

Katherine PFAS Community Consultation Group Meeting Minutes

Time Date	5:30pm - 7pm 18 September 2018	Location	Katherine Government Centre, Lvl 1 Conference Room
Attending Members and Proxies	Natalie Ellis Meg Geritz Errol Lawson Merlyn Smith Robert Jennings Chris Horton Andrew Tatnell Matthew Clarke <i>Chris Daly</i> Nathanael Knapp (A/Chair)	Community Community Community Community (<i>resigned from the group and left the meeting at 6:50pm</i>) Community Power Water Corporation RAAF Tindal Department of Defence NTG Department of Health Department of the Chief Minister	
Apologies	Kevin Grey Sue Jones Fay Miller Allan Domaschenz Petrena Ariston Xavier Schobben Jake Quinlivan	Community Community Community Community Community NTG Department of Health Department of the Chief Minister	
Additional Attendees	NIL		
Secretariat	Nathanael Knapp	Department of the Chief Minister	

* Proxies are identified in *Italics*

1. Welcome, opening remarks and apologies

Outcome: Chair welcomed members to the meeting.

2. Draft minutes from meeting 2018

Outcome: Draft minutes accepted by the KPCCG from the last meeting on 19 June 2018.

3. Update on Action Items

Outcome: Members discussed the action register and noted the updates.

4. Department of Health

Written report tabled at meeting (Attachment A).

Outcome: Members discussed blood testing and felt that advertising and promotion of this service had been limited and should be promoted further.

5. Department of Defence

Outcome: Rainwater tank installation is nearing completion; Community Consultation and Engagement activities currently underway with Aboriginal community residents living at Myali Brumby, Rockhole, Binjari and Gelkuyen Ngurra regarding precautionary fish consumption advice.
Shopfront Engagement session to go ahead on 25 and 26 September 2018, supplementary site investigation report will be available including both wet season and dry season data.
ECT2 Treatment plants on base expected to be operational by February 2019. Expert advice is to have the treatment plants based at the source of contamination in order to reduce the mass of the contaminant at the source. It is expected that treated ground water will be returned to the aquifer.
Negotiations are ongoing with Power Water Corporation regarding the treatment plant to be based in town.
Tindal site remediation plan to be made available at the Shopfront session planned for November 2018.

Actions: 1. PWC and/or DoD to provide options study, if available, on the feasibility of the 2ML of treated water produced by the treatment plants being fed from Tindal into town as a temporary stop gap measure during periods of peak demand.

6. Power and Water Corporation

Outcome: No detection of PFAS in reticulated water supply for 20 months. All testing results available on PWC website.
Daily water usage is high, average of 10.6ML per day. PWC continuing with promotional and education activities regarding the living water smart initiative. PWC targeting 20 biggest water users in an effort to reduce daily water usage.
Water usage at Tindal is approximately 1.2 – 1.3 ML per day, marking a 53% reduction in water usage.
PWC and DoD are continuing with negotiations regarding the new water treatment plant for town, PWC are yet to provide a business case.

Actions: 1. PWC and DoD to provide an update on the status and progress towards delivery of the new water treatment plant for Katherine.

7. Information and Messaging for community members

Outcome: Members discussed the Marketing Strategy and content for the newspaper advertisements.

Actions: 1. Draft newspaper ad to be distributed by KTC to KPCCG members for review and feedback.

8. General Business

Outcome: Members discussed current membership of the KPCCG and agreed that a review of the overall purpose of the group and Terms of Reference needed to be undertaken by remaining members in consultation with the NTPFASIASC.

Merlyn Smith, resigned from the group and left the meeting.

KPCCG Members wished to thank Matt Clarke for his contribution to group and his work more broadly across Katherine engaging with the community in regards to PFAS.

Actions: 1. Terms of Reference to be distributed to all members for review and feedback to secretariat prior to the next scheduled meeting.

9. Wrap up and meeting close

Outcome: Meeting closed at 7:25pm.

Next Meeting 20 November 2018

Action Register

Actions from 18 September 2018:

Action	Meeting	Responsible	Status
1 PWC and/or DoD to provide options study, if available, on the feasibility of the 2ML of treated water produced by the treatment plants being fed from Tindal into town as a temporary stop gap measure during periods of peak demand.	18.09.18	PWC & DoD	

2	PWC and DoD to provide an update on the status and progress towards delivery of the new water treatment plant for Katherine.	18.09.18	PWC & DoD	
3	Draft newspaper ad to be distributed by KTC to KPCCG members for review and feedback.	18.09.18	KTC	
4	Terms of Reference to be distributed to all members for review and feedback to secretariat prior to the next scheduled meeting.	18.09.18	Secretariat	