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## CHARBON COLLIERY COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING 05/03/12

**Present:** Margaret MacDonald-Hill (Chair - MMH), Brian Nichols (Charbon Mine Manager - BN), Matt Gray (Charbon Environment and Community Co-ordinator - MG), Alan Jackson (Community Representative - AJ), Bob Craze (Community Representative - BC), Jack Pennell (Community Representative - JP), Naida Wills (Community Representative - NW), Jorgen Andersen (Rylstone District Environment Society - JA) Rodney Dunlop, (Charbon Environment Graduate, observer - RD), Fiona Bartier (Regional Environment Co-ordinator, observer - FB).

**Apologies:** Esme Martens (Council Representative - EM) and Nell Schofield (Alternate Community Representative - NS), Margaret Clementson (Community Representative)

**Welcome:** Margaret MacDonald-Hill welcomed members of the Charbon Colliery Community Consultative Committee.

### Previous Minutes

MMH moved that the previous minutes be accepted.

AJ seconded.

### Actions arising:

#### Review of actions from previous minutes:

Item	Raised by	Action	Responsibility	Status
1	NW	What is the status of CCL726	BN	Completed
2	EM	Photo of Charbon CCC in Mudgee guardian	MG	Completed
3	NS	Charbon to provide water usage data	MG	Completed. Water use data is on the website
4	MG	Presentation on Charbon Offsets strategy and process	FB	Completed

### Overview of the project:

BN Gave an overview of where mining has occurred over the last 6 months

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## General Business:

- JA With all of this rainfall what is the mine going to do with all of the water in the mine?
- BN The underground areas of the mine are still dry
- MG All dirty water that runs off the mine is captured in sediment basins and if discharged through Licensed Discharge Points (LDP) and is tested above our licence limits, the results are sent to the EPA.
- JA Has noted that a resident living approximately 10kms from the mine was concerned about a rumbling noise heard.
- MG Next time the mine undertakes noise monitoring I will contact the resident to commence noise monitoring at the house. This will determine the level of noise and the contribution from the mine. ACTION
- JA What is the mine doing to control feral animals?
- MG Feral animals can be an issue at Charbon given the holdings in the area. Control of these animals becomes difficult since we back onto the the Kandos State Forest which is a large refuge for these animals. I will give an update of feral animal control at Charbon at the next meeting. ACTION
- AJ The neighbouring landholders are doing nothing to control animals so the mine cannot be blamed for problems in the area.
- All General discussion about feral animals in the region and past problems by landholders.
- NW Is it possible that Charbon mine is able to keep the railway line to the recently shutdown cement factory open. The cement factory is planning on celebrating 100 years since opening and would like to organise a steam train up the old line.
- BN The railway system is managed by a separate contracting company so discussion would have to be made with them (John Holland). I will follow this up with our CHPP manager. ACTION
- MG Gave a presentation to the committee on the environment performance of the mine over the last 6 months.*
- FB Gave a presentation on the biodiversity offset strategy and process at Charbon.*
- MG Gave a presentation of rehabilitation progress at Charbon.*
- JA How many more years of coal mining is planned at Charbon.
- MG Of the currently approved area mining will be completed in 2016. It is possible that there is a resource further to the North, pending the results of a proposed drilling program in Kandos State Forest.

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**Meeting Closed: 1:05pm**

**Next meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012**

## NEW ACTION TABLE

Item	Raised by	Action	Responsibility	Status
1	JA	Contact nearby resident regarding noise	MG	New Action
2	MG	Presentation on Feral animal at next CCC	MG	New Action
3	NW	Investigate whether it is possible to keep the railway line to the cement works open	BN	New Action

**Minutes confirmed in CCC meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012.**