

Minutes: Port Noise Liaison Committee #23

Date:	13 December 2013
Time:	13.00hrs
Attendance:	Bob Dickinson (Chair), Thomas Marchant (PNL), Matt McDonald (PNL), Digby Kynaston (PNL), Bruce Robertson Raewyn Newnham and Chris Keegan (residents' reps)

	Agenda	Discussion	Action points
1.	Minutes from 11 September 2013	Accepted (Bob/ Bruce)	
2.	Matters Arising:	<p>Trial using conveyor belt matting on Main Wharf was completed as planned 21/6/13. Chris Keegan was on his balcony during trial, from which he noted that there was noticeable reduction in sound at his property, particularly from the double layer of matting.</p> <p>Trial proved there was no more than 2dBA reduction achieved from matting. The recommendation from the last meeting was that due to insufficient sound reduction it was proposed not to implement the use of matting during container ship operations.</p>	Staff and Committee will continue to look for different materials, technology and ideas for future improvements.
3.	Noise complaints	<p>Reports for last 3 months covering the period September - December were circulated and discussed.</p> <p>One complaint lodged from a Queens Road property regarding a Maersk operation at Main Wharf South on 19 September. Complainant lodged the complaint some days after the event, and a discussion about talking to the Gatehouse at the time was had.</p>	
4.	Noise Monitoring	<p>Thomas gave his analysis of the noise events for previous 3 months. After feedback from the committee more detail for 'event description' has been provided in reports.</p>	

5.	Update on acoustic treatments	<p>Thomas will include the noise complaint investigations in Annual Summary.</p> <p>Thomas advised when summary was last published and note the date when next due (aim for March 2014).</p> <p>Thomas to include before/after photos in future Annual Summary.</p>	Draft Annual Summary to be tabled at next meeting
6.	Other business	<p>Thomas contacted NCC and invited them to attend future meetings. Neil Henderson (Compliance Officer) will attend next meeting.</p> <p>Noise contour map review update is underway, aiming to be in place by April 2014.</p> <p>Matt thanked all reps for the work over the year.</p>	
7.		<p>Meeting closed at 1320hrs</p> <p>Next meeting at 1200hrs, 19 March 2014, PNL Visitor Centre</p>	