



Community Consultative Committee Meeting Minutes

CHAIN VALLEY COLLIERY and MANNERING COLLIERY

Venue:	Chain Valley Colliery Board Room		
Date:	25/02/2026	Time: 14:00	
Participants:	<p>Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH) – Chair</p> <p>Laurie Williams (LW) – Community</p> <p>Ian Carr (IC) – Community</p> <p>Richard Miller (RM) – Community</p> <p>Lesley Parker (LP) – Community</p> <p>Andrew Whitbourne (AW) – Community</p> <p>Neil Wynn (NW) – Community</p> <p>Karen Mason (KM) Lake Macquarie City Council</p> <p>Nicholas van Bezouwen (NvB) – Delta Coal</p> <p>Kerrie Davis (KD) – Delta</p> <p>Sean Piggot (SP) - Delta</p> <p><u>Apologies:</u></p> <p>Douglas Way (DW) – Community</p> <p>John Oakes (JO) – Community</p> <p>Central Coast Council</p> <p>Joshua Cornford (JC) – Delta Coal</p>		
WELCOME	MMH declared the meeting open at 14:07pm and welcomed all.		
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	<p>MMH declared no change in her interests from previous meetings.</p> <p>No change in previously declared interests from members present.</p>		
CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES	The minutes of the November 2025 meeting were confirmed as distributed and moved by RM and seconded by LW.		
BUSINESS ARISING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil 		

CORRESPONDENCE	Details of correspondence included with agenda. No further discussion.																				
DELTA COAL OPERATIONAL UPDATE	<p>NvB provided an operational update on the mine operations. Notably:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary extraction in North East Headings. • Continued first workings in HB-2 panel. • Continuation of workings through MA2 (heavily faulted area). • Continued first workings in South One. • Production 1 November 2025 to 31 January 2026 was 246,859t ROM Coal. <p>NW asked how far the current workings in HB-2 are from the foreshore. Taken on notice, NvB will provide response to CCC via email.</p>																				
APPROVALS UPDATE	<p>SM Advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current mining approvals and environmental licenses held by Delta Coal were outlined. All licences and approvals remained the same from the previous meeting, with the exception of an update to MC EPL 191 updated June 2025. • Update provided on consent consolidation, including IPC hearing and submissions open till 26th February. 																				
ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENTS	<p>NvB discussed the following environmental incidents detailed in the presentation, which occurred since the November Committee meeting:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="464 1043 1517 2024"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="464 1043 584 1182">Site</th> <th data-bbox="584 1043 754 1182">Date</th> <th data-bbox="754 1043 959 1182">Type</th> <th data-bbox="959 1043 1517 1182">Details</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 1182 584 1341">CVC</td> <td data-bbox="584 1182 754 1341">5-Nov-25</td> <td data-bbox="754 1182 959 1341">Depositional Dust</td> <td data-bbox="959 1182 1517 1341">Exceedance of maximum increase to depositional dust levels in a month period at DG004 at Chain Valley Colliery.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 1341 584 1500">CVC and MC</td> <td data-bbox="584 1341 754 1500">9-Dec-25</td> <td data-bbox="754 1341 959 1500">Particulate Matter 2.5 (PM2.5)</td> <td data-bbox="959 1341 1517 1500">Exceedance of maximum increase to depositional dust levels in a 24hr period at Beta-attenuation monitoring (BAM) unit (RTD002).</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 1500 584 1825">CVC</td> <td data-bbox="584 1500 754 1825">2025</td> <td data-bbox="754 1500 959 1825">Depositional Dust</td> <td data-bbox="959 1500 1517 1825">For the 2025 period, depositional dust gauge, DDG004, was considered to have been frequently exposed to contamination unrelated to CVCs mining activities. The annual average value for DDG004 exceeded the 4 g/m² month annual average limit. The annual average was 5.79 g/m².</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 1825 584 2024">MC</td> <td data-bbox="584 1825 754 2024">6-Jan-2026</td> <td data-bbox="754 1825 959 2024">pH exceedance at LDP1</td> <td data-bbox="959 1825 1517 2024">Weekly sampling from Mannering LDP1 Exceedance of pH at Mannering LDP1 during weekly discharge water sampling. pH result was 8.53 against EPL limit of 6.5-8.5.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Site	Date	Type	Details	CVC	5-Nov-25	Depositional Dust	Exceedance of maximum increase to depositional dust levels in a month period at DG004 at Chain Valley Colliery.	CVC and MC	9-Dec-25	Particulate Matter 2.5 (PM2.5)	Exceedance of maximum increase to depositional dust levels in a 24hr period at Beta-attenuation monitoring (BAM) unit (RTD002).	CVC	2025	Depositional Dust	For the 2025 period, depositional dust gauge, DDG004, was considered to have been frequently exposed to contamination unrelated to CVCs mining activities. The annual average value for DDG004 exceeded the 4 g/m ² month annual average limit. The annual average was 5.79 g/m ² .	MC	6-Jan-2026	pH exceedance at LDP1	Weekly sampling from Mannering LDP1 Exceedance of pH at Mannering LDP1 during weekly discharge water sampling. pH result was 8.53 against EPL limit of 6.5-8.5.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE	<p>NvB provided an update of Delta Coal environmental performance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discharge Water Volume – CVC and MC discharge volumes and rainfall volumes presented. • Discharge Water Quality – CVC and MC Discharge water quality presented. • Depositional Dust Monitoring – CVC and MC depositional dust results for quarter presented. • PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} Monitoring – Monitoring results for PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} presented for period. • Noise Monitoring – CVC and MC noise monitoring results presented for the period. 		
COMMUNITY COMPLAINTS	<p>NvB provided an update on community complaints received by Delta Coal operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No community complaints for CVC or MC since previous CCC meeting. • No community enquiries. 		
GENERAL BUSINESS	<p>NW asked if the ownership of Construction Road was known. NvB confirmed it is owned by Delta Vales Point.</p> <p>NW enquired about the former restructure of the Mine Subsidence Board, now Subsidence Advisory NSW, compensation claims and funds held.. MMH will confirm information and process with Subsidence Advisory and provide follow up to the CCC..</p> <p>MMH referred to correspondence received from the Secretary of DPHI reminding all CCC Chairpersons of the obligations of the committee members under the Guidelines. She noted there were no issues at all with this CCC.</p>		
NEXT MEETING	<p>Next meeting time: 14:00 (2 pm) – May 20 2026</p> <p>MMH thanked everyone for their participation and contributions. MMH declared meeting closed at 14:50 (2:50 pm).</p>		
ACTIONS ARISING FROM MEETING	Action	Action Owner	Proposed Delivery Date
	Confirm HB-2 workings distance to foreshore.	NvB	As soon as practical and prior to May CCC Meeting.
	Confirm information on Subsidence Advisory NSW and advise CCC.	MMH	As soon as practical and prior to May CCC Meeting