



LDO Workplace:	Chain Valley Colliery		
Venue:	Mannering Conference Room		
Date:	10 / 11 / 2015	Time:	11am
Meeting Topic:	Community Consultative Committee		
Participants:	<p>Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MM) – Chair</p> <p>John Oakes (JO) – Community</p> <p>Paul Maky (PM) – Community</p> <p>Andrew Whitbourne (AW) - Community</p> <p>Wade Covey (WC) – LakeCoal</p> <p>Apologies: Ben Johnston (BJ), Daniel Wallace, Grant Polwarth (GP), Bart Vanderzee, Bob Corbett, Tanya O’Brien (TO), Jenny Mewing (JM), Peter Cripps (PC), Ian Carr (IC).</p>		

Agenda Items

No	Item	Action Whom	By When
1.	MM opened meeting at 11:00am.	Note	
2.	MM welcomed and introduced Wade Covey (WC) to the committee who is replacing Chris Ellis as the LakeCoal Environment and Community Coordinator and representative to the committee. WC provided an overview of his background and experience in the mining industry as well as his experience with local community consultative committees.	Note	
3.	MM noted apologies had been received from Peter Cripps, Ian Carr, Bart Vanderzee, Grant Polwarth and Bob Corbett. WC advised that Ben Johnston was a late apology.	Note	
4.	MM declared interests (unchanged), i.e. appointment as Independent Chair of the committee and a member of Mine Subsidence Board.	Note	
5.	MM asked the committee for confirmation of previous minutes (11/08/15). Moved by PM, Seconded JO. <u>Action:</u> WC to upload final minutes to website.	WC	30/11/15
6.	WC detailed correspondence since the last CCC meeting (11/8/2015). MM provided input on correspondence.	Note	

7.	<p>MM noted business arising from previous minutes, which included an update on the VPA.</p> <p>WC updated the CCC on public exhibition of Draft VPA, TOR and funding deed with the community nomination form from 25th September to 30th October. WC provided update that TO and JM provided in the Mannering CCC. Versions exhibited were as endorsed by councillors in March 2015.</p> <p>Submission made by LakeCoal outlining the concerns with councillors' amendments. JO, PM and AW all expressed an interest in the Community Advisory Board for the VPA. WC explained that JM advised in the previous CCC meeting that Council had received 4 nominations and was currently assessing the applications.</p> <p>WC provided an update to the CCC members regarding the sale to Lake Macquarie Coal (no longer going ahead), Link Rd update (currently awaiting business decision from LakeCoal Board) and the current approval modification. WC advised that LakeCoal were hoping to have approval for the latest modification by the end of November.</p>	Note	
8.	<p>WC gave an update on the latest modification to the mine. WC advised that the modification was exhibited from 15th July to 6th August, with 11 submissions received (8 from government or special interest groups and 3 from the community). WC provided a brief overview of the submissions received and LakeCoal's comments in it's response to submissions.</p> <p>All community submissions made were positive.</p> <p>WC explained to the CCC that the information regarding this modification is publically available on the Department's website.</p>	Note	
9.	<p>WC gave an overview of current mining activities. WC advised mining in MW9 had finished and that MW10 was scheduled to commence 20 November.</p>	Note	
10.	<p>WC explained to the committee that planning works were being undertaken at Chain Valley Colliery regarding maintaining Asset Protection Zones (APZs) for managing bushfire risk.</p>	Note	
11.	<p>WC provided an overview of CVC haulage activities since the previous meeting.</p>	Note	
12.	<p>WC updated the committee on the noise monitoring results for the site. No non-compliances identified.</p>	Note	
13.	<p>WC gave the committee an overview of benthic monitoring results with results indicating no significant changes which was consistent with previous surveys.</p>	Note	
14.	<p>WC explained the process and results of the 5th annual traffic audit. Report currently being finalised.</p> <p><u>Action:</u> Provide update on results at next meeting</p>	WC	02/02/16
15.	<p>WC presented to the CCC an overview of the wastewater management system upgrade currently in the concept stage. WC explained that the potential upgrades would involve connection to the local sewer network by way of a private rising main to Tall Timbers Road.</p>	Note	
16.	<p>WC gave an update on the air quality results for CVC.</p> <p>JO advised that dust levels at Macquarie Shores was of a concern to local residents. JO explained that he was washing his house down regularly to remove dust. JO was unsure where the dust was coming from. MM indicated that it was hard to pinpoint dust sources at times and that most residential areas experience depositional dust. MM advised that she notices</p>	Note	

	<p>dust at her residence from time to time.</p> <p>WC indicated that there were no signs of exceedances in air quality criteria and explained measures taken to minimise dust emissions across the site.</p> <p>JO mentioned that other community members had discussed this issue with him in recent times. WC and MM acknowledged the feedback.</p>		
17.	<p>WC gave an account of two haulage related complaints received by CVC for the period from last CCC meeting. WC explained the action taken by the site following the incidents.</p>	Note	
18.	<p>MM asked the committee for general business items.</p> <p>PM enquired about the implications associated with the amalgamation of the local councils with regard to the VPA and other local matters. MM explained that it was unlikely the change (if it occurred) would affect the progress of the VPA given that it wasn't far from being resolved.</p>	Note	
19.	<p>MM advised the CCC that the 2007 CCC guidelines are currently under review. The NSW DPE are to send information out to the CCC.</p>	Note	
20.	<p>AW enquired if there was potential in amalgamating the CCC's of Chain Valley and Mannering Collieries in the future.</p> <p>WC replied that it was a possibility that an amalgamation could occur however this decision could only be made once a decision on the future of the business had been made by LakeCoal's management which was expected by the end of the year. WC and MM agreed that a combined CCC seemed a logical solution.</p>	Note	
21.	<p>MM enquired as to suitable dates for the next meeting.</p> <p>The following dates were agreed for the 2016 period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 February • 3 May • 2 August • 15 November <p>All meetings to be held at 10.30am. Location TBA.</p> <p><u>Action:</u> MM to send invites for the 2016 calendar period.</p>	MM	15/12/15
22.	<p>MM thanked the members for their help throughout the year and congratulated the committee for their continued input and wished all a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.</p>	Note	
23.	<p>MM declared the meeting closed at 12:12pm.</p>	Note	