

**Adbri Community Liaison Group Meeting
Held on Monday 2nd September 2024
City of Port Adelaide Enfield Council Town Hall 6 pm**

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge and pay respect to the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet. We pay respect to Elders past and present. We respect their spiritual beliefs and connections to land which are of continuing importance to the living Kurna people of today.

2. OPENING

Meeting opened at 6:05 pm with a welcome and acknowledgement of country. The meeting was facilitated by independent facilitator Barbara Chappell and notes taken by Brenton Chappell from Simply Speaking. Barbara welcomed everyone to the Adbri Community Liaison Group (CLG) meeting and went through housekeeping and proposed guidelines for how the people gathered could talk with one another respectfully and have a productive meeting.

When she had a majority agreement to the guidelines, she proceeded to work through the meeting agenda.

3. ATTENDANCE RECORD

Cr Peter McGregor, Tracy Nelder, David Vaughan, Andrew Pruszinski, Katie Williams; Michael Williams, Craig Mackenzie, Peta Wingrove, Johan Revalk; Peter Baker, Bradley Prosser, Alison Derry, Brett Peterson, Tony Bazeley, Debra Stoeckel, Shane Stoeckel; Donna Hilton, Celia Brougham, Greg Miller, Judy Dei facilitator Barbara Chappell, note taker Brenton Chappell. Community members: John Fitzpatrick, Cr Steve Vines, Hayden Shaw, Chris Lehman, Tammy Franks, Bernadette Ryan, Warrick Norman, Stephen Norwood, Sean Carey, Jane Edwards, Melanie Carter, Karyn Hall, Scott Hall, Zdenko Dulznovic, Kay Ronai, Zoe Gordon, Gaye Howe, Scott Anderson, Peta W, Judy Deime.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Distributed via email.

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Residents Charter

Brett Peterson presented a situational analysis of the Birkenhead plant to provide context for the draft Residents Charter (attached to the minutes).

The presentation was comprehensive including pictures of the proximity of the factory to houses, minimal screening from the road and residences; and a slide of the CRH Sustainability Frameworks, People and Community:

- Building a Culture of Safety, Inclusion and Engagement

- People are our priority, and business performance depends on the strength of our relationships with employees, contractors, supply chain and the relationships we build with the communities where we operate.
- We focus on creating a world-class culture of safety and well-being and foster continuous development, inclusion, acceptance, trust, respect and teamwork to promote a thriving workplace.
- Using our reach and influence, we build strong, positive relationships with our local communities in order to make a positive difference for people, society and the environment on a large scale.

Cr McGregor provided an overview of the City of Port Adelaide Enfield's vision for the area. The community is an established one with changing demographics and increasing population growth. He indicated Adbri's "reactive and limited engagement" is not acceptable. The Residents Charter & EIP are to reflect concerns for environmental and health impacts. An effective social License is built in part on broad, inclusive, genuine public engagement. Aerial shots were shown of raw material storage on the Adbri site.

Deb Stoeckel showed pictures of her water tanks and cement dust on surrounding concrete.

Brett Peterson presented the 12 components of the Residents Charter of Rights in relation to the operations of the Adbri Birkenhead Plant and invited questions.

There was a question about whether Adbri would provide funding for the implementation of the Residents Charter. An Adbri representative agreed to take this question on notice.

6.2 Adbri Presentation

Adbri Operations Manager Michael Williams provided a presentation on the Environment Improvement Plan (EIP), the timeline and consultation; focus areas and the draft EIP project list (presentation attached to minutes).

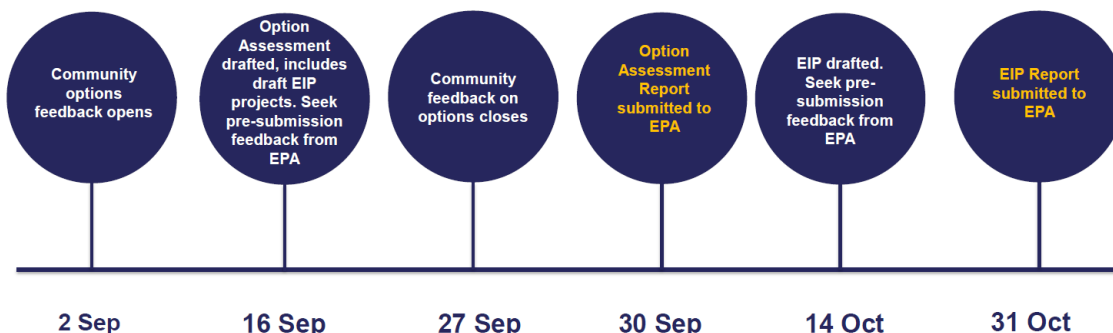
Summary of the points covered in the presentation:

Adbri's Cement draft EIP project list has been informed by the community priority topics of dust, communication, monitoring, odour and noise and incorporates feedback from the EPA on a previous draft.

The consultation process is informed by internal knowledge, expert advice and community feedback.

A timeline for the process was provided

Indicative timeline



Projects have an improvement pathway through which project effectiveness can be measured and assessed for how they contribute to the overall EIP success.

The light blue projects on the EIP Project list have been added since the dust event and EPO.

Communication improvement project outlined. Alert system established to allow the community to opt-in for the services to learn first-hand of any updates.

Clinker shed improvement project. Looking at options to further strengthen sealing of the shed and improve settling of dust inside the shed.

Dust collector improvement project. Automatic performance monitoring installed on key dust collectors, with redirection of the dust return of others has been highlighted as improvement options.

Clinker and cement handling improvement project. Looking at options to further improve sealing of the handling network to reduce spills on the inside of the towers to reduce dust generated from the process and ensuring all doors remain closed.

Stacks improvement project. Looking at short-term performance improvements in addition to long-term technology assessments on the three inputs (cooler bag filter, 4A ESP and Bypass ESP) to stack 4A.

Raw materials improvement project. Improving dust collection from the dry mix silo, the raw material transfer tower and dust containment around the material management truck tip off. Installing additional wind curtains on the river side of the limestone stockpile to reduce wind generated dust.

General dust improvement project. Responding to weather conditions and monitored dust levels across site to better utilise these controls. Other controls in place include truck and loader movements are minimised as much as possible; use of pneumatic trucks (instead of open top trucks) across the site; truck unloading areas (except project 20) have rapid raise doors to contain dust from unloading operations. The clinker shed has an air lock which provides additional sealing.

Monitoring improvement project. Full review of on-boundary and in-community monitoring network to better measure a range of dust types, including depositional dust.

Noise improvement project. Use of an independent odour consultant to assess the site to clarify odour contributors,

Michael also talked about the Birkenhead material storage areas, the cement manufacturing process and information on the RDF process.

Question and Answer Session

Prior to taking questions from attendees, the facilitator asked if anyone had noticed one convergence between the Residents Charter and the Adbri presentation?

The reference was to the early warning and notification outlined in the Residents Charter and responded to in the Adbri presentation. One step forward.

Q: Timelines and how things will be rolled out, so things can be measured?

A: EIP requires dates to be included to the project plan.

Q: How will cost impact on what can be done?

A: EIP is a three-year plan. Projects are implemented at various stages. People registered for the early warning with Adbri will receive the information. The updates to the CLG are for the community. Completion times will be in the final EIP.

Q: Is there anything that has been ruled out?

A: The Clinker shed is the most problematic of the projects. A major problem is how to dismantle the shed and build a new one while continuing to contain the dust and mitigate risks?

Tony Bazeley made the observation that an evaluation of the last EIP would be useful in the development of the current EIP. The last EIP review and assessment was conducted late last year and is on Adbri website <https://adelaidebrightoncommunity.com.au/your-environment/environmental-performance/> (N.B. Publicly accessible documents on the Adbri site is a requirement of the EPA licence.)

Michael advised that the Options Assessment is due to the EPA by the end of September and the final EIP is due in October.

Adbri will be working with as many community members as possible reviewing the EIP projects, so the revised EIP is ready for October.

Monitors on community sites such as the dog park do not have trigger alerts associated with them. Q: Tony Bazeley asked if this can that be done?

A: All triggers are internal at this time. Adbri will look into the request for community monitoring to be part of the triggering process.

Q: An attendee asked about reporting the damage to her solar panels and when she would hear from Adbri?

A: Majority of solar panels have been cleaned, however more contractors are needed.

Adbri had advised that there would be a presentation on RDF (Refuse Derived Fuel). This is to occur at the December CLG meeting.

Q: How do we ensure that any work undertaken does not add to greenhouse gas emissions.

A: Every project undertaken looks at its carbon footprint with this in mind.

There was a general discussion around greenhouse gase emissions. The approach to be taken by Adbri will be based on CRH's worldwide policy.

Q: Does sulphur dioxide have any relation to RDF? Will this be looked into?

A: Adbri undertook to provide a response to this question.

RDF is processed off-site. Adbri conducts its own assessment on the RDF for its measurement of plastic. Filter technology is part of the EIP process.

The facilitator suspended questions at this point so the EPA presentation could be given.

6.3 EPA Presentation

The presentation provided an overview of the work the EPA has been doing since the previous CLG meeting on 22 July 2024.

Summary of the points covered in the presentation:

- EPA continues to undertake regular surveillance and unannounced site inspections of the Adbri facility.
- Meeting weekly with Adbri regarding its progress in achieving compliance with the requirements of the Environment Protection Order.
- Continually reviewing air monitoring data from its ambient air quality monitoring stations.
- On 19 August 2024 the EPA, along with SA Health, hosted a Community Conversation Session. 48 people attended and asked for the following:
 - A 'warning system' i.e. can residents be notified when incidents occur at Adbri, or when air quality is poor on a particular day.
 - Better communication from Adbri.
 - Improved information and knowledge about the air quality in the area and what is coming out of Adbri's stacks – 24/7.
 - Explanation of air monitoring data and what it means for the community – to be presented in a way that the community understands– not just raw data.
 - More information about the burning of RDF and what is in the RDF.
- Information sheets the EPA and SA Health handed out at the Community Conversation Session are available on the EPA website <https://engage.epa.sa.gov.au/adbri-birkenhead>

7. Other questions

Q: Will the drop-in sessions organised for the consultation be enough? Cr McGregor questioned the scale of the coverage area for the consultation?

Q: Comment that the Adbri Community Engagement Plan is very broad and non-specific; and could the CLG community members be more involved in the CE Plan.

A: The CLG community members were given the opportunity to provide feedback on the CE Plan.

Q: Can the EIP be enforced if there is a breach.

A: The EPA is focused on environmental impacts and assessing these impacts on the public.

Q: When dust escapes does it get further degraded by weather events?

A: Yes. This can occur with any particle. Stormwater flows are being monitored for particulate matter (EPA).

Comment: Placement of additional monitoring stations. We don't seem to be getting enough additional monitoring stations.

Q: Are trucks moving into the community unwashed?

A: Adbri advised that all trucks go through a truck and wheel wash.

Q: Does the EPA have other EIPs that could be looked at as examples?

A: Yes, they can be found on the EPA website, however, it needs to be noted that each EIP is an individual construct. It's not a homogeneous exercise.

Q: Will the questions submitted by attendees at the July meeting be responded to?

A: The EPA responses are on the EPA Engage website.

Will another meeting be organised for the CLG to review the feedback on the EIP from the community? Nil response.

The facilitator concluded the meeting at this point.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 2nd December 2024 at 6:00 pm in the PAE Town Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm