



# Wilpinjong Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee



## Meeting Minutes

### 1. PRESENT

<b>Chairperson:</b>	Lisa Andrews (LA)	<b>Time:</b>	3:35 pm, Monday 10 September 2018 following the tour of the mine site
<b>Venue:</b>	Wilpinjong Coal SLT Meeting Room	<b>Minute Taker:</b>	Kellie Smith (KS)
<b>Committee Members:</b>	Blair Jackson (BJ), Kieren Bennetts (KB), Kim Peach (KP), Scott Lillis (SL), Ian Flood (IF) Bev Smiles (BV), Colin Faulkner (CF) & Lisa Menke (LM)		
<b>Invited Guests:</b>	Nil		
<b>Observers:</b>	Josh Frappell (JH)		

### 2. APOLOGIES/ABSENT

<b>Apologies:</b>	Brian McDermott (BM), Gail Ratcliffe (GR), Bruce Hughes (BH) & Cr Des Kennedy (DK)
<b>Absent:</b>	Nil

### 3. WELCOME

LA welcomed all attendees and thanked Wilpinjong staff for arranging the tour of the mine site and for members' attendance at the earlier time of 1pm.

### 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Lisa Andrews – Independent Chair approved by Director General of Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E), engaged by Peabody Energy  
 Kellie Smith – Executive Assistant to General Manager, Wilpinjong Coal  
 Blair Jackson – General Manager, Wilpinjong Coal  
 Kieren Bennetts – Environment & Community Manager, Wilpinjong Coal  
 Ian Flood – Manager Project Development and Approvals, Wilpinjong Coal  
 Col Faulkner – Community Member (Resident)  
 Scott Lillis – Community Member (Former Resident)  
 Brian McDermott – Community Member (Lessee of Peabody Pastoral Land and Former Resident)  
 Kim Peach – Community Member and Lessee of Wollar General Store  
 Bev Smiles – Community Member (Resident)  
 Bruce Hughes – Community Member (Resident)  
 Gail Ratcliffe – Native Title Liaison Officer  
 Lisa Menke – Manager, Mudgee Area, Blue Mnts Branch, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service  
 Cr Des Kennedy – Mayor, Mid-Western Regional Council

### 5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of meeting dated 4 June 2018 were finalised and distributed on 26 June 2018.

## 6. BUSINESS ARISING

### ACTION ITEMS

- Waste management from demolition program (including asbestos removal) to be addressed at every CCC meeting, and an ad placed in the Wollar Public School newsletter when conducting asbestos removal in the Wollar Township.  
*Ongoing – nil to report at this meeting.*
- IF to provide an update regarding the relocation of the 330kv powerline at Slate Gully.  
*Ongoing – update provided in report prepared by IF.*
- IF to communicate project modifications to the CCC.  
*Ongoing.*
- KB to ensure that attended noise monitoring reports to be available in hard copy at each CCC meeting.  
*Ongoing - hard copies were made available and will continue to be made available until otherwise agreed.*
- IF to investigate and provide feedback how to best manage the public maintenance of headstones in the church yards.  
*Ongoing – IF advised that he will have an update next meeting.*
- LA write to Transgrid and request further information in regard to why the new powerline towers are not being painted green.  
*Complete. LA advised that she has written to Transgrid via a generic email address but has not received a response. She asked if WCPL had a contact. New action raised for IF to provide a contact at Transgrid that the email can be sent to.*
- KB to amend the presentation to include the correct dates for the April attended noise monitoring.  
*Complete.*
- KB to amend the presentation to include the graphs for Pit 5 and Pit 6 operational downtime.  
*Complete.*
- IF to make enquiries to ascertain whether both broadleaf and small leaf privet is being managed under the weed control.  
*Complete – IF confirmed that both are being managed.*
- IF to provide the ground water model information to the CCC in respect of the affect that mining in Slate Gully will have on the Peabody owned water bores opposite Slate Gully.  
*Incomplete – move over to the next meeting.*
- KB to investigate why the complaints hotline was not answered twice on Sunday morning for an extended period of time.  
*Complete. KB confirmed he had followed up with Vodafone, the hotline provider who confirmed the longest time a call went unanswered in the period was 96 seconds on Monday 4 June 2018. He said that he had been provided a lot of information that was available to the CCC. New action raised for KB to provide the information to the CCC for review.*
- LA to check the MWRC website for the request to close Moolarben Road public notice.  
*Complete – LA advised that there was no notice on the website, however believed the notice appeared in the Mudgee Guardian.*

- GR to arrange a meeting with GL to discuss cultural burn for hazard reduction by NP&WS.  
*Incomplete – however LM advised that cultural burn is difficult to do in National Parks. It is better to do them on private land.*
- KB to send the rules of the site visit, including PPE requirements to the CCC.  
*Complete.*
- IF to provide a definition of the term “buffer” as used in a recent public statement relating to property purchases in Wollar.  
*Incomplete – IF to send out prior to next meeting.*

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE IN AND OUT

- 4/6/18 – Email from Bev Smiles regarding her question in GB at the 4/6/18 meeting regarding the use of the word “Buffer” in Peabody’s documentation.
- 6/4/18 – Email to members with the draft minutes for review. This was forwarded to members the following day 5/6/18.
- 16/6/18 – Email to members with the draft minutes for review
- 5/7/18 – Email to members with the finalised minutes & electronic presentation
- 19/8/18 – Email from Denise Williams raising concern with demolition works at Mogo Road. This email was forwarded through to Peabody for investigation.
- 21/8/18 – Email received from Ian Flood with details of the investigation, which was forwarded to all CCC members.
- 23/8/18 – Email from BS requesting a presentation on the draft SIMP lodged with the Department of Planning & Environment.
- 27/8/18 – Email to members with the Meeting Notice & Agenda for this meeting and reminder about the site inspection (requesting shoe sizes)
- 4/9/18 – Email from Brian McDermott with an apology for this meeting.

Moving forward, the correspondence report will be included in the Meeting Notice & Agenda email sent to CCC members. No objections raised.

## 8. REPORT BY KIEREN BENNETTS

An update on operations and an overview of activities was provided to the CCC via presentation. The presentation will be provided to the CCC members electronically. Discussions and actions arising from the report:

### Aerial photograph

- Updated photograph from August 2018.
- BS queried how much mining time was left in Pit 7 due to it looking like a lot of work happening in there. BJ confirmed it would be approximately 2028 to fit in with the final rehabilitation works required. A lot of mining will happen over the next few months, however, then it will slow up to line up that requirement.

### Environmental monitoring overview

- Attended noise monitoring
  - Nil queries.
- Real time noise monitoring
  - Nil queries.
- Blast monitoring / vibration monitoring
  - CF commented that the overpressure on the blast that caused a complaint was 116.
  - KB confirmed that it was however still compliant as it had not exceeded 120.

- Air quality
  - Nil queries.
- Water discharge
  - BS queried where the brine from the RO plant was being used. KB confirmed it was used on heavy vehicle and light vehicle roads.
  - BS queried how much brine was being produced. IF confirmed that if 2ML was discharged from site then, 0.3ML of brine/reject water was produced.

#### Operational downtime

- Nil queries.

#### Rehabilitation

- BS queried how WCPL were tracking given at present the region was in drought. IF and BJ confirmed that the season and conditions are considered in calculating the rehabilitation condition performance.

#### Exploration

- Nil queries.

#### Community

- Complaints
  - CF queried why Barnett Road is in a different category to Wollar Village. KB advised he would review and update. Action raised for this to occur.
- Donations, sponsorship and support
  - Nil queries.
- Consultation
  - Nil queries.

## **9. REPORT BY IAN FLOOD**

An update on the Wilpinjong Extension Project (WEP) and property matters was provided to the CCC via presentation. The presentation will be provided to the CCC members electronically. Discussions and actions arising from the report:

#### Wilpinjong Extension Project

- Judicial Review
  - Nil queries
- Ulan-Wollar Road realignment
  - BS queried if the road would remain open while construction undertaken. IF confirmed that it would remain open. Travel would be on the old road and switch to the new road once completed.
  - BS queried the relationship between the road realignment and haul road construction. IF confirmed there is no relationship. The public road is to the north of the railway and the haul road to the south of the railway. Cumbo crossing will remain as is with the boom gates. The railway crossing closer to the mine gate that currently has a stop sign will eventually have boom gates also.
- 22/66kv transmission line realignment (east and west sections)
  - Nil queries.
- 330kv deviation
  - Nil queries.
- Pit 8
  - Nil queries.

#### Tralee Exploration Licence application

- Nil queries

#### Social Impact Management Plan

- IF advised that he was hoping to be able to submit the document to the Department of Planning and Environment this week for approval and would provide copies to the CCC and the Wollar Progress Association once approved by DPE.
- CF requested a hard copy be provided for the Wollar Progress Association. Action raised for IF to provide the copies.
  - NSW Health  
Nil queries.
  - Department of Education  
Nil queries.

#### Property Management

- Dog and Fox baiting program
  - CF believes that the dogs are coming from either the eastern or southern side of the Wollar Village. IF advised that Cortina and McDermott had baited their properties.
  - LM advised that the NP&WS undertook aerial baiting in autumn.

## **10. GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### 2017 Annual Environmental Management Report status

- BS queried the status of the 2017 Annual Environmental Management Report being published on the WCPL website.
- KB confirmed that it had been and showed the location using his computer to confirm.

#### Rubbish from properties being demolished

- BS noted that someone had commented on the rubbish from the property demolition at Firefox and queried when it would be cleaned up. IF confirmed that the inert waste would be dumped in pit within the next week or two.
- LA confirmed that IF had responded to the query from another community member about the insulation that had blown off the property. IF confirmed that it had been picked up and that it was discovered someone else had illegally dumped asbestos at the site which WCPL will follow up on and report to the authorities.

#### Rural Fire Service (RFS) award

- BS congratulated WCPL on the recent RFS award. She commented that RFS support was a key issue of the community in the Social Impact Management Plan consultation, however, it had not been mentioned at today's meeting and queried whether the community's request would be followed through with (WCPL being the first responder to all fires by setting up a first response team dedicated to Wollar). IF advised that it was not mentioned today as there are no significant changes to the Social Impact Management Plan considered in this respect, and that WCPL RFS volunteers will continue to respond in the same manner as all RFS volunteers.
- CF queried if WCPL volunteers held an RFS pager. IF and KB confirmed that they do not hold a pager, however, receive text message notification of events and have keys and alarm code access to the Wollar shed, and access to the WCPL fire truck.

#### Harry Harvey Park gate

- CF queried whether the gate would be repaired as requested. IF confirmed that he thought it had already been repaired and will follow up to ensure it is done. Action raised for this.

#### Comments on today's mine tour

- BJ queried what the CCC thought of today's tour.
- LA commented that all appeared to enjoy the tour, and that she particularly enjoyed dispatch, the SATS dozers and the workshop.

<b>Meeting Closed:</b>	
<b>Meeting Closed:</b>	4:36 pm
<b>Next Meetings:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday, 10 December 2018 – 3:00 pm (Mudgee / Christmas dinner) with venue to be advised.</li> </ul>

<b>ACTION LIST</b>			
<b>Number</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Whom</b>	<b>By When</b>
1.	Waste management from demolition program (including asbestos removal) to be addressed at every CCC meeting, and an ad placed in the Wollar Public School newsletter when conducting asbestos removal in the Wollar township.	IF	Ongoing / as required
2.	IF to provide an update regarding the relocation of the 330kv powerline at Slate Gully.	IF	Ongoing
3.	Communicate project modifications to the CCC.	IF	Ongoing
4.	Attended noise monitoring reports to be available in hard copy at each CCC meeting.	KB	Ongoing
5.	Investigate and provide feedback how to best manage the public maintenance of headstones in the church yards.	IF	Next meeting
6.	Write to Transgrid and request further information in regard to why the new power line towers are not being painted green.	LA	Next meeting
7.	Provide LA with contact information of person at Transgrid to enquire about the new towers being painted green.	IF	ASAP
8.	Provide the ground water model information to the CCC in respect of the affect that mining in Slate Gully will have on the Peabody owned water bores opposite Slate Gully.	IF	Next meeting
9.	Provide the information obtained from Vodafone in regard to the answer time of the complaints hotline investigation.	KB	Next meeting
10.	Review why Barnett Street is separate to Wollar Village in the complaints information and provide an update.	KB	Next meeting
11.	Provide the CCC with copies of the Social Impact Management Plan once submitted to the Department of Planning & Environment, Wollar Progress Association to receive a hard copy.	IF	Once submitted
12.	Arrange meeting with GL to discuss cultural burn for hazard reduction by NP&WS.	GR	Next meeting
13.	Follow up the repairs to the Harry Harvey Park gate.	IF	Next meeting
14.	Provide a definition of the term "buffer" as used in a recent public statement relating to property purchases in Wollar	IF	Next meeting