

MINUTES OF MEETING
Cowal Gold Operations
Community Environmental Monitoring
and Consultative Committee (CEMCC)

Date: Wednesday 29 June 2022
Time: 9.13am, Forbes Shire Council
Minutes taken by: Lynsey Reilly

Attendees:

Independent Chairperson: Lisa Andrews (LA)
Evolution: Grace Derrick (GD), Lynsey Reilly* (LR)
Community Members: Lucy Buttenshaw (LB)*, Angus Stitt (AS), Kate Dean*
Forbes Shire Council: Cr Chris Roylance (CR)
Cr Brian Mattiske (BM)
Bland Shire Council: Cr Liz McGlynn (LM)
Independent Scientist: Max Finlayson (MF)*

Apologies: Simon Coates, Renee Pettit, Vicky Swadling, Ally Coe, Laurie Hutchinson (LH), Bruce Dent

**Attended via Microsoft Teams*

ITEM	ACTION						
<p>1. Welcome</p> <p>Independent Chair, LA, opened the meeting at 9.13am and welcomed all in attendance. Acknowledgment of Country.</p> <p>Welcomed new CEMCC committee members, Grace Derrick and Lynsey Reilly, Evolution Mining.</p>							
<p>2. Declaration of Interest</p> <p>LA advised there were no changes to previous declarations by CEMCC members, nor to hers; Independent Chair of the CEMCC, appointed by the Secretary of the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, and receives payment via a Trust established by the Bland Shire Council.</p>							
<p>3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes</p> <p>Moved by: xx Seconded by: xx</p>							
<p>4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes</p> <p>Carry over items 1, 2, & 3</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 15%;">ITEM</th> <th style="width: 55%;">ISSUE</th> <th style="width: 30%;">RESPONSIBILITY</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	ITEM	ISSUE	RESPONSIBILITY				<p>Action 1: MF to make presentation of bird survey next face to face</p>
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<p>1</p>	<p>Bird survey presentation to take place when MF and Peter Gell can attend next face to face meeting.</p>	<p>MF (Carry over)</p>	<p>CEMCC meeting. MF asked for survey data from PM.</p> <p>Action 2: EVN to provide annual update on rehabilitation landform design after Q3/Q4 audit.</p> <p>Action 3: MF to Provide CEMCC meeting attendees information about the developments at the Lake Cowal Conservation Centre in meeting in November.</p>
<p>2</p>	<p>EVN to provide annual update on rehabilitation landform design after Q3/Q4 audit.</p>	<p>SC (Carry over)</p>	
<p>3</p>	<p>Provide CEMCC meeting attendees information about the developments at the Lake Cowal Conservation Centre when these are formally available.</p>	<p>MF (Carry over)</p>	
<p>5. Correspondence (as emailed with the meeting notice on 17/2/22) with 2 additional items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 10/3/22 – Email to members with the Community Newsletter which also included the OPC planning and assessment process and dates. · 25/3/22 - Email to members with the draft minutes for review/comment. · 31/3/22 – Email from ERM regarding the Independent Environmental Audit, which was forwarded to members for stakeholder feedback. · 4/4/22 – Email to members with the final draft minutes, presentation & OPC newsletter. · 14/4/22 – Email to ERM advising that there had been no submissions received from members for inclusion in the audit. · 30/4/22 – Email to Dept of Planning with the CCC Annual Report for 2021-2022. · 14/6/22 - Email to members with the Meeting Notice, Agenda, and Correspondence Report for this meeting. · 22/6/22 – Email from RP advising that SC is an apology and that Grace Derrick, Environmental advisor, will be presenting on Simon’s behalf. · 23/6/22 – Email from RP advising that Lynsey Reilley has joined the community team as Superintendent – Community & Indigenous Relations & will be attending these meetings. · 24/6/22 – Email to LR with the governance forms for completion and return. · 24/6/22 – Email from EVN advising they will be seeking modification to its underground development consent (with accompanying documentation). Forwarded to members for their information the same day. · 26/6/22 – Email to members with a reminder for this meeting. 			
<p>6. Reports</p> <p>GD provided a detailed account of Cowal Gold Operations (CGO’s) Environment Department’s activities over the last quarter and a status of the underground project along with a quick introduction of the OPC.</p>			<p>See attached presentation.</p>

GD provided details of community complaints and the activities and support undertaken by the Cowl Community & External Relations team in the previous quarter.	
General Business	
Comments from members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MF requested a copy of the report. 	Agreed.
7. Meeting Schedule for 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 28th September, EVN CGO Wednesday 30th November, Lake Cowl Conservation Centre (LCCC) 	
8. Meeting Closed – 10.03am with LA thanking all for their attendance and contribution.	

ACTION ITEMS

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1	Conform if Peter Gell can attend September meeting to present bird survey data.	SC
2	EVN to provide annual update on rehabilitation reforms and outcome documents.	SC
3	Provide CEMCC meeting attendees' information about the developments at the Lake Cowl Conservation Centre when these are formally available.	MF
4	Evolution to provide Open Day information when available.	LR
5	Organise next meeting on site (28 September).	SC