



ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

No 23 (City of Brisbane) Squadron

Minutes of Meeting

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MINUTES OF THE AMBERLEY CONSULTATIVE WORKING GROUP (ACWG) MEETING HELD AT RAAF BASE AMBERLEY, 23 SQUADRON, 16 MAY 17

Attendees:

WGCDR K Breaden	RAAF AMB ABXO	Chairperson
Mr J Craig	RAAF AMB BSM	
Cr C Pisasale	Ipswich City Council – Councillor Division 8	
Cr D Pahlke	Ipswich City Council – Councillor Division 10	
Mr R Newsham	Marburg Residents Associations	
Mr G Hatchman	Willowbank Area Group – President	
Mr I Dainer	Willowbank Area Group – Vice President	
Mr D Hooper	Winston Glades Community Group	
Mrs L Hooper	Winston Glades Community Group	
Mr B Behm	Local Resident	
Mr P Conroy	Local Resident	
Mrs R Conroy	Local Resident	
Mrs G Ashton	Local Resident	
Ms L Wapler	PFAS Environmental Investigation	
Mr M Buldo	Defence Project Manager - Environmental Investigations	
Ms V Glyde	Defence Project Manager - Environmental Investigations	
CPL N Spence	23 Squadron	Meeting Secretary

Apologies:

Ms J Howard, MP	Member for Ipswich
Mr I Rickuss, MP	Member for Lockyer
Mr E Dawson	Dawson's Technical Services
Mr G McLay	West Moreton Anglican College
Ms L Ashton-Stewart	Local Resident
Mr M Goddard	Local Resident
Ms K Lynch	Local Resident

ITEM 1: OPENING

1. The ACWG meeting opened at 1700 h. WGCDR Karen Breaden welcomed all present. WGCDR Breaden introduced the representatives from the PFAS Environmental Investigation Project.

ITEM 2: CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES

2. All attendees acknowledged that they had received and read the previous meeting's minutes. No issues or concerns were raised with the previous minutes.

ITEM 3: PFAS INVESTIGATION UPDATE

3. Mr Michael Buldo from the RAAF Base Amberley PFAS Environmental Investigation Project provided a brief update on the current status of the investigation at Amberley. Key points raised were that the project has commenced, the lead contractor (CH2M) has been appointed and the Sampling and Analysis Quality Plan (SAQP) is currently being developed. The SAQP will guide the collection of targeted soil, surface water, groundwater and sediment samples. Once finalised and approved, the SAQP will be publicly released and a community information session will be held to provide further information about the sampling program and schedule.

4. Any queries and questions can be directed to Ms Leslie Wapler, Communications Lead RAAF Base Amberley PFAS Environmental Investigation:

- a. Mobile: 0434 917 911
- b. Toll free number: 1800 817 751
- c. Email: Amberley@ch2m.com.au

ITEM 4: BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5. WGCDR Karen Breden thanked Mrs Glenys Ashton for her letter in regards to the opportunity to lay the wreath on behalf of the ACWG at the ANZAC Dawn Service.

6. Mr Jim Craig has passed onto the team the test results in regards to domestic water tank testing that Mr Bill Behm had sent him. Mr Bill Behm asked if there was a result from the second round of testing completed in 2014. Mr Jim Craig said it was being looked into.

7. Mr Jim Craig advised he has had no contact from the Australian Noise Exposure Forecast (ANEF) in regards to the public forum held in April/May. He is waiting out for them to contact him and will ensure that all members of the group are made aware of the date and location of the next meeting.

8. Mr Jim Craig advised there have been more trespassing signs placed across Mr and Mrs Conroy's property. Mr Jim Craig found large signs to be installed instead of the small ones originally planned. When he checked they installed the small signs.

9. Mr Jim Craig asked Bill Behm if he had been contacted in regards to the weed management plan. Bill Behm advised that Spotless said they don't do outside the fence. Spotless then proceeded to spray but missed some. They have returned with a fire company and plan to burn the block across from his gate.

ITEM 5: AMBERLEY BASE UPDATE

10. WGCDR Karen Breden has informed there are no major changes to the update since the last meeting. The tempo remains high with an average 8500 people on the base.

- a. Over the period of early June to middle of July, for Exercise Talisman Sabre there is an expectation of up to 500 US Defence persons on base that will disperse into the local community at some point.

- b. At the end of the year there will be 12 x C27J – Spartan aircraft arriving on base with 150 defence families coming into the community from late December.

ITEM 6: NOISE COMPLAINTS

- 11. WGCDR Karen Breaden summarised the Noise Report for the period of 01 Feb to 09 May 17. There were only 14 noise complaints for C17 and FA18F.

ITEM 7: COUNCIL REPORTS ON DEFENCE ISSUES

- 12. Cr David Pahlke provided a newsletter summarising happenings in the community.
 - a. The traffic count for cars turning from the Highway to Amberley-Rosewood Road is approximately 11000 cars, not including trucks.
 - b. He congratulated Mr George Hatchman on his article in the Courier Mail and his knowledge on the history of the base and the local area.
- 13. Cr Charlie Pisasale provided a written report about the state of Ipswich and summarised improvements to the local area.

ITEM 8: COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE'S FEEDBACK

- 14. Mr Ian Dainer had two topics to discuss:
 - a. He thanked Mr Jim Craig for providing information in regards to non-approval of the Willowbank NBN tower, due to a Defence objection.
 - b. He asked if the Cunningham Highway upgrade was released in the latest budget. Mr Jim Craig indicated when SADFO, ABXO and himself meet with Transport and Main Roads or State Politicians they mention the upgrade and try to progress it up the priority list.
- 15. Mr George Hatchman had two topics to discuss:
 - a. He received a call from a community member in regards to the gate access being closed on ANZAC Day. He asked if in future if guidance could be given to which gates to use.
 - b. He is attending a meeting about the rehabilitation of the vacant Mining Pit 7kms from the base. In its current state it is an environmental mess and the water board that may flow to the base.
- 16. Mr Rodney Newsham thanked the RAAF for their support on ANZAC Day on behalf of the Marburg residents.

ITEM 9: OTHER BUSINESS

17. Mr Bill Behm mentioned that Defence people are walking from the base to his place to fish. He has confronted them and advised them they can't be there and they said they have a pass and have the right. Mr Bill Behm has their registration number. Mr Jim Craig said he will get information out to not cross neighbouring properties.

For action: Mr Jim Craig to follow up.

18. Mrs Rita Conroy has spoken to the contractor in regards to the trucks being driven dangerously, speeding and overtaking. Mr Jim Craig said he will discuss with Lend Lease.

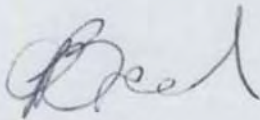
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ITEM 10: NEXT MEETING

19. Attendees to be notified when the date for the next meeting has been set.

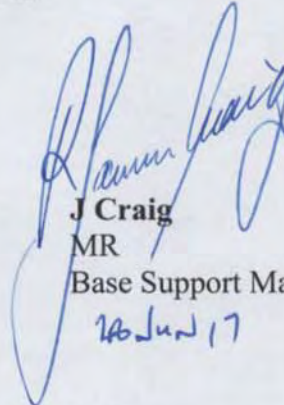
ITEM 11: MEETING CLOSED

20. The meeting was officially closed at 1805 h.



K Breden
WGCDR
Chairperson

30 Jun 17



J Craig
MR
Base Support Manager

26 Jun 17

Annex:

A. Noise Complaints Report – 01 Feb – 09 May 17

NOISE COMPLAINTS**01 Feb – 09 May 17**

DATE	TIME	AREA	AIRCRAFT
22-Feb-17	2030	Brassall	FA18F
22-Feb-17	2030	Minden	C17
23-Feb-17	2015	Eastern Heights	C17
24-Feb-17	1415	Eastern Heights	C17
24-Feb-17	1415	North Stradbroke Island	C17
09-Mar-17	1005	Point Lookout	C17
13-Mar-17	1210	Currumbin	UNKN
17-Mar-17	1055	Currumbin	UNKN
23-Mar-17	1030	Southbrook	FA18F
27-Mar-17	1430	Helidon	FA18F
27-Mar-17	1323	Drake	C17
29-Mar-17	1555	Hobartville	C17
18-Apr-17	1615	Fairney View	C17
25-Apr-17	0234	Booval	UNKN