

NWTD SLG MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Name:	NWTD Stakeholder Liaison Group Meeting
Meeting date:	30 May 2023
Meeting location:	Cradle Coast Authority, 1-3 Spring St, Burnie
Chairperson	Rodney Greene

Invitees

Name	Initials	Organisation	Role
Chris Bennett	CB	Skills Tasmania	Member
Kim Bomford	KB	Housing Choices	Member
Matthew Dance	MD	TasTAFE	Member
Laura Johnson	LJ	Youth Panel	Member
Sarah Jones	SJ	UTAS	Member
Danielle Kidd	DK	West North West Working	Member
Graham Marshall	GM	YFCC	Member
Luke Sayer	LS	Department of State Growth	Member
Vanessa Skipworth	VS	TMEC	Member
Veronica Terry	VT	RDA Tasmania	Member
Sheree Vertigan	SV	Cradle Coast Authority	Member
Damian Vermey	DV	TasNetworks	Member
Chris Warr		TasNetworks	Member
Emily Norris	EN	TasNetworks	Notetaker
Sonya Booth	SB	TasNetworks	Observer
Jess Berechree	JB	Future Energy Hub	Observer

Apologies

Name	Initials	Organisation	Role
Ian Jones	IJ	Business NW	Member

Minutes

Item

Welcome and introductions

- Jess Berechree, the new Future Energy Hub Facilitator attended the meeting and introduced to the Group. TasNetworks supports this role together with the Cradle Coast Authority.
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Round robin

Members discussed key questions and feedback received from their networks and communities including:

- Rewiring the Nation, low cost financing.
 - Overhead transmission lines vs underground costs.
 - Misconception about Tasmania having an abundance of power. Discussion about busting common myths.
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Tasmanian Housing Strategy

Update provided by Brad Kelly, Project Manager - Homes Tasmania

- Draft Tasmanian Housing Strategy to be released with a four week public consultation period.
 - Feedback will inform the final Tasmanian Housing Strategy which is due for release later in 2023.
 - The final Tasmanian Housing Strategy will be supported by an action plan to guide implementation and ensure responses to Tasmania's housing challenges are agile and evolve as housing system changes. Further action plans will then be developed throughout the Strategy's lifecycle.
 - The draft Strategy aims to create a more equitable housing system where Tasmanians can live in homes where they are safe and healthy, within communities where they can thrive, and which are close to where they work.
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NW Renewable Energy Training Framework

Presentation provided by Matt Dance, Manager Industry Relationships and Business Growth TasTAFE

- TasTAFE informed SLG of the engagement of an independent consultant to conduct an environmental scan of current workforce, economic development and relevant strategic plans that align with the skills and training priorities for the region and creating an evidence-base of where training focus needs to be in the NW.
 - Includes individual consultation with key stakeholders
 - Final report: current vs future state, recommendations and an overarching approach to be completed October 2023.
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Industry Skills Compacts

Update provided by Chris Bennett, Industry Liaison Officer, Energy - Skills Tas

- Skills Tasmania is leading the implementation of Industry Compacts to shape opportunities for Tasmania's workforce.
 - Working collaboratively with businesses, industry, training organisations and government and education partners.
 - Advanced Manufacturing and Automotive Industry Compacts have been agreed in principle. Consultation regarding energy sector Compact will start soon.
 - Industry Compacts will involve stepped up commitments by industry and support priority action plans for the sectors.
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NWTD update, TasNetworks

- Update on upcoming project milestones with request for proposals (construction) issued to market in June. Lodgement of Environment Impact Statement and Development Application for Staverton-Hampshire Hills and the remaining NWTD later in the year.
- TasNetworks had a presence at Agfest with focus on NWTD project awareness raising, sentiment largely positive over the three days.
- Following Board endorsement of the Community Benefits Sharing Program Framework in March, focus has now turned to preparing the governance and administration for the program. As an accumulation of 12 months of work on the co-design framework, TasNetworks prepared a submission to the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) Awards. Acknowledged references received from stakeholders as part of the process.
- Communications: Updates provided on social media, EIS explainer video and Interactive map.
- Upcoming events in June: Burnie City Council meeting, Tasmanian Energy Development Conference, Devonport, Projects in the Pub (Engineers Aus), Devonport

Meeting close

Next meeting Tuesday 25 July
