

Bloomfield Colliery Community Consultative Committee

Location: Bloomfield Colliery

Time: 10.00 am

Date: 18 March 2024

ATTENDEES	
Name	Organisation
Lisa Andrews (LA)	Independent Chairperson
Dennis Thurlow (DT)	Community Representative
Greg Lamb (GL)	Bloomfield Colliery
Brad Donoghue (BD)	Bloomfield Colliery
Chris Knight (CK)	Bloomfield Colliery
Jack Dwyer (JD)	Community Representative
Sue Page (SP)	Cessnock City Council (Manager Development Services)
Brayden Luke (BL)	Cessnock City Council (Ecologist)
Marc Hope (MH)	Cessnock City Council (Planning Assessment Officer)
Gary Hamer (GH)	Maitland City Council (Principal Strategic Planner)

Apologies	
Michael Jacobs (MJ)	Community Representative
Geoff Moore (GM)	Bloomfield Colliery
Janet Murray (JM)	Community Representative

Item	Issue	Action
1	Welcome and Introductions	
	The Chair opened the CCC meeting at 10:08 am and welcomed all in attendance..	
2	Apologies	
	As listed above.	
3	Declaration of Interests	
	LA advised that there were no changes to her previous declaration, she is an approved Independent Chairperson with the Department of Planning and Environment, appointed by the Secretary to chair this CCC and engaged by Bloomfield. Revised Governance Forms were distributed to members for completion and return.	
4	Business Arising from Previous Minutes	
	Last meeting held on 11 December 2023 (extraordinary). The minutes from that meeting were finalised and sent 22 December 2023. There were three action items from that meeting:	

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	<p>As sent out with the meeting notice on 12/2/24:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15/12/23 – Email to members with the draft minutes for review. 22/12/23 - Email to members with the finalised minutes. 7/12/23 – Email to members with the Meeting Notice & Agenda for this meeting. 15/12/23 – Email to members with draft minutes of the extraordinary CCC for review. 16/12/23 – Email from DT requesting separate briefing. 19/12/23 responded that CK will be in contact. 18/1/24 – Email from GM with newsletter and SIA survey information regarding the continuation project. Forwarded to members 19/1/24. 19/2/24 – Email from GM advising of opportunity for SIA contribution. Forwarded to members for consideration. 20/2/24 – Email with EOI for joining CCC. Replied with information for nominating. 12/2/24 – Email to members with Meeting Notice & Agenda for this meeting. 													
6	Reports													
	<p>GL provided an update covering the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two community complaints received since last meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20/2/24 - Noise – Buttai 12/3/24 – Blast – Louth Park The biennial rehabilitation monitoring was undertaken in December. The report is due March and a summary will be included in the next Annual Review Report.. Preparations in progress for 7 Ha rehabilitation on the tailings dam. Parts of the tailings dam area are being capped and shaped for rehabilitation. Construction of the Kurri Kurri Gas Pipeline in progress. 	GL to provide presentation with draft minutes.												
	DT asked where the blasting complaint was from. GL responded that it came from Louth Park Rd residence near the intersection with Buchanan Rd. Bloomfield has a blast monitor located at a house near the intersection and blast results were well within allowable limits.													
	DT enquired whether the gas pipeline location had changed its original route from that was approved. BD responded that he could only comment													

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	on Bloomfield land. Stating that there had been small changes due to site constraints.	
	DT enquired whether the pipe was going under Buchanan Rd. BD responded that it has already been installed under Buchanan Rd.	
	<p>CK provided an update on progress of the DA Modification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Studies continued during period with further assessment of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Biodiversity ○ Aboriginal heritage (completed on 27 February) ○ Air quality ○ Noise and vibration ○ Surface and groundwater ○ Rehabilitation and final landform ○ Social and economic (Survey closed 1/3/2024) • Newsletter (including survey) was distributed to Louth Park, Ashtonfield, Black Hill, Buchannan, Buttai and Avalon Drive subdivision. (2750 Newsletters in total). The survey received 145 responses. • Survey results provided in attached presentation. 	
	CK commented that the survey included opportunity for general comments and it was pleasing that no abusive comments were received.	
	DT asked if any aboriginal artefacts had been found during surveys before. GL responded yes, mostly stone cutting tools. These are all stored on site and a decision will be made by the local ALC, at the end of the project, whether they are returned to land or stored somewhere else.	
	DT asked if he could get a copy of the survey. CK responded that the presentation, which includes all the statistics will be provided with the draft minutes.	
	DT enquired how many hectares were involved. BD/BL advised – approx. 36 hectares of currently undisturbed area.	
7	General Business	
	<p>DT thanked CK for providing a separate briefing last month via video-conferencing regarding the continuation project.</p> <p>LA provided a briefing on the Department of Planning's revised CCC guidelines. Changes include that the CCC will now operate under its own Terms of Reference (ToR). LA will provide a draft template to members for their consideration and input. The governance forms have been updated and will now be reviewed and submitted annually by members. Questions were asked and answered.</p>	Governance forms distributed for completion.
8	Meeting Schedule	
	Next meeting scheduled for 17 June 2024 at 10 am.	TBC – based on lodgement of Continuation Project EIS.

Meeting closed at 10.45 am with LA thanking all for their participation.

ACTION ITEMS:

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1	Send draft Terms of Reference to CCC members with minutes for their input.	LA
2	Send Presentation to members	GL/LA

Acronyms referred to in minutes:

CCC	Community Consultative Committee
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