SPUR HILL UNDERGROUND COKING COAL PROJECT COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE MAXWELL INFRASTRUCTURE SITE THOMAS MITCHELL DRIVE, MUSWELLBROOK ON WEDNESDAY 10th APRIL 2018 AT 3.30PM

PRESENT	NAME	ORGANISATION	
	Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH)	Independent Chairperson	
	John Sowter (JS)	Community Representative Group Representative - Vignerons & Vineyards	
	Brett Keeping (BK)		
	Les Jones (LJ)	Community Representative	
	Noel Downs (ND)	Group Representative - Wanaruah Local Aboriginal Land Council	
	Wayne Seabrook (WS)	Spur Hill Management Pty Ltd (SHM)	
	Scott Brooks (SB)	Muswellbrook Shire Council (alternate for Cr Stephen Ward)	
	Fiona Webber (FW)	Community Representative	
	Jaime Flynn (JF)	Division of Resources & Geoscience	
	Tim Wolfgang (TW)	Community Representative	
Rob Hayes* Maxwell Project	Maxwell Project		
	Donna McLaughlin*	Maxwell Project	
	Bill Dean*	Maxwell Project	
IN ATTENDANCE	Lisa Andrews	Minute Taker	
APOLOGIES	Cr Stephen Ward	Muswellbrook Shire Council	
	Susan Pickersgill Community Representative		

The CCC members were given a brief presentation by Wayne Seabrook and introduction of new Malabar staff members prior to an inspection of the existing Drayton facilities and the current rehabilitation program.

Attendees returned to the board room and the meeting commenced at 5.16pm.

WELCOME	The Chair welcomed all attendees and thanked Wayne Seabrook for organising the site tour and Maxwell Project personnel for explaining the current activities on site and explanation of the proposed project.	All agreed that the tour was very informative and beneficial.
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	MMH advised that there has been no change to her previous declarations. (Appointed by the Minister for Resources and Energy as the Independent Chair of the Spur Hill Community Consultative Committee & holds a position on the Mine Subsidence Board.)	No amendments to previously stated declarations from CCC members present.
CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES	The minutes of the previous meeting of 7 February 2018 were confirmed.	Moved: BK Seconded: JS
BUSINESS ARISING (ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING)	 Place regular advertisements on CCC meetings in the Denman News. Investigate GIS layer of mining prohibition map. Link to GIS system that shows mapping of mining licences etc in NSW. WS to advise MMH when settlement takes place. Date and arrangements for next CCC meeting. 	Ongoing Complete 8/3/18 Complete Complete 27/2/18 Complete
CORRESPONDENCE	 In 27/2/18 - email from WS on completion of Drayton assets 8/3/18 - email from JF responding to GIS request Out 	

	27/2/187 - email media release from WS on completion of Drawton assets to CCC	
	 completion of Drayton assets to CCC 8/3/18 - email GIS request information and 	
	link to SEED portal to CCC members	
PRESENTATION	WS advised that:	An electronic copy of the
ON PROJECT	• Malabar has been on the site since 26/2/18	presentation is attached to these
	when it gained full ownership of the	minutes
	Drayton Mine and exploration Licence (EL	
	5460).	
	• The site is now known as Project Maxwell,	
	with its key focus and responsibility on the	
	rehabilitation of the Drayton Open-cut	
	mine site, care and maintenance, and	
	planning the future development of an	
	underground mine	
	• Within a week of taking control,	
	rehabilitation commenced.	
	• WS showed a map of the area and	
	explained the location of the three sites	
	(Drayton South, Maxwell & Spur Hill).	
	• Malabar has established its new team of	
	staff at Drayton under the leadership of	
	Rob Hayes. The primary tasks will be to	
	manage the efficient and timely delivery of	
	the rehabilitation of the site and contribute	
	to the preparation of the development plan for the EIS/DA.	
	 Malabar is in the process of tendering a 	
	major rehabilitation contract.	
	Preliminary underground panel layout	
	options are being drafted, these will be	
	followed by subsidence and groundwater	
	modelling.	
	• The entrance to the underground mine is	
	likely to be 8 to 9km from the existing coal	Questions on pit entrance and
	washery.	distance from washery, any FIFO
	• Given the concentration of mine workers in	
	the Hunter Valley, Malabar would expect to	
	source its workforce locally	
	Additional base line data is being gathered	
	including additional soil characterisation	
	studies.	
	• It is intended to build an administration	
	block near the pit entry to position workers	
	closer to where they work. Intention is to	
	utilise local people wherever possible.	
	The previous annual production for Drayton	Enquiry regarding port and rail
	was around 4 million tonnes, whereas	"take or pay" system. WS
	Malabar's will be around 5 million tonnes.	advised that Malabar has made
	 Also looking at other uses for the 	no commitments to "take or
	rehabilitated aboveground site, ie industrial	pay" at this time. Question on plans for other land
	or grazing land.	use
	 Targeting to lodge a development 	
	application by the end of this calendar year,	
	application by the end of this calendar year,	

	 however, there is still a lot of work to be carried out. Interim documents (e.g. mining plans) will need to be submitted to DP&E prior to lodging the DA. The time for processing a coal project DA varies greatly from around 12 months to multiple years. The average is c. 500days. Given the existing infrastructure, Malabar believes there is the opportunity for the assessment process to be at shorter end of this range. The Planning Assessment Commission (PAC) was re-formed as the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) on 1 March 2018. Whether or not an IPC is formed for the Maxwell Underground will be determined by the State Government or other triggers. If an underground project is approved, Malabar will move to construction and commencement of production as soon as possible. No complaints have been received from the community. 	Questions on lodging of EIS and timing of assessment, "Will there be a PAC?"
GENERAL BUSINESS	Nil.	
NEXT MEETING	It was proposed that the next meeting of the CCC take place at Merton Vineyard, Denman on Wednesday 27 th June 2018, commencing at 5.30pm.	

Meeting closed at 5.37pm with MMH thanking all CCC members for their attendance

ACTION ITEM

ITEM	ISSUE	RESPONSIBILITY
1	Place regular advertisements on CCC meetings in the Denman News	Ongoing (WS/MMH)