

# TRUenergy COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP

## MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 2008

MEETING	TALLAWARRA LANDS CLG MEETING		MEETING NUMBER	5/2008
HELD AT	TRUENERGY TALLAWARRA SITE, WOLLONGONG		DATE	20 AUGUST 2008
PROJECT	TALLAWARRA CLG MEETING			
ATTENDEES	Rhonda Warner	Local resident		
	Michael Andrews	Conservation Volunteers		
	Doug Prosser	Lake Illawarra Authority		
	Rita Webb	Dapto Chamber of Commerce		
	Tony Gardner	Concerned Residents of East Dapto		
	Chris Brandis	Illawarra Bird Observers Club		
	John Osseweyer	Scouts Australia		
	Bill Sarkiss	Winten Property Group		
	Geoff McEntee	TRUenergy		
	Sarah Stent	TRUenergy		
	Anthony Savenkov	TRUenergy		
	Graham Dowers	TRUenergy		
	Lloyd Townsend	TRUenergy		
	Lucy Greig	Elton Consulting (Note-taker)		
	Brendan Blakeley	Elton Consulting (Facilitator)		
APOLOGIES	Graham Towers	Department of Planning		
	Andrew Knowlson	Duck Creek Catchment Group		
	Jill Merrin	Healthy Cities Illawarra		
	Jon Bridge	Wollongong City Council		
DISTRIBUTION	To all invitees			

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### 1.0 Welcome & Introductions – Brendan Blakeley, Elton Consulting

*The meeting commenced just after 4.30pm. Brendan welcomed all those present, noting that Bill Sarkiss would replace Ben Burgess as the representative from Winten Property Group. Apologies were received from Jill Merrin, Graham Towers, Andrew Knowlson and Jon Bridge.*

*Detailed comments on the minutes of the previous meeting were made by Jill Merrin in her email to Elton Consulting dated 6 August 2008. Jill's comments were read aloud to the CLG. Please see **Attachment A**.*

*Following discussion, the minutes of the previous meeting were accepted with the following changes:*

*Comments relating to presentation by Sarah Stent (page 4 of previous minutes)*

- Jill Merrin: Is the Social and Environmental Report registered under the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)?*
- Sarah Stent: The report has been produced for seven years but is not yet registered under the Global Reporting Initiative. The aim is to meet the GRI standards. The report may be registered if the company is publicly listed.*
- Jill Merrin: What is the budget for the overall social/environmental responsibility program? Can you provide the figure for the next CLG meeting? It should be*

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*available through the annual reporting process?*

- *Sarah Stent: The budget for this overall program has not yet been determined. A detailed and fully costed program will be determined upon completion of the rezoning.*

*Presentation by Sam Robinson, CVA (page 4 of previous minutes):*

- *Jill Merrin: What is the budget for the bush regeneration program?*
- *Sarah Stent: \$20,000 per year for two years.*
- *Daryl Goldrick: There needs to be ongoing management of natural areas.*
- *TRUenergy: An Environmental Management Plan will be completed as part of the DA phase.*
- *Jill Merrin: High conservation areas need management separate from development proposals. What is the budget for the work on natural area management to date?*
- *TRUenergy: Conservation works carried out to date include those around the creek and wetlands and the weir removal.*
- *Doug Prosser: Request to transfer the foreshore areas to the LIA.*

### Additional comments:

- It was clarified that the CVA program may involve a range of community based activities and will not necessarily be limited to bush regeneration programs.

*Adoption of the minutes was moved by Doug Prosser and seconded by Rita Webb.*

### Matters arising from minutes

- Tony Gardner requested figures for the number of local people employed on the site during the construction phase.
- Geoff McEntee: There were 500-600 people employed on site during the construction phase from the local area. That is from areas including Southern Sydney, Nowra and further west. During the peak of construction approximately 90% of employees were from the local area. Some Alston employees came from overseas and Sydney, however the majority were local people. Geoff explained that it is not possible to provide an exact figure for the number of 'local' people employed on the site, as employees who provide a local address may have moved to the area from further afield, for the purpose of seeking work. It is believed that all civil employees and many electricians came from the local area.
- Lloyd Townsend noted that it would be very unusual to source all the tradespeople needed for a project of this scale from the local area. All contractors employed by TRUenergy were from the local area including TPE and IVS etc. TRUenergy generally prefers to employ local people but does not have a say in Alstom's recruitment policy.
- Tony Gardner asked for the street names defining the newsletter distribution area.
- Brendan Blakeley circulated a map showing the newsletter distribution area. He noted that the shaded area on the map covers approximately 4,000 dwellings. He explained that distribution of Community Updates is undertaken by Illawarra Vocational Services, a local organisation who provides employment for people with an intellectual or physical disability. Community Updates are also placed in the early news section of

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both the Illawarra Mercury and Lake Times newspapers, in order to maximise their visibility.

- Tony Gardner requested the street names for the outer boundaries of the newsletter distribution area.
- This request was taken on notice. Please see **Attachment B**.

### 2.0 Power Station Works Update & Site Maintenance Update – Geoff McEntee & Lloyd Townsend, TRUenergy

Geoff McEntee made the following key points:-

#### Lands Management

- Pedestrian bridge across inlet canal has been removed. New bridge will have screens to prevent entry by fishermen, etc.
- Mowing around site continuing by RK Evans.
- Landscaping contract has been let.
- Vandal damage to contractor earth moving equipment 3 weeks ago.
- CVA representative taken on site tour – to identify relevant projects.
- Wetlands being monitored by independent lab – all are in good condition, within relevant specifications.
- As per Wollongong City Council's request, a more detailed soil contamination report has been sent to design group/Council for the security building area.
- Northern drain culverts and drains being cleaned out. This will help to prevent contamination entering the lake.
- Power station security fencing has started - two inner fences, one with sensor tape.
- A temporary noise monitoring recorder been installed at the STP.

#### Questions and comments:

- Cheryl Lappin: Is this base data? Have readings been taken before?
- Lloyd Townsend: You can tell whether readings are regular or irregular, but not from this particular location.
- A letter has been received from Landcare Illawarra regarding seed collection on the site. This request is currently being assessed. The person collecting the seeds needs to have a licence from NPWS.

Geoff McEntee showed a number of images of the site. He noted that most of the work done over the last few months has been inside the power station building.

Geoff McEntee made the following key points:-

#### Power station progress

Power plant:

- The onsite labour force has reduced to 300 in total and will continue to fall to 150 people over the next few weeks.
- Progress on the site has involved 1.5 million man-hours and there have been no safety incidents to date – including through the commissioning which is regarded as

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the most dangerous phase.

- The whole power plant is back-filled.
- Commissioning continues, overlapped with final construction.
- The gas turbine will be fired in the next three weeks.
- TRUenergy will not be reticulating gas until the last moment in order to minimise risk.
- The gas turbine has been rotated using the generator as a motor.
- Canal works are nearing completion.
- Once fired up, the stack will not emit any steam or smoke. There will be a low hum, but no general noise during the power station's operation.

Switchyard:

- High voltage power available to run large drives etc.
- Security and general clean up is underway.

Gas pipeline:

- Ready to supply plant for commissioning.

### Questions and comments:

- Cheryl Lappin: Will the towers that come down be used for scrap metal/recycling?
- Graham Dowers: It is anticipated that the towers, which are owned by Integral not TRUenergy, will be used for scrap metal.
- Tony Gardner: Will there be a test run of the power station before it commences operation?
- Geoff McEntee: The shaft that will produce power has been spun. Before the power station commences operation there will be a test run of the gas turbine. The power station has not yet run using gas. Testing will involve using a small amount of gas to make sure the igniters work. This is an essential part of the operation process. Following testing, the station will be supplied with gas and the power station will operate from then on using gas.
- Doug Prosser: What is the approximate diameter of the turbine?
- Geoff McEntee: Approximately four metres, narrowing toward the combustors.
- Cheryl Lappin: Will the CLG be able to do a site tour?
- Geoff McEntee: Yes. However there are certain areas that the group will not be able to access. For instance, no one (including Geoff) can go into the gas turbine area which is alarmed.

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### 3.0 Tallawarra Stage B Update – Graham Dowers, TRUenergy

- Graham Dowers stated that TRUenergy is close to submitting the Environmental Assessment for Tallawarra Stage B to the NSW Department of Planning (DoP) for its review.

#### Questions and comments:

- Cheryl Lappin: Is Tallawarra B being assessed under Part 3a of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (EP&A)?
- Graham Dowers: Yes, as it has been identified as a Critical Infrastructure project.
- There were no other questions regarding Tallawarra Stage B.

### 4.0 Presentation / Update – Michael Andrews, Community Volunteers Australia (CVA)

Michael Andrews explained that CVA has been engaged by TRUenergy to deliver a program of works for the site to the value of \$20,000 per year over the next 2 years. He noted that the program could involve a range of works, not just bush regeneration works. He made the following key points:-

- CVA has been discussing opportunities to partner with TRUenergy for several years. CVA's mission is to attract and manage a force of volunteers in practical conservation projects for the betterment of the environment. CVA has 25 years of experience and 22 offices around Australia, with a further two offices in New Zealand. Michael Andrews is the Regional Manager located in the organisation's Wollongong office.
- Corporate relationship – The Tallawarra project is an opportunity to test the relationship between TRUenergy and CVA. Over the next 12 months CVA to deliver 20 volunteer project days.
- To date CVA has consulted with Illawarra Bird Observers, Illawarra Noxious Weeds Authority, Lake Illawarra Authority, Department of Environment and Climate Change, Scouts, Landcare Illawarra and TRUenergy staff.
- CVA has prepared a long-list of potential activities to be considered as part of this project, and will refine this into a shortlist in liaison with TRUenergy.

#### Duck Creek rehabilitation:

- Site/survey and mapping
- Environmental weed control
- Plant 500 natives
- Establish a walking track through Duck Creek corridor. This will be a marked walkway for use on organised events, volunteer days and educational events. It will not be a publicly accessible thoroughfare.
- Native seed collection for the future – particular species within the Illawarra are disappearing and there is no active pollination. Landcare Illawarra has been dealing with this issue for some time and seeks to plant seed orchards in appropriate sites throughout the Illawarra. Mount Brown is a significant location in Landcare Illawarra's list of identified sites. A project of this nature has benefits in terms of both seed collection and increasing community awareness of the issue. For a list of Illawarra species see the Southern Councils website. Mount Brown offers good sites for seed

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collection as the Tallawarra project progresses.

### Advantages of seed collection:

- Builds on LIA foreshore corridor.
- Opportunity to involve volunteers from the early planning phase through to implementation.
- Opportunity to provide educational skills development events.
- Provides a wide range of volunteer activities such as planting, mapping and weed control work.
- CVA is seeking input from the CLG and volunteers regarding environmental weed issues, where these are most prominent, where livestock runoff is an issue, etc.

### Challenges ahead:

- Establishing / promoting an appealing calendar of events
- Attracting / engaging interested volunteers
- Developing / maintaining strong partnerships.

### Questions and comments:

- Cheryl Lappin noted that Wollongong Botanic Garden has been undertaking similar seed collection works for some time.
- Cheryl Lappin: Which groups is CVA looking to work with?
- Michael Andrews: Older people / retirees, school and university aged young people, Centrelink Community Volunteering Program participants, international volunteers (particularly backpackers), school and scout groups. We will also be appealing to people to make further suggestions through the next Community Update and community events.
- Brendan Blakeley invited CLG members to suggest any other groups or youth organisations that could be involved in these initiatives.
- Cheryl Lappin: Will CVA be doing works which would be ordinarily required by TRUenergy as part of the rezoning consent anyway? Cheryl noted that she has worked on two similar projects. She noted the importance of seed grass in relation to the Tallawarra site, rather than restoration and tree planting. She commented that CVA has an opportunity to do some meaningful research on these sites, depending on the nature and skills base of the volunteers who are brought on board to assist. She suggested volunteers from Wollongong University.
- Brendan Blakeley: TRUenergy in liaison with CVA is taking the initiative to undertake a program of works on the site that might otherwise be done as part of the approvals process, which may be two years off. TRUenergy is attempting to see how the relationship with CVA works through undertaking smaller projects in the short term to test the water, prior to commencing larger projects. Some of the suggested projects for CVA have been requested by CLG members.
- Graham Dowers: TRUenergy could have sat back and waited until particular works have to be done, for instance in two or three year's time. However, we have been willing to expend funds early to undertake works over and above those the company

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is required to do. TRUenergy will continue to move forward with this approach.

- Sarah Stent: CVA does not *work for* corporate clients. The organisation seeks to develop long term sustainable programs that involve volunteers. The proposal is for an ongoing program. If the program works well over the next two years, TRUenergy may look at further opportunities.
- Graham Dowers: The site provides the potential for universities and senior schools to participate in the ecological, environmental and technical aspects of the power station. Some links are already starting to be formed with university groups.
- Geoff McEntee: TRUenergy has been going to schools to explain what is being developed on the site and the long term project.
- Doug Prosser noted that the LIA has also had links with universities over many years.
- Rhonda Warner commented that it would be a great shame if CVA became a cheap labour force to carry out site works which would need to be done by TRUenergy anyway.
- Cheryl Lappin suggested that there may be an opportunity for CVA to explore its existing database of volunteers to carry out research and monitoring. She noted that skilled volunteers such as university students could conduct valuable monitoring (CL to forward suggestions). She commented that the (\$40,000) resources allocated to this work could be perceived negatively by the community. She sees the program of works to be managed by CVA as something that would be done in accordance with the overall master plan for the development. She would hate to think the work undertaken could be removed at a later date. She would like to see CVA engaged to do seed banking, etc in the future. Cheryl commented that she admires TRUenergy for undertaking this work which she believes is positive.
- Geoff McEntee: University students are already involved in conservation projects associated with the outfall canal and seagrass.
- Michael Andrews: CVA will be seeking to involve the community in ongoing initiatives. Group members were asked to forward all suggestions to the CLG's Chair (Brendan Blakeley).
- Brendan Blakeley: Duck Creek has been identified as a significant corridor for future works. The work undertaken as part of the CVA projects would feed into these longer term works. The works will be contributory and will not be 'undone' in time as the project progresses. The weir removal was undertaken upfront by TRUenergy for positive environmental reasons. TRUenergy and CVA are seeking to involve the CLG and relevant individuals and organisations in thinking strategically about the works to be undertaken.
- Doug Prosser noted that it may not be easy for CVA to find volunteers.
- Brendan Blakeley asked Rhonda Warner and Tony Gardner if they would like to suggest any community groups for CVA to contact in relation to the project.
- Rhonda Warner responded that she is considering one community group and will advise of any further information in due course.

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### 5.0 Tallawarra Lands – Anthony Savenkov, TRUenergy

- Wollongong City Council has endorsed the Wollongong City Wide LEP for public exhibition and is currently awaiting a Section 65 certificate prior to exhibition of the LEP. Following that, the LEP will be publicly exhibited.

#### Questions and comments:

- Tony Gardner commented on the Tallawarra Lands cultural report undertaken as part of the LES. He read aloud from the document about a proposed 'review' and queried whether this had taken place, what was the response and who conducted it?
- This question was taken on notice.
- Tony Gardner commented that Dootch Kennedy, president of the local Aboriginal Land Council, would like to be involved in the Tallawarra Lands project.
- Brendan Blakeley: The Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council has been invited to attend CLG meetings from the commencement of the CLG process and has been involved in the project to date. Sharralyn Robinson of the Council replaced former representative Basil Smith who was involved in the CLG from day one. Sharralyn Robinson receives invitations to attend all CLG meetings.
- Anthony Savenkov: The LES involved input from around a dozen Aboriginal stakeholders. TRUenergy welcomes input from Aboriginal groups. Aboriginal groups were involved in the EIS, LES and pipeline permitting process as per relevant guidelines.
- There was a discussion about the most appropriate way of seeking representation from the Aboriginal community. Rhonda Warner commented from her experience with working with Aboriginal people that the definition of 'local' needs to be addressed and sometimes people do not realise they had an opportunity to participate, until they have missed it.
- Brendan Blakeley: The consultation process for archaeological and cultural heritage matters is in accordance with the statutory framework and relevant National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) policy for consulting with Aboriginal communities. There is a process set out for consultation with Aboriginal communities which usually involves engagement of an Aboriginal Heritage consultant.
- Anthony Savenkov: The consultation undertaken by TRUenergy as part of the LES was over and above the relevant statutory requirements on all fronts – ie consultation with Aboriginal communities and the broader community. TRUenergy will continue to do this. All interested parties should identify themselves to TRUenergy through direct communication to Anthony Savenkov.
- Tony Gardner: What is the Structure Plan? When will it be released?
- TRUenergy: The Structure Plan takes Council's LEP and translates it into a fleshed out map. It includes roads and vegetation and identifies how the various parts of the site fit with one another. It is the step between the rezoning map and the Development Application (DA). The Structure Plan was prepared about 12 months ago and was



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presented to the CLG by architecture firm Cox. The Structure Plan will be further refined over time as more knowledge of the site is gathered, in accordance with the LEP. The Structure Plan is prepared as part of the DA process. It does not have formal planning status.

- Brendan Blakeley: The Structure Plan is indicative and was included by Council as part of the LEP documentation. For instance it shows the buffers between light industrial and residential areas. The Structure Plan visually demonstrates the information contained in the LEP.
- Cheryl Lappin: A Structure Plan is a way of justifying that a particular site has the capacity to include particular zonings. It is a way of demonstrating how the development can occur, but does not mean that it *has to* be done in that way. Cheryl noted that it would provide useful supporting information for the LEP exhibition process.
- Brendan Blakeley noted that what is shown within the LEP exhibition is not up to TRUenergy's. It is WCC's process. There is no additional documentation around the Structure Plan beyond what was shown at the CLG workshop with Cox Richardson early last year.
- Tony Gardner: What is the site vision?
- Brendan Blakeley: The site vision has been publicly available since 2003-04 through the meeting minutes and project website. The CLG's vision for the site was shown at the initial consultation at the Ribbonwood centre. Please see **Attachment C**.
- Tony Gardner Requested information regarding a survey to review the effectiveness of the consultation process.
- Brendan Blakeley: A survey of CLG members was conducted and presented back to the CLG in 2005.
- Cheryl Lappin: I think we are quite fortunate that we have a CLG where we can discuss the Tallawarra Lands site and have a chance to contribute to the project.
- Tony Gardner: What is consultation? What is community engagement?
- Brendan Blakeley: Community engagement is a broad term that encompasses a range of processes such as consultation and communications activities and events, as well as statutory exhibition processes. The term consultation usually refers to the process of seeking feedback on a specific proposal or proposals.
- Tony Gardner: I think it would be nice to have a session for the community. A newsletter is junk mail that most people would throw out. Invite the community along through a full page add in the Illawarra Mercury. Once it is presented as the LEP people do not believe they can change it, because they do not know how the planning system works.
- Group members: There were two community information sessions held that were open to the whole community.
- Cheryl Lappin: If people were interested wouldn't they read the newsletter or approach TRUenergy? This project is long term. The process is now gaining momentum.

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- Rhonda Warner: Not everyone would take such action. The majority of people feel disempowered and the project is now becoming more real to people.
  - Brendan Blakeley: I understand your point about broad consultation. The LEP is Council's process. TRUenergy will be talking to Council about potential opportunities for broad consultation.
  - Cheryl Lappin: A community session conducted by TRUenergy is separate from Council's process.
  - Geoff McEntee: There is a constant trickle of people interested in the site. TRUenergy always responds to their queries.
  - Tony Gardner commented that a query regarding the Structure Plan made by one of his contacts to Anthony Savenkov had not been answered.
  - Anthony Savenkov: When we receive queries that require a response, we respond. Sometimes this may take time, but we do respond.
  - Graham Dowers commented that he believes Anthony Savenkov has done an exemplary job in managing the Tallawarra Lands project.
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- Doug Prosser expressed the view that the last part of meeting was largely unsatisfactory. He suggested that if there are questions about issues that took place some time ago (as documented in previous minutes) that these are submitted in writing two weeks prior to the meeting and responses can be provided by TRUenergy at the meeting.
  - Brendan Blakeley asked that group members exercise their best judgement when deciding how they raise future requests for information. He suggested that group members who require detailed information or data (employment figures and so forth) make their request prior to the meeting, or accept that such requests may necessarily be taken on notice. He noted the group's willingness to date to work cooperatively and noted that the project team would endeavour to maintain the flexibility demonstrated to date in responding to requests for information. He invited group members to provide feedback on how they would like the CLG to work.
  - The group agreed that questions requiring detailed responses or access to previous meeting minutes should be submitted prior to the CLG meetings.
  - Tony Gardner requested a 'to scale' overlay map showing current zonings, proposed zonings and acoustic impacts.
  - Anthony Savenkov noted that the results of the acoustic studies conducted by SKM were presented to the CLG at the April 2008 meeting and are documented in the minutes of that meeting.

### 6.0 Close – Brendan Blakeley, Elton Consulting

Brendan Blakeley thanked all participants for attending.

### 7.0 Next meeting

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: 4.30 pm Wednesday 15 October 2008 onsite.

**If you have any questions in relation to these minutes please contact Brendan Blakeley at Elton Consulting. Tel: 02 9387 2600 Fax: 02 9387 2557 Email: [brendan@elton.com.au](mailto:brendan@elton.com.au)**

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### Attachment A: Comments on minutes of previous meeting – from Jill Merrin, Healthy Illawarra

Additions to be made to the June draft minutes:

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- answer - no, they can't do that until the rezoning is done

2. Under 'Sam Robinson':

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### Attachment B: Distribution Area for Community Update / Newsletter

The Tallawarra Community Update (newsletter) is delivered to homes in close proximity to the Tallawarra site, in the suburbs of Kanahooka, Koonawarra and Haywards Bay. The catchment area is bounded by (but does not include) the Southern Freeway to the west. It extends north of Fowlers Road and is bounded by and includes Bambil, Culgoa, Eleebana Crescents and Edgeworth Avenue. It incorporates the southern end of Kanahooka Road and includes Murra Murra Road, to the east. It includes the residential area bounded by Lakeside Drive, and extends as far south as Carlyle Close. The catchment area also includes all streets in the suburb of Haywards Bay.

Please see the distribution map overleaf for your information.

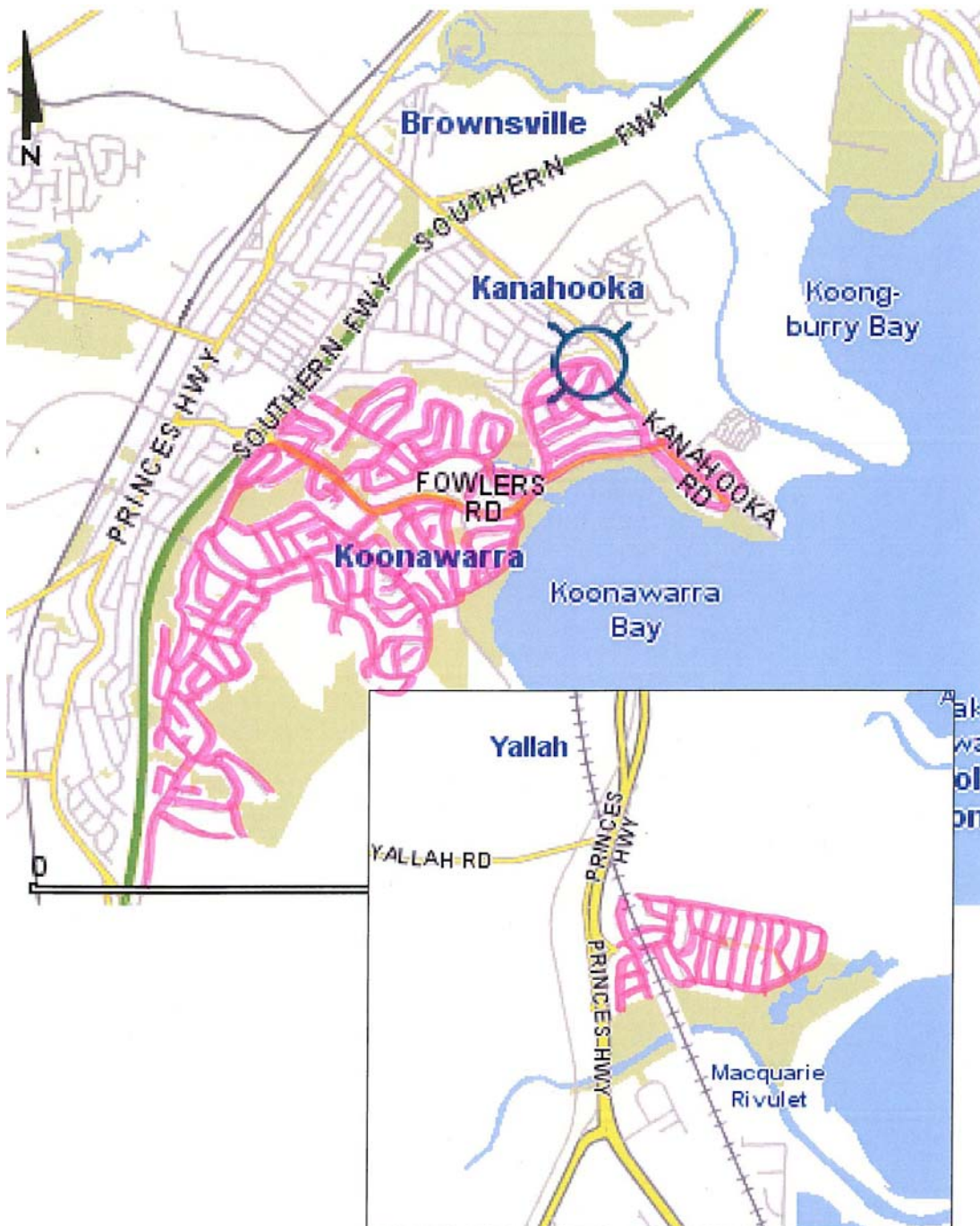
#### Note from TRUenergy

TRUenergy continually assesses its approach to community engagement. As the project advances TRUenergy will look at options to enhance its targeted engagement initiatives, including distribution of the Tallawarra Community Update.

TRUenergy has been voluntarily providing Community Update (newsletters) for over two years. The letter box drop to Tallawarra's neighbours supplements the newsletters published in the local newspapers and various other consultation initiatives. The unusually broad coverage area of the distribution reflects, among other things, TRUenergy's efforts to proactively consult individuals and groups who may have an interest in the site.

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### Attachment C: Results of CLG's visioning workshop 23-02-05

Enhanced public access to Lake Illawarra foreshore and other valued areas of the site	Opportunities for recreation activities both passive and active and quality usable open space **	Preserve and enhance areas and corridors of ecological value	Provide opportunities for education and learning from both the natural and man made aspects of the site	Respect views and scenic qualities of the lands and surrounds	Development should respect sustainability in social, economic and environmental terms	Complementary and Compatible employment opportunities	Other
<p>Public access required along complete site lake frontage</p> <p>Public access –to ecological sites, Lake Illawarra, recreation opportunities</p> <p>Public access to shore and other 'natural' areas</p> <p>Public Access and Interaction</p> <p>Access and opportunities for passive recreation, acknowledge social</p> <p>Public access to foreshore and other areas</p>	<p>Open space/recreation</p> <p>Areas to accommodate parking/security</p> <p>Public recreation</p> <p>Sporting facilities ie camping</p> <p>Improve amenities for camping and activities</p> <p>Regional park for passive recreation</p> <p>Natural activity areas for recreation</p> <p>Scouting use of our existing lease</p>	<p>Protect and enhance Duck Creek Corridor and SEPP 14 Wetland and Forest</p> <p>Environmental Protection</p> <p>Retain land with high or potentially high ecological values</p> <p>Conserve and enhance natural heritage</p> <p>Look for opportunities to rehabilitate degraded areas esp Duck Creek Riparian Corridor and SEPP14 wetlands</p>	<p>Education and research facilities / opportunities</p> <p>Utilising existing environmental assets for educational opportunities</p>	<p>Views to and from the Lake</p> <p>Lake views must not be built out from Mt Brown And Elizabeth Point</p> <p>Protect and vegetate ridgelines and steep slopes</p> <p>Landscape and visual separation between Dapto and Hayward's Bay</p> <p>Sensitive backdrop to Lake Illawarra</p>	<p>ESD Environment</p> <p>Sustainable land use</p> <p>Land use being complimentary/ compatible with each other</p> <p>Development of suitable sustainable lands for residential and commercial</p>	<p>Employment generation</p> <p>Different sustainable employment opportunities</p> <p>Continued stock grazing = income</p> <p>Quick decision for future plans business security</p>	<p>Urban &amp; Employment land use should protect and respect the natural assets and values of the site and its landscape setting.</p>

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	<p>Use of existing leased area controlled recreation and income</p> <p>**This theme should also extend to appropriately designed and located commercial facilities where they do not compromise the intrinsic values of the site</p>	<p>Ecological linkages –vegetation corridors, wetlands</p> <p>The wetland/ash dam area must come into public ownership</p> <p>Protection of environmentally sensitive lands</p> <p>Protected areas – creek, wetlands, forest</p> <p>Enhancement/ protection of environmentally sensitive areas</p> <p>Preserving and restoring significant ecologies</p> <p>Green corridors linking areas around developed areas</p>					
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