



Meeting Minutes – Northparkes Community Consultative Committee (CCC)

Date & Time	Monday 11 December 2017 – 4.00pm	
Attendees	Jim Fowler	Northparkes Managing Director
	Roslyn Dalton	Northparkes Manager Ore Processing
	Stacey Kelly	Northparkes Manager People, Safety & Environment
	Chase Dingle	Northparkes Community, Environment and Farms
	Ali Creith	Northparkes Advisor Community & External Relations
	Cr Ken Keith OAM	Parkes Shire Council Mayor
	Jeff Nicholson	Forbes Shire Council Councillor
	Scott Bickett	Chair and neighbour representative
Apologies	Cr Graeme Miller	Forbes Shire Council Mayor
	Kent Boyd	Parkes Shire Council General Manager
	Cr Barbara Newton	Parkes Shire Council Deputy Mayor
	Steve Loane	Forbes Shire Council General Manager
	Cr Grant Clifton	Forbes Shire Council Deputy Mayor
	Geoff Rice	Parkes Chamber of Commerce
	Peter Croft	Parkes and Forbes Business Enterprise Centre
	Jason Hopkins	Forbes Chamber of Commerce
	Sandra Carter	Parkes High School Principal
Venue:	Parkes Shire Council, 2 Cecile Street Parkes	
Subject:	Northparkes Community Consultative Committee	

1. WELCOME

Agenda

1. Welcome – 2017 highlights
2. Acceptance of previous minutes
3. Apologies
4. Welcome to Northparkes Chase
5. Business performance
6. Major projects
7. People, Safety and Environment
8. Our people – leaders in industry
7. Community update
8. General business
9. Close

Northparkes Mines
A century of mining together



Scott Bickett opened the meeting and welcomed the committee members.

Apologies were recorded for Cr Graeme Miller, Kent Boyd, Cr Barbara Newton, Steve Loane, Cr Grant Clifton, Geoff Rice, Peter Croft, Jason Hopkins and Sandra Carter.

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed by committee members and accepted.

Moved: Ken Keith

Seconded: Jim Fowler

2. WELCOME – 2017 HIGHLIGHTS (JIM FOWLER)



2017 has been a year of change. We have focused on right sizing our business and making sustainable changes to secure our future, allowing us to achieve our vision of a century of mining together. It has been a tough year, however I am extremely proud of what we have achieved.

The year thus far has been about re-establishing our credibility by delivering on our operating plan while getting back to basics. Throughout the year, we have achieved various production records in both the Ore Processing and Mining Operations departments. Each and every employee across all departments plays an important role in achieving those results.

We have continued to strive for Zero Harm Operations. This year we had a number of incidents, however we achieved 134 consecutive days injury free. As we head into 2018, we will continue to maintain our focus on Zero Harm Operations, sending each employee home safely at the end of each day is the most important thing we do.

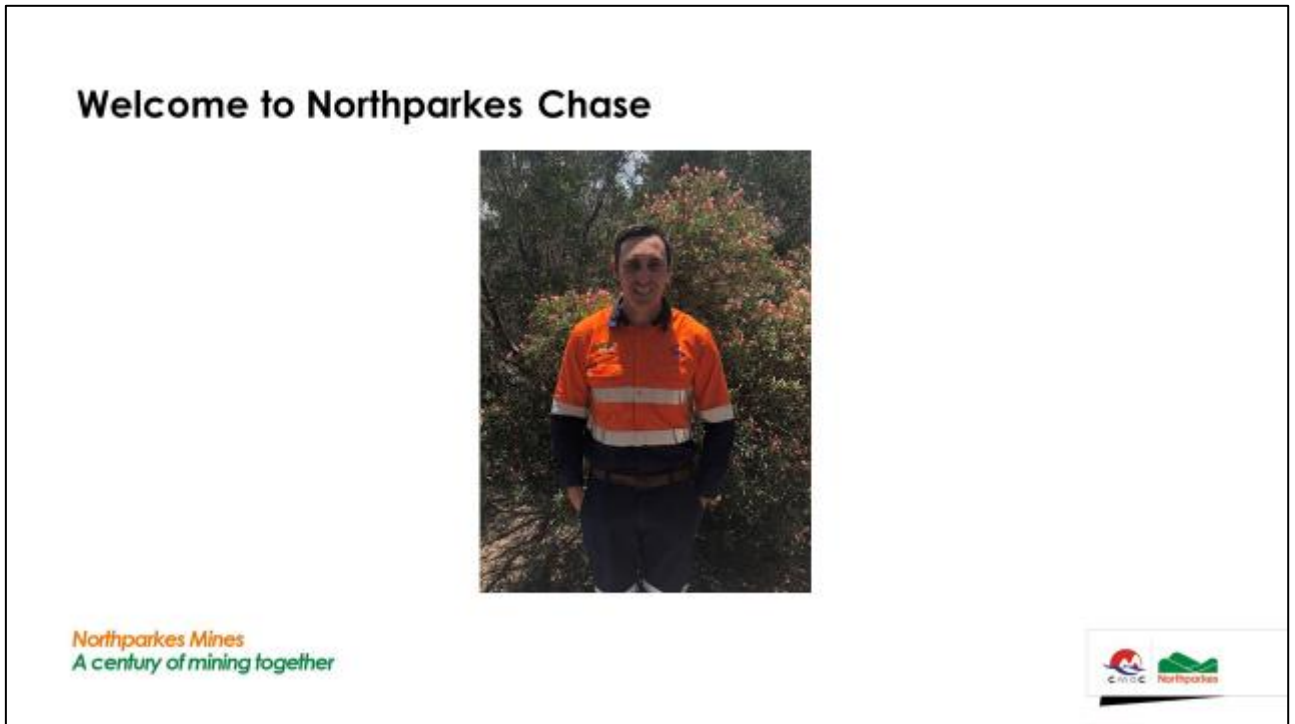
Zero harm doesn't stop with our people, it extends to the community in which we live and work. I am proud to say that we have continued to support our local community throughout 2017, despite being limited in resources.

We've had employees volunteer at Vinnies, the Parkes Show, various sporting competitions, Trundle Bush Tucker day and the White Ribbon March in Forbes. It was great to see our people come together to represent Northparkes and create a sea of Hi-Viz in Forbes for the White Ribbon Day March.

Q. When will E26L1N come online? (Ken Keith)

A. It will commence in late 2018 or early 2019. (Jim Fowler)

3. INTRODUCTION TO CHASE DINGLE (JIM FOWLER)



Chase has joined Northparkes as the Community, Environment and Farms Superintendent. Chase has a wealth of knowledge and experience having previously worked in the mining industry, specialising in environmental management. He was most recently employed by the Department of Planning and Environment as a Team Leader. Prior to this, Chase was employed by Boggabri Coal Mine as the Environment and Projects Superintendent.

His career profile includes extensive stakeholder and community engagement and strategic and project management experience. Chase is focused on committing to integrating environmental and social impacts for growth and profitability.

Chase mentioned that he is really excited to be joining the Northparkes and Central West communities.

4. BUSINESS PERFORMANCE (ROSLYN DALTON)



As Jim mentioned earlier, we achieved 134 consecutive days injury free.

We have achieved production records in both the mine and mill. We passed our 2014 production record of 6.124mtpa on Monday and are set to achieve a new record of 6.4mtpa for 2017. Copper and gold recoveries will be above plan.

On Saturday 18 November, we produced our 33,378th ounce of gold. This number is the total we planned to produce for 2017. A fantastic achievement to have reached this with over a month remaining for 2017.

From a cost perspective, we are continually looking for improvements. One of the major foreseeable challenges for us heading into the future is the significant increase in electricity prices.

We have had a significant decrease in environmental incidents, this is due to the amount of wet weather work we have done over the year. This year we diverted water into one of our old open cut pits. There are pumps and pipe works in place to take water back out of E22.

5. MAJOR PROEJCTS (ROSLYN DALTON)



E26L1N –

E26L1N is currently in the pre-feasibility stage. It is due to come online in late 2018 or early 2019.

Ventilation project –

The Ventilation project will provide additional ventilation underground, allowing us to have more vehicles underground. The ventilation project will also service the mine into the future as well look to produce from additional ore bodies. Ken mentioned it will be a breath of fresh air.

Expansion project –

The Expansion project will assist with operating costs as our grade declines. The pre-feasibility study is underway and the outcome will be dependent on costs and what options are going to be the most effective.

Ken said "It's great to see CMOC investing in Northparkes." Jeff Nicholson said "The Congo is a lot higher risk in terms of stability. There is a lot of risk there, where we are in a low risk environment."

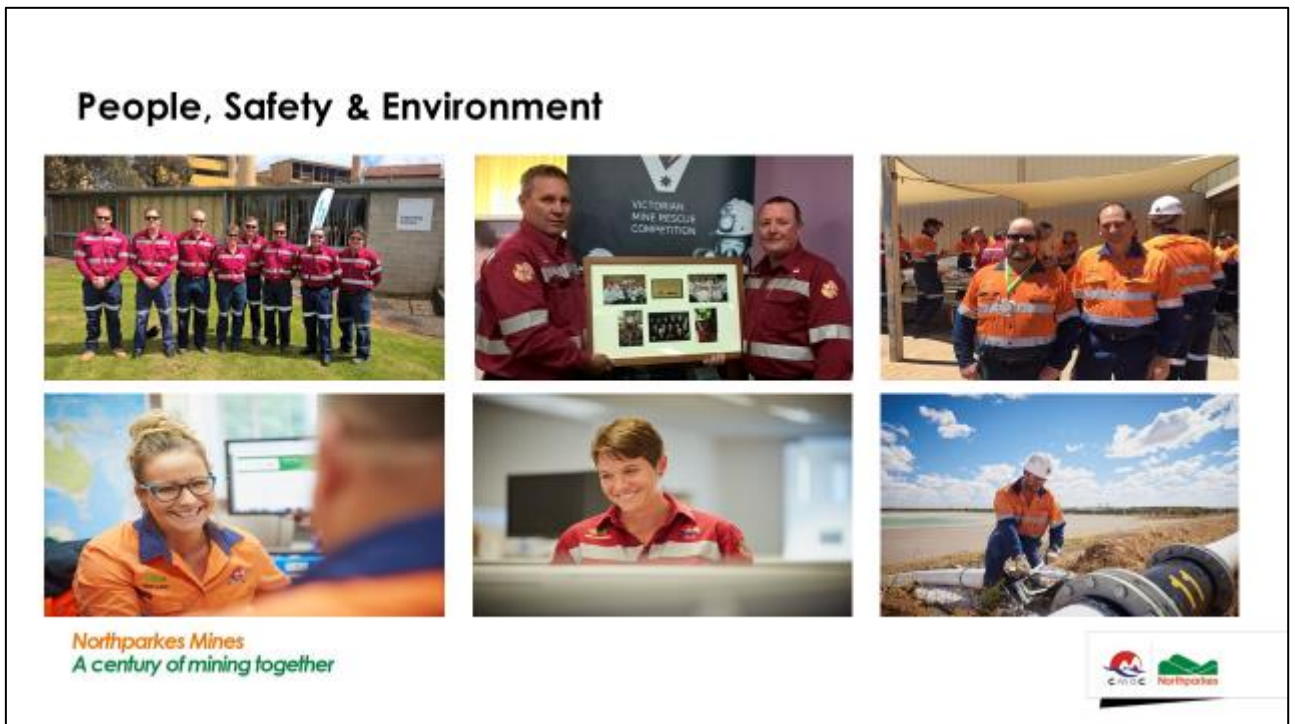
Single flotation –

At present there are two modules in the ore processing plant. For efficiency and simplification purposes we are changing from two flotation circuits to one flotation circuit. Construction will commence next year and it will be commissioned in Q4 of 2018. There will be job opportunities throughout the construction phase.

Exploration –

We are looking to ramp up our exploration drilling program throughout the course of 2018.

6. PEOPLE, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT (STACEY KELLY)



We recently sent a team to the Victorian Mines Rescue Competition in Yallourn. The Northparkes team came second overall and achieved first place in firefighting, theory and first aid.

Jamie Pope recently celebrated 20 years of service with the Emergency Response Team. His efforts were recognised onsite and at the Victorian Mines Rescue Competition in Yallourn.

Mike Wood our Senior Electrical Engineer celebrated 20 years of service with Northparkes this year.

At this stage we won't be offering any apprenticeships in 2018.

Our Indigenous Scholarships are now open. Applications close on the 31 January 2018.

7. OUR PEOPLE – LEADERS IN INDUSTRY (STACEY KELLY)



Indigenous Scholarship holder, Jason O'Neil, was recently awarded the 2017 NSW Bar Associations Indigenous Barristers Trust Award at the UNSW Indigenous Awards Night. Jason was nominated for organising the Mooting Competition of Australia's First Peoples over the past two years.

Ellie Hawkins, our Graduate Mining Engineer, was invited to the University of Wollongong for the Dean's Merit List Award Ceremony.

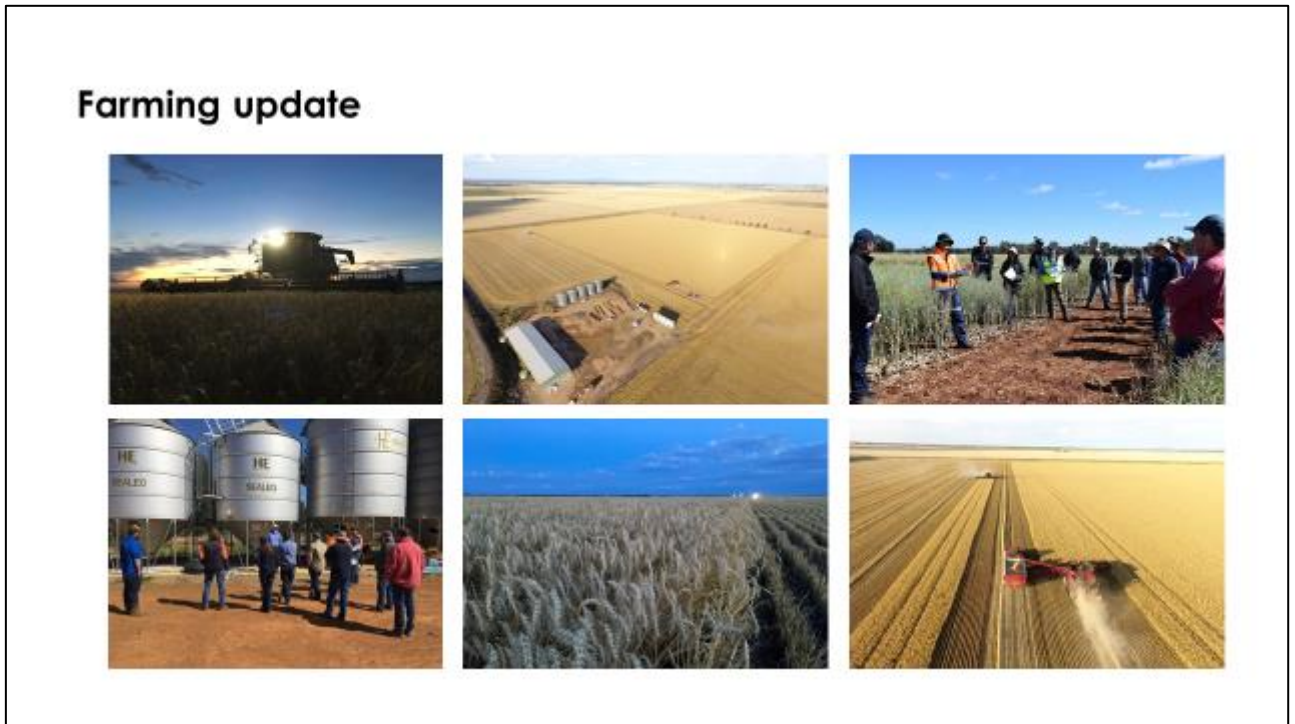
The Dean's Merit is awarded to the top five percent of students across the Engineering and Information Sciences Faculty, with a weighted average mark of 85 or above for 2016.

Dylan Morgan co-authored a paper for the AUSIMM Spectrum Series. The paper was titled "Onsite Process Mineralogy", which talks about linking departments and disciplines with the common goal of increasing plant performance.

Mat Allan is in the process of completing a higher degree by research with the University of Queensland. He provided a project update to the AusIMM Mining Forum. The project is focused around using artificial intelligence or machine learning to control underground mining equipment (i.e. teach a machine how to operate based on learning from an operator). Very similar technology that is being used in the self-driving car industry.

Last month, Mike Wood presented at the NSW Resources Regulator's Electrical Safety Seminar in Sydney. Mike presented on the low voltage board explosion that occurred at Northparkes earlier this year.

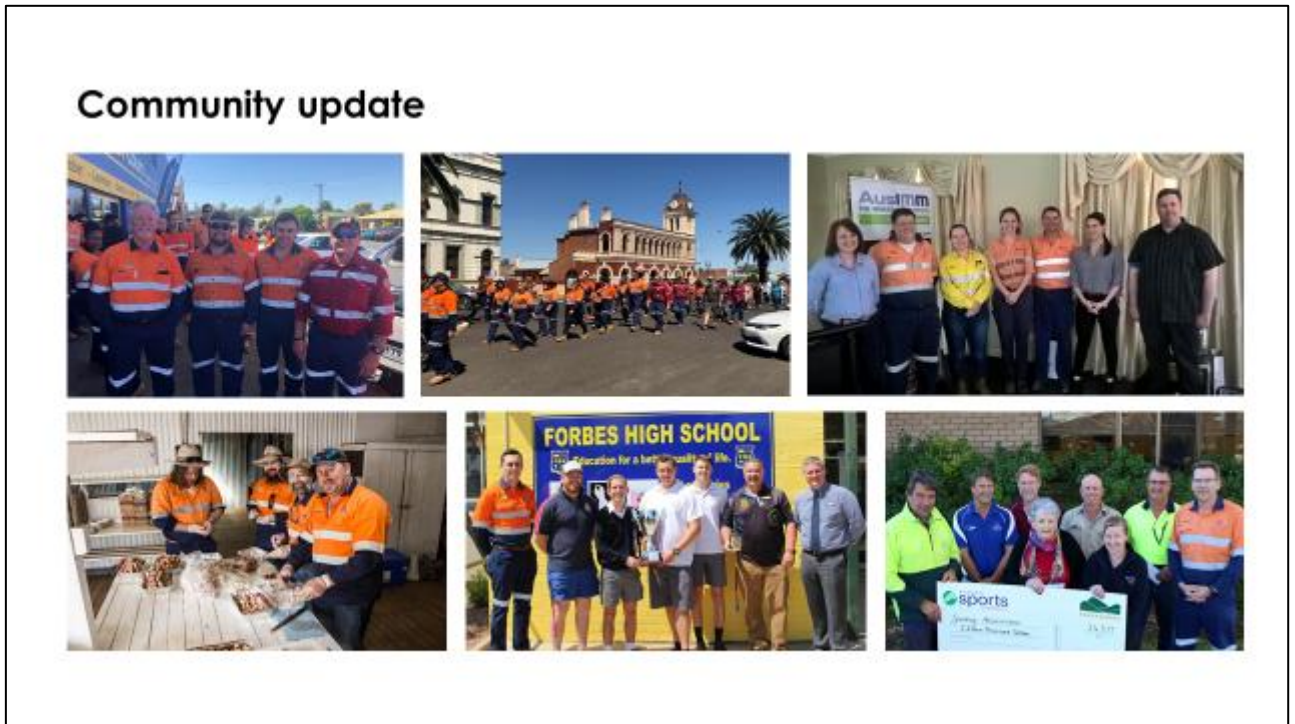
8. FARMING UPDATE (STACEY KELLY)



We hosted a Grain Storage Workshop at our Beechmore Farm. Peter Botta, an experienced grain storage farmer, presented on a range of grain storage topics. The workshop covered practical ways to manage existing and future storage systems. The workshop is a part of the GRDC grain storage extension project.

We hosted the Central West Farming Systems Spring Field Day. The day was a great success with over 40 people in attendance. A number of presenters spoke throughout the day, including our very own farmer, Matt Burkitt.

9. COMMUNITY UPDATE (CHASE DINGLE)



Our volunteering program has continued throughout 2017. We haven't achieved the hours we set ourselves, however, still consider the program a success.

We were well represented at the White Ribbon March in Forbes. Over 30 employees were in attendance. We also had a number of employees help with the set-up of the event in Forbes.

We sponsored the Parkes vs. Forbes Rugby League match aimed at raising awareness for White Ribbon. The conduct of the boys who participated was outstanding. They spoke really well to the cause and they are fantastic role models within the community. They are looking forward to working towards being White Ribbon ambassadors.

Throughout November, during our Health, Safety and Environment Meetings we spoke about the polished person movement. We encouraged our employees to paint one of the finger nails throughout the month of November to start a conversation around raising awareness about domestic violence.

We held our fourth Wiradjuri Executive Committee Meeting today onsite.

The second round of our sports grants were announced.

The second round for 2017 of the Community Investment Program funding was recently allocated. We are holding a presentation this Friday afternoon to officially announce the successful recipients.

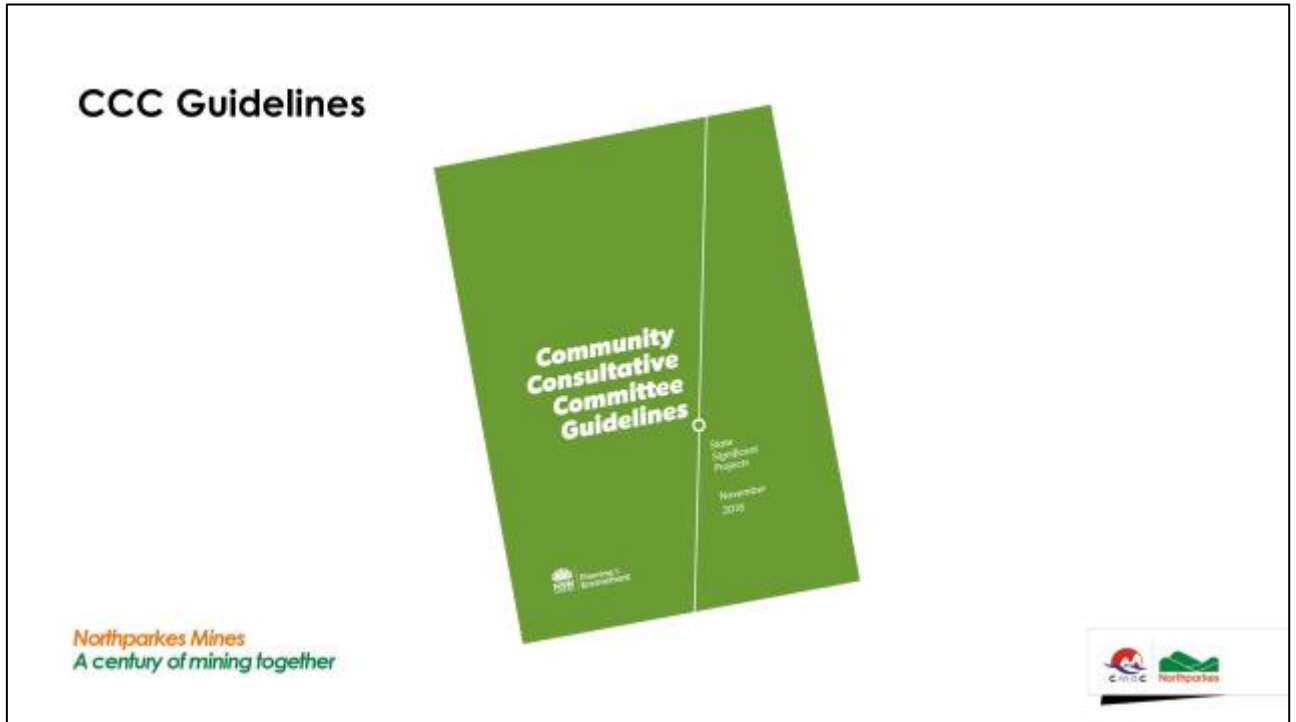
We are sponsoring Women in Mining Awards and the Industry and Suppliers Awards Dinner ran by the NSW Minerals Council next March.

We are holding our third neighbours meeting this Wednesday 13 December at 4pm. This is a great opportunity to update our neighbours on our business operations, whilst being able to reflect on the year that has been.



Ken said "We are very appreciative of the work Northparkes do around the Elvis Festival and Life Education."

10. NEW CCC GUIDELINES (CHASE DINGLE)



Chase mentioned that the NSW Department of Planning have implemented new Community Consultative Community Guidelines. Chase noted that the key changes include:

- Independent chairperson will now be appointed directly by the Department
- Giving independent chair persons an expanded role: involving them in the appointment of committee members and requiring them to publish an annual report on the committee's activities on the Department's website
- Strengthening the procedures for establishing committees, and replacing committee members
- Increasing the maximum number of community members from 5 to 7
- Requiring the guidelines to be reviewed within 5 years to ensure they remain up to date
- The Department will be writing to the independent chair of all existing committees shortly, asking them to apply the new guidelines

There will be only 2-3 Northparkes representatives able to attend the CCC meetings. However, we are able to invite additional Northparkes representatives along if desired.

The independent chairperson role is very important in constructing this committee going forward. The new guidelines have strengthened the procedures for the establishment and operation of the committees, including the introduction of a new code of conduct for members.

Ken said "The Forbes Chamber and Parkes Chamber may be able to nominate an alternative representative to ensure there are people in attendance." According to the new guidelines, if you fail to attend a few meetings, the chair is able to readvertise the role.

There will be an advertisement sent out for committee members, once the independent chair has been appointed by the Department.

Action: Ali to extend the next meeting to capture and implement those changes.

Action: The Parkes and Forbes Councils will nominate delegates to attend on their behalf if they are unavailable.

Ken asked "Do we nominate the independent chair for the committee? If, so I would like to nominate Scott Bickett to continue as the chair of this committee." All present attendees seconded Ken's comment.

11. SOURCE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER (CHASE DINGLE)



The SOURCE community newsletter will be distributed in the Parkes Champion Post and the Forbes Advocate on Friday 22 December 2017. It provides an overview of what our employees have been up to over the past six months.

12. THANK YOU (JIM FOWLER)



Jim thanked everyone for their continued support throughout 2017. A special mention to Scott Bickett for chairing the committee again in 2017.

Scott thanked everyone from Northparkes for keeping the committee informed during all the changes throughout 2017.

Jim expressed that he is looking forward to working together in the New Year and wished everyone a safe and happy holidays.

13. GENERAL BUSINESS

NIL.

14. CLOSE

Scott Bickett closed the meeting at 17.15.