

**MINUTES AND ACTION OUTCOMES OF THE WILLIAMTOWN CONSULTATIVE FORUM 8  
HELD AT THE PORT STEPHENS COUNCIL'S MEETING ROOM ON 21 FEBRUARY 2006**

*Meeting started:*

| <b>ITEM No.</b> | <b>AGENDA Item.</b>  | <b>MINUTES</b>  | <b>BY WHOM</b> | <b>ACTION AGREED</b>  |
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| <b>1</b>        | <b>Agenda Item 1. Introduction and opening of the meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting Chair, Geoffrey Beck, Head Infrastructure (HI), opened the eighth meeting of the Williamtown Consultative Forum at 0909 hrs.</li> </ul> |   | Geoffrey Beck  |   |
| <b>2</b>        | <b>Agenda Item 2. Attendance</b><br>See attached list  |   |                |   |
| <b>3</b>        | <b>Agenda Item 3. Acceptance of minutes from the previous meeting</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes from the WCF #7 accepted with a correction to Item 4 – delete reference to 'Williamtown'.</li> <li>Updates were provided on Action Items from previous meeting.</li> </ul>   | Geoffrey Beck  |   |
| <b>4</b>        | <b>Agenda Item 4. Salt Ash Williamtown School</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates were provided on the construction of the new library at Salt Ash School. Issue with the construction completion date.</li> <li>Defence has the consultants report for Williamtown School and are reviewing the options presented.</li> <li>Will need to liaise with NSW Education Department before agreeing to future works.</li> </ul> | Geoffrey Beck  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bob Grant to liaise with the Salt Ash School Project Officer to determine the issue in dispute, who the dispute is between and what the end date for construction will be.</li> <li>Geoffrey Beck to provide this information to the WCF members prior to the next meeting.</li> </ul> |
| <b>5</b>        | <b>Agenda Item 5. Noise Monitoring update</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quarterly reports for Apr/Jun 05 – Jul/Sep 05 tabled.</li> <li>Advised there is a technical problem with the Oct/Dcc 05 report.</li> </ul>   | Geoffrey Beck  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GPCAPT Amblcr, Bob Baldwin and Port Stephens Council to gather existing noise complaint data to be provided to the next meeting.</li> </ul>  |

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|    |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion on noise complaints received.</li> <li>• Discussion of military flying operations during the HSC period.</li> </ul>   | <p>Bob Baldwin, Port Stephens Council, GPCAPT Ambler</p> <p>Bob Baldwin</p> | <p>It is intended that this data be gathered by all parties and compiled into a central database by CSI CNNSW.</p>            |
| 6  | <b>Agenda Item 6. Ground Water Monitoring</b>                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defence provided update on progress.</li> <li>• Ground Water Monitoring is planned to commence in April 06.</li> </ul>   | Louise Cairns   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update to be presented at next meeting.</li> </ul>                                   |
| 7  | <b>Agenda Item 7. Air Quality Monitoring</b>                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defence provided update on progress.</li> <li>• Air Quality Monitoring planned commence at the end of June 06</li> </ul>   | Louise Cairns   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update will be provided at next meeting.</li> </ul>                                  |
| 8  | <b>Agenda Item 8. Master Plan</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The RAAF Base Williamtown State and Local Government Agencies Information Package February 2006 was tabled.</li> </ul>   | Bob Grant   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Kerwan/Craig Shaw to brief Port Stephens Councillors on 11 April 06.</li> </ul> |
| 9  | <b>Agenda Item 9. Other Business<br/>RAAF Water Treatment Works (WTW)</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defence is confident that the RAAF Base Williamtown WTW is not impacting on Tilligerry Creek. Port Stephens Council's independent studies also support this position.</li> <li>• Defences groundwater monitoring program will assist in understanding the issue more fully.</li> </ul> | <p>Ron Hunter<br/>Louise Cairns<br/>Bruce Petersen</p>                      |   |
| 10 | <b>Agenda Item 9. Other Business<br/>Kingshill Development</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Port Stephens Council raised the proposed residential development known as Kingshill. Defence's response to the</li> </ul>   | Trevor Allen  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geoffrey Beck to investigate whether there is a method of determining</li> </ul>     |

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|    |  | <p>Council proposal was also raised as its submission to the Department of Planning was to express Defence's concerns to developments. Council is concerned about the impact these comments may have on the future growth of the local government area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Defence indicated that although the proposed development was outside the ANEF 20 contour the site would still be affected by aircraft noise. If approved, the proposal is likely to result in complaints from residents which could impact on operations at the Base. It also has the potential to impact on future capability.</li> <li>Defence suggested installing noise monitoring devices at Medowie and North Raymond Terrace 'Kingshill'.</li> </ul> | Bob Grant                                  | <p>future noise patterns that may result from new capability introduced at Williamstown. To be reported at next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ron Hunter/Louise Cairns to examine the placement of the mobile noise monitoring stations and investigate the use of the existing portable EMUs at a position close to Kingshill at North Raymond Terrace and Medowie sites.</li> </ul> |
| 11 | Agenda Item 9. Other Business<br>Land Use Planning Study | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NSW Department of Planning advised that the Land Use Planning Strategy for a proposed employment zone south of RAAF Base Williamstown/Newcastle Airport was underway. It is expected that a consultant be appointed by mid April 06.</li> <li>Update on discussions with the Department of Planning regarding Defence's submission on the NSW Planning Reforms.</li> </ul>  | <p>Brian Murphy</p> <p>Natasha Shearer</p> |   |
| 12 | Agenda Item 9. Other Business<br>Mosquitos               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on mosquito management in the Port Stephens area. Some species have been found carrying viruses.</li> </ul>  | <p>Peter Gesling</p> <p>Bruce Petersen</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bruce Petersen to circulate Mosquito Fact Sheers to RAAF Base Williamtown</li> </ul>   |

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| 13 | Next meeting | Proposed dates for 2006.<br>16 May - 0900-1200<br>22 Aug - 0900-1200<br>14 Nov - 0900-1200 | Geoffrey Beck | • Next meeting to be held at<br>RAAF Base Williamtown.<br>Time to be provided. |
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*The meeting closed at HRS*