

MEETING MINUTES

Subject **ANGLO AMERICAN (DRAYTON MANAGEMENT) PTY LIMITED
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CCC)**

Date 17/12/2015

Time 15:00 (AEST)

Present **Drayton Boardroom**

James Benson – Drayton

Peter Forbes – Drayton

Brooke York – Drayton

Ray Butchard – Councillor (Chair)

Jennifer Lecky – Councillor

Peter Horder – Resident

Apologies

David O'Rourke – Drayton

Gerrit De Boer – Resident

Matt Frodsham – Drayton

Cameron Eckersley - Drayton

1. Welcome Attendees / Apologies

Meeting opened by Chairperson *Ray Butchard* at 15:10, all attendees welcomed.

Apologies made for *Gerrit De Boer, Matt Frodsham, Cameron Eckersley* and *David O'Rourke*.

Ray Butchard informed the Community Consultative Committee that Muswellbrook Shire Council has a new Director of Planning, Community and Corporate Services – Peter Veneris.

Motion to move the welcome and apologies (moved (*Jennifer Lecky*), seconded (*Peter Horder*), motion carried).

2. Acceptance of and Actions from Previous Minutes

Actions from the previous Community Consultative Committee meeting were:

- *Ray Butchard* to provide Drayton with an update on the Muswellbrook Shire Council Environmental Officer position vacancy (to advise when position has been filled). Ray did provide information regarding Muswellbrook Shire Council's new Director of Planning, Community and Corporate Services – Peter Veneris
- *Peter Forbes* to correspond with Muswellbrook Shire Council outlining disappointment with lack of response to previous correspondence and ask that it be rectified (and provide an acknowledgement of receipt) (*contacted council, no response*)
- *Peter Forbes* to correspond with Muswellbrook Shire Council to call for more nominations for Drayton Community Consultative Committee membership (*contacted council, no response*)
- *Brooke York* to provided dates of next Community Consultative Committee meeting which will be held at Drayton (*completed*)

- *Cameron Eckersley* to ensure that the use of abbreviations in the minutes is kept to the absolute essentials only (*completed*)

Acceptance of previous minutes (moved (*Jennifer Lecky*), seconded (*Peter Horder*), motion carried)).

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

Declared pecuniary interest included;

6/8/14: *Ray Butchard*: Ray's son works for Pacific National who is the rail provider for Drayton.

6/8/14: *Peter Horder*: Peter lives within the voluntary acquisition zone of Drayton mine.

16/09/15: Nil further pecuniary interests declared.

4. Report on Drayton's Environmental Performance

Brooke York presented a report on Drayton's environmental performance for the period since the last Community Consultative Committee meeting.

A map of Drayton's monitoring locations was displayed.

4.1 Enquiries and Complaints

There were no complaints since the previous Community Consultative Committee meeting.

4.2 Rainfall History

The period of September to November had average rainfall with September being below average, October rainfall average and November above average.

4.3 Blasting

There were no blasts that exceeded the airblast overpressure limit of 120dB(L) during this reporting period.

All blast were below 2mm/s in vibration well below the maximum limit of 10mm/s

4.4 Air Quality

The HVAS (high volume air sampler) and TEOM (tapered element oscillating microbalance) results were discussed. For the reporting period, Drayton recorded levels below the annual mean limit for *Total Suspended Particles* (HVAS) and below daily limits for PM10 at the sites TEOM's. It was noted that there was a gap in the TEOM data when there was a power failure on the 18th and 19th October.

On the 26th November, the Muswellbrook UHAQMN dust monitor recorded a daily result of 56.30µg/m³. On this day the Drayton TEOM recorded 36.07µg/m³.

Jennifer Lecky asked what direction the wind was coming from on the day. *Brooke York* was unsure and said this information could be sent out with the minutes.

Action: What direction was the wind coming from on the 26th November 2015 when the Muswellbrook monitor had a daily average of 56.30µg/m³? Result: Wind on the day was coming from the West.

There was general discussion regarding trends in air quality results. *Peter Forbes* outlined that the trends in PM10 typically follow rainfall trends with increased particulates in dry weather. Also bushfire smoke and dust storms result in elevated levels.

Peter Horder asked if all coal mines are required to report monitoring data.

Peter Forbes responded saying that all mining operations require a, 'Environmental Protection Licence' issued by the EPA. A requirement of these licences is to publically report key monitoring data.

4.5 Attended Noise Monitoring

Independent Attended Noise Monitoring results for night time noise were displayed for the past three months. Drayton's acoustic consultant completes evening and night monitoring on a monthly basis. Daytime monitoring is completed quarterly. All monitoring results showed compliance with night-time noise criteria at each location with October and November noise results being very low.

4.6 Water Storage

Water storage levels and capacity for the period were viewed, and Drayton is currently storing approximately 6300ML and has a storage capacity of 8753ML. Current storages are more than adequate if there is a prolonged dry spell throughout the summer months. Drayton's water management system is a closed system. Drayton does not discharge water and the only water brought to site is potable water.

4.7 Waste Management

Waste recycling and disposal figures for the past three months were viewed.

Waste generated for the past three months was higher than the previous period for recycled waste oil and recycled metals associated with scheduled equipment and plant shutdowns. Oil filters recycled was lower than the previous reporting period.

5. Reports and Submissions

James Benson outlined that Drayton have recently finalised the Mining Operations Plan and is based on mining up to the end of 2017. This plan also meets the requirements of the Drayton Mine Closure Plan and Final Void Management Plan. Due to the volume of the report, hard copies have not been provided but can be if requested. *James Benson* provided details of where the plan could be viewed on the Drayton website.

6. Drayton South Update

Peter Forbes provided an update on the Drayton South project. The *Planning and Assessment Commission (PAC)* has provided a recommendation that the project not proceed. Drayton is disappointed with the result, especially after following the first PAC's recommendations to redesign the project. The company will now take 3-6 weeks to make a decision on the next step and the closure of the existing Drayton operation. This outcome has resulted in no possibility of continuation of mining at Drayton and the mine will closed in the near future.

Ray Butchard asked if the existing workforce would be used to conduct rehabilitation works.

Peter Forbes responded that no decision has been made regarding who will be conducting the rehabilitation works although the current workforce will be used in 2016 to continue with the current rehabilitation plans. Drayton is still committed to conducting rehabilitation of the site when areas become available.

It was discussed that if there was a significant amount of new detail regarding the closure of Drayton an extraordinary meeting would be considered.

7. General Business

There was no general business discussed.

8. Next Meeting

Next meeting is a scheduled joint meeting with the Mt Arthur CCC.

In the event there is a significant amount of new detail regarding the closure of Drayton an extraordinary meeting will be called.

9. Actions from Meeting

Brooke York: What direction was the wind coming from on the 26th November when the Muswellbrook monitor had a daily average of $56.30\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$? Result: Wind on the day was coming from the West.

10. Meeting Close

Ray Butchard wished everyone a merry Christmas and thanked members for their participation throughout the year.

The meeting was closed at 16:05hrs.