



OVERVIEW				
Meeting	BC Community Consultative Committee			
Date	28/02/2013 Time 4.00pm			
Venue	Boggabri Coal Office			
Chairperson	Bob McGregor (BMc)			
Note Taker	Sue Kirkby (SK)			
Attendees	BMc, SK, Richard Gillham (RG), John Bastardo (JB), Steve Talbott (ST), Ken McLaren (KMc), Lloyd Hardy (LH), Chase Dingle (CD), Joe Rennick (JR)			
Apologies	Marty Brennan (MB), Jason Davis (JD)			
Guests				
Guest Speakers				
Next Meeting	3 months' time			

MEETING OBJECTIVES		
1	To communicate matters of importance at BCM to members of the community	
2	To give committee members the opportunity to act as a voice for the general community	
3	To discuss the 2013 tree clearing program	
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ITEM	AGENDA/DISCUSSION ITEMS	Action
1 Welcome/ Apologies and declarations of pecuniary interests	<ul> <li>Welcome <ul> <li>BMc - welcomed all attendees</li> <li>Email message from Jason Davis resigning his position on the CCC due to other commitments</li> <li>BMc - indicated that he would be stepping down as chairman of the CCC. He thanked all committee members for their support and especially thanked JR</li> <li>BMc - indicated that he would like to remain on as a committee member</li> <li>KMc - Thanked BMc for his contribution to the CCC over the years</li> </ul> </li> <li>Declaration of Pecuniary Interests <ul> <li>BM asked for anyone present to declare any pecuniary interest they may have in BCM: <ul> <li>BM - proprietor of Arczone Mining which employs one part time worker at BCM</li> <li>BM - Property comes into the Tarrawonga, BC and Maules Creek zone of affectation</li> <li>BM - property falls into the zone of affectation</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>	





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	for acquisition by BCM	
	• Minutes were checked by those present at the last CCC	Moved RG
	meeting	Seconded JB
	<ul> <li>19 December 2012 Minutes were found to be a true</li> </ul>	
	and accurate record of the meeting	
	Business Arising	
	<ul> <li>BM – Asked for any business arising from the previous</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>minutes</li> <li>KMc – The election of an independent chairman as</li> </ul>	
	discussed in the meeting held on 16 October 2012	
	<ul> <li>JR – John Nelson and Adam Marshal have expressed</li> </ul>	
	interest in the position of independent chair	
	• KMc – any applicant's credentials will have to be sent	
	to DOPI, they will appoint the new chairman	
	<ul> <li>Applicants need to have a working knowledge of</li> </ul>	
	mining	
	<ul> <li>BM – can the current committee have any say in who</li> </ul>	JR – print
	is appointed	resumes of
	• JR – don't think so	applicants and
	KMc – why not	send to
	<ul> <li>CD – a letter of recommendation could be forwarded to DOPI</li> </ul>	committee
	<ul> <li>JR – DOPI are unable to provide possible candidates</li> </ul>	members
2 Presentation/	Presentation of environmental monitoring data since	
update on	the last CCC meeting	
monitoring	<ul> <li>CD – more predictive measures will be used in the</li> </ul>	
results	future using real time wind and weather data to plan	
	operations according to conditions to minimise dust	
	and noise	
	• JR – 60m tower is now in place and monitoring	
	equipment will soon be fitted to allow for monitoring of temperature inversions	
	Steve Talbott arrived and was introduced	
3	There was only one community complaint received	
Community	since the last CCC meeting	
Complaints	• JR – outlined blast complaint and the causes of the	
	cloud that was witnessed	
	<ul> <li>LH – explanation of blast cloud and fumes caused by</li> </ul>	
	wet weather	
	<ul> <li>Video footage of blast cloud shown and photos of wet</li> </ul>	
	weather damage to drill holes prior to the blast	
	<ul> <li>LH – when a blast cloud is seen clearly, high in the sky</li> </ul>	
	it is a good sign as the fumes are going up and away	
	rather than dispersing at groud level	





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4/5 Tree	<ul> <li>JR – showed latest versio0n of MOP plan 3 and</li> </ul>	
clearing	explained the areas of tree clearing, dump plans and	
program and	water storage	
MOP approval	Access across Leard Forest Road (LFR) by mine vehicles	
	and dump trucks will be at the existing crossing using	
	an updated version of the pre-existing Traffic	
	Management Plans	
	• The MOP approval just issued is only interim to cover	
	the tree clearing program	
	<ul> <li>LFR closure is not included in the Part 3A approval, BC</li> <li>is basing to base approval to close LFP by the end of</li> </ul>	
	is hoping to have approval to close LFR by the end of 2013	
	<ul> <li>ST – Archaeological work currently being done ahead</li> </ul>	
	of the clearing program some of the work is being	
	filmed	
	<ul> <li>JR – discussed the suggestion that a display cabinet</li> </ul>	
	may be a good idea to display aboriginal artefacts that	
	have been recovered	
	<ul> <li>ST – Displayed artefacts one way to people better</li> </ul>	
	understanding aboriginal culture	
	<ul> <li>JR – all the worked described and shown in MOP plan</li> <li>2 falls inside the summer FIG beyond and</li> </ul>	
	3 falls inside the current EIS boundary	
	<ul> <li>BMc – very good idea to keep the LFR crossing in the same place for safety reasons</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>BMc – Asked for any further complaints</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>RG – asked why trucks delivering to site have to use</li> </ul>	
	the Rangari Rd	
	<ul> <li>RG – spoke to a Crawford's driver who was very</li> </ul>	
	unhappy with the lack of courtesy used by some truck	
	drivers on Rangari Rd, the school bus was seen having	
	to give way to a truck on a sharp corner	
	<ul> <li>RG – now that BC have federal approval won't there</li> </ul>	
	be a new bridge	
	<ul> <li>JR – BC has no commitment to upgrade the bridge</li> <li>JR – thinks a new bridge falls under Whitebayen VPA</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>JR – thinks a new bridge falls under Whitehaven VPA</li> <li>KMs – traffic on Pangari Bd will be greatly reduced</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>KMc – traffic on Rangari Rd will be greatly reduced once the option to access site from the Kamilaroi Hwy</li> </ul>	
	has been given approval	KMc – memo to
	<ul> <li>KMc – another memo can be sent to truck drivers</li> </ul>	truck drivers
	regarding safety and courtesy to other road users	
	• RG – in general, traffic behaviour is good considering	regarding safety
	the increased volume	and courtesy to
	<ul> <li>JR – once the new MOP is approved another CCC</li> </ul>	road users
	meeting will be called	





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6 General Business/ Questions	<ul> <li>RG – community concern over businesses closing in Boggabri when supposedly mines are doing so much for the town</li> <li>JB – people are quick to blame coal mines</li> <li>JB – governments are more the cause of small businesses struggling</li> <li>KMc – the town should see some resurgence once the MAC camp is up and running</li> <li>JB – is there still a courtesy bus planned for the MAC camp</li> <li>KMc – the courtesy bus plan will need to be followed up to see where it is at</li> <li>KMc – the VPA with NSC and DOPI is in the final stages and will soon be signed off</li> <li>KMc – production will be ramped up this year from 3.2mt to 4mt</li> <li>JB – when will the rail line commence construction</li> <li>KMc – predicted that earth works will begin in April</li> </ul>	KMc – update on the Kamilaroi Hwy access and the MAC camp courtesy bus
Meeting	Next Meeting: 3 months' time	
closed: 5.20pm		