

Minutes:Port Noise Liaison Committee #19

Date:	13 March 2013
Venue:	Port Nelson Visitor Centre
Time:	12.00pm
Attendance:	Bob Dickinson (Chair), Thomas Marchant (PNL), Martin Byrne (PNL), Digby Kynaston (PNL), Bruce Robertson, Raewyn Newnham, Chris Keegan (residents' reps) and Jacqui McLeod (minutes)

	Agenda	Discussion	Action points
1.	Minutes from Dec 2012	Accepted: Raewyn/Bruce	
2.	Matters Arising:	No further update on proposed trial of matting being used on wharf - matting still to arrive from Lyttelton. It is from coal conveyor belt and is only available when due for replacement. Bruce to observe.	Thomas to look for alternative source (still to do).
3.	Noise complaints	<p>Discussed 2 complaints (both residents have lodged complaints in the past). 31 Jan 2012– NCC received the phone call on container operations early evening and transferred to PNL Gatehouse. Matt was on site at the time. Thomas had a positive follow up phone call with complainant 12/03/13. Graphs presented to group indicating sound levels, showed spike at 7pm. 1 March 2013– contacted PNL and spoke with Dave Duncan to complain about our logging operation, has complained about the same issue in the past and was kept up all night. A very still night so noise would have carried well. Complainant currently in Australia so Thomas has not spoken to her.</p> <p>Comment from Chris Keegan, his email was sent regarding noise levels on 24 December and has had no response. Thomas to follow up. Chris suggested investigating a temporary guide for picking up hatch lids. Digby invited Chris to visit site 14/03/13.</p> <p>Matt explained that we trialled rubber inserts for spreader late last year, but the material was not suitable so looking for alternatives.</p>	<p>Thomas to provide feedback for Chris Keegan on 24th Dec operation.</p> <p>Thomas to discuss with drivers/Craig at next monthly meeting.</p>

4.	Noise Monitoring	<p>Thomas gave his analysis of the top three noise events for previous 3 months results.</p> <p>Played the top three events (all below limit) during December 2012.</p> <p>Played the top three events (one close to significant event) during January 2013.</p> <p>Played the top three events during February 2013.</p>	
5.	Update on acoustic treatments	<p>Communication sent to the 64 dBA contour line residence to raise awareness of people's entitlements.</p> <p>Raewyn suggested a video upload of vessel being loaded/unloaded would help people understand and appreciate what is involved. Also adding interesting facts/noise level comparisons to other Ports around the World/why we use certain wharfs due to the length of vessel or other constraints.</p> <p>Thomas spoke about our Port Tours and it was suggested we be proactive and invite residents inside the zone to join these and view operations to help gain further understanding.</p> <p>Thomas confirmed PNL support <u>partial</u> and full acoustic treatments as long as it meets the standard. This is outlined on PNL website.</p> <p>Acoustic assessment of 3 properties on 12/03/13 – 33 Beachville Cres, 67 and 65 Stanley Crescent.</p> <p>No further progress on sending a newsletter with the annual summary of the minutes, and some info about mitigation. Raewyn also offered to circulate info with her Real Estate newsletter.</p> <p>It was agreed the benefits would not warrant the cost to product a graphic mitigation update, a table or a map.</p>	<p>Awareness campaign</p> <p>Thomas to email website link to Committee.</p> <p>Residents' newsletter to be produced; plus info sheet for Raewyn – Thomas agreed to supply to Raewyn by 10 April 2013.</p> <p>Raewyn offered to look into alternative maps available via</p>

			her workplace.
6.	Other business	<p>Reports circulated to group to read: Container Clanging Trial #1 2003 Port Noise Environmental Projects 2005</p> <p>CEO comments – Martin spoke about making good progress since this Committee was formed. Large Maersk vessels now visit our Port with containers being stacked 6 high and requiring blind stacking which requires highly skilled operators. Our Stevedoring team take pride in their work and are aware of their actions relating to noise.</p>	Discuss at next meeting.
7.	2013 meeting dates	Agreed on the following dates: 12 June, 11 September and 11 December 2013	
8.		<p>Meeting closed at 13.00hrs Next meeting at 12.00hrs, 12 June 2013, PNL Visitor Centre</p>	