

Wilpinjong Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee



Meeting Minutes					
Time:	3.07 pm, Monday 16 March 2015				
Minute Taker:	Kellie Smith (KS)				
Bruce Hughes (BH), Bev Smiles (BS), Kim Peach (KP), Kieren Bennetts (KB), Blair Jackson (BJ), Brian McDermott (BM), Cr John Webb (JW)					
Clark Potter (CP) - Senior Environmental Advisor, Peabody Energy, Wilpinjong Jamie Lees (JL) - Director Sustainable Development, Peabody Energy Ian Flood (IF) - Manager Project Development and Approvals, Peabody Energy, Wilpinjong Glen Thomas (GT) – SLR Global Environmental Solutions					
Denise Williams, John Jakes, Helen Barnes, Susan Schneider					
2. APOLOGIES/ABSENT					
gies: Scott Lillis, David Crust, Cr Max Walker					
Absent: Col Bailey					

Cr John Webb – Mid-Western Regional Council

4. **PRESENTATIONS**

• Presentation by Glen Thomas from SLR Global Environmental Solutions in response to the CCC's request for further information regarding noise and noise monitoring.

Presentation by Jamie Lees providing an update on the Wilpinjong Extension Project (WEP).
JL stated that exact numbers were not yet available in the predictions of impact on individual private resident properties as the noise model was still being calibrated, however it is possible that an incremental increase in noise levels associated with the Project could occur but this increase would not be discernible to the average listener. However, some community members were informed during the Social Impact Assessment interviews that a possible 2dbA increase could occur.
Questions were asked and answered throughout the presentation.

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES – 8 DECEMBER 2014

BS requested the following amendments to the minutes be made:

Page 4, under Correlation of noise monitoring, add "BS also noted that while the correlation monitoring was occurring there were no dozers operating in Pit 3 or Pit 7, no excavators operating in Pit 7, and very few truck movements".

Page 8, under Social Impact Assessment, last paragraph; change the word "queried" to "requested" ... that the noise modeller be invited...

BH moved previous minutes, BS seconded.

6. ACTION ITEMS

- Waste Management from demolition program to be addressed at every CCC meeting. Ongoing Action.
- KB to follow up query by BH regarding livestock being heard in the noise monitoring when no livestock are at the residence. Emailed Advitech response on 9 January 2015.
- KB to request answers to the questions raised by BS on behalf of the Wollar Progress Association from Global Acoustics for discussion at next meeting. Letter received. KB will email to CCC after meeting.
- KB to send out Global Acoustics' Environmental Noise Monitoring report of October 2014 to the CCC. Emailed on 7 January 2015.
- KB to make enquiries as to whether water was pumped off site on Thursday night (4 December) or Friday morning (5 December) due to Wilpinjong Creek being very red. Emailed on 7 January 2015.
- JL to have the Wilpinjong Extension Project map provided in the Community Factsheet updated to include the 330kv power line location. Complete by next meeting.
- KB to contact the railway and request a plan outlining dates of repairs to be passed onto KP. Emailed 9 January 2015.
- KB to send out the ARTC response received via email in relation to the rubbish at the workers camps to the CCC. Emailed 7 January 2015.

7. BUSINESS ARISING

BM's query regarding highway noise mitigation has not been addressed.

8. CORRESPONDENCE IN AND OUT

- 24-12-14 Email to CCC members with draft minutes of the December meeting and copies of the presentations from that meeting, including the proposed Wilpinjong Expansion Project.
- 24-12-14 Email from BS regarding the Pit 3 haul road, which was forwarded on to Kieren.
- 5-1-15 Email from BS with comments on draft minutes.
- 6-1-15 Email to CCC with information about the Pit 3 haul road.

- 7-1-15 Email from KB with information about:
 - Action items from the December CCC meeting in relation to Global Acoustics presentation from the June 2014 meeting
 - Correspondence from ARTC regarding driver behaviour and work site conditions
 - Global Acoustics attended noise monitoring report for October 2014, which also included the details of the Wilpinjong Coal RO plan for the period 4th & 5th December 2014.
- 9-1-15 Email from KB with further action items coming from the December meeting; response from Advitech regarding "livestock" monitoring at Mogo Road and ARTC ballast cleaning program for 2015.
- 9-2-15 Email to the CCC members advising that the noise consultant would be attending today's meeting.
- 10-2-15 Email from BM with a question for the noise consultant, which was sent on to Kieren on 15-2-15 to forward to the consultant.
- 19-2-15 Email from Scott Lillis regarding concerns with the consultation for the proposed Wilpinjong Expansion project and asking for a public meeting. This email was acknowledged by LA and JL on the same day and LA had a follow up conversation with Scott.
- 3-3-15 Email to CCC members with Meeting Notice & Agenda for today's meeting.
- 3-3-15 Letter to BM with Meeting Notice, Agenda, draft minutes & copies of presentations.
- 13-1-15 Email from David Crust with his apologies for today's meeting.
- 16-1-15 Email from MWRC advising that Cr Walker is unable to attend, however, Cr John Webb will be attending as the alternate.

LA moved that the correspondence be received. Seconded by BH.

9. **REPORT BY KIEREN BENNETTS**

An update on operations and an overview of activities was provided to the CCC via presentation. The presentation has been provided to the CCC members electronically.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

Invitation to Wilpinjong to be part of the Mid-Western Regional Council rates discussion

• JW invited Wilpinjong to attend the Mid-Western Regional Council rates discussion as a stakeholder.

Contact with the community members regarding Wilpinjong Extension Project

• BS raised a concern that the newsletter was not sent to all community members and queried how it was decided who would receive the information. JL confirmed the register of known community members was used to send the newsletters by post. If the addresses need to be updated, BS to provide the information. Letters were also delivered to the Wollar Store and put in all of the mailboxes so everyone could receive the same information. JL will review the postal system. BS to email JL and IF names and details of the members who did not receive the newsletter.

Land valuer formally approaching community members

- BS raised a concern about a land valuer approaching landowners in the Wollar village before Christmas and more formally in the New Year and asked why Peabody was offering to purchase these properties at this point of time. JL confirmed that Peabody Energy is providing the community members with an option, and the reason for the recent formal offer was because the landholder requested it.
- BS raised a concern that it is unfair as only landholders in the Wollar village are being approached. BJ confirmed that there has to be a limit to as far as Peabody will go, and they want to

give people options.

• BS stated that she believes Peabody is attempting to buy out the village before the EIS for the extension was put out on public exhibition and before landholders were possibly granted acquisition rights through conditions of consent.

Current volume of coal exported verses after expansion

- BS queried how the expansion will affect coal sales.
- JL confirmed no change at present due to current contracts. 12.5mt in total. 7mt to AGL, 5.5mt exported.
- JL will confirm the current contract term at the next meeting.

Public Meeting

- BS queried why a public meeting will not be held regarding the WEP.
- LA confirmed that it is the company's decision not to. If the Wollar Progress Association want a public meeting, it is up to them to arrange.

Meeting Closed:	5.42 pm
Next Meetings:	Monday, 15 June 2015 at 1.00 pm - Wollar General Store
	Monday, 21 September 2015
	Monday, 7 December 2015

Action List					
Number	Action	Whom	By When		
1.	Waste Management from demolition program to be addressed at every CCC meeting.	КВ	Ongoing		
2.	Include the location of the 330kv power line on the Wilpinjong Extension Project map contained in the next Community Factsheet.	JL	Next meeting		
3.	Request an answer to BM's query regarding mitigation of highway noise from Glen Thomas.	КВ	Prior to next meeting		
4.	Include information regarding location of operating machinery at the time of noise monitoring in presentation.	КВ	Ongoing from next meeting		
5.	Correct the date for noise monitoring occurring on page 15 of the presentation prior to distributing.	КВ	Prior to sending presentation		
6.	Include a line on the dust gauge graph to show compliance.	КВ	Ongoing from next meeting		
7.	Provide BS with information regarding disturbance of land in 2014.	КВ	Next meeting		
8.	Provide CCC members with a USB containing all completed Management Plans.	КВ	Next meeting		
9.	Review the system for posting WEP information to community members.	JL	Prior to next meeting		
10.	Email JL and IF names and contact details of community members who did not receive WEP newsletter.	BS	Prior to next meeting		
11.	Advise BS the term of the current coal sale contract with AGL.	JL	Next meeting		