

# Minutes of Inglenook Exploration Project Community Consultative Committee Meeting

Date and time: Tuesday 31/03/2015, 10:00am  
Location: Inglenook Project Office, "Spring Park",  
Running Stream

<b>Present</b>	Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH)	Chair
	Julie Moloney (JM)	Office of Resources & Energy, Mineral Resources
	Esme Martens (EM)	Inglenook Community Representative & MWRC Representative
	Neva Lilley (NL)	Inglenook Community Representative
	Mitchell Clapham (MC)	Inglenook Community Representative
	Greg Banning (GB)	Centennial Coal
	Thomas Dubos (TD)	Centennial Coal
	Alex Brown (AB)	Centennial Coal
	Fiona Sim (FS)	Observer

<b>Apologies</b>	Cr Ray Thompson	Lithgow City Council
	Jolieske Lips (JL)	RSWUA & Inglenook Community Representative

**Welcome and Introduction** The Chair opened the formal meeting at 10:00am welcomed all attendees and thanked them for their participation.

**Declarations of Interest** MMH noted her position as Independent Chair appointed by the Minister for Resources & Energy. She is also a Member of the Mine Subsidence Board. MMH noted that she is no longer a member of the Minister's Arbitration Panel.  
EM as owner of mineral rights in relation to the Inglenook EL, member of Charbon and Airly CCC and MWRC representative.  
NL's family as owners of mineral rights in relation to the Inglenook EL.

**Confirmation of previous minutes** Minutes were confirmed as a true record moved by NL and seconded by EM.

**Business arising** EM noted she would like to see a representative from Lithgow City Council attend the CCC meetings. MMH will contact Lithgow City Council and confirm representation.  
GB provided an update on the Mid Western Regional Council Urban Release Strategy and the date for commencement of mining operations. GB chased up internally and it was not known where the date came from. With current market conditions the project is a low priority and no date is known at this stage.  
A general discussion followed with regards to Moolarben Coal hiring additional staff.

**Reports:** GB provided a company update that the industry is still experiencing a significant downturn in the international coal market. Angus Place Colliery has moved into care and maintenance as of the 28 March. TD provided a project update with Centennial continuing environmental monitoring at Inglenook. Half a dozen holes are planned to be drilled in 2015 across EL7431, EL7432 and EL7442 with locations yet to be finalised. At this stage internal budgetary approval has yet to be given for 2015 exploration drilling. If approval is given the CCC will be informed before any drilling is to commence.

**Correspondence** nil

**General  
Business**

MC raised whether the frequency of CCC meetings could be reduced if no drilling is taking place on the Inglenook Project. The committee discussed reducing the meeting frequency and agreed to meet three times per year. MMH noted an extraordinary meeting could be called if required.

EM asked whether MC was a member of the RSWUA. MC responded that he was not.

MMH approached FS for any comments she would like to raise.

FS noted that the RSWUA would like a representative in attendance at the CCC meetings and for that representative to be allowed to ask questions on behalf of the RSWUA. MMH noted that JL has a dual role as both a community representative and the representative for the RSWUA and that having an additional attendee would require approval by The Minister.

FS raised on behalf of JL whether the condition in the CCC Charter for renewing the CCC members positions every two years has taken place. MMH noted that this has not taken place in a formal manner as no member has raised their attendance on the CCC as an issue. The CCC is established under the Mining Act and not to be confused with those for approved mines under the auspice of the Department of Planning and Environment. JM noted her agreement with MMH's comment and noted that the Inglenook CCC is an Exploration CCC and operates as a sunset committee with dissolution when the exploration leases no longer exist or when a planning application for a mining lease is made.

MMH noted that the Charter had been sent out previously.

**Meeting closed** The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and formally closed the meeting at 10.29am.

**Next meeting** Next meeting scheduled for 10.00am Tuesday 18 August 2015 at Spring Park.

**Action Items** MMH to confirm LCC representation on the Inglenook CCC.



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# **Inglenook Exploration Project**

**Community Consultative Committee**

**Tuesday March 31, 2015**

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## Company Update

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- Industry continuing to experience significant downturn in the international coal market
- Restructures in the Northern and Western region have been implemented
  - Redeployment used to minimise retrenchments
- Angus Place moved to care and maintenance 28 March



## Project Update

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### Exploration:

- No exploration drilling since the last CCC meeting
- Exploration License (EL) Renewal documentation submitted for EL7431, EL7432 and EL7442

### Environment:

- Surface water and groundwater monitoring undertaken quarterly under existing agreements

### Incidents:

- Nil



## Activities for 2015

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### Exploration:

- Limited Exploration drilling planned for 2015
- Exploration drilling budget for 2015 yet to be approved. If approved the CCC will be notified.

### Community:

- Ongoing access agreement negotiations for environmental monitoring and drilling activities

### Environment:

- Continuation of surface water and groundwater monitoring
- Ongoing flora surveys



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## Questions & General Discussion

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**THANK YOU**



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