



# Community Consultative Committee Meeting Minutes

## CHAIN VALLEY COLLIERY and MANNERING COLLIERY

<b>Venue:</b>	Chain Valley Colliery Board Room		
<b>Date:</b>	17/11/2021	<b>Time:</b> 14:09	
<b>Participants:</b>	<p><b>Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH) – Chair</b></p> <p><b>John Oakes (JO) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Laurie Williams (LW) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Neil Wynn (NW) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Bob Brooks (BB) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Ian Carr (IC) - Community</b></p> <p><b>Andrew Whitbourne (AW) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Lachlan McWha (LM) – Delta Coal</b></p> <p><b>Mal Yule (MY) – Delta Coal</b></p> <p><b>Pieter Van Rooyen (PVR) – Delta Coal</b></p> <p><b><u>Apologies:</u></b></p> <p><b>Lesley Parker (LP) – Community</b></p>		
<b>WELCOME</b>	MMH declared the meeting open at 14:09pm and welcomed all. MMH welcomed PVR to the Delta Coal CCC.		
<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	MMH declared no change in her interests from previous meetings. No change in previously declared interests from members present.		
<b>CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>	The minutes of the August 2021 meeting were confirmed as distributed and moved by LW and seconded by BB.		

<b>BUSINESS ARISING</b>	<p>MMH and LM provided an update on the actions from the last meeting.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="464 215 1442 1285"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="464 215 963 300">Action</th> <th data-bbox="963 215 1442 300">Update</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 300 963 434">Review potable water use by Delta Coal.</td> <td data-bbox="963 300 1442 434">Review of potable water usage provided on Slide 24 of CCC meeting presentation.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 434 963 568">Provide depth of cover within the proposed Eastern Mining Area</td> <td data-bbox="963 434 1442 568">Depth of cover figure and discussion presented on Slide 25 of CCC meeting presentation.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 568 963 804">Provide update of rehabilitation security deposit held for CVC and MC.</td> <td data-bbox="963 568 1442 804">Details on how rehabilitation cost estimates are formed and the value of security deposits held by the NSW Resources Regulator for CVC and MC presented on Slide 26 of CCC meeting presentation.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 804 963 1184">Provide update on objectives of MOP/Rehabilitation Management Plan in regard to Radiata Pine trees at MC.</td> <td data-bbox="963 804 1442 1184">Details on planned mining area rehabilitation identified. While no plan is in place currently that removes the radiata pines in the non-mining areas of MC as identified in the sites MOP, MY acknowledged the issues to biodiversity that are presented by the Radiata Pines. A commitment was made to format</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 1184 963 1285">Provide a letter of thanks to Chris Armit.</td> <td data-bbox="963 1184 1442 1285">MMH issued a letter of thanks to Chris Armit.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Action	Update	Review potable water use by Delta Coal.	Review of potable water usage provided on Slide 24 of CCC meeting presentation.	Provide depth of cover within the proposed Eastern Mining Area	Depth of cover figure and discussion presented on Slide 25 of CCC meeting presentation.	Provide update of rehabilitation security deposit held for CVC and MC.	Details on how rehabilitation cost estimates are formed and the value of security deposits held by the NSW Resources Regulator for CVC and MC presented on Slide 26 of CCC meeting presentation.	Provide update on objectives of MOP/Rehabilitation Management Plan in regard to Radiata Pine trees at MC.	Details on planned mining area rehabilitation identified. While no plan is in place currently that removes the radiata pines in the non-mining areas of MC as identified in the sites MOP, MY acknowledged the issues to biodiversity that are presented by the Radiata Pines. A commitment was made to format	Provide a letter of thanks to Chris Armit.	MMH issued a letter of thanks to Chris Armit.
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<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	Correspondence was included on the agenda and presentation with no further discussion.												
<b>DELTA COAL OPERATIONAL UPDATE</b>	<p>LM provided an operational update on the mines.</p> <p>Notably:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current workings locations beneath Lake Macquarie and Morisset Peninsula and have comprised predominately first-workings;</li> <li>• Mini-Wall (MW) S5 completion in August 2021;</li> <li>• Forecast production for the FY20/21 period is 1.2 Million tonnes; and</li> <li>• Presented the forecast mine plan for FY-2021 to FY-2025 in the Northern Mining Area.</li> </ul>												

<b>APPROVALS UPDATE</b>	<p>LM Advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current mining approvals and environmental licenses held by Delta Coal were outlined.</li> <li>• EPL 1770 for Chain Valley Colliery was varied on the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021, Delta Coal advised of changed conditions within the EPL.</li> <li>• An update was provided on mining lease partial transfers, and public landowner notifications made in regard to the partial mining lease transfers.</li> <li>• Environmental Impact Statement for CVC and MC Development Consent Consolidation.</li> </ul>
<b>SUBSIDENCE MONITORING</b>	<p>LM provided an update of Delta Coal subsidence monitoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bathymetric scan data for MWS2-MWS5 presented to committee, it was noted subsidence to date remains less than the predicted maximum subsidence.</li> </ul>
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENTS</b>	<p>LM discussed the following environmental incidents occurring in the period from the previous meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical non-compliance with depositional dust limits for period of 9<sup>th</sup> Sept to 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Two gauges impacted by contamination unrelated to site mining activities.</li> </ul>
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING</b>	<p>LM provided an update on the following environmental monitoring results for the period since the previous meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CVC and MC Discharge water volumes and monitored quality</li> <li>• Results of Depositional dust, Particulate matter &lt;10µm (PM<sup>10</sup>) and PM<sup>2.5</sup> monitoring.</li> <li>• An update of attended noise monitoring results.</li> <li>• An update on half-yearly benthic community surveys was provided.</li> <li>• NW commented on his previous reference to water quality within the lake at a previous meeting and referred to the current EPA advice on consumption of crustacea in Lake Macquarie.</li> </ul>
<b>COMMUNITY COMPLAINTS</b>	<p>LM provided an update on community complaints received by Delta Coal operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 community complaint received for CVC (relating to historic mine workings and referred to NSW Subsidence Advisory); and</li> <li>• 38 community complaints year to date for Mannering Colliery, made by a resident of Macquarie Shores Home Village.</li> </ul>

<b>ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS UPDATE</b>	<p>LM provided an update on considerable environmental projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pollution Reduction Program 8 – connection of CVC Bathhouse to Mannering Park Sewage Treatment Plan;</li> <li>• Pollution Reduction Program 9 – connection of CVC administration septic tank to a current best practise sewage management system.</li> </ul>					
<b>DELTA COAL SITE REHABILITATION</b>	<p>LM provided an overview to the CCC on the proposed site rehabilitation for Delta Coal operated sites once mining operations cease on Slides 22 and 23.</p>					
<b>COMMUNITY EVENTS / MEDIA</b>	<p>BB and JO requested Delta Coal inform the work staff of the following events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Dressed by Lioness” – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at Gwandalan Community Hall;</li> <li>• “Carols by the Lake” – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 5pm-8pm at the Gwandalan Bowling Club.</li> </ul>					
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b>	<p>BB provided a historic map of Newcastle and Maitland Railways in the 1920’s. The map identified a number of historic mines the committee had not heard of, a copy of the map was kept by Delta Coal and also provided to all committee members.</p>					
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	<p>Next meeting time: 14:00 (2pm) – 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021</p> <p>MMH thanked everyone for their participation and contributions. MMH declared meeting closed at 15:50.</p>					
<b>ACTIONS ARISING FROM MEETING</b>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="448 1039 874 1111">Action</th> <th data-bbox="874 1039 1137 1111">Action Owner</th> <th data-bbox="1137 1039 1468 1111">Proposed Delivery Date</th> </tr> </thead> </table>			Action	Action Owner	Proposed Delivery Date
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<p>Queries raised on the distribution of benthic species and what species were identified in the survey. It was noted that ‘Drift Oysters’ and ‘Pippies’ were not identified by CCC members in Lake Macquarie any more.</p>	<p>LM</p>	<p>16<sup>th</sup> February 2022 Meeting.</p>				