



OVERVIEW					
Meeting	BC Community Consultative Committee				
Date	20/03/2012	Time	5.00pm		
Venue	BC Board Room				
Chairperson	Bob McGregor (BM)				
Note Taker	Sue Kirkby (SK)				
Attendees	BM, SK, Joe Rennick (JR), John Bastardo (JB), Richard Gillham (RG), Jim				
	Picton(JP), Ken Bates (KB),				
Apologies	Marty Brennan (MB), Jason Davis (JD), Mike Ryan (MR)				
Guests					
Next Meeting	Tuesday, 3 months' time, 3pm to allow for a pit tour				

MEETING OBJECTIVES		
1	To keep abreast of current projects at BCM	
2	To communicate matters of importance at BCM to members of the community	
3	To give committee members the opportunity to act as a voice for the general community	

ITEM	AGENDA/DISCUSSION ITEMS	Action
1 Welcome/ Apologies	<ul> <li>BM - welcomed all attendees</li> <li>JR -New General manager Mike Ryan sent apologies for not being present</li> <li>Minutes were checked by those present at the last CCC meeting.</li> <li>14 Jan 2011 Minutes were found to be a true and accurate record of the meeting</li> <li>It was noted that CCC minutes are now available on the BC website</li> <li>All present were happy with the format of the minutes</li> </ul>	Moved KB Seconded RG
Presentation on last three months environmental performance and issues arising	<ul> <li>JR – Presentation of the last 3 months environmental monitoring results (attached to these minutes).</li> <li>There was general discussion on dust sampling and contamination issues associated with depositional dust gauges</li> <li>JR – visual analysis is now being done on dust samples</li> <li>JB – queried if the environmental model is working</li> <li>BM – Concerns that Tarrawonga and BC are blaming each other for dust and noise</li> <li>BM – Rob and Pam Crosby have raised their concerns regarding excessive dust and traffic affecting their home and property</li> <li>BM – EPA asked him how much of the dust in the area was being created by traffic on shire roads - uncertain</li> <li>General discussion on the huge volume of traffic using</li> </ul>	





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	<ul> <li>the Manilla road, the dangerous driving practises especially vehicles overtaking unsafely</li> <li>Manilla road needs sealing – unanimous</li> <li>KB – Tamworth City Council does not have the sealing of the Manilla road high on its agenda</li> <li>Discussion on the proposal to bus workers to site</li> <li>The use of a bus would have to be mandatory to work – unanimous</li> <li>There are major challenges ahead with safety – unanimous</li> <li>JP – Graham Clarke is having problems accessing parts of his property and is unable to manage it properly due to BC mine water discharge dividing his property; does BC</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>propose to compensate him for this?</li> <li>Talk to Graham Clarke regarding possible compensation</li> <li>JP – concerns regarding cumulative impacts of all mines in the area</li> <li>JR – the plan is to set up real time dust monitors at strategic points around all mine areas</li> </ul>	JR
3 Overview of BC website and mine water	<ul> <li>JR – showed an overview of the new BC website</li> <li>KB – request for rehabilitation figures to be available on the website</li> </ul>	
discharge	<ul> <li>JR – showed the discharge monitoring points on the environmental monitoring plan</li> <li>JR – showed a range of monitoring results across the discharge event</li> <li>All present were satisfied with the water discharge monitoring results</li> </ul>	
4 Complaints	<ul> <li>Complaints were covered in the presentation (attached to these minutes).</li> </ul>	
5 General Business	<ul> <li>BM attended the peaceful protest at TS14 gates on the 19 March organised by the Maules Creek Community Council (MCCC)</li> <li>BM disappointed that there were only 2 representatives from the eastern and southern sides of the mine</li> <li>JP – very few property owners left as residents in that area</li> <li>BM - Concerns raised:         <ul> <li>Cumulative impacts of mining on Maules Creek and surrounding areas</li> <li>Disturbance of Leard State Forest</li> <li>Environmental &amp; social impact of mining in the area</li> <li>Indirect costs to residents of the surrounding</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	





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	<ul> <li>Closing Leard Forest Road</li> <li>Question why the mines in the area are not underground</li> <li>JR – Explanation of why BC project cannot be underground</li> <li>JR – the plan is to set up real time dust monitors at strategic points around all mine areas</li> <li>KB – BC needs to encourage education of what they do particularly with regard to rehabilitation &amp; clearing &amp; mulching programs</li> <li>JR – A brief update on the recent changes in management at BC and looking to the future structure</li> <li>BM – who will replace Peter Wilkinson as a BC representative on the Tarrawonga Board? – unknown at this stage</li> <li>BM – passed on thanks to all CCC members from Geoff Sharrock for their support</li> </ul>	
Meeting closed: 7.05pm	Next Meeting: 3 months time	