

CHAMPIONS QUARRY

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Final Minutes of Meeting held on 10 October 2013

Meeting Location – Champions Quarry Site Office, Tucki

Designated Meeting Time – 2:00pm Thursday 10 October 2013

Meeting Opened – 2:10pm

Meeting Closed – 4:30pm (incorporating 20 minute site inspection from 4:10pm-4:30pm)

Attendances –

1. Gary Burrige (Chairperson)
2. Jeff Champion (Champions Quarry Representative)
3. Belinda Nott (Champions Quarry Representative)
4. Lewis Cook (Bunjalung Aboriginal Elder Representative)
5. Andrew Gordon (General Community Representative)
6. Matt Kelly (Lismore City Council Representative)
7. John White (Local Community Representative)
8. Chris Woolley (Alternative Local Community Representative)
9. Cath Champion (Minute Taker)

Welcomes –

Special welcome by the Chairperson to Lewis Cook who is a community representative and Bunjalung Aboriginal Elder.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interests –

No pecuniary interests declared.

Minute Keepers Role –

Chairperson set out that the minute keepers role is to prepare minutes on behalf of Champions Quarry CCC so that they can be later published on the Company's website. Minutes shall record issues raised, and actions to be undertaken, who is responsible for taking those actions and by when.

Confirming Previous Minutes –

As this is the inaugural meeting there are no previous minutes.

Conduct of the Meeting –

The Chairperson explained all discussions are to be through the chair.

Initial introductions –

Each attendee provided a background about themselves, who they represent and their expectations from the CCC.

Guidelines for the CCC –

The Chairperson set out the importance of the CCC documentation including the following:

- The CCC is not a decision making entity;
- There is no requirement for consensus;
- Each member of the CCC (except those representing Champions Quarry) are at the CCC meeting as representatives of the community and to contribute constructively and to provide a mechanism to give feedback to and from those they represent.
- Committee members are to:
 - Treat one and other with respect;
 - Act properly, honestly and in accordance with an open and transparent process;
 - Perform their functions impartially and in the best interests of the local and broader community;
 - Be respectful to fellow members and not engage in unconstructive, threatening, intimidating or disorderly behaviour, refrain from any form of conduct which may cause any reasonable person unwarranted offence of embarrassment.
- Any issues with the CCC can be taken to the Department of Planning by either the Chairperson or by a committee member.
- Committee will meet 3 times in the first year (ie in the first 12 months commencing in October 2013) and 2 times per year thereafter.

Correspondence –

Nil.

Meeting Open for General Business –

1. Champions Quarry gave an overview of the Quarry project. General Discussions took place in relation to the fact that Champions Quarry was currently operating under its existing council approval not the Part 3A Approval accordingly operating conditions under the Part 3A approval have not yet been activated. Champions Quarry further stated that they were in the process of preparing the relevant management plans and these would be on the Champions Quarry website once approved.
2. Issue of potential noise associated with the Quarry (in particular the construction of the bund adjacent to Chris Woolley) was raised by John White. Testing procedures and complaints handling procedures were discussed. Resolved by the Chairperson that Jeff Champion would bring noise monitoring equipment along to next CCC meeting to demonstrate how it operates along with the certificate of compliance for calibration.
3. Issue was raised by John White associated with the use of the farm shed located on the property adjacent to the Quarry. Discussions took place. The Chairperson summated the discussion that” Champions Quarry is in the process of getting management plans approved. Following which it is the intention of Champions Quarry to build a quarry specific shed on site at the quarry”.
4. Issue of sediment runoff from site was raised by John White. The Chairperson summated the discussion and” expressed that currently the quarry was operating under the Lismore City Council approval not the Part 3A approval. A Soil and Water Management Plan is being prepared and once approved it would be on Champions Quarry Website”.

5. Issue of dust, particularly on weekends, along with absence of water cart on site was raised by John White. The Chairperson acknowledged that today was a very windy day with little/no dust and that any complaint needed to be registered as a complaint using the appropriate process so that it could be actioned.
6. Letter was tabled by John White from an adjoining property owner (Wadsworths) in relation to visual aspects of the project. Resolved that Jeff Champion would take the letter and respond appropriately directly to adjoining property owner.
7. Request made by John White for recently constructed bund at the residence of Matt Champion to be lengthened and enlarged. Positive feedback was given by John White in relation to the existing bund. Resolved that Jeff Champion and John White would communicate directly on this matter.
8. Champions Quarry website and availability of information on website was discussed.
9. Committee members acknowledged that bund construction would occur at locations adjacent to Chris Woolley and Websters before the next CCC meeting. It was further acknowledged that communications would take place outside the CCC meeting to facilitate the building of these bunds with minimal disruptions.
10. John White wanted it recorded that he wanted his noise meter tested side by side against Champions Quarry's noise meter. John White stated that the measurements carried out by his noise meter were at times disputed. The Chairperson suggested testing one metre against the other when Champions Quarry's noise metre is calibrated and John White's is not is futile. The Chairperson summated the discussion by stating that John White should use his noise meter to record a complaint if his noise meter read levels above the established noise criteria.
11. John White wanted it recorded that he believed sound modelling carried out did not include noise being created in areas outside the operational area of the quarry (including activities carried out at the farm shed). Discussions took place. Jeff Champion expressed that noise modelling incorporated the farm shed being used and in any event the farm shed will continue to be used for farm purposes. The Chairperson acknowledged that a quarry specific shed would be built on site after the Part 3A Approval had been activated and hopefully in 2014.
12. John White wanted it recorded that he believed the unsealed farm road that connects the Central Extraction Area to Hazlemount Lane has been used contrary to purpose and spirit of the conditions in the Part 3A Conditions of Approval. Discussions took place. Jeff Champion expressed the opinion that actions were not taking place contrary to the Conditions of Approval. The farm road would be used as a farm road. Belinda Nott reiterated exact wording of Condition 11 Schedule 2 in the Conditions of Approval.
Condition 11, Schedule 2 states:

"With the exception of vehicle movements required to construct Bund A or movements of light vehicles used by quarry employees who live on Hazlemount Lane, quarry-related vehicles are not permitted to use the unsealed 'farm road' that connects the Central Extraction Area to Hazlemount Lane, or enter or exit the site from Hazlemount Lane."
13. John White wanted the issue of weekend dust recorded. Jeff Champion stated dust criteria do not apply weekend/public holidays when the quarry is not open. The Chairperson stated that he raised at the last CCC Meeting that the CCC Meeting could unanimously write to the DP & I and request Champions Quarry be permitted to use dust management systems on weekend and public holidays if so required. The Chairperson acknowledged no-one wanted to do so.

Next Meeting – Agreed to have next meeting early February 2014 at a date to be determined (being either a Tuesday or Thursday to facilitate Lewis Cook’s attendance).

Site Inspection – from 4:10pm-4:30pm

Meeting Close – 4:30pm

Action required to be taken following this CCC Meeting –

1. Jeff Champion - bring noise monitoring equipment along to next CCC meeting to demonstrate how it operates along with the certificate of compliance for calibration.
2. Jeff Champion - communicate with Wadsworths in response to their letter which was tabled in relation to visual aspects of the Project and proposed planting to be undertaken.
3. Jeff Champion and John White - communicate directly in relation to possible extension of existing bund located at the residence of Matt Champion.
4. Jeff Champion/Chris Woolley/Websters – communicate directly to facilitate the building of these bunds with minimal disruptions.