MINUTES

MEETING #23

Intermodal Logistics Centre Community Liaison Committee (CLC)

Location: ILC

Enfield Site Office, Cosgrove Rd, Enfield

Date: Monday 23 February 2015

Attendees

NSW Ports

Matthew Fahey Alison Wedgwood Adem Long

Ian Henderson

Time: 4.00 pm

Community Members:

Jenny Maddocks

Bankstown City Council

Graham Humphrys

Strathfield Municipal Council

Frankie Liang

Independent Chair

Ian Colley

Minute taker

Sandra Spate

Apologies: Trevor Brown – NSW Ports, Daniela Vujic – NSW Ports, Allan Flynn – HLA, John Ieroklis – HLA, Bill Thompson – Community.

Action Items:

1. Actions from previous meeting

The Chair welcomed attendees.

The action from the August meeting that Adem distribute minutes from the August RTCG is closed. This was distributed

David to provide Adem with contact details for Chambers of Commerce. NSW Ports has contacted the Chambers of Commerce. The action is closed.

CLC members to forward any potential nominations for the CLC and contact details to Alison. No nominations have been received. There is an agenda item to discuss the issue.

2. Project Update (LCPL & Sydney Ports)

Construction/Operations – NSW Ports update

Matthew reported the viewing areas and pathways to Mt Enfield have been tendered and work should start after Easter. Minor civil works are being finished such as capping and restabilisation of Mt Enfield. The maintenance access track for ARTC is complete with a permanent rail crossing. The light industrial Area W has been levelled and chip sealed to suppress dust. ARTC is demobilising from the southern works compound at the southern end of the site.

Jenny asked whether ARTC would retain a depot. Matthew replied there would be no depot on the NSW Ports site (the ILC).

Construction/Operations – Hutchison Logistics (HLA) update

Matthew reported further delays with the intermodal terminal due to delays to electrical work and

fencing. The intermodal terminal operations are now schedule to commence sometime in the second guarter of 2015.

3. Development update

Southern Ecological Area Presentation

Matthew reported work will start after Easter on the pathway, lookouts and associated fencing followed by revegetation of disturbed areas. The heritage signage will occur later.

• Tarp Shed Community Consultation Plan

Alison distributed survey results which are posted on the Ports website. There was a good response from the community after an expanded letterbox drop area and advertisement in a number of local papers. 25 responses were received from the community plus letter submissions from Strathfield Council and a candidate in the State election. The first questions asked whether people agree or disagree with each permitted use. As expected responses favour low impact uses. Feedback was helpful for NSW Ports. Responses to some uses were evenly split e. g. for storage premises. Feedback suggests uses for Ports to target in future marketing. The purpose of the site will be for a commercially viable use. The next question asked whether or not people wanted to retain or demolish the tarp shed. Responses to this were evenly split with the heritage element being retained versus the building being visually unappealing. Some are happy for partial retention. Alison will keep the committee informed. Matters for consideration were suggested such as parking, with a limited amount available around Cosgrove Rd. On site parking is a key issue as is general compatibility with the area. Alison was pleased with the effort the community put into responses and the constructive feedback. The community will have further chance for input into whatever the development is through the normal development approval process.

lan C asked whether there is a timeline for a recommendation.

Matthew replied Ports is not going out to an open marketing campaign but will take a direct marketing approach to favoured users and negotiate directly. A favoured user should be identified over the next few months or an initial agreement reached.

Jenny asked what the approval process is likely to be.

Alison outlined that it will depend on what the future proposed use will be, but it could be likely Council would be the consent authority.

Graham asked if there is a heritage listing on the building.

Alison replied it is a heritage listing, on NSW Ports S170 register but not on the Council LEP. Graham asked if it can be pulled down.

Alison replied it can be pulled down after consultation with the NSW Heritage Office. Ports already had approval to remove added on amenities structures.

Warehouse sites

Matthew reported interest from transport and logistics companies for two sites, progress is being made towards agreement to lease. The companies want smaller warehouses than are approved with areas for stacking containers outside the warehouse. NSW Ports will do the developments and lease out improved premises. Construction will commence after agreements for leases are secured, construction on 2 sites may commence in mid 2015.

Jenny sought confirmation that companies are seeking a smaller footprint with more stacking space. Matthew confirmed this. Ports needs to ensure layouts requested are generally consistent with project approval. Alison noted the Conditions of Approval requires NSW Ports to submit the final warehouse designs to the Department of Planning & Environment for approval.

4. Other

Operational and Environmental Management Plans

Alison reported the Environmental Management Plan is now approved after amendments to reflect input from the Department of Planning. It is available on the website. The overarching plan outlines that tenants' OEMPs and Traffic Management Plans will be consistent with the NSW Ports Plan.

HLA is still finalising their Operational Management Plans which will be on the HLA website with links from NSW Ports' website when finished.

Results of Environmental Audit

Alison reported the annual environmental audit was undertaken before Christmas by an independent auditor and included site inspections as well as examination of records. It has been submitted to the Department of Planning and receipt has been acknowledged. There were no non-compliances with project approval or legislative environmental requirements. However opportunities for improvement were identified around improving documentation of procedures. This will be looked at over coming weeks and examined in the next audit. There was nothing of a physical nature.

• CLC membership – community representation

Alison reported no formal nominations were received and asked the CLC for suggestions. Ian C asked whether broad brush advertising produces results and suggested approaching networks instead.

Alison suggested sending a letter to those who responded to previous consultation campaigns and supplied addresses. She has spoken to Chambers of Commerce who thanked her for the information but didn't take it further.

Graham noted there is not an active Chamber of Commerce in Bankstown and the terminal is a fair way from Bankstown. He said that Council looks at the corporate record.

Jenny suggested ideally it would be good to have someone from the Greenacre precinct.

There was some discussion about incentives for people to join. As the terminal is not yet operational there may be more interest when it is.

Alison reported most responses to the last survey came from a letterbox drop and suggested perhaps a targeted letterbox drop around Greenacre.

Adem asked Jenny for permission to refer people to her if they were wary of talking to Ports initially. Jenny agreed.

Adem also suggested calling on neighbouring businesses such as TNT and Westerns.

Master plan

Alison reported the 30 year master plan for Port Botany, Port Kembla and Enfield will look at such items as future trade demand, terminal and logistics capacity, legislative capacity, size of vessels and truck numbers. The plan is due for completion in mid 2015. Ports is seeking feedback from stakeholders including Department of Planning, the EPA, Infrastructure Australia, Infrastructure NSW and Councils. Alison said there is an opportunity for input into the plan via www.nswports.com.au There is no particular deadline for this but people should do it soon.

Adem noted a number of government agencies undertake long term planning but there is not a lot of collaboration with stakeholders. NSW Ports is hoping to ask stevedores what infrastructure and services they will need in the future so there is alignment in the master plan. This will also help them with capital planning. The 5 year Development Plan on the NSW Ports website was a requirement. The 30 year master plan isn't a requirement but NSW Ports wants to put more effort into looking at the next 10, 20 and 30 years.

Frank asked whether a corporate plan and actions to achieve this will come out of the process. He asked whether place will be a component part.

Adem replied that NSW Ports hopes to get actions out of the process. It is more an open process, not a fixed idea of what will emerge. It is not driven by a political agenda but what stakeholders require.

NSW Ports Update

Ian H reported frog pond landscape contractor recently heard some frog calls in the frog ponds. The prevalent calls were thought to be from eastern striped marsh frogs and one of the other calls may have been a green and gold bell frog

Comments/ questions

Jenny asked for clarification about monitoring under consolidated conditions of consent for HLA and NSW Ports e.g. noise monitoring.

Alison replied under the project approval there is a requirement for noise audits at a throughput of 50,000TEU, 100,00TEU and 200,000TEU. HLA is currently proposing monitoring over and above this and intend to undertake pre operational monitoring for two weeks to set the base line then each six months during operations to ensure targets are met. NSW Ports is considering what additional monitoring they can undertake for the additional benefit of addressing the whole site. While HLA takes up the majority of the site, the Conditions of Approval cover the whole site.

Jenny asked whether there is only periodic monitoring, not ongoing monitoring. She asked if complaints are received how will NSW Ports know if there is any basis to them without ongoing monitoring

Alison advised if a complaint is received NSW Ports will need to respond and investigate appropriately. There needs to be specific compliance with project approval. The monitoring program addresses meeting those approval requirements. If a complaint is made NSW Ports will need to look how to address this. The HLA proposal for six monthly monitoring is positive as they are not obliged to. NSW Ports will review HLA's monitoring program to ensure compliance.

Adem suggested levels of 50,000 TEU would likely be in a couple of years.

Jenny sought confirmation whether the same goes for dust and air quality. She requested a summary pulling together Ports and HLA monitoring as looking at amended conditions of approval and HLA management plans is complex.

Graham suggested monitoring needs to consider night time not just day time.

Alison noted there had been two complaints from one person a year ago about train noise, when the terminal is not yet operating. The person had recently moved in near the freight line. It's hard for people new to the area to pinpoint where noise is coming from.

Jenny suggested beepers are particularly concerning.

Alison replied that HLA has been told there should be no reversing beepers on site. The only exception may be trucks which aren't owned by HLA. It was noted the design of the Intermodal Terminal provides for forward truck movements which should limit the need for reversing. Jenny asked whether all dust and air quality monitors were removed after construction. Alison replied this was the case once the majority of the site has been sealed but areas not concreted have been chip sealed to ensure no dust is generated and these are inspected and maintained. These come under the Ports CEMP and OEMP.

Matthew noted dust issues aren't expected with the small scale of future developments, approx. 20,000sq m being the largest like exposed area for the warehouse sites in comparison to the ILC site area of 59 hectares.

Action: NSW Ports (Alison) to provide a brief summary of monitoring for NSW Ports and HLA.

Graham distributed information regarding potential council mergers. Option 1 for Bankstown is no change and option 2 is for Canterbury and Bankstown to merge. There is a lot of consultation with the community and business. He expects it may be a mandated State Government initiative after the elections next month.

Frank reported Strathfield Council opposes a merger. It is a financially viable Council.

Date of next meeting: The meeting closed at 5.05pm. The next meeting is proposed for Monday May 11th.

These minutes have been endorsed by the Chair, Ian Colley