Meeting Notes - Perilya North Mine - Community Consultative Committee

Meeting No. 5 1 March 2019 – 11 am – 1.00 pm

Location: Perilya Southern Operations, Wentworth Road, Broken Hill

Attendees: Chairperson: Margaret Harvie

Community representatives: Linda Nadge, Allan Carter, Isabelle Eriksson, Mary Ellen Jinks,

Christine Adams

Local Government representative: Cr Jim Nolan (Broken Hill City Council)

Perilya representatives: Geoff Hender - Deputy General Manager - Broken Hill Operations, Adam Forster - Health Safety Environment and Training (HSET) Manager, Brett Bussell -

Environment Superintendent.

Apologies: Jody Whitehair, Chris Dougherty In attendance: Deidre Rolton (Notetaker)

Item		Details
1	Welcome and Apologies	Jim Nolan (JN) late – see below
2	Agenda Additions	 Christine Adams (CA) – highlighted two issues from Councils perspective in the absence of JN: concerns re truck route and the recently suggested alternate route 7 days on / 7 days off rosters and the potential economic impact with the attraction for out-of-town workers versus residential. JN apologised for being last due to clash in meeting times. Margaret Harvie (MH) – Reiterated as per the actions from the last meeting it is important to have a Council representative at the meeting. Jim is now the confirmed Council representatives. Jim was asked to be sure to nominate an alternate person to attend if he is unable to attend a CCC meeting.
3	Declaration of pecuniary and other interests additions	Linda Nadge (LN) is a business owner of Outback Astronomy, located on the Barrier Highway. Linda was a former Commercial Manager employed by Perilya and her husband works for Consolidated mining and Civil (CMC), which does contracting work for Perilya. Isabelle Eriksson (IE) has advised that her partner is a business owner of a steel fabrication & crane hire business that Perilya may or may not conduct business with, time to time. There are no contracts in place.
4	Actions from last meeting	 Council representation – see above Media releases uploaded to Website. Fact sheet has been created and was tabled by Geoff Hender (GH). LN – indicted that as a Tourist Operator this is great to hand out this Fact Sheet to visitors. She suggested perhaps a small additional map in the place of one of the photos to identify the Port Pirie/Broken Hill link.

		MH – Believes that such a change would trigger RMS to conduct community consultation.
	Council alternative heavy vehicle route	IE Asked to relook at the alternative route that she had discussed at the July 2018 meeting. The route on Crystal Street is a concern. She would prefer the red route to the green route. She is concerned that the people on the alternative red route have not had a say. That it need to be consultation with residents before anything is agreed.
	items in the presentation	Mary Ellen Jinks (MEJ)- agree, red.
6	Discussion on	If it was to be changed this would involve a modification to the DA. LN – the alternative red route is obviously the better choice.
		GH - substantial work and cost involved in the current approved route.
		JN indicated that he had made this suggestion as part of the original proposal to DPE. This route is better for truck driver views. Only three residents in Crystal Street had complained about this alternative. This is not a designated truck route and Council is responsible for maintenance.
		The Council proposed change to the Menindee Road route which was reported in BDT.
	Presentation on recent media	A pipe burst was reported to the Barrier Daily Truth (BDT) and appeared as an article before it was reported to Perilya.
		GH – approximately 18 Level, we are eight months ahead of the decline advance.
		JN - what level is the water at?
	the presentation	GH – They show on the monitors but the mine knows that it is not dust from the site.
5	path forward Questions on	LN — Do the frequent dust storms measure on the monitors?
4	Update on progress of the operations and	GH - presentation on mining progress. Commencement of mining operations was on 22 December following DPE approval of the operational management plans on 21/12/18.
		MH – Congratulated Geoff on this information for the public
		GH - will send this out electronically when finalised and will be able to make colour copies available – such as at the next meeting.
		CA - asked if it was possible for Perilya to provide printed copies of Fact Sheet.
		JN – it should show the relationship between Broken Hill and Port Pirie via the rail line.

GH - CMC had previously received approval from RMS to use this route.

IE – believes that the red route on the map was the route originally proposed, which was subsequently withdrawn.

CA – the proposed green route is the actual designated truck route. She favours the red route.

Allan Carter (AC)— is in favour of the red route.

IE – re-presented the idea from the July meeting for an alternative route on Perilya land. She wanted to revisit this presentation for benefit of Council representatives not present at that meeting. Holten Drive is the route for this road with the desire that Potosi trucks use this as well.

JN – What is Perilyas view on the proposed alternative presented by Isabelle?

GH – This is outside scope of Committee. It was noted that the proposed route would involve substantial work to build a road where there is no current road. The current approval is based specifically on there being no disturbance beyond the existing footprint of the mine (ie not allowed to disturb the area that is being suggested for the road)

IE indicated that there are new people in Council in the Planning Department who may not be aware of the history of alternatives and objections.

LN – believes that the community consultation would have been done way back, and 'the horse has bolted' on this proposal.

CA - read out Councils concerns re the truck route (copy to be provided).

Action: It is requested that the Council representative (JN) convey to Council the desire that other options for the transport of ore through the town be also considered in the light of this current proposed route change.

MH – Asked for clarification on the hold up to the implementation of the lead monitoring program.

GH – Two members of the Broken Hill Lead Reference Group requested more time to ratified the proposal.

7 day on and 7 day off roster

Geoff Hender spoke to this change

- The mine has been losing experienced operators since CBH has moved to 7/7 roster and some went to Olympic Dam and then returned with the 7/7 roster change.
- The 5/5 roster does not provide a guarantee for those workers, especially those with families, that they will have a weekend off – 7/7 gives them every second weekend off.

		The sense is that it is residents who are looking for this certainty in
		terms of time off. The intitiative is to keep people rather than attract new people from outside.
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		JN – believes that 7/7 is the go in the industry.
		GH - Explained that the mine had taken a vote and 86% were in favour of the 7/7 roster. There is some management concern about fatigue as result of this change. It will commence on a trial basis and there will be consultation with workers and work on the policy and procedures to support this change.
	Round the table with what we	AC – Has heard nothing - positive or negative. If there was discontent in the community he believes that the CCC would be hearing about it!
	are hearing in the community	CA - Heritage Festival in April and much gratitude that Perilya is sponsoring the dinner. Also thank you for granting permission to visit/tour the site.
		JN - Much the same as last time, talking to people at Westside Plaza and Coles. Some people are more interested and positive that the North Mine is going ahead. From fellow workmates – where do they get a job? 2030 positive future for Broken Hill, no negativity.
		IE – Concern about the Mineral Sands trucks that are currently used for ore haulage different. Wanted confirmation that no longer or larger trucks are planned for the haulage than those that have been approved. She is concerned that they are trialling their use for the mine.
		GH - These are 'B' triples. The condition consent limit the length of trucks to being, 'A' double - 30m in length.
		MEJ - Not a lot of people have commented, only a neighbor who is a Truck Driver. At a function she attended recently there was discussion and agreement about the red truck route option.
		LN – People are potentially more focussed on water, fish. All good!
		GH -Fact Sheet is to be placed on Website when it is finalised and signed off.
		JN - Fact Sheet should be at Visitors Information Centre as well
7	Next meeting	Next meeting Friday, 17 May 2019
		MEJ – will be an apology as she is on a Cruise.
		JN – may have work commitments. MH – reiterated that Jim needs to nominate a Council alternate if he cannot attend.
8	Close	12:15pm