

Chair's summary



Inner and Southern Darling Downs Community Consultative Committee

The joint Inner and Southern Darling Downs Community Consultative Committee (CCC) meeting was held at the Millmerran Cultural Centre, Millmerran on Tuesday 18 June 2024. There were three virtual attendees.

This summary provides an overview of the meeting and ensures information is shared with the community at the earliest opportunity. It is a precursor to the formal meeting record and the Committee meeting minutes, which will be published on the Inland Rail website.

The meeting was co-chaired by Graham Clapham, Chair for Southern Darling Downs (SDD) CCC and Bill Armagnacq, Chair for Inner Darling Downs (IDD) CCC. The meeting was attended by eight of 14 members from IDD CCC and six of 10 members from SDD CCC.

The meeting provided the Committee and community members with a general update on the progress of the NSW/Qld Border to Gowrie section of Inland Rail.

The meeting was attended by representatives from Inland Rail, the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (DITRDCA) and seven community members.

The meeting included updates from DITRDCA about the priorities for North of Narromine sections, including gaining environmental approvals and acquiring land to secure the Inland Rail corridor. Inland Rail presented on the NSW/Qld Border to Gowrie revised draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) status, upcoming field investigations and surveys, weed management and the draft engagement plan for the notification stage of the EIS.

Members asked questions about the delivery of the Inland Rail program, project approvals and timeframes, land acquisition and ecology. Members also provided feedback on the engagement plan for the revised draft EIS notification stage.

The date and venue of the next meeting is yet to be determined. Details will be shared closer to the date to ensure those who would like to attend have that opportunity.

**Mr Bill Armagnacq
and Mr Graham Clapham**

**Chair, Inner Darling Downs Community Consultative Committee and Chair,
Southern Darling Downs Community Consultative Committee**

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