

**Altona Complex Neighbourhood Consultative Group (ACNCG)**

Held on Thursday, 11 May 2017

Qenos, Kororoit Creek Rd

Commencing at 6.00pm

**Present:**

**ACNCG Resident Members**

Chris Rider

**Resident**

Troy Ryan

**QENOS**

Robert Berton

Les Harman

Andrew Lake

**WorkSafe**

Not Present

**Council Representatives**

Sarah Bartolo

**DOW**

Yashar Davoodi

Pram Tan

Pat Pedrotti

Nivanyah Kukan

**City West Water**

Joe Messina

**1. Welcome/Apologies**

Chris opened the meeting at 6pm and welcomed everyone.

Apologies: Cr Sandra Wilson, Brendan Murphy.

**2. Invitation for comments by visitors**

No visitors.

**3. Confirmation of Minutes from Meeting Held 10 November 2016**

The minutes from the meeting held on Thursday, 10 November 2016 were confirmed as a true and accurate representation of the meeting.

**Moved:** Andrew Lake

**Seconded:** Yashar Davoodi

**Carried**

**4. Matters Arising from Minutes of the previous minutes on 10 November 2016.**

No actions from previous minutes.

## Company Reports

### 5.1 Qenos EMT report

Andrew updated members on Qenos since November 2016.

#### PFAS Risk Assessment Process

- Qenos reported the discovery of PFAS in groundwater to EPA in December and proposed to complete a PFAS risk assessment.
- EPA issued a Clean Up notice to Qenos in December 2016 to complete the Risk assessment and to have an EPA appointed auditor verify a clean-up plan.
- PFAS is a component of firefighting foam. Qenos is phasing out.
- PFAS, although not proven, may have health links about which there is some concern
- Remediation of soil or groundwater is problematic .Approved method is high temperature incineration however this process not available yet in Australia. The EPAS are working together to develop approved waste outlets by year end.
- Qenos Environment specialist company AECOM is conducting risk assessment, to be completed by 31 Aug 17, with Clean Up Plan to be developed by March 2018
- Will discuss findings with Auditor in May and with EPA in June.
- On schedule as per EPA request
- Qenos attended PFAS summit in April run by Heads of EPA who are trying to implement a national strategy.

#### Community Engagement

- Joint March EMT meeting held with Qenos, DOW & CWW, minutes available on website, link provided, effective process.  
<http://acncg.info/assets/Uploads/Mar-21st-2017-EMT-minutes-.pdf>
- Odour audit conducted in April, - report being prepared for distribution
- Qenos attended Biodiversity Strategy meeting at Council in April with the intention to coordinate weed and pest activities within the Hobsons Bay area, unified process.
- No complaints, community not affected by shutdown

#### CWW

- In discussion with Qenos regarding Resins renewal of trade waste licence, due to expire on 31 May 2017
- Olefins plant currently meeting requirements, non detection of sulphide breaches from onsite visit early 2017
- Approved trial for the use of Amerscent 50 (deodoriser) for sewer odour treatment, on an as needs basis.

#### Improved SHE performance

- Focus on greater leadership, accountability, engagement and improved performance indicators
- Launched new dashboard system, enables employees to see safety performance measures and progress
- Complete PFAS risk assessment
- Maximise recycled water, currently use 98% of recycled water in Olefins plant
- Update environment management system documentation in preparation for ISO-14001 accreditation in 2018
- MHF safety case submission for 2017 application.

#### Business Outlook

- Gas crisis business challenge
- Oil and Australian dollar stable

- PE regional pricing expected to decline
- \$33M capital program 2017 across Qenos
- Ongoing development of new milk bottle

Overall presentation, linked provided below:

- Please note Pg. 6 of Qenos presentation, title April 2016 ACNCG Status was not updated on presentation, should be current status.

<http://acncg.info/assets/Uploads/ACNCG-May-2017-Qenos-presentation-.pdf>

### **Worksafe**

Fourth safety case due for submission in 27<sup>th</sup> May 2017

### **Energy Safe Victoria**

Gas pipeline safety case submitted, progressing well.

Electrical Safety Management System submitted and approved

## **5.2 Dow EMT report**

Pram updated the members as follows:

- March EMT positive feedback
- Safety Case – Hazard identification workshop completed, safety case review on target, submission due October 2017
- No injuries since May 2016
- No recordable containment loss since October 2015

### **CWW**

No issues to report, full compliance.

### **EPA**

Clean-up plan submitted April 2017

Feedback from Major Industry Assessment submitted in May 2017

### **WorkSafe**

No activity to report

Two routine sight visits, one improvement noticed now closed

### **Improvement Plan**

- Installation of a new gantry cage design to eliminate injury and unstable flooring
- Cost: 250k
- Small shutdown, cooling tower main focus, maintenance works and vessel inspection
- Waste audit conducted to assess management practices

## **6. Hobsons Bay City Council report**

- No new applications or further developments on existing applications.

## **7. Community Complaints**

Les reported on complaints received from November 2016 to April 2017. Link provided below. A couple of different bar graphs were presented.

<http://acncg.info/assets/Uploads/May-2017-Complaints-.pdf>

## 8. General Business

- Les presented 2017 meeting proposal for ACNCG (AGM) and combined EMTs
- Due to repetitiveness and low community attendance, it was agreed that four meetings would take place during year, ACNCG – May & November 2017 & EMT combined March & August 2017
  - **Moved:** Chris Rider
  - **Seconded:** Troy Ryan
- At the end of 2017, the ACNCG Charter will require updating to reflect year
- WorkSafe would attempt to send report for this meeting, never received, EPA, nothing to report
- Link provided below of draft agendas for upcoming EMTs and ACNCG (AGM).

<http://acncg.info/assets/Uploads/ACNCG-2017-discussion-proposal.pdf>

Next ACNCG meeting scheduled for November 2017 – date TBC (possibly second Thursday of month).

Chris declared the meeting closed at 7.25pm