

#### **Port Hedland Industries Council**

**Community Industry Meeting** 

#### Minutes

Wednesday 7 June 2023 3.00 pm

#### **VENUE**

# The WEB Business Hub, Port Hedland and via MS Teams

Attendees	Organisation	
Kirsty Danby (Chair)	PHIC	
Chantel Cullen	PHIC - Recorder	
Michelle Schluter	NR TAFE	
Morag Lowe Community		
Janine Keall	Hedland Senior High School	
Joel Schreiber	Community	
Jaylan Smith	PHIC / Fortescue	
John Cross	Kariyarra Aboriginal Corp	
Liz Turner	Care For Hedland	
Stacey Turale	PHIC / BHP	
Gloria Jacob	Community	
Roger Higgins	Community	
Kerryn Forster	PHIC / ConsMin	
Niv Reddy	PHIC / ConsMin	
Byron Klein	Community	
Dan Barker	PHIC / MRL	
Ariana St-Pierre	PHIC / PPA	
Melinda Hayes	PHIC / Pilbara Minerals	
Kevin Michel, MP	Member for Pilbara	
Renae Coles	ТоРН	
Dave Batic	Port Hedland International	
	Airport	
Russell Trowbridge	Community	
Michelle Kivits	Ashburton Aboriginal Corp	

Invitees	Organisation
Melanie Atkinson	Fortescue
Tony Simpson	Regional Development
	Australia - Pilbara
Steven Sonneman-Smith	Ashburton AC

Observers	Organisation
Christie Haynes	Ashburton AC
Shane Harvey	Fortescue

Apologies	Organisation
Lee Ross	Community
Kelly Howlett	Care For Hedland
Rachel Grace	PHCCI
Trish Barron	PDC
Emma Billett	Community
Jeanette Hasleby	PHIC / Roy Hill

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Item	- Meeting opened by Kirsty Danby 3.05pm
	- Acknowledgement of Country and recognition of the Kariyarra people as the Traditional Custodians
1.1 Introductions	of the land on which the CIF meets.
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	- Niv Reddy, Consolidated Minerals
	- Rachel Grace replaces Claire Boyce as PHCCI CEO
	- Resignations:
	- Michelle Kivits, Ashburton AC has relocated to Perth
	- Guests:
	- Melanie Atkinson, Manager Strategic Change, Fortescue
	- Tony Simpson, CEO Regional Development Australia - Pilbara
	- Steven Sonneman Smith, CEO Ashburton Aboriginal Corporation
1.2 Confirmation of	Confirmation of the PHIC CIF Minutes dated 15 March 2023 confirmed by Daniel Barker / Roger Higgins
Minutes 1.3 Governance	- Nil
1.4 Action Items	****
1.4 Action items	- All members to positively promote information received through this group to their respective networks, supported by the facts presented to the group.
	- PHIC to provide dates for PHIC CIF Harbour tour with Lumsden Point overview in Winter
2.0 PHIC Update	Kirsty Danby provided an update on Port Hedland Air Monitoring & DWER:
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	concentration of PM10 at the Taplin Street Monitor since the forum last met in March.
	- The network has been handed over to DWER and PHIOC continues to do independent analysis to
	update the community.
	- The DWER annual air monitoring report from 1 January 2022 - 31 December 2022 had not yet been
	completed but would be made available to the members as soon as it was available. DWER have
	advised that they will present the annual report to the forum.
	- PHIC is working with DWER on the Port Hedland dust management guidelines as a recommendation
	from the Dust Taskforce.
	Discussion following the presentation:
	- Nil
	Kirsty Danby provided an update on PHIC Activities:
	- Greater Port Hedland Vertebrate Pest Management Program
	- This program has developed into a collaborative program that includes Town of Port Hedland, PHIC members and Dampier Salt.
	- Care for Hedland team are also on board and are now providing their historical pest management
	data to help us measure past results against current activities.
	- The September 2022 program report was finalised in February 2023.
	- The second control event was undertaken from 24 April for a period of 14 days.
	- This was a successful event with 10 feral cats and four foxes The report for this event will include historical Care For Hedland data as a reporting KPI.
	- This excellent initiative and incorporation of historical Care For Hedland data is now providing a full
	history of the effects of these types of programs
	- A factsheet for the VPMP is also underway and will be published on the PHIC website in June 2023.
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### 3.0 Decarbonisation at Fortescue

### Melanie Atkinson provided an update on Decarbonisation at Fortescue: Discussion following the presentation:

- Q What's the payback period versus life of mine?
- A Fortescue has modelled over \$800m p.a savings as a result of decarbonising and no longer needing to purchase diesel and carbon credits, among other things. The decarbonisation plan is built into our strategic planning model and new mines and pits that come into our mine plan will be zero emissions operations from the start.
- Q What is the normal of Carbon dioxide in the atmosphere? What impact is FMG reduction of Carbon dioxide into the atmosphere likely to have on the actual level in the atmosphere?
- A this website from NASA may be useful for people who are interested in current CO2 in the atmosphere: https://climate.nasa.gov/news/2915/the-atmosphere-getting-a-handle-on-carbon-dioxide/#:~:text=The%20concentration%20of%20carbon%20dioxide,it%20was%20near%20370%20 ppm
- While Fortescue can impact its own scope 1 and 2 emissions (projected to be ~3million tonnes co2e by 2030 if we do nothing), we are encouraging other heavy emitters like us to 'race us to real zero' and it's in our cumulative actions as a sector that we can make a big difference.
- Q With regards to the transmission lines are you looking at options to distribute power to land holders?
- A Still in early stages in power network, one question is what do we do with the extra energy that
  we have. Our team are looking at options for distributed energy within the Pilbara and will consult
  with community stakeholders as the project progresses.
   Request from the Hedland Senior High School for a presentation at the school.
- Q What are Fortescue doing about other greenhouse emissions?
- A Fortescue captures and reports on all greenhouse gas emissions as per the NGER reporting standards and we report on a CO2 equivalent basis.
- Q Will FMG will be presenting on the success and failures of the projects?
- A The journey will be hard and we will be sharing the developments
   Kirsty noted that PHIC's new strategic imperative is to share carbon reducing technology and information within members to aim for a carbon neutral port.
- Q What percentage of funds have been allocated to develop green steel and Scope 3 emissions?
- A Our R&D team and many other teams are working on the development of green steel and scope 3 emissions reductions. Funding allocations are determined through our internal budgeting and forecasting cycle.

## 4.0 Economic update for the Pilbara

## Tony Simpson provided an update on from the Pilbara Development Commission on an economic update for the Pilbara:

#### Discussion following the presentation:

- Q At this stage there is no commercial block of land in Paraburdoo or Tom Price and very little that is affordable in Port Hedland. We have known since 2018 that this was going to occur and we have been trying to advocate to the appropriate people. The cost of development of the land that is available is cost prohibitive. Local companies cannot afford to build.
  How much of this is achievable without the fundamentals in place?
  - A RDA is in discussion with Development WA. In Port Hedland there is more land in the works which is not too far off. Newman is on the table with has a bit of work. The problem with Tom Price and Paraburdoo is that they are Rio towns and some privatisation has occurred but it is a long process and not as easy as developing crown land as it has a mining lease over the top of it. The first step is looking at the life of the town once the mine has gone. The priority is the coast industrial land. Newman has had initial work at the back of the current industrial area. Unfortunately work stopped in the downturn in 2012 and did not continue which has put the Pilbara on the back foot.
- A member noted that some businesses are looking to develop in Port Hedland to service Newman.
- Q A member noted that changes in environmental and heritage laws will likely increase timeframes even further. This will impact the process of creating green energy which will take up a lot of land area. What is the strategy of decarbonisation initiatives against environmental values?
- A JTSI are working through the decarbonisation pipeline. It was presented on at the last Pilbara Summit about share decarbonisation as it is the future.
- Q What are the environmental impacts of the Marina, were Care For Hedland consulted?
- A Yes all engagement was done at the start of the project. Once the project has been completed it will be interesting in seeing how the environment has been impacted.
   Kirsty will provide documentation of risks and mitigations that shows where Care For Hedland would have had input.

5.0 WA Cabinet	Kevin Michel MP presented an update on the changes to WA Cabinet and initiatives in the Pilbara.
Change update	
6.0 Ashburton	Steven Sonneman Smith provided a presentation on the Ashburton Aboriginal Corporation:
Aboriginal	Discussion following the presentation:
Corporation Overview	- Q - Is there some research to be done in the Pilbara to understand traditional Indigenous housing and perhaps employ Indigenous staff to build them?
	<ul> <li>A – There is a company called FISH who have investigated this type of research. There was work done on design and liveability. We operate in Nullagine on housing and maintenance. The issues are around the cost of building different models. There is a push to get more people trained and upskilled to do maintenance in Community. There are architects doing some work in the Western Desert, around liveability and efficiency and maintenance for replacement of parts.</li> <li>Q – Is Yurrama water only available in Tom Price?         <ul> <li>A – It is available everywhere and also for events.</li> </ul> </li> <li>A member noted their congratulations on all the excellent initiatives run by the Corporation and the excellent upgrades at Auski.</li> </ul>
7.0 Future Agenda Items	- Members encouraged to contact PHIC to discuss
8.0 Action Items	- Kirsty will provide documentation of risks and mitigations that shows where Care For Hedland would have had input to Liz Turner.
9.0 Other Business	<ul> <li>Consolidated Minerals continued operations update brochure supplied.</li> <li>Hedland Senior High School open night series starts tonight, brochure supplied.</li> <li>PHLAG in collaboration with Port Hedland Visitor Centre and Activate South Hedland &amp; Portside are hosting the inaugural Pride Week program including a parade on the Saturday 11 – 17 June, brochure supplied.</li> <li>Hedland Well Women's Centre Pink Pilbara Breakfast is September 8, fundraising underway.</li> <li>Rose Nowers Early Learning Centre, close to detailed design for expansion of the service from 43 – 133 places. Looking for funding.</li> </ul>