Meeting Minutes for Community Consultative Committee for Mackas Sand Extraction Operations from Lot 218 DP 1044608 and Lot 220 DP 1049608, Salt Ash

Wednesday 02 November 2016

Chair: Ms Margaret Macdonald-Hill

Minute taker: Mr Brendan Rice

Meeting commenced: 9.25 am

Location: Mackas Sand and Soil Supplies,

2846 Nelson Bay Road, Salt Ash NSW 2318

Attendees

Name	Initials	Position
Ms Margaret Macdonald-Hill	MM	Chairperson
Mr Andrew Pickard	AP	Mackas Sand Representative
Ms Julie Towers	JT	Community Representative
Mr Brendan Rice	BR	Umwelt (Australia) Pty. Ltd.
Mr Stephen Hufnagl	SH	Community Representative
Mr Kent Sampson	KS	Community Representative

Welcome & Apologies

MM Welcome to meeting

Following apologies were tendered for the meeting:

Mr Robert MacKenzie	Mackas Sand Director
Mr Cliff Johns	Community Representative
Mr Andrew Smith	Worimi Aboriginal Land Council

Declarations of Interest

MM Usual declaration (as independent chair approved by Department of Planning and Environment, Member of Mine Subsidence Board)

JT As per previous declaration

Confirmation of Previous Minutes

JT Moved to accept minutes

KS Seconded

Business Arising

ΑP

- Mackas haul Road to Lot 218 will be sealed in the coming months and will likely be completed prior to the next CCC meeting.

BR

- Annual Return submitted to EPA, no compliance issues. A copy of the document will be placed on the Mackas Sand website. Monitoring results online and up to date.
- Mackas are undertaking ongoing investigations regarding the relocation of Dust Gauge 2 at Williamtown site, due to ongoing issues for the location based on wind-blown dune sand, producing false positive exceedance results at the location. At this stage relocation of the gauge appears unlikely as the gauge needs to be reflective of nearest residence.

MM

 Revised DP&E guidelines for CCC establishment and operation have not yet been finalised and as such the Mackas CCC is currently operating in accordance with the 2007 guidelines. When released by the DP&E, she will bring back to the CCC.

Correspondence

Nil

Reports

Given in Business Arising

Complaints

No complaints received since last meeting.

General business

KS

- KS raised safety concerns regarding heavy vehicles parking up in Oakvale Drive and potential safety issues. KS raised suggestion that the vehicles could park up within the Mackas Sand Lot 220 site to unhook and hook up. AP took notes to discuss this operational issue with RM.
- KS raised concerns regarding the state of Oakvale Drive, increasing number of potholes. MM suggested that Council should be notified of the issue.
- KS raised concerns about the access to his property for the purposes of environmental monitoring. Mackas Sand to reiterate to monitoring contractors that proper protocols for accessing and notifying neighbouring landowners is to be undertaken.

SH

- SH raised concerns regarding potential for future noise and dust issues as the operation moves closer to his property
- SH suggested that it might be time to install a dust monitor at the property
- SH suggested that the reversing beepers on the site machinery could be changed to 'grunters' or 'quackers'
- BR / AP committed to raising these concerns with RM

Meeting adjourned: 9.50am

Actions Summary: Next meeting proposed 5 April 2017.