



# Minutes of Meeting

<b>LDO Workplace:</b>	<b>Chain Valley Colliery</b>		
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Chain Valley – Conference Room</b>		
<b>Date:</b>	<b>07/08/2012</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>09:00am</b>
<b>Meeting Topic:</b>	<b>Community Consultative Committee</b>		
<b>Participants:</b>	<p><b>Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MM) – Chair</b></p> <p><b>Greg White(GW) for Tabitha Kuypers– Wyong Shire Council</b></p> <p><b>John Oakes (JO) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Craig Nash (CN) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Peter Cripps (PC) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Neil Wynn (NW) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Chris Ellis (CE) – LDO/LakeCoal</b></p> <p><b>Bob Corbett (BC) – LDO/LakeCoal</b></p> <p><b>David McConnell (DM)– LDO/LakeCoal</b></p> <p><b>David Kelly (DK) – EMGA Mitchell McLennan</b></p> <p><b>Ed Niembro (EN) – EMGA Mitchell McLennan</b></p> <p><b>Apologies – Andrew Whitbourne, Lake Macquarie City Council &amp; Peter Ross</b></p>		

## Agenda Items

No	Item	Action Whom	By When
	The CCC representatives undertook a site inspection of the Chain Valley Colliery surface facilities from approximately 9:00am to 10:00am	Note	
1.	MM opened the meeting at 10:10am	Note	
2.	Welcome, introductions, apologies and declarations of pecuniary interest were given.	Note	
3.	MM noted Lake Macquarie City Council has been approached again regarding a representative for the CCC, but was advised that no one had been appointed yet and that it was likely not to occur until after the Local Government elections next month.	Note	

4.	Confirmation of previous minutes A motion that the minutes be accepted for the last CCC meeting (15/5/12) was moved by JO and seconded by PC.	Note	
5.	CE will now upload the final minutes for meeting on the 15/5/12 to the website.	CE	31/08/2012
6.	Business Arising CE showed the Committee the new website and the various information contained on the site (complaints register, committee details, monitoring results, approvals, licences, CCC minutes etc) and how to navigate around it.	Note	
7.	PC asked if the website had been promoted to the community through other forums. CE advised that this had not been undertaken, but was easily accessible from a search engine.	Note	
8.	JO confirmed that a monitoring site at Macquarie Shores would be permissible.	Note	
9.	JO identified that some monitoring within Macquarie Shores had previously been undertaken or was being undertaken. It was briefly discussed that this may have been Mannering Colliery or Environmental Assessment related.	Note	
10.	CE advised that the contact details for CCC members were now available online, and that CE should be contacted to have details updated in the future as required.	Note	
11.	A video of the Chain Valley Colliery miniwall in operation was shown.	Note	
12.	Two plans showing the seagrass mapping around the mining area and within Lake Macquarie were shown and discussed.	Note	
13.	Details on the potential way to structure the community trust were discussed, with the preferred option being to establish a charitable trust fund. CE to provide additional detail on the options and benefits to the CCC members.	CE	31/08/2012
14.	CCC members to advise CE if they do not wish for LakeCoal to pursue the establishment of a charitable trust fund, and if not, which option the CCC would prefer.	All	30/09/2012
15.	JO asked what is currently occurring with the funds. DM advised that currently the contributions for the community fund were being accrued.	Note	
16.	CE discussed the progress of the dilapidation report and subsequent required road maintenance agreement, advising that the CCC would be notified when the agreement was in place.	CE	Following execution of road maintenance agreement
17.	A general discussion regarding the substandard road repair works following the excavation of Ruttleys Road was held, noted that remedial works were now being undertaken.	Note	
18.	CE gave an update on the progress of the required environmental management plans. CE advised that comments on the plans could be provided in the future as the plans are frequently updated. CE to confirm with the Department of Planning and Infrastructure if the draft plans, prior to approval from the Department, can be uploaded to the website.	CE	31/08/2012

19.	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>Correspondence to the CCC was covered, the only correspondence was on the 23/7/12 from CE to the CCC regarding the availability of the Environmental Assessment (on the website) relating to the revised miniwall layout.</p>	Note	
20.	<p><b>LakeCoal Report</b></p> <p>An update of the current mining activities was presented, current mining within Miniwall 3 with development occurring to the south of Domain 2.</p>	Note	
21.	<p>The CCC was asked if any information was required based on the site inspection;</p> <p>CN recommended that water sampling be undertaken from the dam seepage point and compared with the main spillway water quality.</p> <p>CE to have sampling completed and present at next CCC meeting.</p> <p>CE to present plan at the next CCC meeting which identifies monitoring locations.</p>	CE	13/11/2012
22.	<p>The latest water monitoring results were presented and information given that these details would be provided monthly on the website.</p>	Note	
23.	<p>Complaint details and actions since the last meeting were presented.</p> <p>NW provided additional detail for one complaint that LakeCoal did not have a follow up number for.</p> <p>CE to contact complainant and provide follow up.</p>	CE	31/08/2012
24.	<p>The "Life of Mine" application was discussed.</p> <p>CE advised that this application has now been withdrawn and will not be progressed under Part 3A. If sought in the future it would need a new application under Part 4.</p>	Note	
25.	<p>CE provided an update on Modification 1 to MP10_0161 (revised miniwall layout), response to submissions is currently occurring.</p>	Note	
26.	<p>The Mining Extension 1 project was discussed in detail including key project details, proposed mining areas, mine design considerations and the project timeline.</p>	Note	
27.	<p>BC noted that any specific concerns that the community want addressed in the EIS should be raised here or to EMGA Mitchell McLennan during the assessment process.</p>	Note	
28.	<p>CCC / Community members are welcome to contact EMGA Mitchell McLennan directly to raise any concerns or topics they think should be addressed in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIS).</p> <p>EMGA Mitchell McLennan's contact is David Kelly (dkelly@emgamm.com)</p>	Note	
29.	<p>JO suggested that consultation for the EIS should include each of the neighbouring suburbs as issues may differ with respect to the Colliery.</p> <p>DK advised that a community consultation process would occur as part of the Social Impact Assessment.</p>	Note	
30.	<p>It was asked where the Director-Generals Requirement's (DGRs) will be available from for the Mining Extension 1 project.</p> <p>BC advised that these would be on the Department of Planning and Infrastructure website, however could be placed on the Chain Valley Colliery website.</p>	CE	When DGRs become available.

	<b>CE to place DGRs on Chain Valley Colliery website when available</b>		
31.	<b>CE advised that engineering / design work had commenced for the final embankment and spillway. CE also advised that the EIS would cover the potential impacts to the vegetation due to the civil work.</b>	<b>Note</b>	
32.	<b>CN asked when the work would commence on the dam wall. CE advised that it should commence shortly after approval is issued (expected mid 2013)</b>	<b>Note</b>	
33.	<b>CE advised that a new oil water separator system had been installed and that a new noise monitor was being installed currently.</b>	<b>Note</b>	
34.	<b>General Business JO advised that he was in discussion with some residents of Summerland Point regarding the area having some representation on the CCC.</b>	<b>Note</b>	
35.	<b>DM provided an update of the rail haulage feasibility study</b>	<b>Note</b>	
36.	<b>CN noted that Lake Macquarie City Council should have been able to appoint someone to attend the CCC by now and that it was disappointing they do not currently have any representation on the CCC.</b>	<b>Note</b>	
37.	<b>CE noted that LakeCoal are still consulting with Lake Macquarie City Council regarding various matters, but not via the CCC.</b>	<b>Note</b>	
38.	<b>CN noted that based on the site inspection, chemical storage and labelling might be a concern and may be worth raising at the next Work Health and Safety Committee meeting or similar forum. CE to pass recommendation on to site HSEC Coordinator for action.</b>	<b>CE</b>	<b>15/08/12</b>
39.	<b>A general discussion was held regarding the water quality of Lake Macquarie and quality near the outlet from the discharge point into the Lake.</b>	<b>Note</b>	
40.	<b>The committee agreed that an underground visit would be undertaken at the commencement of the next CCC meeting</b>	<b>Note</b>	
41.	<b>The next meeting was scheduled for 8am on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> November 2012.</b>	<b>Note</b>	
42.	<b>Meeting closed at 11:05am</b>	<b>Note</b>	