

ABEL UNDERGROUND COAL MINE

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE Meeting #28

Monday 15 December 2014 at 5.00 pm

Abel Underground Mine Administration Building

1. OPENING & WELCOME

Chairman, Mr Milton Morris.

2. PRESENT

Mr Alan Brown, Mr Terry Lewin, Mr Allan Jennings, Mr Ian Turnbull, Mr David Gibson, Mr Greg Lamb, Mr Tony Sutherland, Mr Phillip Brown and Mrs Alarna Bristow (minutes).

2.1 APOLOGIES

Mr Brad Ure

3. PECUNIARY INTERESTS

3.1 *Mr P Brown advised that upon speaking with the department the company has updated the website to state that the chair is a paid role but advised the figure was to remain reserved between the company and the chairman.*

Mr M Morris stated his family ties to the Black Hill area, with grandchildren at the public school and family living in the area. The role to him is an honour with no conflict of interest.

3.2 *Mr A Jennings tabled his declaration of pecuniary or other interests (attached)*

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 *Previous Minutes 15th September 2014. Minutes confirmed.*

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 *Business Arising.*

5.1.1 *Report on Blackhill School Trust – Mr B Ure
Mr Ure provided a report (see attached)*

5.1.2 *Mr T Sutherland clarified the confusion with the budget related to alternate reporting time frames being used. Stated the budget was in a deficit.*

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 *Email from Mr A Brown (copy included on website). No comments*

6.2 *Email from Mr P Brown (copy included on website) addressing outstanding questions by Mr A Brown. No Comment.*

7. COMPANY REPORTS AND OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

7.1 Abel Mine Update

*Mr D. Gibson provided the Abel Mine Update. Refer enclosed presentation.
No Comments.*

7.2 Monitoring and Environmental Performance

*Mr P. Brown provided an update on monitoring and environmental performance.
Refer enclosed presentation.*

Mr A. Brown asked whether during the DTRIS inspection was anything flagged with regards to dust. Mr P. Brown stated it was discussed with the tarred haul road, water carts and the installation of sprinklers along the haul combined with High Volume Air Sampling and Dust Deposition monitoring it was not foreseen to be an issue.

Revision History

Edition	Revision	Comment	Author	Date	Authorised by:
1	0	Draft Minutes	A. Bristow	16 December 2014	P. Brown
		Approved Minutes	P Brown	9 March 2015	M Morris

Mr A. Brown asked were pest animals noted within the rainforest report. Mr P. Brown said they were not mentioned in the report but they are certainly present on site but not within plague numbers.

7.3 Community Complaints and Response to Complaints

No complaints received.

7.4 Website Information

No comments.

7.5 Information provided to the Community and any Feedback

No comments.

7.6 Donaldson Coal Community Support Program Update

Mr Phillip Brown provided an update on the Donaldson Coal Community Support Program.

Mr A. Brown stated he had heard about the community support program on 2NURFM with quite a significant figure being used, possibly millions. Mr P. Brown thought initially that this might have been a Yancoal wide figure but would investigate.

7.7 Donaldson Conservation Trust

DCT working in conjunction with the Tom Farrell Institute are looking in ways they can contribute to the Richmond Vale Rail Trail project. Mr T. Lewin this project represents all aspects-community, ecology and economy. Mr A. Brown noted the positive work the DCT had funded with the tree planting, bird watching etc.

7.8 SMP Update

Mr Tony Sutherland provided the SMP update. Refer enclosed presentation.

7.9 Black Hill Road Undermining Update

Mr Tony Sutherland provided an update on the undermining of Black Hill Road. Refer enclosed presentation.

Mr A. Brown asked who makes application to the Subsidence Management Board. Is the onus on the company to complete the work. Mr T. Sutherland advised we are in consultation with the SMB. Our onsite surveyor's note when movement is complete the SMB then review and give the ok to proceed with repairs. Mr P. Brown advised tarring of the recently damaged section with be completed early next year.

8. COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS

No comments.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

Mr T. Lewin asked what are the employee numbers on site following the recent losses and is it the expected figure. Mr D. Gibson advised that there are 360 employees and yes that was anticipated.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Abel Community Consultative Committee was set down for Monday the 2nd March 2015 to be held at the Abel Underground Mine Administration Building at 5.00 pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 5:40 pm by the Chairman.