

**MINUTES**  
**MEETING # 41**  
**Intermodal Logistics Centre**  
**Community Liaison Committee (CLC)**

Location: ILC  
 Enfield ILC, Cosgrove Rd, Enfield  
 Date: Monday 18 November 2019  
 Time: 4.00 pm

<b>Attendees</b>	
<p><b>Community Members:</b>            Jenny Maddocks            Bill Thompson            Louise Symonds</p> <p><b>Office of Jodi McKay Member for Strathfield</b>            Maryanne Duggan</p> <p><b>Chair</b>            Ian Colley</p> <p><b>Minute taker</b>            Sandra Spate</p>	<p><b>NSW Ports</b>            Trevor Brown            Tim Arkell            James Leggett            Natalia McGregor            Adriane Whiley            Greg Walls</p> <p><b>Linx</b>            Robyn Simpson            Frank Adriano</p> <p><b>Swift</b>            Geoff DeSantis</p>
<p><b>Apologies:</b> Ian Henderson – NSW Ports, Graham Humphrys – City of Canterbury Bankstown</p>	

<b>Action Items:</b>
<p><b>1. Acceptance of the minutes/ actions from previous meeting</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Tim to investigate the potential source of light reaching the residential area. This was followed up and the source was found to be a site on Madeline St.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> NSW Ports to provide the CLC with a note on summary of outcomes from noise monitoring when available.            See discussion under agenda item 5.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> NSW Ports to email a fact sheet on the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug to CLC members. The link was forwarded to members and included in the August minutes.</p>
<p><b>2. Project Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Warehouses &amp; customers</b></li> </ul> <p>Tim reported on new landscaping including new trees.            Maryanne hopes this improves the outlook for the next heat map of the area.            Tim reported C2 and C1 have been handed over. The C1 customer fit out is expected to be finished by December with employers moving from their existing site in the new year.            Precinct F is complete.            Precinct H is commencing final pavement construction for the entrance road with internal pavements complete. Internal fit-out is occurring and is expected to be finished by the end of January. Mulch for landscaping is being moved to site. .            Heads of Agreement are close for A1 and A2. Clients at A2 will have a rail focus and hope to use Linx services, decreasing numbers of trucks.            Negotiations with Linx for the development of an empty container park are underway to hopefully bring forward commencement of this.            There is interest in prospective tenants at Precinct D in the direct access to rail.            Precinct E is close to commencement. A change in design brings buildings closer together and access is no longer from Cosgrove Rd.</p>

Precinct B is now likely to be used as the car park for Precinct A.

Bill asked about progress with Flower Power's use of the tarp shed site.

Tim and James reported this has not progressed due to timing issues around sale of their existing site. They haven't changed plans, only delayed them. Their plans are considered a sympathetic use of site.

Jenny asked about interim building maintenance arrangements.

James reported the ground lease includes maintenance of the site.

- **Operations – LINX and sub-tenants**

Frank reported trains run daily to Port Botany with volumes increasing in October and November though a little slower than expected. Overall volumes have increased with trucks stopping at Enfield instead of going to Port Botany.

- **Operations – Swift**

Geoff reported business has increased slightly but volumes are down on last year.

Frank and Geoff noted a general downturn in consumer confidence may be partly responsible.

Geoff also noted numbers of containers affected by stink bug issues with fumigation of containers before and after arrival. This resulted in a downturn in numbers and containers being delayed or cancelled.

Swift's operations involve containers from the wharf going directly to the customer or placed into storage here so not a large volume is deconsolidated here.

### 3. **Development update**

- **General Planning update**

Greg reported the Local Strategic Planning Statements for both Canterbury Bankstown and Strathfield Councils have been prepared. He is aware of the heat map and hopes for an improvement of the next urban heat map in relation to Enfield.

**Action:** Tim to provide Maryanne with the Landscape Plan for the Enfield site.

Greg reported Mod 10 regarding flexibility of operations is not yet approved. NSW Ports has received draft conditions from the Department of Planning (DPE).

Ian asked if conditions are significant or minor.

Greg replied there are some that aren't applicable and some that are too restrictive. NSW Ports is considering these.

Regarding a fumigation facility on site, DPE agrees this can be provided by an update to the Operational and Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) so this is no longer Mod 15. Air quality assessments have been undertaken to determine mitigation measures. There will be a dedicated fumigation facility at Linx. Impacts will be contained on site through controls regarding weather and frequency of opening containers.

Jenny sought clarification that the DPE is happy for fumigation to occur on the Linx site.

This was confirmed.

Frank noted this has not yet commenced and is awaiting approval by the Department of Agriculture. Contractors will undertake the fumigation.

Bill asked whether fumigation is with gas and whether the fumigation used can be contained on site. Frank said it is a gas (methyl bromide). Strict conditions apply to how many containers can be open at one time and on wind conditions. There will be continuous monitoring.

Jenny asked how containers for fumigation are identified.

Frank replied the Department of Agriculture determines which containers are fumigated. Everything is in place and waiting for Department of Agriculture go ahead. Containers from 31 countries have been nominated, up from 9 last year though many of the 31 are countries of low exports.

Geoff noted there are two bays: one for containers to be fumigated and one for those that have been.

Greg reported NSW Ports are undertaking complying development certificates for way-finding signage.  
The Port Botany rail duplication had been on exhibition and NSW Ports provided a submission of strong support. They have met relevant councils.

#### 4. **NSW Ports Sustainability Report and Scorecard**

Trevor noted the Sustainability report went live earlier this year with a pdf version and an interactive on line portal. Stats regarding numbers looking at the online version are encouraging.  
Ian asked if there is an indication of who is accessing it.  
Trevor reported it is a mix of contacts who were mailed directly and others who have looked it up independently.  
NSW Ports is working on short a report for FY19 of indicators in the plan and progress around actions.

#### 5. **Other**

- **Noise complaints**

- Update - Enfield site noise monitoring results

Trevor reported there have been no complaints since the end of August. NSW Ports commissioned an investigation by SLR who undertook monitoring between 4<sup>th</sup> August and 21<sup>st</sup> August. They have provided a draft report.  
Two periods of attended monitoring with a hand held monitor as well as loggers at 16 Chisolm and 118 Madeline were undertaken. A logger was also placed on-site.  
Weather data indicated temperature inversion each night of monitoring with some difference in intensity between August 4 and 5 which had quieter ambient noise levels than August 14 and 15. Peak and ambient noise was measured. As nothing different was found regarding operations on site it is surmised that inversion conditions were stronger on August 14 and 15.  
A diagram of inversion was distributed and explanation given around how temperature inversions refract and reflect noises resulting in more sound energy directed towards ground level.  
This appears to have been a key driver for noise complaints during that period and anecdotal evidence suggests September-November has been quieter which correlates with the end of temperature inversions.  
This is a challenge for site management. One finding is that some equipment has louder horns than others and NSW Ports is working with tenants around quieter options.  
Peak noise includes horns and container bangs which are an inevitable part of ports operations. These can be minimised with care. Some complaints were for engine noise. This is likely forklifts. The consultant found no clear evidence from site that this exceeded LAQ criteria. There was some exceedance of maximum noise especially on 14 and 15 August but it is hard to differentiate site noise from general noise.  
There is some possibility development of warehouses on Precinct D may shield some noise but this is uncertain due to bending of sound pathways.

Jenny asked whether the rail operator had trains stopping on this side around 9pm as she has heard train locomotive noises at this time each night.  
Frank replied Linx runs no trains at night as theirs return from Port Botany around 6pm. If trains are moving at night it is on the main line.  
Jenny asked if more are now using that than the western side of the rail yards.  
Frank said it varies depending on controls, with trains often running closer to Wentworth Ave.  
Geoff suggests people also notice noise more in the winter months with people being more active later during daylight saving.  
Trevor noted ARTC is the body responsible for these trains.

Louise reported noise from the ILC seems much quieter now. Over winter it was beyond bearable. She thanked NSW Ports for organising the monitoring. It would be good to give feedback to the residents, particularly those where monitors were placed.

James suggested Louise's comments are consistent with noise monitoring observations and the linear diagrams of noise into the atmosphere.

Trevor said when the report is finalised a summary can be provided.

**Action:** NSW Ports to make available to community members a summary of the noise monitoring report.

- **Enfield Annual Environmental Compliance Audit**

Natalia reported the annual audit started last Thursday with the auditor visiting Linx and Swift. They will return tomorrow to ensure compliance with approval.

Tim said things seem to be moving in the right direction

Natalia said the auditor saw good improvements in relation to Swift and Linx.

- **Council updates**

Maryanne provided a report from Strathfield Council (SCC). The former Hudson Park Golf Park is being converted to a district park. Some residents are excited that fences on Mitchell Road will come down.

Jenny asked if fences would come down on both sides.

Maryanne replied the western side is still being debated but there will be walking access. The lake is currently inaccessible due to lack of water and risk mitigation. Fences will come down in coming weeks. The driving range remains as does St Patrick's oval. There will be a couple of multi-use courts on the Centennial Drive side. A leisure centre is still being considered.

The Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) has gone the Greater Sydney Commission. Feedback is around boosting sustainability especially with higher density housing coming to the area. Council wants to see BASIX boosted, risk assessment reporting around climate including heatwaves, heat islands and inundation and they want to ensure climate change mitigation is included in the final version as well as use of reticulated water and improvement in high density quality.

The new mayor is Antoine Doueih.

The upgrade of Homebush West is almost finished, including angle parking allowing more spaces.

Christmas carols will be held on 7 December at Bressington Park.

Council is in conflict with the state government over residual land from WestConnex which was be returned to the area but is now up for commercial development. Also at issue is air monitoring at the vent facility at Underwood Rd which has no monitoring. Air is sucked from the M4 and emitted to the area. With building heights going from the original 30 to 40m to 80m there is no knowledge regarding plume levels, contaminants and health impacts.

Regard the Member for Strathfield, Maryanne reported Jodi is currently travelling the state as leader of the opposition. She has been assisting local residents with asbestos dumping issues.

Jenny reported SCC is re-doing their biodiversity report with the draft report covering the LGA and looking at revegetation corridors.

Maryanne, who is also involved with the Cooks River Alliance, reported the Alliance had been nominated for the Water Sensitive Cities Award for pushing for water sensitive design.

Geoff asked if SSC deals with traffic issues around Norfolk St/ Wentworth Ave. At the bend where Norfolk becomes Wentworth trucks are parked either side, others are turning right with fixed road parking bays on the food shop side, leaving no room for two semis to cross paths as they come round the corner. There is an accident waiting to happen.

**Action:** Geoff to forward an email to Maryanne summarising traffic issues at Norfolk St/ Wentworth Ave to be raised at the SCC/ RMS traffic committee. CC the email to Tim to be raised at the RTCG.

- **Sharing the time-lapse photography**

Tim offered to provide members with the link to time lapse footage from cameras on each building. The footage forms a mini movie.

- **Comments/ questions/other business**

Jenny reported the HV cable mentioned at a previous meeting which was to go down Punchbowl Rd has been rerouted.

Noting Sandra's retirement Ian and the committee thanked Sandra for her work taking the minutes for the ILC –CLC.

Sandra thanked the CLC for the opportunity to work with them over the past 10 years and wished the committee well for the future.

**Date of next meeting: Monday 17 February, 2020**

These minutes have been endorsed by the Chair, Ian Colley