



Minutes of Community Consultative Committee Meeting – Wambo Coal Pty Ltd and United Wambo Joint Venture

Meeting of the Community Consultative Committee (**CCC**) for Wambo Coal Pty Ltd (**Wambo**) and United Wambo Joint Venture (**UWJV**), held in person and via online on Tuesday 4 August 2020 at 9:00am (EST).

Chairperson: Lisa Andrews (LA) – Independent Chairperson

In attendance: Janet Fenwick (**JF**) – Community Member (phoned in)

Shane Gee (**SG**) – Community Member (in person)
Brian Atfield (**BA**) – Community Member (in person)

Dave Thelander (DT) – Community Member (video conference)

Aislinn Farnon (AF) - UWJV (in person)

Cr Godfrey Adamthwaite (GA) – Singleton Council Representative

(video conference)

Brent Frondall (**BF**) – UWJV (in person)

Emma Morgan (EM) – Wambo Coal (minute secretary, in person)

Robert Ball (**RB**) – Community Member (video conference) Micheal Alexander (**MA**) – Wambo Coal (video conference)

Peter Jaeger (PJ) – Wambo Coal (in person)

Gary Wills (GW) – UWJV (in person)

Angela Vanderkroft (AV) – UWJV (in person)

Apologies: Albert Scheepers (AS) – Wambo Coal General Manager

1.	Welcome & Apologies (LA)		
	The chairperson opened the meeting at 9:16am, welcoming all to the inaugural Wambo/ UWJV CCC meeting. LA thanked all parties for combining the meeting.		
	It was NOTED that Albert Scheepers is an apology for the meeting.		
	LA acknowledged all attendees in the room and online. LA NOTED Ted Burley, community representative from the United CCC will be resigning, Ted has been requested to submit this in writing to the committee.		
2.	Declarations (LA)		
	No changes to members previous declarations.		
	LA has issued those present today hard copies of new declarations to be completed, electronic copies will be emailed to attendees online to be completed at their earliest convenience.		
3.	Business Arising (LA)		
	LA NOTED the previous Wambo minutes were distributed on the 29 April 2020 and United previous minutes distributed on 25 May 2020 being finalised shortly after.		

LA ran through the Wambo action items noting the following:

- PJ to provide the drone footage to CCC members on a USB, Godfrey noted he was unable to open the link which had previously been provided.
- AF noted, the newsletter will be distributed this week via letterbox drop and posted on the website.
- AF mentioned there will be another community meeting being held at the Jerrys Plains hall. Still to be arranged.
- AF noted the letters were sent to all CCC members in regard to combine both United and Wambo CCC meetings from 2020.

No action items from United previous meeting.

No other business arising from members.

4. Correspondence (LA)

LA to liaise with EM.

LA requested members online to mute their lines to reduce feedback.

5. Wambo Coal Business Update (PJ)

PJ welcomed members and introduced himself to RB. PJ provided the members with an update on Wambo, noting the following:

- Underground commenced a 59-day temporary shutdown which commenced on the 19 June. Operations have continued with underground mine development. COVID-19 has impacted thermal markets resulting in reduced sales. Full underground production is scheduled to re-commence on 21 August 2020.
- South Bates underground LW19 was completed on 18 May 2020, LW20 scheduled to re-commence on 21 August 2020.
- South Bates Extension UG Shaft failure. On the 3 May UG experienced a SBUE shaft failure. The works have been suspended, stabilisation has occurred, recovery works have commenced. PJ informed the members on the how, why the incident occurred. All works have been in consultation with the DPIE – Resource Regulator.
- Open Cut operations are currently in Hilldale mining the Whynot seam. PJ ran through the separate operational areas outlining the works occurring in each dump including backfilling/ rehabilitation works. PJ showed images of all the operational areas.
- North Wambo Creek diversion largest project for the environmental team this year. Soil Conservation commenced works in late March 2020, scheduled to finished September 2020. PJ showed images of the creek diversion and the drainage chute installation. PJ noted this is a Wambo project and does not affect the UWJV. PJ offered if any of the members would like to view the creek diversion, he would take them out, LA commented that we should add this to a future inspection when COVID restrictions lift.
- A diagram was shown on the proposed exploration drilling. It was noted seismic work and exploration holes been approved. The majority of the proposed activities would be on mine owned land.

- Year to date, Wambo has received 63 community complaints, 1 regulator inspection and 1 community session. Regarding the community complaints 54 relate to noise, 6 for lighting and 3 for blasts. Wambo has recorded 515mm of rainfall.
- PJ showed a graph on noise management, identifying the operational hours noise has shutdown operations in the pit. LA asked "is this an internal process or community complaints which initiate the shutdowns?", PJ noted this is an internal process which comes from the constant noise monitoring.
- Wambo has currently no exceedances in blasting.

APPROVALS

- Management plans for phase two underground operations are currently being revised. Mining operations plans are being revised to the new Rehabilitation Management plan format.
- First workings for LW22 LW24 have been approved on 7 July 2020.
- Approved 2019 Annual review, Biodiversity Management plan and offset strategy are all available on the website.
- In October 2020 an Independent Environmental Audit will commence.

SPONSORSHIP/ DONATIONS 2020 YTD

Wambo have currently sponsored/ donated to Singleton PCYC youth boxing program, Hunter Coal Festival, Singleton Chambers Excellence awards, Wildlife Aid, Westpac Charity Rugby League, Jerry's Pains Cricket club and Singleton District club.

GA asked if Wambo were being involved in the Hall of Fame this year as he noticed it wasn't listed. PJ mentioned we haven't received any information and asked if this was going ahead in 2020. GA replied "yes".

PJ raised the contact details listed in the Jerry's Plains community hall were outdated

ACTION:

• Contact details for the UWJV CCC to be updated in the community hall.

6. UWJV Business Update (AF)

UWJV Senior Leadership Team (**SLT**) joined the meeting introducing themselves to the members and what their role is. Once all introduced the SLT left the meeting.

AF provided the members with an update on UWJV, noting the following:

- AF presented a graph with an overview of the significant events with commencing operations in UWJV. It was pointed out first bucket of dirt was on the 1 May 2020, first new plant onsite CAT drill, 12 July first new Komatsu 930E arrived and 1 November 2020 phase 2, integration with Wambo.
- Surface plan of site was displayed, AF pointing out the dams, powerlines and where
 the operations have commenced. Photos of the starter pit, work in progress for
 admin building/ workshop, Dam U3 and Dam U2. July 2021 is the current scheduled
 period to be moving into the new office being built.
- Production figures, first dirt moved on the first May 2020 a month ahead of budget.
 May 307kbcm, June 483kbcm. Currently moved over 1mil bcm.
- AF went through the operational phases and the Environmental management plans. All plans have been approved by DPIE on the 20 July which allowed Phase 1B to

commence. Plans ae currently being reviewed to include the Wambo open cut. GW explained to the members what phase 2 will trigger with operations/ businesses.

QUESTIONS

- 1. BA asked what the water capacity was going to be onsite. AF was able to explain the dam's capacity.
- 2. GA asked when you envisage the individual consents currently owned by Wambo and United to split. PJ noted Wambo will split their consent to hold just underground and CHPP on the 1 November 2020 and transfer the Open cut consent to UWJV. AF noted United would surrender their consent held for the former underground mine on the 1 January 2020.
- 3. DT asked when will the work be conducted to the community houses as this was not listed on the project timeline. AF noted work has commenced on some properties. We needed to go out and obtain further quotes to fit into budget.
- 4. DT questioned why the work on the properties was not completed prior to mining commencing? AF noted the work was not required to be completed prior in the consents. Due to COVID-19 contractors availability became scarce and we also needed to ensure employees safety during this period.

MONITORING & ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

- UWJV has no environmental incidents or non-compliances in Q2 2020. Environmental
 monitoring systems have been upgraded, dust monitors installed at 2 locations, real
 time noise monitor at South Wambo, additional MetStation was installed.
- Dog baiting has been unsuccessful, trapping has commenced but so far unsuccessful.
 PJ mentioned how Wambo are managing the wild dog situation and one of the agistment properties has successful trapped 14 wild dogs.
- 20 blasts have been completed with no exceedances. 2 fume events reached a level 3, these are being investigated. Fumes did not leave site. currently discussing this issue with explosive provider. Trialled a fumeless explosive last week.
- AF presented graphs on 24hr PM10monitoring results, HVAS TSP results, blast monitoring, noise monitoring speaking to each slide explaining the details. It was noted noise has not been an issue as we are currently only operating 1 digger and 5 trucks.

No questions from members.

COMMUNITY UPDATE

No complaints have been received. Letters offering tank cleaning and inspection have been sent out to eligible residents. A community information night is currently being planned for 9th Sept at Jerry's Plains community hall, invites to be sent out soon. GW noted RSVP's would be greatly appreciated due to current COVID restrictions, numbers need to be managed.

AF asked the members if there was anything in particular, they would like raised during the information night to please let her know so this can be included.

7. General Business (LA)

LA opened the floor to all members.

1. LA noted we need to recruit new CCC member with Ted Burley's resignation. It was noted we currently have 5 community members and can have up to 7. LA feels 5 community members is plenty and how do the members feel about approaching

small community representative groups to take up a member position. **APPROVED** by all community members for LA to send letters to fill this position.

- 2. DT no general items to raise.
- 3. GA noted there are no local government elections in September 2020 due to COVID-19. Council positions have been extended for a year.
- 4. RB no general items to raise.
- 5. JF asked about having some road repairs. PJ to arrange repairs. JF noted there are vehicles travelling along this road on a regular basis. GW asked JF to confirm these are mine vehicles travelling this road, JF noted yes, they are marked like mine vehicles.
- 6. AF noted grading is required on the road near the cemetery, currently checking with council on who owns this road.
- 7. GA noted he had not received the presentations via email if these can be emailed through as he requires these to prepare his report this afternoon for council.

ACTION:

- LA to send out letter to small community groups to fill the members position.
- PJ to visit site and arrange road repairs.
- AF to investigate which vehicles are utilising the road JF has spotted.
- AV to email Godfrey copies of the presentations this afternoon.

10. Meeting Schedule

LA put forward the next proposed meeting date of the 1 December 2020, **APPROVED** by all members.

It was agreed the venue would be decided closer to the date given the current climate with COVID-19.

LA suggested we continue with 4 meetings per year given the UWJV is a new operation.

11. Meeting Finalisation

LA closed the meeting at 10:45am thanking the group for their attendance.

Action Register:

Date	Action	Responsible
4.08.20	Contact details for the UWJV CCC to be updated in the community hall.	Aislinn Farnon
4.08.20	Letters to be sent out to small community groups to fill members position.	Lisa Andrews
4.08.20	Road repairs to be completed near Fenwick property.	Peter Jaeger
4.08.20	Investigation into which vehicles are utilising the road Janet Fenwick has spotted.	Aislinn Farnon
4.08.20	Copies of presentations to be emailed to Godfrey.	Angela Vanderkroft