

Cedar Grove Environmental Centre

Community Reference Group Minutes

Meeting details

Date: Tuesday 19 November 2019

Time: 6.30pm – 7.45pm

Location: Cedar Grove Environmental Centre – Cedar Grove Road, Cedar Grove

Attendees

Interim Chairperson (Acting): Mark Vaughan (Alliance Manager)

Community Reference Group members: Rachel Hughes, Janet Tovell, Anthony Ormsby, Debbie Brezac, Guy Di Mattina

Logan Water Infrastructure Alliance (LoganWIA) Officers: Tania Keelan (Community Engagement Officer)

External: Murray Swales (Principal Natural Areas – SLR Consulting)

Apologies: Tony Goodhew (Water Infrastructure Manager – Council), Tracey Hanna, Craig Bridges (CRG members)

Agenda

No.	Item
1	<p>Discussion of last meeting's minutes (close out any open action items).</p> <p>Outstanding action items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. LoganWIA to finalise budget for non-functional scope and send out to the CRG.2. Council to investigate when/ who will be responsible for undertaking the repairs to Cedar Grove Road.3. CRG to provide photos and exact locations of dips/ holes along Cedar Grove Road needing repair.4. Council officers to formalise an agreement for obtaining indigenous artefacts from the Five Rivers Group to display on site.5. CRG to provide a written proposal for Landcare facility fencing to LoganWIA.6. A business case for the Landcare facility to be drafted by CRG and Council representatives.
2	<p>Project/ program status update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Three week look ahead handout.
3	<p>General Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cedar Grove Environmental Centre Master Plan / Landcare facility- Offset planting

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No.	Details	Action	Due
1	Previous meeting's minutes		
	No minutes were taken at the previous meeting as there was no quorum (notes were taken only). An explanation of how the meeting was run was discussed with those CRG members who were not at the previous meeting.		
	<i>Actions items carried over from meeting on 20 July 2019 – see agenda – note no actions resulted from the previous meeting on 9 October 2019</i>		
1.1	LoganWIA provided a copy of the non-functional scope budget to each of the CRG members and discussed the line items – see 3.1 for discussion.	Note	
1.2	<p>Council is currently underway with detailed design for the reconstruction of Cedar Grove Road from the Mount Lindesay Highway to Leopardwood Road.</p> <p>LoganWIA informed the CRG that Council repairs to Cedar Grove Road would be undertaken after the upgrade works on the Mount Lindesay Highway by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR).</p> <p>Council construction works are likely to occur late in the 2020/21 financial year, but this is dependent on the timing of DTMR works.</p>	Note	
1.3	CRG members did not provide photos of areas on the road needing repairs. CRG members were notified if they wish to provide photos Council would forward these to the roads team on their behalf.	Note	
1.4	The CRG was informed that discussions were currently underway with the coordinator for Five Rivers group (Traditional Owner group) and the archaeologist who undertook the on-site dig at Cedar Grove. Further information will be provided to the CRG once a proposal is agreed and approved. Timing is unknown at this stage.	Note	
1.5	A meeting between Council and the Cedar Grove Landcare group has been arranged for Monday 25 November 2019.	Note	
1.6	As above.	Note	
2	Project / program status		
2.1	<p>A hard copy of the 3-week look ahead was provided to CRG members. The following items were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All underground pipework is now complete on the site. - All on-site buildings are complete and are now being fitted out. - Soundproof doors are being installed on the blower rooms. - The wetlands are complete, and plants are growing well. - Offset planting will be completed in three weeks. - Rock armour placement on the banks of the Logan River at Veresdale is being undertaken to strengthen the river banks upstream of the treatment plant. Planting will be undertaken following bank restoration. - On-site staff at the WWTP will be reduced by the end of 2019 as each work component is complete. There will be another reduction in staff in March / April 2020. - There will be no work undertaken on the Cedar Grove site between December 20 and 5 January 2020. 	Note	

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3	General Business (Cedar Grove Environmental Centre / Landcare Facility / offset planting)		
3.1	<p>LoganWIA and Council officers discussed the non-functional scope budget with members of the CRG. A hard copy of the budget was provided to each member and the following items were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A drawing was shown on screen of the access road to the Landcare facility and the start of the walking trail. It was explained to the group that there was a cost saving on the access road due to a slight change in the direction of the road. This allowed for a more direct route. The cost and design of the access road was agreed by all members of the CRG present at the meeting. - A concept layout image was shown on screen for the Landcare facility. No objections to the design were raised by the CRG members. - An example of the shelters and toilet facilities were shown on screen. No objections to the design of these elements were raised by the CRG members. - The length of the walking trail was discussed and agreed at 2.7km with approximately five shelters to be placed around the trail. - Concern was raised by the CRG regarding ongoing maintenance costs for the walking trail and community facilities (shelters / toilets etc), especially during floods and possible sustained damage. Council confirmed that maintenance of the Environmental Centre would be a Council responsibility and any issues that may arise with the community facilities on site would be addressed at the time. If required, a re-design of the facilities would be considered. - Other budget items discussed included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The administration area for the Landcare facility (donger style accommodation) o toilet block o power / water / plumbing o water tank o shipping containers for storage o landscaping o fencing. - The CRG asked if trainees would be used for landscaping on site and Council advised that it was unknown at this stage but would be raised with Council for consideration. Trainees had been active on site to date. - The CRG was asked if they accepted all allocations of non-functional scope budget and all members agreed 'yes'. 	Note	

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3.2	<p>Council provided an update on the Horizontal Directional Drilling activities under the Logan River, as part of a separate project to connect development areas via pipelines to the treatment plant. The pipe under the Logan River is being completed in three passes. This would occur at 150mm, 280mm and then full pipe size on the last pass. Delivery partners expect the pipe to be under the river by early December 2019 with works completed prior to the holiday break. On completion of the drill under the river, the delivery partner will commence on the carpark and pad for the Landcare facility.</p> <p>It is expected that construction of the Landcare facility will commence in mid-February 2020. However, initial layout of the area will likely occur in mid-January 2020. The CRG requested an inspection of works by the Cedar Grove Landcare Group Committee during the layout and early earthworks phase. This was agreed to by Council.</p>	Note	
3.3	LoganWIA will prepare a program with key milestones between now and the commissioning of the WWTP. LoganWIA expects the treatment plant to be commissioned by mid-2020. A community event will be arranged including site tours to mark the opening of the Cedar Grove Environmental Centre.	Note	
3.4	The CRG members were shown the areas for the offset planting and were asked if they would be happy to see more areas planted out on the site. The top right corner (between Dennis Road and Cedar Grove Road) was discussed as another offset planting opportunity. The CRG felt that residents would not want this area to be heavily planted as they would lose the views to the mountains. It was agreed that cluster planting would be undertaken with open space in between. The CRG was asked to follow up with nearby neighbours and report any concerns about offset planting in this area.	Note	
Date for next meeting			
4.0	The next meeting is planned for Tuesday 21 January 2020 at 6.30pm. There is the option of arriving early for CRG members to walk the community trail and view the plant.	Note	

Actions

- Coordinate site visit by the Landcare Group Committee (LoganWIA)