

Bloomfield Colliery Community Consultative Committee

Location: Bloomfield Colliery

Time: 5.30pm

Date: 28 February 2011

ATTENDEES	
Name	Organisation
Margaret MacDonald Hill (MMH)	Independent Chairperson
Cnr Jeff Maybury (JM)	Cessnock City Council Representative
Janet Murray (JMY)	Community Representative
Keren Halliday (KH)	Bloomfield Colliery
Garry Bailey (GB)	Bloomfield Colliery
Brendon Clemments (BC)	Bloomfield Colliery
Simon Grassby (SG)	Bloomfield Colliery
Apologies	
David Balcomb (DB)	Community Representative
Michael Harkin (MH)	Community Representative

A site inspection was carried out prior to the meeting.

Item	Issue	Action	Date
1	Welcome and Apologies		
	All members welcomed. Brendon Clemments was introduced as the new Deputy Manager who recently replaced Luke Murray who has moved to Rix's Creek. Simon Grassby was introduced as Steve Dunn's replacement.		
2	Declaration of Interests		
	MMH stated that she had been appointed as the Independent Chair of the Bloomfield Coal Mine CCC by the DG of Department of Planning. MMH is also a Member of the Mine Subsidence Board, a Member of the Minister's Arbitration Panel and Chief Executive of the NSW Association of Mining Related Councils.		
3	Previous minutes		
	JMY moved minutes and seconded by GB.		

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4	Business arising		
	JMY advised that the study regarding the death of a large number of trees in Kurri area that she had mentioned previously had only been scoped. Funding had not been available to complete the study as previously thought. Contact could be made with CMA for details.		
	JMY would like to nominate Norma Brooks as alternate member in case she is unable to attend meeting. MMH to forward nomination to DG for approval.	MMH	
5	Correspondence		
	No correspondence		
6	General Business		
	Regular environmental monitoring undertaken; Quarterly noise monitoring undertaken in December found exceedance at Lings Road. Configuration of equipment has been modified and report forwarded to DoP. Two complaints received since last meeting (1 dust, 1 noise); Waiting approval of environmental management plans submitted to Director General for endorsement. KH to follow up with DoP	KH	
	S 75w Modification -additional information provided to DECCW and currently investigating offsets. JMY asked if offset can be incorporated with other larger areas such as Coal and Allied land which will be handed back to State Government. KH advised that areas adjacent to Stanford Merthyr Crown reserve had been investigated but none for sale. Company has found it difficult to identify sufficient area of land with suitable vegetation that is for sale. Initial efforts to identify vacant Crown Land such as a travelling stock route was unsuccessful. JMY asked if there was any Kurri Sand Swamp on Bloomfield's land and if it could be protected. KH advised that none has been identified in current area of operation or that included in the modification. KH to forward copy of vegetation map to JMY for her reference.	KH	

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	<p>Infrastructure Project</p> <p>KH advised that the Director General (Department of Planning) had endorsed the 3 infrastructure projects as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Replacement of playground equipment at Stanford Methyr Park Playground (\$60,000) ➤ New cycleway to link Stanford Merthyr and Kurri Kurri at the southern end of Heddon Street (\$64,000) ➤ Upgrade site drainage system at Kurri Kurri skate park (\$15,000) <p>The unallocated remainder (\$41,000) of the fund to be distributed to the playground and cycleway projects.</p> <p>JM commented that he thought the cost of the replacement playground sounded expensive but had followed up and confirmed it was correct. JM also suggested speaking with Kurri Kurri tidy towns group for any future funding opportunities as they would like a footpath.</p> <p>Next step is to follow up with Cessnock Council to determine the details for the 3 projects and for the Company to arrange the payments.</p>		
	<p>JMY commented that she had noticed noise during the following periods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Week of Jan 31st @ 5pm and evening • Evening of Feb 1st @ 11.45pm • Mon/Tues (21/22nd Feb) last week @ 10.50pm there was engine noise <p>BC to investigate activities on site during those times</p>		
	<p>KH advised that the white pages phone listing is to be revised as follows:</p> <p><i>Main Office 02 49302 600</i> <i>Director and Emergency Contact (Reg Crick) 0408 680 432</i> <i>Chief Financial Officer (P Taylor) 0409 822 490</i> <i>General Manager Mining (G Bailey) 0407 938 003</i> <i>Open Cut Supervisor & after hours 0407 938 002</i> <i>Environmental Inquiries 02 49302 689</i></p> <p>The Open Cut Supervisor can be contacted directly if noise issues arise outside of business hours.</p>		

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	3 month outlook – BC outlined that work in Creek Cut and South Cut will alternate between the pits. Work to continue on the emplacement area on the John Renshaw Drive boundary. Rehabilitation has commenced including spreading of biosolids which may cause some short term odour issues in the immediate vicinity.		
8	Meeting schedule		
	Next meeting tentatively scheduled 16 May 2011 at 5.00pm		

Meeting closed at 6.35pm