

MINUTES

Meeting No. 19
Wongawilli Colliery Community Consultative Committee
Wednesday, 6 March 2019
Held at Wongawilli Colliery, Wongawilli

ATTENDANCE	
NAME	ROLE
Committee Members	
David Ross (DR)	Independent Chair
Ann Brown (AB)	Community Representative
Ron Cooper (RC)	Community Representative
John Ross (JR)	Environment Manager, Wongawilli Colliery – WCL
Igor Skofic (IS)	Electrical Engineering Manager - WCL
Apologies	
Brian Almeida	HR Manager - WCL
Chris Rogers	Operations & Mining Engineering Manager, Wongawilli Colliery – WCL
Ron Zwicker (RZ)	Wollongong City Council
Peter Turner (PT)	Community Representative
Amanda Fleming	Community Representative
Mark Fleming	Community Representative (alternate for Amanda Fleming)

AGENDA	
1	Welcome and Introductions
2	Apologies
3	Declaration of Interests
4	Endorsement of Minutes and Correspondence from Previous Meeting
5	Matters Arising from Previous Meeting
6	Company Report and Overview of Activities 6.1 Company Overview 6.2 Environmental Management Overview 6.3 Audits and Reports 6.4 Approvals Overview 6.5 Safety
7	Community Issues
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1. Welcome and Introductions	NOTES
1.1 The chair welcomed all in attendance tonight and the meeting was declared open at 6.02 pm.	
2. Apologies	
2.1 As per attendance table.	

3. Declaration of Interests	
<p>3.1 David Ross is remunerated by WCL as chair of this committee.</p> <p>3.2 Ron Cooper leases land from WCL.</p>	
4. Endorsement of Minutes and Correspondence from Previous Meeting	
<p>4.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2018 were accepted as a true and correct record.</p>	
5. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting	
<p>5.1 <i>(From 5.1a) WCL to send available dates for catchment visit to members to enable co-ordination of visit. Interested members to provide JR with their names and e-mail addresses so that WaterNSW inductions may be organised</i> Answer: This has been completed – the date by the majority is 28 March. AB advised she has not heard from WaterNSW.</p> <p>5.2 <i>(From 5.1b) Interested members to provide JR with their names and addresses so that WaterNSW inductions may be organised.</i> Answer: This has been completed.</p> <p>5.3 <i>(From 5.2) Interested members to provide JR with their preferred dates for underground visit.</i> Answer: IS advised that the mine could accommodate a visit on any day except a Tuesday or a Thursday. DR will liaise with Chris Rogers to schedule the underground visit.</p> <p>5.4 <i>(From 5.4) WCL to provide information on the approvals or consents required by WCL to sell off land for housing.</i> Answer: Public announcement made in October 2017. Not much progress so far. DA would be required to sell in lots.</p> <p>5.5 <i>(From 5.9) WCL to provide contact number for Wongawilli Colliery on its website.</i> Answer: The number is now listed on the website.</p> <p>5.6 <i>(From 7.3) WCL to arrange toolbox talk regarding speeding by colliery employees through the village.</i> Answer: Workforce has been addressed. RC raised concern about a particular vehicle which continually speeds around the corner. IS will speak with the driver.</p> <p>5.7 <i>(From 7.4) WCL to provide schedule of train movements to the community.</i> Answer: JR advised it is difficult to provide a schedule as it is not set in advance. He will follow this up with the Logistics Manager. AB commented that train movements are required to be recorded and posted on the website at the end of each year.</p> <p>5.8 <i>(From 7.5) WCL to contact the mine's direct neighbours to include them in discussions regarding fire access and escape plans.</i> Answer: This has been completed, however, neighbours reluctant to</p>	<p>ACTION 1: The Chair to liaise with WCL to schedule an underground visit for members.</p> <p>ACTION 2: WCL to provide information on the train schedule up to the year ending 2020. Members to be informed via e-mail by 6 April 2019.</p>

<p>participate.</p> <p>5.9 (From 7.6) WCL coal stockpile at bottom of internal road to be shaped as area is currently untidy. Answer: This has been completed.</p> <p>5.10 (From 7.7) WCL to arrange toolbox talk regarding littering by colliery employees. Answer: The workforce has been addressed.</p> <p>5.11 (From 8.1) Members to provide Chair with their thoughts on the major issues of the past 12 months and the issues they would like to cover in 2019. Answer: Completed.</p>	
6. Company Reports and Overview of Activities	
6.1 Company Overview	
<p>Igor Skofic provided an update on the status of Wongawilli Colliery.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N3 and N5 are the current panels with production levels low. Production since last CCC meeting is 63,000 tonnes. Total production since mine re-started production (from 8 June 2016) is 780,000 tonnes. Currently setting up N5 extended panel with production expected early April. AB stated she has previously requested to see the documentation which allows mining in the N5 extended panel as the 2017 MOP does not include the extension and, therefore, a new MOP is required. JR advised that WCL does not yet own the lease to the area but that approval for first workings has been granted. AB noted correspondence that she had received from the Resources Regulator that an amendment to the Mining Operations Plan will be expected should the part lease transfer go ahead and mining be proposed to extend into what is currently part of Consolidated Coal Lease 768. AB also noted that the map in the MOP do not correlate with the maps in the Development Consent, AB queried the media report regarding the miners taking strike action. IS advised that the dispute was between the labour hire company, CAS Mining, and the CFMEU relating to the employees' conditions. The dispute was settled. AB questioned the numerous safety issues mentioned in the quarterly report to December 2018. IS advised there have been no major safety issues since that time. Previous issue raised regarding litter on the road up the hill: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All litter which has accumulated for years has been picked up and communication regarding littering discussed with workforce. One courier (StarTrack) seen throwing can out of his window. StarTrack informed and action taken against driver. 	
6.2 Environmental Management	

<p>John Ross talked through the following items relating to environmental management.</p> <p>6.2.1 Air Quality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reportable incidents/complaints during the reporting period. Spray system working but several water leaks need to be addressed. Lots of dust coming from the new development. <p>6.2.2 Biodiversity & Heritage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reportable incidents/complaints during the reporting period. Weed management continuous around site. Physical removal and spraying of weeds on-going. RC commented on the lantana along the railway line and will e-mail JR with the details. CCC catchment visit trip scheduled for 28 March 2019. PT has expressed interest in swamps 18, 19 and the drill-hole swamp. Monitoring team is looking into the location of these sites. <p>6.2.3 Chemical/Hydrocarbons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reportable incidents/complaints during the reporting period. 2,500 litres of waste oil removed from site. The Nebo and Wongawilli contaminated ventilation shaft sites have now been back-filled. Stockpiled soil has been sampled for the third time. Hydrocarbon levels are gradually reducing. Waiting for final report for completion report sign-off. <p>6.2.4 Mineral Waste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reportable incidents/complaints during the reporting period. Regarding the progress of the contaminated soil which is stored in the old bathhouse, AB stated that six-monthly reports should be submitted to the EPA. JR advised that this is noted and is to be done. <p>6.2.5 Non-mineral Waste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reportable incidents/complaints during the reporting period. 50,000 litres of black water has been removed from site this quarter. <p>6.2.6 Groundwater</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reportable incidents/complaints during the reporting period. <p>6.2.7 Noise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One vibration issue was raised on 15 February. It was identified as being from the syntron on the surface loading coal from MN1 to the decline due to the large amount of wet coal being loaded out from the underground bins to the syntron. Data from the noise monitor on the emplacement was looked at and there were no noise spikes at that time. <p>6.2.8 Surface Water</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reportable incidents/complaints during the reporting period. Decline surcharge dam has been cleaned out again. Drain and basins in coal stockpile area have been cleaned out again. Work has started on decline scouring at the top of the decline. 	
<p>6.3 Audits and Reports</p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Independent Environmental Audit - September 2019 ✓ NPI (National Pollution Inventory) - October 2018 ✓ NGER (National Greenhouse Energy Reporting) - October 2018 ✓ Annual Return - November 2018 ✓ Annual Review - November 2018 ✓ Annual Report - November 2018 ✓ Joint Agency Shaft Audit - December 2017 ✓ Annual Review site visit - October 2018 • AEMR (2017-2018 submission) - 21 December 2018 • Annual Review site visit - January 2019 <p>AB raised the matter of the Resources Regulator finding that the mine did not have a mechanical engineer on site. IS explained the statutory requirements for personnel on site. The incident related to the mechanical engineer being on leave for more than two weeks with a planning error resulting in no coverage for the period. AB commented that this should have been mentioned in the company overview.</p>	
6.4 Approvals Overview	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Protection Licence 1087 * Pollution Reduction Program 12 added 24/04/2017. • Nebo Area Project Approval 09_0161 * Extraction Plan Variation approved 01/09/2017. • Nebo Longwalls 1 – 6 SMP Variation Approval Conditions * Annual Report to be provided with the Annual Review (Nov 2017) • Consolidated Coal Lease 766, Mining Lease 1565 & 1596 • Transfer of lease for N5 extension project underway. 	
6.5 Safety	
<p>Safety report provided by Igor Skofic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 days' lost-time-injury free as at 6 March 2019. • Safety performance continues to improve. • Resources Regulator has acknowledged on-going and observed improvement in safety and compliance at the mine. <p>From last CCC meeting of 5 December 2019:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lost-time-injuries – 0. • First aid cases – 12. • Medically treated injuries – 1. • Two persons taken to hospital on non-work related incidents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 x long-term heart problem; • 1 x vertigo caused by virus. 	
7. Community Issues	
<p>7.1 One vibration complaint as in above noise section.</p>	

7.2	One safety concern raised about some machinery parked on the side of the road in the Garden.	
7.3	Still no response from WCL about the transfer of the title for DP255294 and transfer of title. Lease and property assets are being reviewed.	
7.4	<p>RC and AB both raised concerns that have arisen since their meeting with the Independent Expert Panel last week. They claim that it is very difficult to obtain relevant information from current WCL management about the mine's activities. There is a lack of compliance information on WCL's website, eg. no air quality data in first quarter of 2018 "due to an instrumentation error" and there has been no update since then.</p> <p>The members claim the other local mines provide information when requested and are more engaged with the community. The Chair will issue a formal invitation for the CEO and the Group Environment and Approvals Manager to attend the next meeting.</p>	<p>ACTION 3: Chair to issue invitation to WCL's CEO and Group Environment Manager for the next CCC meeting.</p>
7.5	<p>AB suggested that PM10 readings should be made available due to the increase in residents in the local area in view of the EPA's licence variations introduced in October 2018. AB noted that the EPA licence had been amended in October 2018 and now requires continuous air monitoring to be made publicly on the WCL website. A question was then asked by AB to JR whether progress had been made with this requirement. JR wasn't able to provide an answer. AB also mentioned that former WCL staff would provide members with the raw data on the piezometer reports. This information is provided by Dendrobium Colliery and should also be provided by Wongawilli.</p>	<p>ACTION 4: WCL to discuss matter of piezometer data for Wongawilli Colliery at the next meeting.</p>
8. General Business		
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9. Next Meeting		
<p>The proposed meeting dates for the remainder of the year are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, 5 June 2019 • Wednesday, 4 September 2019 • Wednesday, 4 December 2019. <p>WCL has requested that consideration be given to holding day-time meetings. The Chair will contact members via e-mail in order to determine a suitable meeting time for all.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 7.25 pm.</p>		<p>ACTION 5: Chair to contact members to determine availability for day-time meetings.</p>

Ends