

Environment Protection Authority Lake Macquarie Lead Community Reference Group

Minutes

28 January 2016, 5:00pm - 6.20pm

Chair: Greg Piper

Community Reference Group Attendees:

Anne Sullivan (Community), Nicole Gerrard (Community), Emma Hale (Community), Karen McCraw (School), Lloyd Hill (Business), Cr Wendy Harrison (LMCC), Cr Rob Denton (LMCC)

Other Attendees:

Adam Gilligan (EPA), Chris Harle (LMCC), Craig Dalton (NSW Health)

Secretary: Jackie Teal (EPA)

Apologies: Tony Cade (Community), Richard Bastow (Ferrier Hodgson)

Agenda Item 1 - Welcome

Chair, Greg Piper (GP) welcomed all to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Agenda Item 2 – Apologies

GP noted apologies from Tony Cade and Richard Bastow.

Agenda Item 3 – Minutes from Previous Meeting

The Minutes from the previous meeting were adopted unanimously.

Agenda Item 4 – Actions Arising from Previous Minutes

GP addressed the action items arising from the last meeting.

NO.	ACTION ITEM	RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTION	UPDATE
1	Graphs presented on the metal concentrations at Cockle Creek to be circulated to the CRG	EPA	Emailed 4 January 2016
2	Presentation on the "Update on Triangular Paddock Site at Boolaroo" to be circulated to the CRG	EPA	Emailed 4 December 2015

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Agenda Item 5 - Community Meeting

An update on preparations for the Public Information Meeting were provided by members of the CRG. The layout and format of the meeting were discussed at length with all members agreeing with the final agenda.

Agenda Item 6 – Update on Literature Review

Adam Gilligan provided an update on the Tender for the "Literature Review of Practices to Manager Lead (Pb) and Lead Slag in Soil and Associated Human Exposures". He advised that the Tender has been out since 6 January 2016 and closes on 29 January 2016. The submissions were expected to be reviewed in the following week. The literature review should be completed by the end of April and will be one of the matters considered by the LEWG in its report to Government which is expected to be finished by mid 2016.

Agenda Item 7 – "Misled About Lead"

AG discussed the research paper "Misled about lead: an assessment of online public health education material from Australia's lead mining and smelting towns" that was distributed to the CRG. Not all members had read the paper and it was decided to defer this item to the next meeting.

Agenda Item 8 - General Business

AG updated the CRG on lead levels detected in soil at Tredinnick Oval. Council advised that they are aware and investigating remediation options to be implemented this financial year.

Agenda Item 9 – Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items

Next Meeting: 11 February 2016 at 5.00pm

Meeting Closed: 6.20pm

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