MINUTES

MEETING # 34

Intermodal Logistics Centre Community Liaison Committee (CLC)

Location: ILC

Enfield ILC, Cosgrove Rd, Enfield

Date: Monday 26 February 2018

Attendees

NSW Ports

Matthew Fahey

Ian Henderson Trevor Brown

Greg Walls

Adem Long

Alison Wedgwood

Time: 4.00 pm

Community Members:

Jenny Maddocks Bill Thompson Louise Symonds

City of Canterbury Bankstown Council

Graham Humphrys

Chair

Ian Colley

Minute taker

Sandra Spate

Linx

Stephen Ironside

Swift

Geoff DeSantis

Apologies:

Jacqui Thorbun (CLC Rep)

Action Items:

1. Welcome and apologies

Attendees were introduced.

Alison noted Silvio Falato from Strathfield Council is on leave. She requested Strathfield Council send an alternative but hasn't heard back.

2. Acceptance of the minutes/ actions from previous meeting

The minutes from the December 2017 meeting were accepted.

Action: NSW Ports to update the CLC on the status of the Flower Power DA.

Greg emailed information to the CLC on 4 January 2018.

2. Project Update

Construction

There is currently no construction work.

Warehouses

Matthew reported four pre-leases from potential tenants have been secured for precincts C and F. If approved by NSW Ports Board this month and by Goodman, construction will commence as soon as MOD 14 is approved. It is proposed that construction will be by precinct (i.e. Goodman will construct each precinct in its entirety even if only part of it has been leased).

lan C asked about timing.

Matthew replied planning approval is hoped to be in by April/May with construction commencing soon after the approval and is likely to be completed at the end of this year or early next.

• Operations – Update on new IMT Operator

Matthew noted Aurizon's withdrawal from provision of intermodal services. Linx has been secured to take over the Aurizon lease and will continue to provide the port shuttle and regional services from Carrington, Newcastle. They are looking at additional freight from regional NSW.

Stephen reported the Linx business started as a result of the split up of Asciano in 2016. Linx is owned by Brookfield and its investment partners. Originally out of Canada, but are now a global infrastructure and utilities organisation.¹. Linx are looking to improve and grow regional train services to Enfield and port shuttle services to Port Botany.

Linx took over the assets of Aurizon and are negotiating additional locomotives and wagons. Aurizon ran interstate rail services, Linx is not intending to continue interstate services. When Aurizon pulled out they left Enfield as a stand-alone lease. Current services are the port shuttle and the Carrington service. Some other regional services may be redirected through Sydney. There will be more focus on delivering what the intermodal was designed to deliver which is the transport of containers by rail to and from Port Botany.

Jenny asked whether services would be for containerised or bulk goods.

Stephen replied it would initially be and predominately for containerised goods, however bulk goods may be a consideration for the future.

Geoff asked whether there would be increased capacity on trains.

Stephen said there would be growth following a short transition period, with Linx currently looking to procure a second train set for port shuttle operations. Linx is looking at opportunities for other rail services providers to use the intermodal terminal and to utilise their Port Botany rail windows to improve efficiency of rail transport to the Port.

Geoff asked whether there would be additional road movements if boxes are brought from regional areas by road.

Stephen replied there would be minimal boxes brought from regional areas by road, all regional freight would be brought by rail and transfer to Port Botany by the port shuttle. Linx will be setting up an empty container park, particularly to stock empty containers which will be railed to regional areas for filling with export products. Linx is also involved in the auto car care / transport business with 2,000 car spaces at Port Kembla.

Geoff is concerned that an empty container park could increase traffic on Mainline Drive. There have been previous discussions of cross traffic between Roberts Road and Cosgrove Road and queues on the internal road (Mainline Drive). He is flagging it as a potential issue.

Stephen said the container park is mostly for those using train services in and out. There should be a very limited increase in truck numbers as there will be the ability for transport companies to load full containers out of the IMT and return with empty containers.

Greg said planning included traffic numbers and the container park would operate within allowable site planning.

The empty container park is critical to the success of overall operations of the Enfield ILC. Most empty containers will service regional clients with a regional train returning to Port with containerised goods for export. The train will take empties back to regional areas for repacking.

Trevor asked whether the focus would be on export fulls.

Stephen replied the ideal would be to run a balanced train in both directions but the ratio of imports to exports are currently 3 to 1. It is easier to get imports. The Government wanted the rail share to increase. They initially wanted it to increase from 14% to 40% but this was revised to between 24% and 28%. It is currently around 19%. An increase of 1% by rail takes significant volumes of trucks off roads. They want the train here to run full in both directions. Linx wants 6% or 7% of trucks from the west coming here instead of Port Botany. They will support people who support rail.

¹ This information was updated/edited post-meeting to ensure the correct details were recorded.

Jenny noted the 40% target was with 1.2 million TEUs.

Adem said in government speak numbers were too difficult. They are now talking 28% or doubling the rail share. He is involved in Port Botany Rail Optimisation Group which is assisting this and hopes to assist Linx to grow rail volumes. Rail share is heading the right direction moving from 14% to around 19% to 20%.

Operations – Swift and Pitkin Transport

Geoff reported an increase in operations since December with Chinese New Year. This ends in April and a temporary drop off is expected. The difference this year is some freight has been held back to compensate or smooth out the peak. There has been approximately 20% growth in Swift's container volumes in the last six months.

Matthew reported Pitkin operations are as per normal in Area G.

3. Development update

Mod 10 Truck in/out & Rail in/out

Greg reported no change. This is on hold pending outcomes of the Goodman Masterplan modification.

Tarp Shed – Garden Centre (DA)

Greg noted the email he sent on 4 January in response to a request at the last meeting for information. The Flower Power appeal was upheld on 29 November and they now have consent under the Land and Environment Court.

• Tarp Shed – Removal of Garden Centre from ILC (Mod 13)

This was the modification to excise Flower Power from overall site consent. It is still under assessment. Additional information has been provided to the Department of Planning as requested. Greg will advise the CLC when a determination is made. The link for this is http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/index.pl?action=view_job&job_id=8725

Warehouses Masterplan Mod Application (Mod 14)

This is going through an adequacy test. Goodman should respond to a couple of questions by the end of the week. It is expected to be on exhibition in two to three weeks. Plans are on the Enfield ILC website.

Action: Greg to send the CLC the link to Warehouse Masterplan Application (Mod 14) when on exhibition.

4. Other

Environmental Audit follow up

Trevor reported on follow up from the Environmental Audit. Swift has confirmed drivers are briefed on approved truck routes and these are included in inductions for new drivers. Timeframes for housekeeping have been established. NSW Ports is undertaking a monthly environmental inspection regime with tenants.

Clean Up Australia Day discussion

Alison reported NSW Ports is running Clean Up Australia Day events primarily for tenants at Port Kembla and Port Botany. Ian H has previously conducted clean ups here but there is nothing formal this year. With increasing numbers of tenants NSW Ports hopes to formalise the event here for future years.

Louise reported a community clean-up event she is organising currently has 13 people. She will forward information to Alison for distribution by NSW Ports. She noted the cleanliness of the NSW Ports area and said it would be good to get other industries involved in cleaning up their areas Jenny suggested people think twice before dumping if they see people cleaning up. Ian C thanked community members for their efforts.

Complaints summary and follow up

Trevor reported there have been no complaints since the last meeting. He noted a NSW Ports security guard intercepted a vehicle attempting to illegally dump rubbish.

Matthew noted some illegal dumping occurred on Cosgrove Road today.

Council updates

Graham reported a Masterplan for Parry Park is on the Council website. There has been consultation with the community in Greenacre and Lakemba around upgrading playing fields, installing a walking circuit and opening up the waterway area for use by the local community with installation of picnic areas and playgrounds. The link is

https://haveyoursay.cbcity.nsw.gov.au/ParryParkMasterplanPublicExhibition

Comments/ questions/other business

Jenny asked whether the plan Flower Power has approval for is the same as that currently displayed or has it pulled back from the RE2 Zone area.

Matthew said it is similar with changes at the northern end. Bulk landscape is pared back to one ton bags and there is frog fencing around the site.

Action: Greg will send the current approved Flower Power plan to CLC members. (This was subsequently done on 27.2.18).

Louise asked when work would start on the site.

Matthew reported Flower Power have indicated they are working on the sale and re-use of their current site and construction should start here around mid-2019.

Date of next meeting: Monday 21 May 2018 (TBC)

These minutes have been endorsed by the Chair, Ian Colley