

MINUTES OF AGL TORRENS ISLAND COMMUNITY DIALOGUE GROUP MEETING
Held on Tuesday 19th August 2025 (11:00 am – 1:00 pm)
Torrens Island Power Station, Grand Trunkway, Torrens Island

1. Opening and acknowledgement

Chair of the meeting Barbara Chappell opened the meeting at 11:05 am and acknowledged we were meeting on the lands of the Kaurna people and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Barbara invited everyone to introduce themselves around the table.

2. Attendance

Present: Barbara Chappell (facilitator), Aria Bolkus (APH) (on Teams), Kevin Taylor (AGL), David Russell (AGL), Johan Revalk (AdBri), Kevin Andersen (AGL), Cr Adrian Wotton (PAE), Tony Bazeley (PAREPG), Antony Evans (AGL), JulieAnn Stoll (PAREPG), Alex Hayter (PRSC), Zoe Bowen (AGL), Jo Madin (AGL), Grace Dederick (ASC), Rayne Simpson (Firesticks).

Apologies: Eira Swan, Sonia Oakes, Kieran O'Dea, Justin Sunbeam, Grant Tubb.

Absent: Steve Vines

3. Meeting Procedure Suspended

Barbara suspended the meeting procedure with the will of the attendees and invited Rayne Simpson to deliver a presentation on the Firesticks Cool Burn program. The group thanked Rayne for the awareness raising presentation.

4. Previous Minutes

Meeting procedure was resumed at 11:30 am.

Barbara called for any amendments to the minutes. There being no amendments, the motion was put, "That the minutes of the 20th May 2025 be accepted as a true and accurate record".

Moved: Cr Adrian Wotton. Seconded: Anthony Evans. Motion carried.

5. Matters Arising

5.1 Update on when Barker Inlet Development Approval is out for public consultation.

5.2 Request for information on the extent of PFAS contamination.

5.3 Kaurna Fire Team cool burn update

5.4 Link for an innovative demolition to be shared with the group.

5.5 Consider how to communicate with the community on the demolition process.

5.6 Stakeholder management plan update.

Barbara checked in with the AGL staff to see if the matters arising would be covered in the AGL updates. She confirmed they would be, so the meeting proceeded to the next item of business.

6. Safety Induction

Kevin delivered a safety induction as the meeting was being held on site at Torrens Island.

7. Standard Business

(see PP slides attached to the minutes)

7.1 Operational/Transition Update – Kevin Taylor

7.1.1 Torrens B is currently scheduled to close June 2026. SA Government has requested that AGL extend operations for 2 years. AGL has agreed in-

principle to this request and continues to work closely with SA Government. We are seeking to finalise a legally-binding agreement by 30 September 2025. If a legally binding agreement is reached, staff and operations at Torrens will continue at similar levels as currently, up to a new closure date of 30 June 2028.

- 7.1.2 How many hours a year does the plant run? One unit is usually running at any one time and they all run independently.
- 7.1.3 Where is the gas coming from? Moomba and Victoria.
- 7.1.4 Was the delay to the decommissioning anticipated? It was anticipated due to the delay with the completion of the interconnector in NSW.
- 7.1.5 Is Pelican Point still operating? Yes, it is.

7.2 Barker Inlet Power Station (BIPS), Stage 2 Update – Kevin Anderson

- 7.2.1 Is there a price for the turbine? Yes, that is known. What is the timeframe for the installation of the turbine? 2 years for the installation.

7.3 Environmental Update – Zoe Bowen

- 7.3.1 Zoe pointed out where the old fireground was and the potential sources of PFAS including old irrigation areas; plus, there was a fire at B Station in mid-80's where extinguishers were used.
- 7.3.2 Ground water contours (levels) and flow across the site were shown.
- 7.3.3 There are various PFAS levels across the site.
- 7.3.4 What are the options to contain PFAS? See the PP slides attached to the minutes.
- 7.3.5 Is the PFAS contained in the ground water? Yes.

7.4 Torrens A Station Decommissioning and Demolition Update – Antony Evans

- 7.4.1 There are five companies tendering for the demolition work. They are currently under assessment.
- 7.4.2 Video of stack being demolished from the top by a Mastclimber was shown as an option for demolition. A metre a day is demolished using this method. This method costs more than explosive demolition.
- 7.4.3 Is development approval needed for the process? Yes, for a partial demolition. No for a full demolition.

8. Open Dialogue Session

- 8.1 What quantity of water would be needed to cool the turbine (relating to BIPS 2 project)? Closed circuit cooling system. Water is injected into the combustor to reduce emissions of oxides of nitrogen.
- 8.2 What temperature are the turbines running at? 1200 degrees C.
- 8.3 The group would like to hear more about the options for the removal of PFAS at the next meeting.
- 8.4 Group to look at the burn site in November.

9. Next meeting

- 9.1 The proposed date for the next meeting is Tuesday 18th November 2025 commencing at 11:00 am.
- 9.2 Group to meet at the Torrens Island site.

10. Meeting closed at 12:26 pm.