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Dubbo Project

Community Consultative Committee Meeting

Minutes

Title:	Community Consultative Committee	Meeting Date:	02.05.2017
		Time:	06:00pm
Chairperson:	Peter Stanford		
Meeting Attendees:	Janice Hosking Helen Whiteley Manny Portelli Mike Sutherland. General Manager NSW, Alkane Resources Michelle Howarth, Secretariat		
Invitees:	Fergus Job, Farm Manager, Toongi Pastoral Company		
Apologies:	Mark Gardner Jennayah Knight, Dubbo Local Aboriginal Lands Council Nic Earner (COO, Alkane Resources) Michael Kneipp, Administrator, Dubbo Regional Council		
Venue:	Toongi Hall		

Agenda Item 1 Open, Welcome and Apologies

Peter Stanford declared the meeting open at 06:08pm. Peter noted the apologies.

Agenda Item 2 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest and Gifts

There were no declared conflicts of interest and gifts. Follow up with Michael Kneipp and Jennayah Knight to fill out Declaration.

Agenda Item 3 Correspondence for decision

Nothing mentioned.

Agenda Item 4 Previous Meeting

Agenda Item 4.1

The Minutes from the previous meeting held on 22nd November 2016 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

1st: Janice Hosking
2nd: Helen Whiteley

Status of Actions

Agenda Item 4.2

The matter of road design was raised at previous meetings. This action is still in progress.

Business/Actions Arising

Agenda Item 4.3

Check if Jennayah Knight will need to be formally added and if we need to notify the department of planning.

Agenda Item 5 Communication Gaps- Are there any? (Standing Item)

TGO wind down (completion of the open cut mining) has raised concern with Toongi residents. There are uninformed rumours circulating "the Dubbo Project won't happen".

Mike Sutherland explained that the Dubbo Project is advancing towards funding and construction.

Agenda Item 6 Progress at the Mine- Operational Report

Mike Sutherland gave the committee an update on the project. Items discussed were:

- ASM hired 5 tonne excavator with a rock breaker a couple of weeks ago to break down ore samples for additional crushing and grinding test work. Bulki bags of ore were sent to Perth and some 15kg of ore was exported to Sweden for grinding test work.
- Nic and Ian still working on Capital raising.
- Change in CCC Secretariat. Nicole Widdison is back from maternity leave. This will be Michelle's last meeting as she is headed back out to Tomingley Gold Operations. The CCC thanked Michelle for her contribution.
- ASM is committed to keeping the several houses on Toongi Pastoral Company farms and in the village tenanted - to keep people in the landscape and maintain the assets.
- One of ASM's tenants has been busy thinning out the White Cypress pine under a PVP. He is distilling oil from the timber and leaves of cypress pine. The oil has marketable pharmaceutical properties. Phil also had an order from the zoo for cypress stems for use as a landscaping material at Taronga Western Plains Zoo.
- Mike and Michelle have been out and commenced photographing and measuring all the trees that will be removed for mine infrastructure. With the information gathered ASM can carefully select which trees will be used for rehab in the biodiversity offset areas, snagging of rivers, which can be used for structural timber or recycled in some other way.
- The Farm Manager gave an update on the farm activities. He explained the strategy of resting parts of the property. He has had a very good start to the season. The property has been carrying just over 8,000 dry sheep equivalents in agisted cattle and traded lambs and breeding ewes. There has been faecal egg count testing of all sheep to minimise the worm burden.

Agenda Item 7 Issues Arising from site inspections (if any held)

Nothing noted.

Agenda Item 8 Monitoring and Environmental Performance

- Mike explained the weather station located in the middle of Wychitella is now up and running live to computers. The station can give daily reports, monthly reports all with information occurring in 15 minute intervals. A second weather station is to be placed opposite the Toongi Hall (on Wychitella)

- Dubbo Project Annual Review (containing monitoring results) complete for the year and is now located on website.
- Deposited dust gauges are changed over monthly at 12 monitoring locations.
- Last Saturday Ozark was completing Pink-tailed Worm-lizard survey. No PTWLs were located but three other species of lizards were identified.
- In mid-April, Mike found a common dunnart (*Sminthopsis murina*) near Dowd's Hill under one habitat tile.
- ASM has deployed traffic speed/counters at four locations along Obley Road during April 2017. The results showed a significant portion of traffic was driving above the 100km/hr speed limit. Discussion on road design are continuing with Dubbo Regional Council.
- There will be discussion of road design in an upcoming DP next Newsletter.

Agenda Item 9 Community Complaints and response to complaints

No complaints noted.

Agenda Item 10 Information provided to the Community and any feedback

None noted.

Agenda Item 11 General Business

Peter has noted that he is in the process of putting together an Annual Report. Once it has been completed, he will pass around for everyone's approval.

Next Meeting: 1st August 2017

The meeting closed at 07:21pm

Signed as a true and accurate record:



 (Signature)

1/8/2017

 (Date)

PETER STANFORD (CHAIRMAN)

 (Name)

Dubbo Zirconia Project

Community Consultative Committee Meeting Action List

Action Sheet - Meeting 02.05.2017

Ref #	Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Action	Responsibility	Completion date
1	02.05.17		Annual Report	Peter Stanford	01.08.2017
2	02.05.17	2	Declaration of Conflicts of interest for Michael Kneipp and Jennayah Knight	Nicole Widdison	12.05.2017
3	02.05.17	4	Check if Jennayah Knight will need to be formally added and if we need to notify the department of planning.	Nicole Widdison	12.05.2017