# Minutes of Meeting of Gunlake Quarries Community Consultative Committee held at Marulan at 10.00am on 28 July 2017

## 1) Attendance:

Don Elder (Chairman), Ken Wray (CM), Dennis Isbister (CM), Ron Switzer (CM), Ed O'Neil (Gunlake), Andrew Wade (Gunlake), Scott Martin (G-M Council), David Kelly (Gunlake), Angus Richmond (Gunlake), Geoff Kettle (Gunlake), Matthew O'Rourke (G-M Council)

- 2) Apologies: Nil
- 3) Declaration of pecuniary or other interests: Nil
- 4) Minutes of meeting held on 24 May 2017 were confirmed.
- 5) Business arising from the Minutes:
  - a) A road consultant has been appointed (AARB) to oversee the design to Ausroad Guidelines of the Haul route and preliminary designs should be available in three weeks.
  - b) Ron Switzer has expressed concern on line of sight issues when turning into his driveway from Redhills Rd from the Hume Highway, He has asked that it be looked at and incorporated into the design; perhaps removing the small earth rise and some trees. Also will the driveways be recessed to allow safe entry and exit when opening gates. These points were noted by the Council representatives.
  - c) Dennis Isbister would like feedback on noise testing carried out by Gunlake. He is also concerned about low frequency noise and Gunlake's intention to address LF monitoring and suppression. David stated that Dennis' testing methods were not EPA approved.
    <u>RESOLVED</u>: Dennis will draft a letter to the EPA to ask that his monitoring equipment (iPhone based) be approved to monitor SPL and FFT. Don will finalise and send the letter.
  - d) Quarterly noise monitoring reports are to be made available on the Gunlake website.
  - e) The crusher will be enclosed in 2017.
  - f) Ron Switzer commented on the noise from the Haul route and asked was it also being monitored as part of the reporting regime. It was stated that as the road is a public road it is exempt from noise monitoring.

## 6) Correspondence:

As set out on the Agenda was dealt with.

The Company advised:

- a) Risk assessments for silica and quartz have been done and show that there is no issue with silica or quartz dust. Air monitoring is an ongoing process.
- b) Ron Switzer How does the community learn of conditions of approval? The conditions will be on the website as soon as the current approval extinguishes. This is to avoid confusion in the community on current operating requirements. Gunlake is not allowed to operate under the new approval until upgrade conditions are met.

## 7) Company Report:

David Kelly produced the Company report (attached) and spoke to it.

Ken requested that the Drivers' Code of Conduct include a provision that, unless stationary or lawfully overtaking, quarry trucks maintain a distance of at least 50 metres from other vehicles travelling in the same direction.

#### 8) General Business:

- a) Geoff Kettle has been appointed by the Company as Community Manager. He will be the intermediary between Ed O'Neil and the community. He will report to the community on Gunlake issues through newsletters, social media, press releases, etc. All newsletters etc will be cc'd to the members of the CCC.
- b) Discussion as follows took place on road construction.
  - i) Matt O'Rourke advised:
    - Council has indicated that pavement design is a major consideration in the road upgrade. He would like to see the pavement tested.
    - Council will review the plans and issue a s.138 Roads Act certificate prior to any work commencing.
    - He produced the guidelines and standards for road construction.
  - ii) Denis Isbister asked whether the road plans would be available for review.
  - iii) Ed O'Neil advised that feedback from the CCC is welcome. A meeting may be organised prior to submission to review the Road Design.
  - iv) Geoff Kettle stated that it was in the Company's interests to get the design right.
  - v) The final design is being drawn up now and should be ready in 3 weeks for tabling to the CCC. It will take Council 1-2 weeks to consider the design.
  - vi) Ron Switzer mentioned the ongoing litter problem. Scott Martin has provided instructions on referring the matter to Council.
  - vii) Staff levels have increased already with the approval of the Quarry Expansion.
  - viii) A request for feedback on driver behaviour has been put to the members of the CCC to report good and bad.
- c) Discussion took place on the decision of the Land & Environment Court. The Community Members expressed the hope that all of the Company's commitments are met.

#### 9) Next meeting

The meeting will be held on Friday 24 November 2017 at 10.00am at the quarry. It is possible an earlier meeting may be held to review road design.

The meeting closed a	t 11.30am
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Confirmed	Chairman
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