

MEETING AGENDA

MEETING TITLE:	Community Reference Group	DATE:	Tuesday 20 April 2021, 7:00pm
LOCATION:	Rokewood Hall		
Members:	Pam Bailey, Margaret Bufton, Robert Hill, Halleshia Rumler, Bryan Vincent, Sophie Whitlock, Matt Hustwaite (WestWind Energy), Carissa Crabtree (WestWind Energy), Suzanne Symon (WestWind Energy)		
APOLOGIES:	Nicole Griffith, Wayne Terry		

1. INTRODUCTION - CHAIR

- Bryan welcomed the group back together, for the first time in person since before the COVID-19 pandemic.

2. PROJECT UPDATE

- The Permit Amendment Application has been submitted to the Minister and it was noted that a public notice period would likely be announced in the coming weeks. Should the remainder of the planning process go as expected, construction is expected to commence in early 2021.

3. COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND APPLICATIONS

- It was noted that this round had the highest number of applications received of any round to date, with this particular round oversubscribed by more than \$20,000.
- The group acknowledged that it was difficult to “whittle down” the applications to fit within the \$10,000 funding pool, as they were all worthy applications.
- A discussion took place about the nature of the Community Benefit Fund in the future as the funding pool grows to >\$200,000. The group agreed that it is important to start promoting the thinking of larger-scale community projects now and to encourage consolidating other funding sources into larger projects.

3.1. RECOMMENDATION OF DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS MADE BY THE CRG

- The group unanimously agreed on the following distribution of funds.

APPLICANT	PROJECT	TOTAL COST	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT GRANTED
Rokewood FNC	Digital Scoreboard	\$7,645.00	\$6,000.00	\$ -
Rokewood Kinder	Outdoor Blinds	\$8,035.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Rokewood Newsletter	New Laptop	\$1,199.00	\$1,199.00	\$ 1,199.00
Rokewood Primary	Playground Replacement	\$17,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$ -
Rokewood RSL	Screen Doors	\$1,693.00	\$1,693.00	\$ 1,693.00
Illabarook Hall	Electrical Upgrade	\$1,212.09	\$1,212.09	\$ 1,212.09
Blue Sky Cowboys	Barrier Fence & Obstacles	\$7,100.00	\$7,100.00	\$ -
Barunah Park Hall	Solar Lighting	\$230.00	\$230.00	\$ 230.00
Cressy & District History	Cressy Water Tower - Public Art	\$60,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
TOTAL		\$104,114.09	\$32,934.09	\$9,834.09

- ACTION** – Matt Hustwaite to notify applicants of their respective outcome and issue the confirmation letters and sponsorship agreements to all successful applicants.

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4. ONGOING REMIT OF COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP

- The group discussed how they can provide local insight and feedback to WestWind during construction and for other project-related matters. It was agreed that a formal element wasn't required, but that the CRG can provide a forum for these matters, alongside the CBF.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

- Matt introduced WestWind Energy's new Business Manager, Suzanne Symon, to the group.