

# LOCKYER VALLEY COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR'S SUMMARY

The 10th meeting of the Lockyer Valley Community Consultative Committee (CCC) was held at the Grantham Butter Factory in Grantham on **Tuesday, 21 July 2020**.

This Chair's summary provides an overview of the committee meeting regarding the Helidon to Calvert (H2C) and the Gowrie to Helidon (G2H) projects. This summary is a precursor to the committee meeting minutes, which will be published on the Inland Rail website following preparation and endorsement by the committee Chair.

The meeting was chaired by Simon Warner and attended by 12 of the 14 local community representatives, appointed as members of the committee. Two apologies were made by committee members.

A total of 25 observers attended the meeting. Before the official meeting took place, representatives from the Office of the Coordinator General (OCG) addressed, via video conference, the committee and observers to provide an overview of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process, the public consultation phase and how to make a submission when the EIS becomes available. OCG representatives also answered general questions from the floor.

The OCG representatives offered to provide the committee with support information to assist the committee to support the community to make submissions on the EIS. The committee also resolved to request the OCG to provide an eight week period for submissions on the EIS due to the significance of the project as well as the current circumstances associated with COVID-19 impacting on community interaction. This request is yet to be confirmed by the OCG.

The official CCC meeting then commenced and presentations were provided by the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC), Inland Rail G2H and H2C project teams.

Information provided by Inland Rail to the committee included:

- ▶ G2H project update, presented by Senior Environmental Advisor, Michael Price including volumetric acquisition, tunnel impacts, reverberation, operational noise and vibration, interactive 3D model of the tunnel and ventilation building.

- ▶ H2C project update, presented by Project Manager, Chris Matthews including EIS update, submission of the Draft EIS to the OCG by end of July 2020, field investigations, distribution of new project newsletter, sponsorships and donations and upcoming stakeholder engagement opportunities.
- ▶ Cultural Heritage update, presented by Cultural Heritage Manager, Damien Morrissey including European heritage, Aboriginal heritage assessments and geo-technical assessments.

General business included:

- ▶ Independent flood panel – set up by the State Government, stakeholders will have the opportunity to monitor the panel's progress through published reports. Further information can be found on the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications website: [inlandrail.gov.au](http://inlandrail.gov.au)
- ▶ Route review – ARTC has been tasked with providing information to the Australian Government to compare the service offering attributes of the Cecil Plains routes including transit times; reliability; freight availability and cost competitiveness.

The next Lockyer Valley CCC meeting is planned to be held on **20 October 2020**, location to be determined at a later stage. Further meetings will be arranged immediately following the release of the EIS for public consultation to allow for coordination of community support. It is also expected that another workshop will be arranged to provide the community and committee members with a detailed examination of the tunnel and potential impacts.

Details of the next meeting will be advertised. Please reach out to the committee members if you have queries you want raised at the meeting. Members are listed on the Lockyer Valley CCC webpage [inlandrail.com.au/lv-ccc](http://inlandrail.com.au/lv-ccc)

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