



**Port Hedland Industries Council**  
Community Industry Meeting

**Minutes**

Wednesday 13 November, 2019  
3.00 pm

**VENUE**

Web Business Hub  
18 Edgar St, Port Hedland

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Kirsty Danby (Chair)	PHIC
Commissioner Fred Riebeling	Town of Port Hedland
Jim Henneberry	PH Progress Assoc
Kevin Michel, MP	Member for Pilbara
Roger Higgins	Community
John Carter	North Regional Tafe
Tracey Garbin	Community
Jenna Dodge	PDC
Kieran Lawler	Care For Hedland
Jaylan Smith	PHIC / FMG
Jeanette Hasleby	PHIC / Roy Hill
Tegan Reid	PHIC / PPA
Raylene Button	Karriyarra
Michelle Kivits	Ashburton Aboriginal Corp
Patrik Mellberg	PHIC / BHP
Chantel Cullen	PHIC

<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Morag Lowe	Community
Clinton Smith	Community
Trish Barron	PDC
Richard Barrett	PHIC / PPA

<b>Invitees</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Suzana Mitrevski	PHIC Dust Working Group Chairperson / Roy Hill

Item	Discussion
<b>1.1 Introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting opened by Kirsty Danby 3.05pm</li> <li>• All members provided an introduction of themselves, their interest in the group and expectations, and who they are representing (if applicable).</li> </ul>
<b>2.0 About PHIC</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PHIC acts collaboratively for the benefit of industry and the Port Hedland community to ensure the long-term sustainable growth of the Port and the community.</li> <li>• Noted that all members are Port Users and discussed membership categories.</li> <li>• Discussed PHIC's structure and working groups (Board, management, community, noise, dust, marine).</li> <li>• Dedicated to creating dialog around concerns or opportunities</li> <li>• Noted that PHIC has been collectively managing dust for over a decade.</li> </ul>
<b>3.0 Terms of Reference</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft Terms of Reference presented to all members.</li> <li>• Amendments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Proxys – Government / Business can provide a proxy</li> <li>- Community members cannot provide proxy</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Terms of Reference approved; Moved Mr Jim Henneberry, Seconded Commissioner Fred Riebeling</li> <li>• Ms Kirsty Danby to remain Chairperson; Moved by Commissioner Fred Riebeling, Seconded Mr Jim Henneberry</li> <li>• Nominations for Non-PHIC Deputy Chair to be sent to PHIC for vote at next CIF meeting</li> </ul>
<b>4.0 West End Buy Back</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Kirsty Danby provided an update on West End Buy-Back activities and timeframes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Late July Minister MacTiernan announced the scheme in conjunction with Kevin Michel MP</li> <li>- State Government suggested industry would participate in a buy-back of west end in Voluntary Buy Back Scheme</li> <li>- Industry have been consulted and have met with Government representatives</li> <li>- Currently there is no specific determinations around governance / framework / timeframe / costs</li> <li>- Consultant, Ross Love, appointed to create framework and impacts and consider activation in the West End and report to the Minister for consideration in December</li> <li>- Community consultation underway, with second Port Hedland session scheduled for 19 November</li> <li>- Industry is one of many stakeholders – industry has not decided to participate either way – and cannot make a decision without a framework to consider</li> <li>- Industries view is that it supports certainty for the West End</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Group Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussion regarding support for the buyback, IP50 scheme and development of both the West and East end of Port Hedland</li> <li>- Noted that Minister MacTiernan plans to bring the voluntary buy back scheme framework to the community in late December after Ross Love completes stakeholder consultation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p><b>5.0 Annual Air Report</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Suzana Mitrevski, PHIC Dust Working Group Chair: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation on key findings and trends of the FY2018/19 PHIC Annual Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Network report.</li> <li>- Provided context around air monitoring network – established for ambient air monitoring and not related to operator licences.</li> <li>- Noted that under Taskforce’s interim guidelines, industry is required to report ambient air levels at Taplin Street monitor, and guidelines require no more than 10 exceedances in a calendar year from this monitor (with source either industry or background dust source).</li> <li>- 2018/19 recorded no exceedances at Taplin Street.</li> <li>- Advised that the report has been provided to JTSI and DWER and will be released on the PHIC website on Monday 19 November.</li> <li>- Live demonstration of PHIC website and real-time monitoring.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Group Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussion around why dust levels vary due to a range of factors such as wind, environmental conditions, background dust and non-industry dust sources</li> <li>- Question asked why industry isn’t regulated against NEPM when this is a federal standard and why industry is not regulated against ambient air monitoring station results.</li> <li>- Context provided that industry is regulated on individual licences, related to boundary monitoring, and not on PHIC’s ambient air network or NEPM levels. Noted that all Port Users must report to the regulator annually against their boundary monitors and Taplin Street.</li> <li>- Group decision to invite DWER to present at the next CIF to provide greater clarification around regulations.</li> <li>- Question asked about known health risks and serious side effects to community members, also where further information could be obtained by community members.</li> <li>- Noted that a private inquiry is underway by Progress Association.</li> <li>- Noted that DoH is best placed to discuss health risks to general population.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>6.0 Transfer of AAQM Network to DWER</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Group Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Taskforce 2016 recommendation to transition the Ambient Air Monitoring Network to PHIC</li> <li>- PHIC is guided by DWER for transfer of Network.</li> <li>- A working group comprising of DWER and PHIC was established in October and has met on two occasions (and will continue to meet on a monthly basis) to facilitate the transition.</li> <li>- PHIC has provided reports on the Network capability and provided to DWER.</li> <li>- DWER is consulting the community next week, PHIC to distribute website information for CIF members to register for DWER consultation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>7.0 Other Business</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Dates for 2020 CIF meetings agreed by all members: 13 February, 13 May, 12 August, 11 November</li> </ul>