

# Bloomfield Colliery Community Consultative Committee

Location: Bloomfield Colliery

Time: 4.55pm

Date: 29 July 2013

<b>ATTENDEES</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH)	Independent Chairperson
Jeff Maybury (JM)	Cessnock City Council Representative
Janet Murray (JMY)	Community Representative
Jack Dwyer(JD)	Observer
Greg Lamb (GL)	Bloomfield Colliery
Brendon Clements (BC)	Bloomfield Colliery
Garry Bailey (GB)	Bloomfield Colliery

<b>Apologies - Nil</b>	
Simon Grassby (SG)	Bloomfield Colliery

<b>Item</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b>		
	All members welcomed.  Jack Dwyer attending meeting as observer with intention to join the Committee.		
<b>2</b>	<b>Declaration of Interests</b>		
	MMH noted her positions as the Independent Chair appointed by the DG of DP&I for the Bloomfield CCC and Member of the Mine Subsidence Board & Ministers' Arbitration Panel and the Independent Responsible Person for the Bloomfield Charitable Foundation.  JM is a Member of the Mine Subsidence Board.		
<b>3</b>	<b>Previous minutes</b>		
	JMY moved to approve minutes and seconded by JM.		

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<b>4</b>	<b>Business arising</b>		
	MMH stated that Jack Dwyer attending meeting with intention to join the Committee. Committee supports nomination.	MMH to write to DP&I to confirm JD appointment to CCC.	Prior next meeting
	BC stated consultants report received regarding blast exceedance discussed in last CCC meeting. Report stated that meteorological conditions played minor part. Likely cause was blast timing. Since blast changes have been made to sequences and timing of blasts..		
	MMH stated that reply received from NSWMC regarding Great Eastern Ranges Initiative. NSWMC comments that Initiative is already a participant in Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue. JMY commented that Initiative is also active in Lower Hunter and Bloomfield could be involved. GB responded that Bloomfield Colliery does not own the land where the mine is located. The Stony Pinch Consortium is a better contact to put forward the agenda of the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative.		
<b>5</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>		
	Incoming: Email dated 19/7/13 Response from Stephen Galilee, CEO NSWMC, on Great Eastern Range initiative. AEMR 2012 – received from Bloomfield on 25/7/13. Outgoing: Letter dated 13/5/13 and email dated 29/5/13 to NSWMC – regarding Great Eastern Range initiative.		
<b>6</b>	<b>Reports</b>		
	GL provided PowerPoint presentation covering the following:  Regular environmental monitoring undertaken.  The 2012 AEMR completed and submitted to regulators. Report available on Bloomfield website. Hard copy of report provided to CCC members.  Two complaints received since last meeting.  In response to noise complaint from Ashtonfield noise modelling is being undertaken at washery to determine		

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	<p>suitable dump heights to minimise noise impacts at Ashtonfield.</p> <p>Routing noise monitoring conducted on 18/6/13 recorded exceedance at McNaughton's. Daytime level recorded 47 dBL at approx 5pm (Limit 39 dBL).</p> <p>Wild dog baiting undertaken in May/June on land managed by Bloomfield. 38 baits taken.</p>		
	<p>GB explained noise exceedance related to an out of pit dump area that is a daytime dump only. BC stated that dump expected to be completed by the end of 2013.</p>		
	<p><b>Infrastructure Projects</b></p> <p>Final payment of \$41,000 for Community Enhancement Fund paid to Cessnock Council in accordance with Council letter dated 29 April 2013 presented at last CCC meeting.</p> <p>Design of the new cycleway to link Stanford Merthyr and Kurri Kurri is complete and construction commenced. Design provided to MSB for approval before main construction activities. CCC and RMS evaluating tenders for grouting work in parallel with MSB approval process. Expected completion third quarter 2013.</p>		
	<p><b>Operations Outlook</b></p> <p>BC commented that operations outlook would comprise 50/50 split between S cut similar to last meeting. Operations in both pits are getting deeper resulting in lower noise impacts. The dump area along John Renshaw Drive will slowly progress westward. Topsoil may continue to be stockpiled on top of the John Renshaw dump for future use.</p>		
	<p>GB stated Bloomfield had been trialing a weekend roster for previous 6 months at washery to process Donaldson/Abel/Tasman/Bloomfield coal. Donaldson and Tasman have now ceased producing coal. Washery expected to wash coal 4 days per week.</p>		
	<p><b>General Business</b></p>		
	<p>JMY stated that Buttai residents have commented on dust settling on dwellings.</p>		

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	MMH enquired as to whether Dust PRP has been approved by EPA. GL responded that EPA have not yet approved PRP.		
	JMY enquired as to location of dust monitoring in Buttai area. GL gave brief description of location of dust gauges and high volume air sampler.		
<b>8</b>	<b>Meeting Schedule</b>		
	Next meeting tentatively scheduled 18 November 2013 at 5.00pm		

Meeting closed at 5.45pm