



NRAR Board meeting - Minutes

MEETING	NRAR Board meeting		
MEETING NO.	No.29	DATE	18 March 2020
LOCATION	Parramatta	TIME	12:00 pm – 2::30 pm
BOARD INVITEES	Craig Knowles (Chair), Ilona Millar (member), Bruce Brown (member)		
NRAR INVITEES	Grant Barnes (Chief Regulatory Officer), Russell Johnston (Executive Officer), Sharon Ryan (Board Secretariat & EA to Chief Regulatory Officer)		
OTHER INVITEES	Listed next to relevant agenda item		

Agenda Item	Notes
Housekeeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of February meeting were adopted as a true and accurate account No declarations of a conflict of interest Annual Board Declarations of interest were presented and endorsed Out of Session paper formally endorsed
CRO Update	<p>CRO Grant Barnes provided a paper for the Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted recent NRAR media releases and interviews DPIE Water media - s324 First Flush – MO announced review – ToR to be signed off soon Budget Estimates February hearings and NSWIC performances by CRO commended by the Board Non-financial report WHS update Business continuity plan – COVID-19 – we will continue to be open for business. All Sydney based events – training, workshops etc. postponed until further notice Support for staff to work from home as available with sensible messaging – stay in touch with staff working remotely to keep team alignment as much as possible
Prosecutions Update Invitee: Kirsty Ruddock Papers provided - For decision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 matters were presented to the Board The Board resolved to adopt recommendations as presented on two matters The Board was presented with 2 options on a third matter under 'recommendations', to which they supported Option 1 and discarded Option 2 General update on all ongoing prosecutions provided
Legislative Reform priorities Invitee: Anna Browne Papers provided - For decision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board endorsed priorities as presented The Board directed the CRO to report back on next steps to progress with partner agencies

<p>IPART Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice to Board on further work since last paper presented providing updates • CAGs – attendees have provided constructive feedback to consultation on output efficiencies and value of compliance activity to them • Discussion on diversification of funding and how this may be achieved • Key dates and upcoming meetings outlined as part of the pathway to final submission of determination - expected to be 30 June • Out of session updates to be provided as pointy end of dates approach.
<p>WSP/WRP Update – Govt Response to NRC Review of B-D WSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emma Solomon and Vanessa O’Keefe, sharing the role Executive Director Policy, Planning & Sciences, Water Renewal Taskforce provided update on WSP and WRT • Update provided on delivery of WRPs/WSPs • Provided outline of s324 event review incl. key personnel involved and timeframes for delivery • License conditions conversion work foreshadowed – Grant will discuss with Board for information when needed • NRAR staff commended for their role in s324 event management
<p>2019 Stakeholder Engagement review/ 2020 Planning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plans for coming months in light of COVID-19 pandemic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proposed Regional meeting in May has been postponed until further notice - Research and implement use of technology for Video conferencing capabilities - Still plan to meet with key Ministerial and Departmental stakeholders - Broader strategic engagement paused, meet with relevant stakeholders on an as-needs basis.
<p>General Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget discussion from Bruce Brown • Thank you to Ryan Lynn for extra effort

New/Continuing action items following meeting	Person responsible	Due date
Brief Bruce Brown on NRAR finances outside of Board meeting schedule	Chief Regulatory Officer / Ryan Lynn	monthly
IPART Update	Tim Gilbert / Stuart Ronan	Out of session updates to be provided as pointy end of dates approach.

Next meeting
Wednesday 15 April