Meeting Notes

Perilya North Mine - Community Consultative Committee Meeting No. 4 23 November 2018 – 11 am – 1.00 pm

Location: Perilya Southern Operations, Wentworth Road, Broken Hill

Attendees:

Chairperson: Margaret Harvie

Community representatives: Chris Dougherty, Linda Nadge, Allan Carter, Isabelle Eriksson, Mary

Ellen Jinks, Christine Adams, Jody Whitehair

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:** Nil

In attendance: Christie Roll (notetaker)

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Item 1.	Welcome and	Details
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	apologies	
2.	Declarations of pecuniary and other interest	Linda Nadge 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 Erikkson has advised that her partner is a business owner of a steel fabrication & crane hire business that Perilya may conduct business with from time to time. There are no contracts in place.
3.	Actions from last meeting	Presentation from the previous meeting was uploaded to the website.
		Lead Monitoring & Education Contribution – The \$50,000 contribution will be allocated locally to fund public health monitoring and education campaigns with the aim of reducing blood levels in Broken Hill.
		CCC members were satisfied with this response in that the finances are being spent locally – no further follow up in relation to this spending is required.
		For the committees information, as part of the Lead Monitoring and Education Program consultation, Geoff will be presenting to the Broken Hill Lead Reference Group (LRG) 29/11/18.
		Ensure Council representation at the CCC meetings – Important to have Council representation at each meeting to respond to issues that arise in relation to Council. James Roncon has responded to this need in sending Councillor Jim Nolan.
		James Roncon to confirm whether Jim Nolan is to be the permanent member of the CCC or the alternate representative when James cannot attend.

4.	Update on	Media Release – It was requested that both media releases be uploaded to the website. GH to follow up and place the releases that were provided to BDT and ABC. Geoff Hender (GH) – Presented on the progress of the construction/ operations
	progress of the operations and path forward	to date and the path forward. Action – A copy of the presentation from the meeting has been uploaded to the Perilya website and is available to download at http://www.perilya.com.au/healthsafetyenvironment/community/bhnmccc
5.	Questions on the presentation	Allan Carter (AC) — Was it anticipated to have the ore still stockpiled at this stage? GH — No, Perilya had budgeted to commence production at North Mine from April 2018. A commitment was made on 20/12/17 that no more ore would trucked to Southern Operations until the condition of consent items were complied with and mining operations officially commenced. Chris Dougherty (CD) — How close are you to getting to having the permission to bring the ore to the surface? Is it the State Government that is slowing the approval process down? Margaret Harvie (MH) — When do you think you are going to commence operation? GH — Once construction finishes and management plans are approved, it is our hope to commence production in the first or second week of December. There is also a transport management plan that BHCC is to sign off. Linda Nadge (LN) — Will the information for the lead reference group be provided prior to the presentation? GH/Adam Forster (AF) — The document has been provided to the LRG chairperson and will be sent out to the LRG members to review prior to the presentation. CD — What stakeholders attend the lead reference groups meeting? AF — Council, EPA, NSW Health, Mine Representatives, DPE and other members. CD — How far does the newly sealed road go? GH — It goes to the ROM shed.
6.	Round the Table	Jody Whitehair (JW) — There is positive feedback resulting from the media release with people understanding that the North Mine is happening. People (such as the CCC members) are involved, the project is clearly going forward, not in question. Haven't had any questions from community members that hasn't been answered by the media article or other information. Mary Ellen Jinks (MJ) — no comments. Isabelle Eriksson (IE) — Reported that Macquarie University recently conducted a household dust survey in Broken Hill where tests was taken from Footpath, front yard and vacuum dust. Report was received with a breakdown of particles including lead within the house, compared with that outside. Residents found it interesting to know how much lead and other heavy metals that was inside their homes. LN — has had a number of customers at Outback Astronomy that have been

curious about the North Mine buildings and activity and asking about the future plans. LN asked whether there could be a flyer/leaflet produced that they could put on their counter to update people and save her telling the story again and again? Is is something that could tie in with the heritage festival? Christine Adams (CA) – Sees what's happening with the North Mine as a positive for the community. If there is some very simple information for visitors, it would be great for them and for Broken Hill. Doesn't matter what people say, most people come to visit as they are interested in mining. **Cr Jim Nolan (JN)** – people often ask if Broken Hill used to be a mining town. He believes there should be something to capture the positivity of the current activity. **Action:** GH to consider a fact sheet for distribution. CA – The heritage festival will run from 18-28 April 2019 and the theme will be the history of unionism and mining. An application for funding has been submitted and it is hoped that it will become a significant annual event for Broken Hill. CA is hoping to have the support of the mining companies and is asking for underground tours to be accommodated as part of the festival? Ideally would like to have a lotto draw for people to win an underground tour prize. Suggested that this could this be used as part of a promotion for the North Mine? CD – Press release was viewed positively. Queried whether a there was any value for a letter of support to go from the CCC to the Department of Planning and Environment? MH – Suggested that this would not have much impact as the hold up is in the work in moving the management plans back and forth between the Department and the project for approval of the various plans - it is a logistical task rather than a pile of paperwork being held up on a persons desk. Brett Bussell (BB) agreed that this was the case. AC – has not heard anything, positive or negative. Thinks the project is a good thing – business as usual. AC asked whether another article/ media release can be submitted to the BDT to promote the commencement of production with the first truck of ore coming out? GH - Perilya already did an article focussed around the first truck, but can certainly prepare another one when the Conditions of Consent have been met. JN – people do ask from time to time about mining. People are pleased to hear about Perilya activity. People's questions relate to truck movements and employment opportunities for Broken Hill. Only negatives JN has heard are about the Potosi trucks with dust that comes off as they pass through BH (from the sides & tops). Has only heard positive comments for the North Mine, people are excited to see the North Mine being revived. Friday 1st March 2019 7. **Next Meeting** 8. Close 12:10pm