

**SPUR HILL UNDERGROUND COKING COAL PROJECT
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE
MERTON VINEYARD DENMAN
ON WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2020 AT 5.30PM**

PRESENT	NAME	ORGANISATION									
	Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH)	Independent Chairperson									
	Wayne Seabrook (WS)	Spur Hill Management Pty Ltd									
	Emma Prince (EP)*	Mining, Exploration & Geoscience (Department of Regional NSW)									
	Cr Stephen Ward (SW)*	Muswellbrook Shire Council									
	Aaron Moon (AM)*	Community Representative									
	Donna McLaughlin (DM)	Manager Health, Safety, Environment & Community – Malabar Coal									
	Les Jones (LJ)	Community Representative									
	Fiona Webber (FW)	Community Representative									
	John Sowter (JS) (<i>arrived at 5.37pm</i>)	Community Representative									
APOLOGIES	Tim Wolfgang	Community Representative									
	Brett Keeping	Group Representative - Vignerons & Vineyards									
	Susan Pickersgill	Community Representative									
	Noel Downs	Group Representative - Wanaruah Local Aboriginal Land Council									
IN ATTENDANCE	Lisa Andrews	Independent Minute Taker									
WELCOME	The meeting was opened at 5.30pm with the Chair welcoming all attendees and introducing those present in the meeting room and those participating via Zoom (indicated by * above).										
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	The Chair advised that there has been no change to her usual declaration appointed by the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade to chair this meeting.	No amendments to previously stated declarations from CCC members present.									
CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES	The minutes of the previous meeting of 29 July 2020 were confirmed.	Moved: FW Seconded: SW									
BUSINESS ARISING	Action Items from 29/7/20:										
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	No other business arising										
CORRESPONDENCE	Two additional items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30/9/20 – Email from NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) regarding the Maxwell Underground (UG) Project being referred to the Independent Planning Commission (IPC). 1/10/20 – Email to CCC members with links to the DPIE referral letter, assessment report and recommended conditions. No discussion.	Emailed with Meeting Notice & Agenda on 30/9/2020.									

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The program consisted of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 17 geotechnical boreholes ○ 56 geotechnical test pits • Not expecting any problems with the proposed routes. JS commented that Mt Arthur had issues. WS responded that this is in a different zone, some 10 km away. • No safety or environmental incidents occurred during program • Rehabilitation of sites is currently taking place. <p>Solar Project Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maxwell Solar Project was approved on 19 August 2020 • A copy of the Development Consent is available on the DPIE portal website. • The project is expected to create roughly 50 new construction jobs and 2 operational jobs over its 30 - year lifespan • It is expected to generate 60GWh of energy annually which is enough energy for approximately 10,000 homes. • WS commented that Liddell Power Station is closing and as this solar project is near the grid it should be able to accept the modest amount of energy that will be generated. <p>Maxwell Infrastructure Rehabilitation in CY2020</p> <p>DM provided the following presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This calendar year, approximately 30 hectares of rehabilitation has been completed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 20 hectares of pasture ○ 10 hectares of woodland • Soil amelioration was undertaken using gypsum, biosolids and mulch. • Approximately 11 hectares of remedial work was completed on existing rehabilitation including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reshaping ○ Recontouring ○ Reseeding <p>Tree planting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approximately 50 hectares of land has been prepared for a spring tree planting program consisting of 40,000 trees. • Weed spraying was completed during June 2020 and September 2020. • Wild dog (and pig) trapping commenced on buffer land in late June 2020 and is continuing. <p>Cattle grazing update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malabar have been agisting pasture rehabilitation to a local farmer. • July 2020 – Angus steers were sold to a local abattoir averaging out at set weights producing a quality animal and meeting all primary marketing criteria. • September 2020 - Angus x Charolais heifers topped the market at the Singleton sale yards selling for 360c//kg and averaging 555kg. 	
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	<p>Maxwell Infrastructure TEOM PM₁₀ DM spoke to the TEOM graphs. There was a spike in mid August (still below the 24-hour impact assessment criteria) and a gap in the second week of September due to annual calibration of the monitoring equipment.</p> <p>Community Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Malabar have continued its long - standing partnership with Merton Living at Denman by sponsoring their Creative Therapeutic Engagement Program. The program provides high level therapeutic engagement to help improve quality of life for residents. Due to COVID -19 the program was adapted to provide 'Window Therapy'. Malabar sponsored the Colour Run as part of the Muswellbrook Public School Colourful Fun Day <p>Complaints Register</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No complaints registered since previous CCC meeting. Zero complaints for the 2020 calendar year. 	<p>Action: DM to provide a summary of the spike that occurred in mid August 2020.</p>
GENERAL BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil. 	
NEXT MEETING	It was proposed that the next meeting of the CCC take place at Merton Vineyard, Denman on Wednesday 3 February 2021 commencing at 5.30pm.	

Meeting closed at 5.59pm with MMH thanking all members for their participation and confirming that Minister Barilaro has extended the term of this CCC for a further two years with provision in the proposed conditions for merging of the CCCs. Further, as this is the last meeting for 2020, wishing members a merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2021.

ACTION ITEM

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1	Provide link to IPC live streaming of Public Hearing	DM
2	Provide summary of TEOM data explaining spike that occurred in August 2020	DM