

## Tahmoor Colliery Community Consultative Committee

Thursday 5 September 2013

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### Venue

Conference Room 1, Tahmoor Colliery

### Next Meeting

5:00pm

Thursday 5 December 2013

Vaby's Picton

### Meeting Open

5.07 pm

### Meeting Close

6.40 pm

### Attendance

Present ✓ Apology A or did not attend X

### Committee

✓	Michael Muston	Independent Chairperson
✓	Col Mitchel	Wollondilly Shire Council Representative
A	Lou Amato	Wollondilly Shire Council Representative
✓	David Auchterlonie	Community Representative
✓	Julie Sheppard	Community Representative
✓	Sandra Potter	Community Representative
✓	Virginia Fairley	Alternative Community Representative
A	Robert Khan	Community Representative
✓	Diana Lange	Community Representative
A	Ian Sheppard	Tahmoor Colliery Representative
✓	Belinda Clayton	Tahmoor Colliery Representative
✓	Sam Beresford	Tahmoor Colliery Representative

### Invitees

✓	Peter Vale	Tahmoor Colliery Operations Manager
✓	Nick Wandke	Tahmoor Colliery Environment Coordinator
✓	Fiona Robinson	Tahmoor Colliery Environment and Community Officer
✓	Jarith Young	Tahmoor Colliery Environment and Community Graduate
✓	Ron Bush	Tahmoor South Project Approvals Manager
✓	Matthew Montgomery	Mine Subsidence Board, District Manager
X	Greg Kininmonth	Division of Resources and Energy Team Leader – Environment

### Copy to

Les McMahon

General Manager Wollondilly Shire Council

Item	Issue	Action	Date
<b>1. Welcome/Introductions</b>			
1.1	Michael Muston is the independent chairperson. He would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we are meeting and pay respects to their Elders, past and present.		
<b>2. Declarations of Interest</b>			
2.1	Michael Muston is paid by Tahmoor Colliery.  Sandra Potter and Virginia Fairley are members of the <i>Shafted</i> action group.		
<b>3. Apologies</b>			
3.1	<u>Apologies</u> Robert Khan, Lou Amato and Ian Sheppard.		
<b>4. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>			
4.1	<b>Thirlmere Lakes Presentation</b> Committee would like a brief report on Dr Riley's Thirlmere Lakes presentation.  *meeting was arranged at short notice due to availability of Dr Riley (he is overseas for 3 months as of 22.06.13).	Fiona to arrange and distribute to Committee.	30.10.13
<b>5. Correspondence</b>			
IN	1. Bank Statement		
OUT	Nil		
<b>6. Committee Members Reports</b>			
6.1	<b>David Auchterlonie</b> Nothing to report.		
6.2	<b>Robert Khan</b> Not present at meeting. Robert would like a noticeboard at Picton IGA with the Tahmoor Colliery and Tahmoor South Newsletters displayed. The same as the noticeboard at Tahmoor Town Centre.	Fiona to arrange.	17.10.13

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6.3	<p><b>Diana Lange</b> On the flip side of the Tahmoor Colliery Newsletter stand at Tahmoor Town Centre, Di has suggested that Tahmoor South display their current Newsletter. Diana enjoyed the Thirlmere Lakes presentation by Dr Riley and commented that it was very informative.</p>	Samantha to arrange.	23.09.13
6.4	<p><b>Sandra Potter</b> Would like to receive the Tahmoor Colliery Newsletter with the Agenda prior to each meeting.</p> <p>Thirlmere RSL had contacted Sandra in regards to a CSI application that was discussed with Belinda Clayton and Steve Thomas.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Although they requested support to build an extension at the Thirlmere RSL (Mason Street), a Development Application had not been lodged with Wollondilly Shire Council. Alternatively, the Tahmoor Colliery Apprentices provided the Thirlmere RSL with an upgrade to the carpark including graded carpark, gardens at front of building, concrete stand for display machine gun and fence around car park.</p>	Distribution prior to each meeting.	
6.5	<p><b>Julie Sheppard</b> Julie has not received Tahmoor Colliery Newsletter each month and would like the Newsletter to include comments regarding Redbank Creek pools losing water due to mining.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Colliery will compress the file (reduce file size) prior to email distribution. When Redbank Creek is in active subsidence zone, reporting in Tahmoor Colliery Newsletter will refer to loss of water in pools.</p>		
<b>7. Update on Current &amp; Future Mining Operations</b>			
7.1	<p><b>Underground Visit</b> 8 October or 17 October</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>select preferred date</b></li> </ul> <p>1.00 pm Meet in administration building dress for underground tour including lamp/rescuer</p> <p>1.30 pm Induction</p> <p>3.00 pm Crew shift brief in muster area</p> <p>3.15 pm Dolly car underground</p> <p><b>Return to surface time dependant on length of underground tour</b></p>	Fiona contact Committee Members to arrange.	To be complete by next meeting.

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7.2	<p><b>Mining Update</b> Peter Vale</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All gas produced is being utilised by plant or flared which reduces mines gas output by 50%</li> <li>• 1.77Mt to date for 2013 against target of 2.7Mt</li> </ul> <p><b>Mining update will be included in presentation each meeting. If you have a particular area of interest, notify Belinda prior to meeting and an update will be included.</b></p>		
7.2	<p><b>Environment Update</b> Nick Wandke</p> <p><b>Performance</b> <i>Environmental Incidents</i> <b>Received since the last meeting:</b> No environmental incidents during reporting period.</p> <p><i>Category 1 Incident = Negligible reversible environmental impact requiring very minor remediation.</i></p> <p><i>Category 2 Incident = Minor reversible environmental impact requiring minor remediation (including report to regulator).</i></p> <p><i>Community Complaints</i> <b>Received since the last meeting:</b></p> <p><b>June</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 1x Noise Complaint (Olive Lane) received via fax from the Environment Protection Authority Environment Line. The anonymous complaint from Olive Lane describes "annoying intrusive noises of humming and droning all night every night, and then the site is quiet throughout most of the daylight hours". Investigation revealed the site was compliant with noise criteria.</li> </ol> <p><b>July</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Odour Complaints were received from a resident on Rockford Road Tahmoor, opposite the No 2 shaft site.</li> </ol> <p><b>August</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. 1x Noise complaint from a resident in Pheasants Nest when the CHPP and REA was not operational.</li> <li>4. 2x odour complaints were received from a resident on Rockford Road.</li> </ol>	No action required.	

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7.2	<p><b>Community Update</b> Belinda Clayton</p> <p><b>Subsidence</b> <i>Township</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Longwall 27 has extracted 1,818 m</li> <li>• Longwall face currently between Tickle Drive and Bridge Street Thirlmere</li> <li>• Most active subsidence at the moment is on Tickle Drive and Brundah Road</li> </ul> <p><b>Weekend Rail Works</b> <b>Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 September 2013</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ARTC scheduled maintenance shutdown of Main Southern Rail (MSR)</li> <li>• Tahmoor Colliery completing subsidence management on MSR: Removal of track expansion switches Tamping and regulating of track General track maintenance Painting noise wall</li> <li>• Advert in Wollondilly Advertiser, Community Newsletter and mail notification</li> <li>• All work scheduled for day time</li> </ul> <p><i>Myrtle Creek</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During last rain event pools that were identified as losing water are now holding water.</li> <li>• Longwall 27 final inspection of Myrtle Creek for <i>End of Panel Report</i>.</li> </ul> <p><i>Redbank Creek</i> Pre-mining inspection for longwall 27 next week.</p> <p>Julie Sheppard asked when the proposed surface tour of the creek bed and of restoration works would take place.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> A surface tour will be arranged soon to include these and other sites in the near future.</p>	<p>Update at each meeting.</p> <p>Update at each meeting.</p> <p>Update at each meeting.</p> <p>Surface tour to be arranged to suit availability of interested committee members and of staff.</p>	

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	<p><i>Mine Subsidence Board</i></p> <p>Matthew Montgomery updated current Mine Subsidence Board statistics since March meeting. Figures below refer to longwalls 22 (2004) to 27 (current):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total received            717</li> <li>• Completed                 316</li> <li>• Refused                     186</li> <li>• Claims commenced       50</li> <li>• Claims Pending           215</li> </ul>																														
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7.4	<p><b>Community Consultation</b> <b>Community Information Day</b></p> <p>Tahmoor Community Centre Thursday 12 September 12 noon to 8 pm Tahmoor Colliery and Mine Subsidence Boards representatives available to answer questions relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tahmoor North planned mine activities</b></li> <li>• <b>Mine subsidence issues</b></li> <li>• <b>Pre mining inspections</b></li> <li>• <b>Weekend Rail Works</b></li> <li>• <b>Community Involvement</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Notification to Community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advert in Wollondilly Advertiser 28 Aug, 4 Sept and 11 Sept 2013</li> <li>• Information in Tahmoor Colliery Newsletter distributed via email and post</li> <li>• Letter to residents hand delivered 3 weeks prior to weekend rail works</li> </ul>	No further action.	
7.5	<p><b>Tahmoor South Project Update</b> <b>Ron Bush</b></p> <p><b>Exploration</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TGW001 to TGW006 completed July 2013</li> <li>• TBC039 completed August 2013</li> <li>• TBF040 proposed September/October 2013</li> </ul> <p><b>Project Approvals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical specialist field work complete</li> <li>• Technical specialist reporting and EIS preparation underway</li> <li>• EIS finalised for submission March 2014</li> </ul> <p><b>Baseline Monitoring</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuing during 2013</li> </ul> <p><b>Community Consultation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newsletter 3 issued in June 2013</li> <li>• Community open day 1 – 6 June 2013</li> <li>• Community open day 2 – 25 July 2013</li> </ul> <p>Newsletter 4 proposed to be issued during September 2013</p> <p>Community open day 3 proposed during early October 2013</p>	No action required.	

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	<p><b>Background and Need</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tahmoor South resource is proposed to be mined sequentially after the completion of Tahmoor North</li> <li>• Tahmoor North longwall mining is forecast to continue until 2023</li> <li>• Tahmoor South Project would extend coal production beyond 2023 for an additional 17 years of operations</li> <li>• Continuity of business and employment to 2040</li> <li>• Continuity and expansion of coking coal exports</li> </ul> <p><b>The proposal includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Underground mining of the Tahmoor South resource by longwall mining methods, accessed via the Tahmoor pit top and complex;</li> <li>• Mining of the Bulli Seam;</li> <li>• Underground mining into Tahmoor South via development using continuous miners with access from the 500 Panel;</li> <li>• Gas drainage system using existing Tahmoor Colliery co-gen and flare plants;</li> <li>• Construction of mine ventilation system requiring additional new ventilation shafts;</li> <li>• Use of existing infrastructure (CHPP, Rail Spur, existing vent fans);</li> <li>• Expansion to reject emplacement area (REA) and expansion at mine infrastructure area (MIA);</li> <li>• Increase in average ROM production from 2.8 to approximately 3.5 to 4.4 Mtpa;</li> <li>• Development works and roadways for pre gas drainage to start in 2018;</li> <li>• Continuing exploration within Central and Eastern Domains for JORC requirements;</li> <li>• Continuing exploration within the Southern Domain for resource delineation;</li> <li>• Extension of mining from 2023 to 2040, an additional 17 years of mining; and</li> <li>• Export of coal to Port Kembla Coal by the existing rail spur.</li> </ul>		
7.6	<p><b>Finance</b> Bank Account Balance <b>\$15,950.23</b></p>		
<b>8. General Business</b>			
8.1	<b>No General Business</b>		



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<b>9. New Business (Actions)</b>			
9.1	<b>No New Business</b>		
<p><b>Next Meeting</b>            5 December 2013            5pm to 7pm followed by Christmas dinner</p> <p><b>Venue</b>            Vaby's Picton.</p>			

Recorded by Belinda Clayton on 5 September 2013

Confirmed:

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**Michael Muston**

*Chairperson*

Tahmoor Colliery Community Consultative Committee