

Townsville Port Stakeholder Working Group

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The complete **Townsville Port Stakeholder Working Group** met for the first time today (27/5/2015) with the inclusion of four community representatives and under the guidance of its new independent Chair.

Community members Clive Berger, James Hobbs, Judy Newman and Ian Ferguson join the working group as full members. They were selected for their skills and experience from a strong field of candidates.

Townsville-based facilitator David Donohue assumes the role of independent Chair of the working group, taking over from Port of Townsville Limited CEO Renee Crosby.

The working group welcomes advice from the Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage Protection of an soon to be implemented upgrade to dust monitoring around the Port, with sampling to increase from one day in six to continuous 24/7 sampling.

The working group is looking forward to helping foster open engagement between Port stakeholders and the community on the areas of air quality, dust deposition and environmental management practices.

David Donohue
Chair, Townsville Port Stakeholder Working Group