

**FINAL MINUTES AND ACTION OUTCOMES OF THE 10th WILLIAMTOWN CONSULTATIVE FORUM
HELD AT PORT STEPHENS COUNCIL MEETING ROOM ON 22 AUGUST 2006**

Meeting started: 1010 HRS

ITEM No.	AGENDA Item.	MINUTES	BY WHOM	ACTION AGREED
1	Agenda Item 1. Introduction and opening of the meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Chair, Geoffrey Beck, Head Infrastructure (HI), opened the tenth meeting of the Williamtown Consultative Forum at 1010 hrs. 		Geoffrey Beck	
2	Agenda Item 2. Attendance See attached list. No apologies received.		Geoffrey Beck	
3	Agenda Item 3. Acceptance of minutes from the previous meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes from the WCF #9 accepted. 	Geoffrey Beck	
4	Agenda Item 4. Salt Ash and Williamtown Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Salt Ash Primary School's library works have reached practical completion. Demolition of the old library is imminent. Proposal for the retention of the old library for other uses. With regard to the Williamtown School, the Minister for Defence has been briefed on options which should be considered to alleviate the problem at the Williamtown Public School. In the near future, the Department expects to receive guidance from the Minister. NSW Premier's Department agreed to assist with a meeting with NSW Dept Education and Training. The NSW Department of Education and Training should look at the possibility of converting the School to another use such as a child care or pre-school if it is no longer needed for educational purposes. 	Geoffrey Beck Bob Baldwin MP Geoffrey Beck Bob Baldwin MP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geoffrey Beck to investigate with NSW Dept Education and Training and respond at the next meeting. No action agreed.
5	Agenda Item 5. Noise Monitoring update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NFPMS Quarterly Reports for Apr/Jun 06 were tabled. The Chair encouraged the members to 	Geoffrey Beck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Consultant to provide

		<p>provide feedback on the format and content of the NFPMS Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maps and Tables in the report should be clearly labelled to identify issues associated with the radar. • The Karuah and Tanilba Bay monitors were moved the Kingshill area, however, not enough data collected yet. • The problem with the WLM radar data feed and its compatibility with ASA systems continues to be an issue. • Experts from Raytheon UK are coming to RAAF Base Williamtown to examine the radar problem. 	Bob Baldwin MP	<p>two 3-monthly reports on the Kings Hill two EMUs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members of the WCF to provide feedback on the format and content of NFPMS Quarterly Reports • Defence will report at the next meeting.
6	Agenda Item 6. Ground Water Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ground water monitoring program is in progress. • The draft Fact Sheet tabled. Members invited to comment. • Under the EIS consent, data is provided to HW Corporation. • General information on monitor locations could be provided on request. 	Helen Horn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helen Horn to monitor comments received on Fact Sheet for 1 week after WCF meeting and then go ahead with publication.
7	Agenda Item 7. Air Quality Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Air Quality Monitoring is progressing. Not enough data collected yet for meaningful analysis. • The draft Fact Sheet tabled. Members invited to comment. • The Fact Sheet will be published on the Defence Internet Website.. 	Helen Horn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helen Horn to monitor comments received on Fact Sheet for 1 week after WCF meeting and then go ahead with publication.
8	Agenda Item 8. NSW Department of Planning: Williamtown Employment Zone Development Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stage 1 identifying the extent of the Study Area completed. The Study Area is to the north of Cabbage Tree Road and to the west of Nelson Bay Road – total 100 ha. • Stage 2 – Detailed Environmental Investigation to assess land use capability/suitability and determine the most appropriate mix of land uses. • Stage 3 – Preparation of a Zoning and Development Control Plan framework • The focus will be on airport related land uses 	Brian Murphy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian Murphy to table the maps at the next meeting.

		rather than general industrial land uses.		
9	Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft NAL Master Plan ready for submission to Defence for comments. • New Air Combat Capability will be noisier and this needs to be taken into account when considering future land uses in the vicinity of RAAF Base Williamtown. • A State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) should be used for stopping development/rezoning of rural land. • Lack of planning for the future may place the future of the RAAF Base Williamtown in jeopardy. • The WCF was set up to address matters such as Kingshill and similar issues in order to ensure proposed developments take into consideration existing and future impacts of aircraft noise. • Defence has held brief discussions with Port Stephens Council and NSW Department of Planning regarding appropriate clauses for incorporation into the next amendments proposed for the Standard Local Environmental Plan. The aim is to be more strategic and 'proactive' in ensuring aircraft noise issues are taken into consideration in the preparation of comprehensive local environmental plans for local government areas. • With regard to Kingshill, at the present time "our" noise monitoring shows that the aircraft noise is a "no issue". The site is outside the ANEF 20 contour. 	<p>Paul Hughes</p> <p>Bob Baldwin MP</p> <p>Bob Baldwin MP</p> <p>John Kerwan</p> <p>David Broyd</p>	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Port Stephens Council is in the early stages of reviewing its Aircraft Noise Policy • Defence experience is that aircraft noise impacts also on areas outside of the ANEF affected area. 	Geoffrey Beck	
10	Agenda Item 10. Next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed dates for 2007. 14 Nov 06– 1000 -1200 	Geoffrey Beck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting to be held at NAL premises.

The meeting closed at 1100 HRS