

MINUTES OF MEETING
Meeting # 1
Glebe Island/White Bay Community Liaison Group
Tuesday 27 June 2006

Attendees	
Facilitator	Denise Wilson
Community Representatives	Carolyn Allen Ann Bastock George Cooper Damian Cobley-Finch Stephen Falkiner John Fisk Mary Mortimer
Lessees	Andrew Saldanha – Gypsum Resources Australia Thomas Carroll – Lubrizol Ben Zahra – Sugar Australia Ltd
Agencies	Shayne Wilde – Maritime NSW Tim Moore – City of Sydney Jeff Thompson – Leichhardt Council
Sydney Ports	Alistair Palmer Christa Sams Kamini Parashar Polly Bennett

Meeting Record

1. Welcome and Introductions

All present introduced themselves.

2. Objectives of the Group

The objectives of the group were reiterated – as per the Terms of Reference of the Group.

3. Role of facilitator

Information confirming the role of the facilitator was handed out.

4. Roles of Community representatives

As per the Terms of Reference.

Question – Whether it was appropriate for proxy members to attend in case a community representative was not able to.

Response – Advised that it was not appropriate to do this, considering the group was meeting only once a quarter. However, if a community member was away for a longer period than 2/3 meetings this would be considered.

Question – Were residents of Glebe invited to join the group?

Response – this was not an objective of the group for Sydney Ports as they are not direct neighbours to the Sydney Ports area being discussed. However, two resident groups from Glebe who approached Sydney Ports about this were informed that they would receive a list of CLG members whom they could approach for further information/to raise issues on their behalf and they would be able to access minutes from the Sydney Ports website. CLG members agreed that this would be appropriate.

5. Role of SPC representatives and a short presentation by SPC on the current and future uses of the port

SPC represented on the group by Commerce and Logistics, Environment and Corporate Affairs staff.

Short overview by SPC including details of current lessees and development proposals including Independent Cement and Lime (IC&L) and Bailey's. A map of current lessees and development proposals was distributed.

IC&L is currently reviewing its proposal in light of the submissions received, especially with regard to dust and noise impacts.

Bailey's Marine Fuels has a proposal for a Common User Marine Precinct comprising refuelling facilities, at White Bay 6 and are preparing an Environmental Assessment.

Action - SPC committed that when information regarding these developments is available for public dissemination, the group would be notified by SPC as a priority.

Question – capacity comparison between Cement Australia (currently operating on site) and IC&L.

Response – Cement Australia is currently storing 500,000 tonnes whereas IC&L is seeking a capacity of 360,000 tonnes.

Discussion about IC&L including who is the consent authority for the proposal (Department of Planning - DOP), what is SPC's role (SPC is the landlord and following consideration of proposed development, provides landowner's consent so that the proposal can be assessed by the relevant authority).

Question – It has been raised in the community that trade through White Bay/Glebe Island is only 1% (clarification sought about 1% of what)

Action – SPC to respond to the group about what level of trade (and find out the validity of 1%) is through the port.

Question - Some residents brought to the attention of the group that Leichhardt Council was proposing to ask for a forum on the IC&L development and whether SPC CLG members would attend this.

Response – SPC would attend if appropriate.

6. Role of lessees and agencies

Maritime NSW – have a regulatory role on the water and are responsible for monitoring SPC's compliance with the Port Safety Operating Licence. They have a marine pollution response responsibility. NSW Maritime has a Masterplan for Rozelle Bay.

Question – whether there is a Masterplan for the site

Action – website link to the SPC Masterplan covering the Glebe Island/White Bay port area to be sent to group members by SPC. It was advised that the Masterplan is now deemed to be a Development Control Plan (DCP). Link given below:

<http://www.sydneyports.com.au/Mediaroom/main.asp?pageid=186>

Sydney City Council – supports working harbour and interested in impact on residents within their council.

Leichhardt Council – interested as adjoining owner of land, traffic issues as they impact the wider network and also interested in the Bailey's proposal from a 'needs' basis as there is a similar proposal at Ballast Point by Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority.

Lubrizol – handle liquids that go into lubricants. Ships unload on to barges and product transported up Parramatta River. They have approximately 6 vessel visits per year.

Gypsum Resources Australia – import gypsum from South Australia. Advised approximately 18 vessels per year visit the site.

Sugar Australia – import sugar from Queensland. Have a food grade fully enclosed facility on site to handle storage and distribution sugar. Approximately 16 vessels per year visit the site. (*Chair's Note: Following the meeting, Sugar Australia advised that the confirmed number is approximately 10 vessels per year*)

7. Conduct of the meeting – agenda, minutes

DW/KP to draft agenda, and DW to send to all group members for comment one week before meeting. DW to finalise agenda following feedback.

Meetings to be held from 5.30pm till 7.00 pm on the third Tuesday of the month, every quarter.

Action: email protocol agreed upon, everyone to only reply to the person who has sent the email, not to all. Action by all.

8. Protocols for the group

Attention was drawn to the media protocol for the group.

It is expected that the community members of the group will feedback information to and receive information from the community groups they represent.

9. Department of Environment and Conservation Environment Protection Licence for WB berth 4

Sydney Ports tabled the complaint report required under the DEC licence for White Bay 4. The SPC 24-hour complaints number is 9296 4000. There were 2 reported incidents since the licence commenced in July 2005.

10. Next Meeting

SPC raised the possibility of a port tour for the group prior to the next meeting.

Action – SPC to arrange.

Next meeting to be held tentatively on Tuesday 19 September at the same time and venue (if available).

11. Other matters

A point was raised about the lack of co-ordination between government agencies. SPC will invite agencies when required by the group, if there is an agenda item which requires a particular agency to be present. DEC has indicated they will attend when possible.

Discussion on the SEPP's and other planning instruments applicable to the area.

Action – SPC to source this information and make available to the group at the next meeting.

The meeting concluded at 7.00 pm.

Next Meeting:		
Date: 19 Sept 2006	Time: 5.30pm	Location: Clontarf Cottage

I confirm that this is an endorsed copy of the Minutes of Meeting No 1
Denise Wilson, Id Planning, Facilitator