

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

Date: Wednesday 13 December 2022
Time: 11.00am, Cowal Gold Operations
Minutes taken by: Renee Pettit

Attendees:

Independent Chairperson: Lisa Andrews (LA)
Evolution: Grace Derrick (GD), Renee Pettit (RP), Merridy Case (MC)
Community Members: Lucy Buttenshaw (LB), Angus Stitt (AS), Kate Dean (KD)

Apologies: Vicky Swadling, Ally Coe, Laurie Hutchinson (LH), Cr Liz McGlynn (LM), Lynsey Reilly (LR), Cr Chris Roylance (CR), Cr Brian Mattiske (BM), Cr Dennis Brady (DB), Bruce Dent (BD)

**Meeting held via Microsoft Teams*

ITEM	ACTION
<p>1. Welcome</p> <p>Independent Chair, LA, opened the meeting at 10.44 am and welcomed all in attendance. Acknowledgment of Country.</p> <p>LA noted low number of attendees due to road closures and also time of the year.</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>	No changes
<p>3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes</p> <p>Moved by: AS Seconded by: LB</p>	
<p>4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes</p>	Action 1: EVN to contact relevant



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4	Send out letter on behalf of CEMCC to thank MF for his dedication and service to the CEMCC. Completed.	LA	
<p>5. Correspondence (as emailed with the meeting notice on 04/10/22)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 11/10/22 - Email from Peter Gell with his Bird Survey Presentation. Acknowledged and thanked for his presentation to the CEMCC. · 21/10/22 - Email to members with the draft minutes for review/comment. · 28/10/22 - Letter to Max Finlayson, thanking him for his service on this CEMCC. · 1/12/22 - Email to members with Meeting Notice & Agenda 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>RP provided details of community complaints and the activities and support undertaken by the Cowal Community & External Relations team in the previous quarter.</p> <p>See attached presentation.</p>			<p>Action 4: GD to share links of the resource regulation of the mining lease updates.</p> <p>Action 4: GD to provide finding of the cause of deaths of fauna in the past quarter.</p> <p>Action 5: RP to provide CEMCC members with December edition of the Cowal Update.</p>

<p>General Business</p> <p>No GB.</p>	
<p>7. Meeting Schedule for 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 8th of March LCCC • Wednesday 7th of June WCC • Wednesday 6th of September FSC • Wednesday 29th of November Evolution Town Office 	
<p>8. Meeting Closed – 11.42am with LA thanking all for their attendance and contribution and well wishing everyone for the Christmas and New Year period.</p>	

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