

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WALLERAWANG QUARRY COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE HELD AT THE QUARRY, GREAT WESTERN HIGHWAY, WALLERAWANG ON 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2017

PRESENT: Sue Graves (Chairperson), Lauren Stevens (Lithgow Council), Joe Smith (Lithgow Council), Brad Boyling, John McAuley *Ray Sharwood*

APOLOGIES: Paul Curran, Lance Gillespie

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The meeting confirmed the appointment of Sue Graves as Chairperson following advice from the Department of Planning and Environment. Minutes of the meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2016 were approved as a true and correct record and signed by Brad Boyling as Chairman of that meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The meeting was informed of the application to modify the Quarry's development approval to cover (1) the installation of sand washing and screening plant with associated settlement ponds. (2) the approval of clearing undertaken for stockpile areas outside the scope of the EIS. The exhibition period was scheduled to start from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 and an advertisement was placed in the Lithgow Mercury 26<sup>th</sup> May. As part of the assessment an ecological review of the proposed modification was commissioned.

MONITORING & ENVIRONMENTAL:

Discussion took place on monitoring dust and water. Dust monitoring is undertaken once per month and abnormal readings are investigated and reported on. There was one abnormal reading at one monitoring point and it was the result of an adjacent motor bike track. Water monitoring is carried out when there has been a discharge. A weed spraying programme was carried out. A revegetation programme for the highway frontages has commenced and a quantity of trees and plants has been purchased from the Lithgow Community Nursery. Hydromulching of embankment areas has also been carried out.

QUARRY OPERATIONS:

While the section 96 modification is being considered and following the withdrawal of the company's contractor, the quarry has been placed on care and maintenance. This means that no production is being carried out. Loading and dispatching from Stockpile is continuing. The quarry is not closing and the company is undertaking a Major exploration programme to define up resources and will be compiling a new EIS for approval of ongoing operations before expiration of the present DA. A break-in occurred – entry was gained by cutting a hole in the fence.

COMPLAINT REGISTER:

There have been no complaints received since the last meeting by the quarry or Lithgow Council.

INSPECTIONS:

Members of the committee will be advised of the recommencement of operations of the quarry for the purpose of members undertaking an inspection.

NEXT MEETING:

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in December.

CLOSE:

There being no further business the meeting was closed.

Signed as a true and correct record

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CHAIRPERSON