

MINUTES
MEETING # 25
Intermodal Logistics Centre
Community Liaison Committee (CLC)

Location: ILC
 Enfield Site Office, Cosgrove Rd, Enfield
 Date: Monday 12 October 2015
 Time: 4.00 pm

Attendees	
<p>Community Members Jenny Maddocks Bill Thompson</p> <p>Office of Jodi McKay Jacqui Thorburn</p> <p>Bankstown City Council Graham Humphrys</p> <p>Strathfield Municipal Council Frankie Liang</p> <p>Independent Chair Ian Colley</p> <p>Minute taker Sandra Spate</p>	<p>NSW Ports Matthew Fahey Alison Wedgwood Adem Long Ian Henderson</p>
<p>Apologies: Daniela Vujic, Trevor Brown, Paul Sweeney, Don Hughes, and David Hazeldine.</p>	

Action Items:
<p>1. Introduction of new CLC member Introductions were made. Apologies are listed above.</p>
<p>2. Actions from previous meeting NSW Ports (Alison) to provide a brief summary of monitoring for NSW Ports and HLA. (Action from February meeting). Alison reported the action was held over as the IMT Operator's operational plans were not finalised. The monitoring program will continue as per Conditions of Approval. Traffic monitoring is due to be undertaken 12 months from commencement (which was late March 2015), then at specified throughput intervals. Matthew suggested this will occur at the end of the year. The CLC will be kept up to date. Noise monitoring will be undertaken as per Conditions of Approval. The CLC will be updated on proposed monitoring when a new operator is engaged.</p> <p>Frankie to get a response from Council on whether Council has done baseline monitoring and whether the results can be shared. This item is addressed under agenda item 4.</p> <p>The minutes from the June meeting were accepted.</p>
<p>2. Project Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction (Southern Precinct) – NSW Ports update <p>Matthew reported that fencing, path and viewing areas are complete on Mt Enfield for the proposed community access. Recent works included landscape planting and irrigation. 6,000 plants have been planted on Mt Enfield with 1,000 more to go in over the next couple of weeks.</p>

- **Operations – IMT Operator, ACFS and Pitkin**

IMT Operator

Matthew reported HLA no longer at the site. A process of direct negotiations with groups potentially able to operate the IMT is underway. NSW Ports hopes to shortlist groups in the next two weeks and finalise the process by the end of the year allowing rail / truck intermodal operations to commence early next year.

Adem noted a positive is that Ports can now go direct to those groups capable of doing the task and to support the transfer container freight from road to rail. Ports has had a positive response.

Jenny asked whether NSW Ports is still looking for an operator for the overall site.

Adem replied Ports now has the ability to look at the original design and assess whether there are better ways of doing it or if the original concept is better. The different options will be considered and presented to the NSW Ports Board in November.

Bill asked whether there are guidelines around the decision making process.

Adem replied it has to be port related, add value to the site and support rail.

ACFS and Pitkin

Matthew reported ACFS is currently not operating much from Enfield but have pulled back to underutilised land at Botany. They may increase operations at the ILC around the peak Christmas period.

Bill asked who is operating from Enfield.

Matthew replied Pitkin is a mid-sized logistic company which is running in containers at night and sending out to customers during the day.

Jenny sought clarification that Pitkin is using Enfield as a staging yard.

Matthew confirmed this. He noted 80% of logistics companies operate this way.

3. **Development update**

- **Southern Precinct**

Matthew reported NSW Ports are going through the design process for signage and will then go to tender for the visuals. They are hoping for consistency in signage.

Alison reported that as well as the heritage items included in the heritage interpretation strategy, NSW Ports wanted to include signage on other items such as the frog ponds and the terminal operations. NSW Ports are looking at ways to make the signage interesting.

- **Southern Precinct Planning Proposal**

Matthew asked whether there is more information from Strathfield Council about intentions to appeal the Department of Planning & Environment decision to reject their application to rezone the area to RE2 Private Recreation.

Frankie replied that Council has asked for more information about the decision but the Department hasn't yet released this information. Council has resolved to challenge the decision.

Matthew noted Council had proposed community consultation within a 200m radius.

Frankie confirmed this was the Council resolution, with the main aim to inform the community what is happening.

Adem asked whether process and results of the consultation would be made public. Results of NSW Ports consultation are publicly available on their website.

Frankie replied the strategy has not been finalised yet. He can ask David Hazeldine for a response.

Action: Frankie to seek a response from David Hazeldine as to whether results of community consultation around the rezoning proposal will be publicly available.

- **Tarp Shed**

Matthew reported that in line with community feedback a use has been identified for the tarpaulin shed. The proponent is looking at a nursery and bulk landscaping supplies / Garden Centre.

Bill expressed support for this proposal.

- **Warehouse sites**

Matthew noted the Swift warehouse site is going through tender evaluation. The site is Warehouse C near the Wentworth Street bridge.

Jenny asked whether they would access the site via the Cosgrove Road entrance.

Matthew replied they will use Wentworth Street. It is not planned to open the Cosgrove Road gate till there is freight to the east of the site.

- **General**

Jenny asked whether any green and golden bell frogs have been seen recently.

Ian H and Alison replied there haven't, only brown striped marsh frogs.

4. **Other**

- **Operational and Environmental Management Plans**

Alison reported the overarching management plans continue to be used with tenants on site operating consistently with these plans and their own environmental plans. An Operational and Environmental audit (against the Project Approval conditions) will be conducted in December and will include tenants. Trevor Brown and Alison have undertaken operational review site visits with ACFS and Pitkin.

- **NSW Ports Master Plan and Sustainability Plan**

Alison noted the Sustainability plan will cover all assets at Port Botany, Port Kembla, Cooks River and Enfield with short term and long term strategic directions.

Adem reported both plans will be released on October 30th. The Master Plan is a big leap forward as Ports haven't had this in the past. The Master Plan has a lot of input from stakeholders and covers rail and road, growing rail use, land use and infrastructure, capacity, and environment. It deals with land / residential encroachment of Port area. Community members will receive a copy and it will be on the NSW Ports website.

CLC members requested hard copies of the Master Plan.

Bill asked whether it could also go into council libraries.

Ian C asked what the trigger for the Master Plan was.

Adem noted Sydney Ports has previously had a 30 year horizon document but it was an internal document without consultation with stakeholders. This one has had consultation with stakeholders. It is hoped it will help terminal operators plan long term. It contains actions and advocacy for actions.

Bill suggested these types of plans need periodic review. Too much happens if over the longer term. Adem noted Port Botany has typically doubled in throughput every 10 years.

Jacqui asked whether the Sustainability Plan includes stakeholder communication, a community blueprint.

Alison replied it does. It includes what NSW Ports are doing now as well as ongoing commitments and other possibilities and pathways to distribute information.

Graham sought confirmation that the Master Plan will be exhibited on October 30th. Will stakeholders be asked for comment?

Adem confirmed it will be released at 2pm on October 30th. Comments aren't sought as it is the final plan. He expects people will comment on actions e.g. on ways to better connect the Eastern Distributor to Foreshore Road. Both plans have shorter term and longer term strategies. Some are purely advocacy and some operational.

Graham hopes it includes promotion for Enfield.

Adem noted everyone in NSW agree getting more containers onto rail is vital. There is spending on Villawood, Chullora is running and Moorebank and St Marys are on the cards. People have asked whether St Marys will be in competition with Enfield. This won't be the case as there is forecast to be enough freight for all the proposed intermodal terminals and the main competition will be getting the freight off the road and onto rail.

Jenny noted there are a lot of plans but it is 15 years since Enfield was announced and it is still not operating.

Adem suggested rail proposals are future proofing. Moorebank initially said it would be operation in 2017 this is unlikely with the process to go through, such as EIS.

Jenny noted Chullora has suggested it will double the number of containers to 600,000 with installation of rail operated gantries so with 300,000 at Enfield there will be 900,000 to 1 million containers in this area. But St Marys is where the freight needs to go.

Adem agreed St Marys has a bigger catchment than Enfield. Some of Moorebank will be interstate so interstate will likely move away from Chullora.

Jenny asked whether Bankstown Council sees bigger issues from containers with talk of 600,000 units at Chullora.

Graham noted it is part of the fabric of the area. There is freight all over the city. There are issues with trailers and trucks left on the street causing anxiety and involving dangerous operations such as moving containers from truck to truck on the road. But the industry employs a lot of people in Bankstown. However Council doesn't want trucks parking in public streets and won't compromise safety of motorists. They will continue to issue fines but some operators regard this as the cost of business.

Bill noted trailers continually parked at the entrance to Bunnings.

- **Communications/ NSW Ports Update**

Adem reported having met with Jacqui and Jodi McKay regarding community issues around monitoring. Initial traffic monitoring will be undertaken by the end of the year and there is an 1800 number for noise complaints. A difficult issue is air pollution. Dust issues during construction are no longer relevant as the site is sealed so it comes down to vehicle emissions from operations (diesel pollution).

Alison noted difficulties in monitoring particulate matter from trucks and trains attributable to one site as there are so many sources. The EIS document didn't identify a need for this.

Ian Colley asked what the trigger has been.

Adem noted there have not been complaints, rather some feedback through Jodi McKay of potential concerns with air pollution.

Regarding traffic monitoring, NSW Ports will obtain feedback from Pitkin regarding truck movements. In relation to noise, noise can be generated from a truck reversing to a forklift, in the case where the truck goes past a forklift and has to reverse back. NSW Ports has spoken to Pitkin & ACFS about driving in and out in a forward direction and not reversing their trucks.

Alison noted Pitkin uses squawkers not beepers on the forklifts, but truck reversing alarms can't be changed. There have been no complaints about the facility.

Alison noted an action from last meeting about whether Strathfield Council is undertaking baseline monitoring and whether the information would be made available. Council's response was that at this stage it would not be public. She encouraged Council to share information when it can. NSW Ports makes information public and they would be grateful for information shared.

Bill raised Council concerns about the volume of traffic and truck breakdowns at the Arthur Street/ Centenary Drive intersection. Strathfield Council is pressing government to consider an overpass and underpass. If there is likely to be an increase in north/south traffic as result of this site it would be good if NSW Ports could also advocate for this.

Matthew replied that the EIS suggested that the peak operation would add just over 1% on traffic volume on Roberts Road so it is not significant.

Matthew reported that the recent tree planting day was a good community event. Bill was thanked for his participation.

Bill noted a good roll up from staff. He suggested the task was now to ensure the survival of the plants.

Ian H reported irrigation has been set up on Mt Enfield to assist with the establishment of the recent planting.

Matthew reported Fire and Rescue NSW has approached NSW Ports about using part of the ILC as a major response facility during this bushfire season. NSW Ports have proposed to make available a

suitable paved area for the emergency response coordination centre.

Adem reported on discussions with Peter Lynch for placement of information in the 'Strathfield Scene'. There has been input from Jacqui and Jodi around a review of communications. The walkway will be opened soon with Jodi to assist with the launch. Alison noted the timing depends on delivery of services regarding signage. Hopefully more will be known in the next few weeks.

- **Comments/ questions**

Graham asked whether there are any trains coming in currently. He knows the site is secure and HLA has completed works.

Adem said trucks, not trains are coming in but the site is ready to operate trains.

Matthew reported there is little to do. The rail infrastructure is all in and 3m customs fencing (which had been delayed) is in place and complete. The commencement of rail operations depends on negotiations with interested groups and timing of the selection of the new IMT operator.

The meeting closed at 4.50pm.

Date of next meeting: Monday 15th February TBC.

These minutes have been endorsed by the Chair, Ian Colley