

# **MEETING MINUTES**

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

Date 15/05/2014

Time 16:30 (EST);

Present Drayton Boardroom James Benson – Drayton (SV) Brooke York – Drayton (SV) Xanthe Willis – Drayton (SV) Matt Frodsham – Drayton

Ray Butchard – Councillor (SV) Jennifer Lecky – Councillor Peter Horder – Resident (SV) Gerrit de Boer – Resident (SV) Craig Flemming – Council (SV)

Apologies

Clarence Robertson – Drayton Jason Fittler – Drayton South Project Peter Forbes – Drayton

## 1. Welcome Attendees / Apologies

The chairperson Ray Butchard welcomed attendees. Apologies were made for: Clarence Robertson, Jason Fittler and Peter Forbes. This indicated with an SV next to their name on the list of attendees, took part in a site tour prior to the start of the CCC meeting.

## 2. Acceptance of and Actions from Previous Minutes

There were no outstanding actions from the previous minutes. Acceptance of previous minutes moved; Jennifer Lecky and Gerrit de Boer.

## 3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

There was a general discussion around the interpretation of Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DP&I) guidelines about declaring and having pecuniary interests in community consultative committees. This discussion was initiated by correspondence received from the DP&I prior to the meeting. CCC members were notified prior to the meeting that this discussion would be added to the agenda, giving them time provide considered opinions.

*Ray Butchard:* Discussed his interpretation of the difference between mitigation measures and gifts/bonuses in terms of pecuniary interests. Mitigation measures are seen as something that the mine is required to do as part of their Project Approval consent conditions (e.g. double glazing of windows of a house in the mitigation zone) and are therefore not a pecuniary interest by Ray's interpretation. Gifts/bonuses or gestures of good will are something that should be declared as a pecuniary interest (e.g. neighbours receiving a tank full of potable water from the mine during drought, tickets to events or gifts of over \$50 value).

James Benson: Mentioned that a pecuniary interest also encompasses those with an interest or association with local clubs and events which are sponsored by the mine.

*Brooke York:* Emphasised that nothing is ever offered specially to CCC members and any gifts/bonuses (e.g. water deliveries) are available to all neighbours of the mine equally. The correspondence received by Drayton from the DP&I specifically dealt with payments made to CCC members and/or the chairperson to attend CCC meetings (i.e. sitting fees). Brooke noted that these payments are not made by Drayton but are an example of a pecuniary interest that would be required to be declared by any member receiving such payments. The CCC were



reminded that it is the responsibility of members to declare pecuniary interests during the appropriate agenda item at each meeting.

*Ray Butchard:* Suggested that all possible pecuniary interests could be declared on a register and held by the mine (Drayton) so future interests could be added and there is a record of declaration.

*Brooke York:* Suggested that this register be added to the minutes and updated as necessary. Pecuniary interests declared:

*Craig Flemming:* Drayton sponsors the Solar Boat Challenge which he manages from a council perspective.

Peter Horder: Declared he lives within the voluntary acquisition zone of Drayton mine.

#### 4. Report on Drayton's Environmental Performance

*Brooke York* presented a report on Drayton's environmental performance for the period since the last CCC meeting.

A map of Drayton's monitoring locations was displayed.

- 4.1 Enquiries and Complaints
  - There were 7 complaints made in the 3 months from February to April 2014. 2 were in regards to spontaneous combustion odour, 1 in regards to dust, 2 in regards to visible dust from a blast, and 2 in regards to noise.
  - The details of the complaints made during the period were discussed.

The two complaints received about spon com odour were from a regular complainant located close to Scone.

*Craig Flemming:* mentioned that he had had someone else from Scone area comment to him that they could smell spon com in Scone.

*Brooke York:* Discussed the localised nature of the spon com smell as experienced during the site tour prior to the meeting and noted that residents of Scone would not be likely to be impacted by Drayton considering the prevailing winds.

*James Benson:* The two blast dust complaints were made by neighbours on Pamger Drive who could both see a dust cloud and weren't aware it was from a blast.

The noise complaints are being received from the same complainant and James Benson confirmed that there is further testing being conducted next week at that persons residence by a consultant to pinpoint the source of the noise.

#### 4.2 Rainfall History

• The period has been particularly wet after a record low rainfall recorded in January (3mm total) since records started at Drayton in 1981. February, March and April all recorded rainfall well above average with April recording 135mm which was only slightly below the highest rainfall recorded during April since 1981 (139.2mm).

#### 4.3 Blasting

- No blast exceeded the airblast overpressure limit of 115dB(L) during this reporting period.
- No blast exceeded the ground vibration limit of 5mm/sec during this reporting period.



- No blasts occurred in the north pit during the report period.
- Attendees viewed overpressure and vibration levels for the period from both the Antiene and DeBoer blast monitors with no exceedance levels noted.

4.4 Dust, TSP and PM10

- Attendees viewed data from Drayton's high volume air samplers (HVAS) and tapered element oscillating microbalance (TEOM). These instruments measure TSP for a 24 hour period every six days and PM10 continuously.
- PM10 data from the Drayton TEOM was graphed against PM10 recorded by the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) monitor located in Muswellbrook. The graph showed correlation between PM10 levels at the two monitoring locations.
- 4.5 Noise
  - Independent Attended Noise Monitoring results were displayed and showed low to inaudible noise originating from Drayton.

*James Benson*: confirmed that from May Drayton will be undertaking monthly noise monitoring, as a result of a request from the Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DP&I). Currently Drayton is only required to conduct independent monitoring quarterly.

- 4.6 Water Storage
  - Water storage levels and capacity for the period were viewed. A greater storage capacity in the ES Void has boosted the storage capacity and Drayton is at less than half capacity. 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.
- 4.8 Actions from previous Meetings
  - Diesel spill update: James Benson provided information on the diesel spill which occurred during January 2014 and discussed at the February meeting. A site wide audit of any areas where hydrocarbons are stored or used was undertaken immediately following the spill and a number of actions were identified to improve hydrocarbon storage and management onsite to prevent a reoccurrence. These actions included:
    - Non return valves being fitted to lines
    - The pump that failed will be replaced annually from now on
    - Lighting is to be upgraded in these areas so any issues can be identified quickly
    - The workforce has gone through spills response training to raise awareness
    - There will likely be contaminated sites assessment conducted later in the year as a response to this incident
  - Drayton South Tour: *Brooke York* said she is happy to organise a trip but due to the travel time it will have to occur over at least 2 hours. It was agreed to leave the tour until a decision is made on the Drayton South Project.
  - Council CCC Guidelines feedback: *Craig Flemming* mentioned that the guideline has not been finalised. Ray Butchard moved the meeting on pending finalisation from the Council.
- 5. Reports and Submissions



Drayton submitted the Annual Environmental Management Report (AEMR) to the Regulators during April. This is available for public viewing and a copy has been provided to all CCC members.

## 6. Drayton South Update

*Matt Frodsham*: gave an overview of the Drayton South project. Drayton is currently waiting on the government review of the retracted mine plan submitted in response to the PAC review. This mine plan has been retracted to remove mining from the view of the horse studs so a visual bund is no longer required, but by doing so, an entire pit has been removed from the mine plan and the expected mine life has been reduced due to the retraction.

#### Action: Brooke York to supply a copy of the retracted mine plan to CCC members.

*Matt Frodsham:* verified that an approval by the government for the project does not necessarily mean the project will go ahead as there are internal Anglo American approvals which also must occur before project construction can begin. Anglo American will review the options based on whether or not the approval is granted and when a decision is received. Circumstances at the time of approval of the retracted mine plan will factor into the decision of whether or not to go ahead with the project, if approved. Options open to the company were discussed with the CCC.

*Matt Frodsham:* discussed that there will be a different CCC for Drayton South as it is considered a new mine according to the government due to being on a completely different mining lease to Drayton's current lease. Also there will be additional stakeholders affected by Drayton South and they will be invited to form part of the Drayton South CCC.

## 7. General Business

*James Benson*: discussed the proposed roster changes which are expected to occur at Drayton in June. The mine roster will be changing from a 24/7 operation with 4 crews working 12 hour shifts, to a 24/5 operation with three crews working rolling 8 hour shifts. There are likely to be redundancies and contractor job losses. James confirmed that some vital operations such as train loading and dragline operations may still occur on weekends but exact details have not been confirmed. The 24 hour complaints hotline will still be operational 24/7.

## Summary of Actions due by next meeting:

Action BY: Post out a copy of the retracted mine plan to CCC members. Action XW: Create register of all previously stated pecuniary interests to become an agenda item and added to during CCC meetings.

## 8. Next Meeting

Tentative meeting dates for 2014 are: 21<sup>st</sup> August 20<sup>th</sup> November

The August meeting date is to be confirmed in consultation with Mount Arthur Coal as it will coincide with a JCCC meeting. Drayton will provide confirmation closer to the date.

## 9. Meeting Close

The meeting was closed at 17:35hrs.