
REPORT OF THE STRATFORD COAL MINE COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2008

PRESENT: Cr John Rosenbaum (Chair) B Williams, Keith Latham,
B Toms, N Bignell, R Clarke, T Dwyer, J Sonnberg,
A Young, G Wilcox and [Libby](#).

APOLOGIES: Cr G Slack.

The meeting commenced at 4:00 pm with an inspection of the mine site.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting held 7 August 2008 were confirmed.

MATTERS ARISING:

Nil.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Environmental Monitoring - As presented

2. Complaints - As presented

3. Noise Assessment Report - As presented

4. Mine Progress

- commenced strip 3 at Bowens Road
- consent variation to be applied for Roseville pit and application being made for waste disposal. Waste may be placed in Stratford pit if approved. Material predominantly clay for capping.
- Currently approved for 700,000 tonnes and variation up to 1.2M tonnes from Roseville
- Product stockpile under construction to be finished June 2009
- When Cox Road diversion to be finished March 2009

5. Duralie Mine Extension

An application has been submitted for the extension of Duralie Mine to the Department of Planning and Mineral Resources – plan focus meeting on 20 November 2008. DG's requirements shall then be issued. Environmental Assessment Period 6-7 months and then advertised to public – possible approval in 2010.

6. Future Stratford Development

Future consent variation will be required – Stratford South to extension into co-disposal area.

7. General Manager – Gloucester Coal

Mark Sheldon has been employed as the new General Manager for Gloucester Coal.

8. Exploration Drilling

Exploration drilling has been occurring in Duralie (Clarevale area) for future modelling.

Exploration shall continue around Stratford site over the next couple of years. Clarevale and Wisemantel seams are being investigated in the new EL in the Glen Road area.

Additional Representatives

Stratford Coal requested should a representative from The Glen area be invited to join the Committee.

The Committee agreed that the Council be requested to publically advertise for a member of Glen Road to join the Committee.

(K Lathan/B Williams)

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. R Clarke advised that a person phoned him concerning a water discharge into the Avon River – J Sonnberg advised that they had a licence to discharge into the Avon River many years ago.
2. R Clarke asked if Lucas Gas was to locate the gas compressor plant on mine land – J Sonnberg advised that Gloucester Coal has been approached by Lucas but no commitment has been made.
3. Mine Contributions – Breakup of Council expenditure to be presented to the next meeting of the Committee.
4. Water Discharge Duralie – Application has been made to DECC to discharge water to Mammy Johnson Creek. Other areas being reviewed are extend dams, increase irrigation and investigate other water use.

Discharge to creek to discharge set volume of water at certain flow periods.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.15pm.

NEXT MEETING: To be held [Thursday 1 February 2009](#), 4:00pm at Stratford Office.