

**METROPOLITAN COAL  
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE - MEETING MINUTES**

**Date:** 09/12/2015

**Time:** Commenced – 5:32pm

**Location:** Red Nectar Restaurant, Helensburgh

**Attendees:**

- Lisa Andrews (LA) - Independent Chairperson
- Andrew Clough (AC) - Peabody Metropolitan Coal
- Ryan Pascoe (RP) - Peabody Metropolitan Coal
- Stephen Love (SL) - Peabody Metropolitan Coal
- Allan House (AH) - CCC Member
- Kerrie Belter (KB) - CCC Member
- Robert Scullion (RS) - CCC Member
- Lorraine Rodden (LR) - CCC Member
- Michelle Durant Chambers (MDC) - CCC Member
- Anthony Barnes (AB) - CCC Member / Wollongong City Council

**Apologies:**

- Brad Staggs (BS) - Wollondilly Shire Council
- Suzanne Cryle (SC) - Peabody Energy Australia
- Melody Innes (MI) - CCC Member
- Amanda Reilly (AR) - CCC Member
- Patricia Gauci (PG) - CCC Member
- Peter Turner (PT) - CCC Member

**Welcome and Introductions:**

**LA:** Welcomed everyone to the meeting, thanked Andrew for hosting meeting at Red Nectar Restaurant

**Declarations of Interest:**

**LA:** Declared position as Independent Chair for the CCC approved by the Director General of Department of Planning & Environment (DP&E)

**Confirmation of Draft Minutes:**

- Confirmed by KB, Seconded by AH.

**Business Arising:**

- LA requested an update on the Parkes Street Intersection Upgrade. RP outlined that no new developments have occurred since previous meeting.

**Action items from previous meeting:**

- **No actions**

**Correspondence Tabled:**

- 15 October 2015 – Email from Chair to CCC members with photographs from the PKCT tour taken by SC as well as the link to the 'Coal Town' song
- 10 November 2015 – Email from Chair to CCC members with draft minutes from the 14 October 2015 meeting
- 18 November 2015 – Email from Patricia Gauci with an apology for December meeting
- 21 November 2015 – Email to from Chair to CCC members with the updated Longwall Map
- 7 December 2015 – email from Peter Turner with an apology for December meeting

**Metropolitan Coal Year in Review – Ryan Pascoe, Manager Safety & Environmental Services**

- RP gave a quick summary of the year at Metropolitan. Outlined achievements including additional stockpile dust suppression sprays, progress on the upgraded coal wash reject (CWR) emplacement project, opportunity to beneficially reuse CWR at the Helensburgh Landfill, compliance with project approval noise criteria and 100% compliance achieved during 3 yearly independent environment audit. RP thanked the CCC members for their support and enquiries throughout 2015 and reiterated that we look forward to working with the committee again in the New Year.
- LR enquired about trucking number reductions. RP confirmed substantial reduction in trucking achieved through CWR initiatives and cessation of product trucking.
- KB asked over what timeframe CWR would be delivered to the landfill. RP explained that Council is yet to provide a detailed schedule but expects within a year.
- AH thanked Metropolitan for the information provided throughout the year to the CCC, and thinks the committee functions well as a conduit between the mine and the community

**General Business:**

- KB stated that she now works at Red Nectar, but was not employed there at the time the venue was chosen.
- AH updated committee on planned Memorial Garden to be constructed near the Old Mine Surgery. State Government has provided a \$15,000 grant which will include a memorial to the miners who have been killed at the Colliery over its 128 year history and a native garden. RP explained that a commemorative monolith and plaque has already been installed at Metropolitan, and AH is welcome to examine it for ideas
- RP discussed Metropolitan Newsletter to be distributed to Helensburgh residents.  
**Action:** Newsletter to be distributed to CCC members for review before distribution to public
- SL provided an update on the meeting with a neighbor on Parkes St with concerns about dust. The resident has been unable to meet and Metropolitan has provided all monitoring results to date to EPA who will now attempt to contact neighbor to arrange a meeting.



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- AC explained that Metropolitan would shut down from 22 December until 11 January. Activities (coal washing, trucking, train loading) will be reduced/ceased during this period.

**Meeting closed:**

6:04pm

**Next meeting:**

5 April 2016, 14:00 or 15:00, (Metropolitan Coal Meeting Room, Upper Admin Building, Helensburgh)

Intention to include tour of Catchment Rock Bar Remediation Process.