

Meeting Minutes

Narrabri Gas Project (NGP)

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Group (ACHAG)

Meeting #12

DATE / TIME

Tuesday 21 July 2026
3pm

LOCATION

Narrabri Shopfront Conference Room
125 Maitland Street, Narrabri
(+ Videoconference)

FACILITATOR

Garry West

MINUTE TAKER

Garry West

ATTENDEES

- Garry West (Independent Chair)
- Edward Trindall (Narrabri Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC))
- Ian Brown (Gomeroi Native Title Applicant Group) VC
- Clifford Toomey (Wee Waa LALC)
- Dorothy Tighe (Gomeroi Native Title Applicant Group) VC
- Janelle Twyman (Santos)
- Michelle Bond (Santos)
- Russell Hill (Santos)
- Thomas Scott (Santos)
- Abby McClure (Santos)
- Jodie Benton (OzArk Environment & Heritage) VC

APOLOGIES

- NIL

GUESTS

- NIL

Discussions

NO.	DISCUSSIONS
1. Welcome	The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and acknowledged Gomeroi country on which the meeting was held as well as Elders past, present and future and all Aboriginal persons present.
2. Declaration of pecuniary or other interests / Code of Conduct	Chair asked if there were any new declarations of interest. Nil
3. Confirmation of previous minutes and business arising	All minutes of previous meeting distributed to ACHAG members and are available on the Narrabri Gas Project website.
4. Correspondence	Nil correspondence received.
5. Actions from previous meeting	Santos to advise on the following relevant to the NGP in future ACHAG meetings: total number of cultural surveys; total number of First Nations people employed; and, financial details towards First Nations employment procurement to date. See ACHAG Update.
6. Presentations Santos Corporate Update	Santos Corporate Update – Michelle Bond (Santos) - Santos delivered increased production of 22.5 mmboe, up 1% on the prior quarter and 3% on the corresponding period in 2025, as Barossa achieved its first cargoes. Sales revenue of approximately \$1.27 billion for the first quarter, up 3% on the prior quarter. Free cash flow from operations of approximately \$383 million, in line with the prior quarter. - Pikka phase 1 reached mechanical completion early in the quarter, followed by fuel gas introduction to support electrification. Dynamic commissioning continued through to quarter end, and oil initiation for first tank and facility fill activity is now underway. <u>Investor Briefing – 26 May</u> - Santos is committed to progressing the remaining approvals for Narrabri and the pipelines and will review a final investment decision once the approval are in place. Other projects like Beetaloo that have the necessary approvals will commence appraisal in the meantime. Narrabri Gas Project Update – Janelle Twyman (Santos) <u>Development update</u> - Phase 1 activity continues to progress, ongoing care and maintenance of existing wells, operating wells are delivering gas to Wilga Park Power Station, produced water is managed at Leewood Water Management Facility, field development planning is ongoing, and continuation of groundwater monitoring. - Annual review has been submitted to Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) and Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW). - An Independent Environmental Audit will be undertaken over July-August 2026. <u>Management Plans</u>

Phase 2 and 3 management plans are under development, and engagement is expected to commence in 2027. All management plans and DPHI approvals are available on the NGP website.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Group Update – Thomas Scott & Russell Hill (Santos)

National Native Title Tribunal

- The National Native Title tribunal (NNTT) decision was handed down on 19 May 2025 which determined that the PPLs could be granted subject to various conditions
- The Gomeroi Applicant has appealed that decision on various grounds
- The Appeal was heard on 5-6 March 2026 in Brisbane – awaiting decision
- Santos continues to work with the Gomeroi Applicant in relation to the NGP.

Additional Research Program

- Additional Research Program (ARP) has commenced with input from the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Working Group (ACHWG).
- Santos has engaged ABMC Consulting to work with the ACHWG and knowledge holders to complete the ARP
- ARP must be completed before commencement of Phase 2.

Cultural Heritage Surveys

- Last cultural heritage survey for the NGP was completed in December 2025 over 3 days
- Four Cultural Heritage Officers
- At this stage, no further cultural heritage surveys are planned for 2026

ACHWG

- At the last ACHWG meeting on 19 June it was agreed there would be a workshop to plan for the ARP field work on 22 July 2026
- Field work, site visits and info sessions to follow immediately after the workshop
- Further workshop on 26 July with field work, information session etc to follow

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan (ACHMP) Review

- The ACHMP will need to be reviewed to give effect to the NNTT conditions.

First Nations employment and procurement details to date:

- \$39,000 AUD financial details towards First Nations procurement to date

Community investment and sponsorship support has included:

- Continuing to sponsor the Kamilaroi Galamays, over eight years of ongoing support for the team
- Supporting local NAIDOC Week initiatives, including providing NAIDOC cakes to local primary and high schools
- Ongoing partnership and support for the Clontarf Academies, including:
 - Hosting site tours for students from the Narrabri, Moree and Gunnedah Academies
 - Delivered mock interviews for the Narrabri Academy
 - Volunteering at the Clontarf North West Rugby League Carnival by running the BBQ
 - Attended the Clontarf Employment Forum in Tamworth with over 300 students in attendance
- Continuing as a major sponsor of the Hunter Academy of Sport – they just rolled out the Indigenous Talent ID Day
- Partnered with the Narrabri LALC to deliver more than 25 Christmas hampers to local First Nations Elders
- Partnered with the Blackroo Community Indigenous Corp for their annual food and toy appeal in the hunter valley.

Hunter Gas Pipeline Overview (HGP) – Michelle Bond (Santos)

- Working with the Gomeroi Applicant to implement the terms of the ILUA authorised in December 2025 and signed in February 2026
- Santos has been undertaking extensive engagement for access to undertake survey activities
- Continues to progress land access agreements and surveys
- Early works sites are now complete and survey activities continue
- Santos has commenced the progressive submission of documentation required for the HGP Pipeline Licence.

Garry West added that a community reference group has been established for the HGP which will meet twice a year. The first meeting has been held.

Narrabri Lateral Pipeline (NLP) Update – Michelle Bond (Santos)

- NLP Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was on Public Exhibition 20 November 2025 to 18 December 2025.
- 375 community submissions received (314 objected, 56 supported & 5 commented only).
- Advice received from 12 NSW government agencies.

EIS Submissions

- The most commonly raised questions in community submissions were:
 - Terrestrial biodiversity impacts
 - Aboriginal cultural heritage
 - Impacts on agricultural land
 - Adequacy and accuracy of the EIS
 - Strategic justification for additional gas supply

A report responding to the submissions and government advice is currently being prepared and the Response to Submissions (RtS) report will be provided to DPHI in Q3 2026.

Project Amendments

- Michelle Bond noted some minor adjustments to the project disturbance footprint are being considered in response to further field surveys, technical studies, stakeholder consultation and ongoing engineering design and construction planning.
- The amended NLP disturbance footprint will be described and assessed in an Assessment report which will be provided to DPHI for consideration in Q3 2026.

Exploration Program and other activities – Janelle Twyman (Santos)

- PEL 1 – Kahlua pilot activity
 - Maintaining wells online
 - Groundwater monitoring and reporting is being undertaken
- PEL 1 and PEL 12 – scouting for future minimum tenure commitments

Community Engagement and Consultation – Abby McClure (Santos)

NRL Community Weekend

- Santos representatives attended the junior clinic, fundraising event and home game which attracted more than 1,000 attendees.
- The event raised valuable funds for the club and supported junior participation & skills development.
- Local players benefited from coaching and mentoring opportunities with current and former NRL legends.

Narrabri Show

- Santos was both a sponsor and exhibitor again this year, with the Community and Land Access teams engaging with showgoers about the NSW projects. Santos has supported the Narrabri Show for over a decade. Shared

Shared Table

- Funded the purchase of a new display freezer to enhance the organisation's food storage and service capacity and recently volunteered at the Friday community lunch BBQ to support local meal services to those in hardship.

Recent Initiatives

- Volunteer Learning Lunch – hosted a practical workshop for local volunteers, providing guidance on funding, financial management, event approvals, compliance and food safety.
- Clontarf Mock Interviews – Delivered interview skills and career preparation sessions for Narrabri Clontarf Academy students.
- Rotary Science & Engineering Challenge – Continued long standing support as a major sponsor, with team members volunteering across the three-day event.
- Clontarf Gunnedah Site Tour – Welcomed students to the Narrabri Gas Project to learn about local operations and career pathways.

	<u>Upcoming events:</u> - National Tree Day Initiative – Community giveaway of gardening packs containing two native tube stock plants, gardening gloves, sunscreen and hats to interested community members. Pick up packs at Santos Shopfront. - NAIDOC Week Activities – Continuing to support local NAIDOC Week initiatives and First Nations community engagement. - AgQuip 2026 – Preparing for Santos’ presence at Australia’s largest primary industry field days.
7. Member updates	Nil
8. General Business	Nil

Actions

NO.	ACTIONS	ACTION BY	DUE DATE
NIL			

Next meeting

TBA - December 2026

Meeting closed

3:30pm