Member
Danielle Kidd	DK	West North West Working	Member
Graham Marshall	GM	YFCC	Member
Emily Norris	EN	TasNetworks	Notetaker
Rob Scott	RS	TasNetworks	Observer
Vanessa Skipworth	VS	TMEC	Member
Veronica Terry	VT	RDA Tasmania	Member
Damian Vermey	DV	TasNetworks	Member
Chris Warr	CW	TasNetworks	Member

Apologies

Name	Initials	Organisation	Role
Kim Bomford	KB	Housing Choices	Member
Sarah Jones	SJ	UTAS	Member
Luke Sayer	LS	Department of State Growth	Member
Sheree Vertigan	SV	Cradle Coast Authority	Member

Minutes

Item

Round robin

- RG noted that workforce development, skills and training was previously identified as a key area of focus for the SLG, and as part of that, there was a need to identify an organisation to oversee the critical and complex task of workforce development and deployment. RG advised that the Cradle Coast Authority (CCA) has agreed to take a lead role in the coordination of workforce development and associated issues as a result of NWTD and other renewable energy projects planned and proposed in the region. It was noted that correspondence has been sent to the Minister for Energy and Renewables and the Minister for Skills, Training and Workforce Growth co-signed by RG and SV advising this.
- RG advised Jobs Tasmania has funded Burnie Works to host a Youth Career Facilitator, Damian Peirce, who was working on the Industry Training Hub in the region, to continue a similar role with West North West Working. This role will work with schools and industry to identify where the employment demands are and how Year 10, 11, 12 students can be supported.
- A member raised Felix Ellis' Facebook survey about infrastructure projects and the results and comments.

NWTD update, TasNetworks

Updated provide by Damian Vermey, Project Director and Chris Warr, Leader Major Projects Engagement

- Request for Proposal (RFP) from potential Head Contractors is open with details of businesses registered through the Industry Capability portal to be provided to the proponents as they prepare their tenders. Contractors that have been selected to proceed through to the RFP stage are required to demonstrate how they will be engaging locally and will be actively looking to work with local businesses and suppliers.
- A notified corridor for NWTD, a key planning step, scheduled to be declared by Minister for Planning in August and the lodgement of the Development Approval and Environmental Impact Statement documentation with the Tasmanian Planning Commission to be lodged in November.
- Engagement update - meetings held with Councils to discuss potential worker accommodation options for Staverton-Hampshire Hills, hosted Transmission Service Network Providers engagement forum, hosted national land agent professional development course, commitment to Energy Charter undergrounding #bettertogether initiative. Heybridge community information session to be held on 26 July,
- Communications update – progressing through a social media information and awareness campaign featuring 12 weekly social media posts.
- Community Benefits Sharing program recapped with the approved program and outlined next steps.

Marinus Link

Update provided by Mark Lindsay, A/Head of Communications and Community Engagement

- Tenders underway in final preparation for the manufacture, construction and commissioning of key electricity and telecommunications equipment.
 - Marinus Link and Burnie City Council Partnership Program launching in September.
 - Advocacy brochure (attached) sent to stakeholders and supports an 8-week advertising campaign across Facebook and Instagram, week commencing 24 July.
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Hydro Tas update**Update provided by Donna Brown, Manager Stakeholder Relations, Environment and Planning**

- Cethana pumped hydro update.
- New engagement resource based in Gowrie Park, recent mail out to landowners and community information sessions to be held in Sheffield in September.
- Soon to commence formal approval process by submitting a referral under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act in the next month.

Meeting close**Next meeting Tuesday 19 September**
