

## Minutes

# Community Advisory Group meeting #10

Chair	Ian Gibson	Time	4:00pm – 6:00pm
Minutes	Susan McMillan	Date	2022-02-09
Location	Regent Theatre Yarram		

## Attendance

### Members

### Project team

### Apologies

Peter Mooney	Jenny Smith	Erin Coldham	Deb Lucas
Tony Wolfe	Nina Barry-Macaulay	Sarah Altmann	Mary-Lou Dixon
Tony Cantwell	Harry Michelson	Susan McMillan	Wendy Farmer
Marcus McKenzie	Jonathan Pintus	Katrina Langdon	
Jessica Young	Glenn Stagg	Lachlan McKinnon	
Allan Rogers	Caleb Barlow		
Nicole Jennings	Darren McCubbin		
Glenn McColl	Jack Winterbottom		
Travis Dillow			

## Actions – previous

No.	Action	Owner	Due	Status
1	Distribute dates for 2022 CAG meetings and issue calendar invitations	Susan McMillan	31/01/2022	Complete

## Key discussion points

Item	Discussion points
1	<p><b>Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairperson introduced new members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Glenn McColl, Latrobe City Council (replacing Alison Spence)</li> <li>- Nina Barry-Macaulay, South Gippsland Shire Council (replacing Christine Legg)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
2	<p><b>Standing items and actions from previous meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes from CAG meeting #8 and CAG meeting #9 have been distributed. Any amendments to be provided Friday 11 February.</li> <li>• Chairperson declared his involvement with Federation University as Industry Placement Advisor</li> </ul>
3	<p><b>What's happening on the project</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Around 180 people attended project pop up information stalls over the Christmas and New Year period.</li> <li>• A Fishing Liaison Officer has been appointed to work with commercial and recreational fishers.</li> <li>• Information sessions for commercial fishers held in Lakes Entrance and Port Franklin. Key information provided available in <a href="#">Commercial Fishing FAQ</a> sheet.</li> <li>• Environmental and cultural heritage surveys are continuing on land and at sea.</li> <li>• First drafts of technical studies for environmental assessments starting to come through for review by the Technical Reference Group, convened by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.</li> <li>• Star of the South made <a href="#">submission to AEMO draft Integrated System Plan (ISP)</a>.</li> <li>• Almost two years of survey data has been collected on the marine environment. Additional studies are planned, including into migratory birds, pelagic fish and whales.</li> <li>• A map of the <a href="#">regulatory process for offshore electricity infrastructure</a> is outlined on a government website. The Offshore Electricity Infrastructure Act is expected to come into effect in June 2022.</li> <li>• Also refer to <a href="#">presentation</a> slides 4-5 for additional updates.</li> </ul>
4	<p><b>What's happening in the community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jack discussed his attendance at Star of the South pop up stalls and how he explains his role as a Community Advisory Group member representing Birdlife Australia.</li> <li>• Tony C advised Committee for Gippsland are developing an Energy Vision. Will provide an update to the group and provide a copy once final.</li> </ul>
5	<p><b>Update from Industry Development and Procurement Manager</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Also refer to <a href="#">presentation</a> slide 11 for key information.</li> <li>• Industry development priorities are to maximise use of local skills and local content opportunities.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing a series of offshore wind job descriptions, to provide interested workers with a picture of job types, skills and experience required to work in the industry.</li> <li>• Working with education providers and coal and oil and gas businesses in the region to identify skills and training pathways for workers looking to work in the offshore wind industry in future.</li> <li>• Requesting information from potential major contractors to identify opportunities to buy and employ locally.</li> <li>• Star of the South would manage around 10 main contracts. The majority of local opportunities are likely to emerge through the main contractors. Procurement to appoint these main contracts has not started.</li> <li>• Local businesses encouraged to register on ICN Gateway – the project makes its contractors and consultants aware of registered businesses.</li> <li>• Question whether job information would be made publicly available – Yes, once complete these will be shared and available on the project website.</li> <li>• Question about opportunities for local onshore wind workers – Some jobs that exist in the onshore wind industry will also exist in offshore wind such as turbine technicians and much of the onshore civil and maintenance work.</li> <li>• Question about whether jobs would be direct with Star of the South or through its main contractor – the main contractors will hire the bulk of the workforce for the project. They will be the ones doing the construction, operations and maintenance activities.</li> </ul> <p><b>Update from Fishing Liaison Officer – Lachlan McKinnon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Also refer to <a href="#">presentation</a> slide 12 for key information.</li> <li>• A new starter on the project in December.</li> <li>• Priorities are to connect with, understand and consult commercial and recreational fishers in the project’s development.</li> <li>• Looking to get to know commercial fishers with a licence / catch history in the project area. The aim is to work together so that fishing can continue where it’s safe and practical. Where this is not possible, the project will compensate fishers fairly.</li> <li>• Call out for any recommendations from the group for recreational fishing clubs to speak with about local recreational use of the project area.</li> <li>• Chairperson asked Harry as a commercial fisher for feedback on Star of the South information session held in Lakes Entrance in December. Harry reported that it went well and provided feedback that maps shown to fishermen need to show GPS coordinates.</li> </ul>
7	<p><b>Other items</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposed date, time and site tour schedule for next meeting discussed. Member comment that the time proposed (1-5pm) is ok if plenty of notice provided. No preference for day of week raised.</li> <li>• Proposed 2022 meeting dates – feedback on topics invited.</li> <li>• Star of the South advised of change of web platform and option to move member page to Facebook or to attempt to revive it on the new platform. Group discussed</li> </ul>

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	and agreed to try new platform. The most important consideration is alerts so people are prompted to log on.

## Actions – new

No.	Action	Owner	Due
1	Share project submission to AEMO draft ISP	Erin Coldham	11/02/2022
2	Review previous minutes and advise any amendments	Members	11/02/2022
3	Distribute draft site visit agenda (locations to be visited)	Susan McMillan	14/03/2022
4	Advise any suggestions for site visit (meeting #11)	Members	20/03/2022
5	Add GPS coordinates to fishing maps	Lachlan McKinnon	28/02/2022

## Next meeting

Date	Time	Place
Thursday 6 April 2022	1pm – 5pm	Yarram office (site visit bus tour)