

MINUTES OF MEETING

COWAL GOLD OPERATION COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CEMCC)

Wednesday 1 June 2016

9.00 am – Jemalong Recreation Centre, Forbes

Minutes taken by: Elliot Willemsen-Bell

Attendees:

Independent Chair:	Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH)
Evolution:	Garry Pearson (GP), Elliot Willemsen-Bell (EWB)
Community Members:	Angus Stitt (AS), Lucy Buttenshaw (LB),
Bland Shire Council:	Liz McGlynn (LM)
Forbes Shire Council:	Paul Bennett (PB)
Lachlan Shire Council:	Graham Scott (GS)

Apologies: Graeme Miller, Dave Carter, Neil Pokoney, Leanne Hampton, Brian Mattiske, Ally Coe, Bruce Dent, Jason Greive, Jamie Coad

ITEM	ACTION
<p>1.0 Welcome</p> <p>Independent Chair, Margaret MacDonald-Hill opened the meeting at 9:15 am.</p>	
<p>2.0 Declaration of Interest</p> <p>Margaret MacDonald-Hill declared her interest as Independent Chair of the CEMCC, appointed by the Director General of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. For record purposes, Margaret advised the committee she is a member of the Mine Subsidence Board. Margaret also declared that she receives payment via a Trust established by the Bland Shire Council for her work as Chair of the CEMCC.</p> <p>For a full Declaration of Interest for all members, see Attachment A</p>	
<p>3.0 Confirmation of Previous Minutes</p> <p>Moved by Lucy Buttenshaw, seconded by Angus Stitt</p>	
<p>4.0 Business Arising from previous Minutes</p> <p>Evolution representatives to provide printed handouts of presentations.</p> <p>Replacement members for CEMCC – MMH has received two nominations from the local community.</p> <p>The Department of Planning and Environment confirmed that it is preferable have a representative from the West Wyalong Community as a replacement</p>	

<p>for Jenene McGrath. ACTION: MMH to contact one of the nominees to request further information</p> <p>Lake Cowal Foundation – The search for an Independent Scientist is ongoing. A candidate has been identified and this will be discussed at a meeting on 27 July. Andrew Buttenshaw resigned his position as Chairman, shortly before his passing. The LCF will conduct interviews and nominate a replacement in the coming months.</p>	<p>MMH</p>
<p>5.0 Correspondence</p> <p>Out 16/3/16 - forward Trevor Brown email on 2016 IEA to CEMCC 17/3/16 - GP email CEMCC Evolution media release - Cowal restructure 20/3/16 - forward Evolution media release to CEMCC 31/3/16 - email CEMCC DP&E extension and link on guidelines review 8/4/16 - email reminder to CEMCC on IEA</p> <p>In 16/3/16 - email from Trevor Brown on 2016 IEA 24/3/16 - email from GP Evolution NF&O incident report 11/4/16 - email response to Trevor Brown 13/5/16 - email from GP Evolution NF&O incident report</p>	
<p>6.0 Reports</p> <p>Garry Pearson provided a detailed account of Cowal Gold Operation’s Environment Department Activities over the past three months – See the attached presentation for more information (Attachment C).</p> <p>The presentation also included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Modification 11 actions and status of Environmental Management Plans • Conversion of Ground Water Licenses to Water Access Certificates • Update on Drilling Program being conducted on Mining Lease and surrounding Exploration Leases <p>Elliot Willemsen-Bell provided a detailed account of Cowal Gold Operation’s Community Relations Activities over the past three months – See the attached presentation for more information (Attachment B).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities since last CEMCC • Complaints/Grievances • Update on CPP donations made following the recommendations made in the March CEMCC Meeting • Upcoming activities 	

<p>Complaints/Grievances</p> <p>There have been zero complaints since the last CEMCC Meeting</p> <p>There was some discussion around plans to engage more widely and openly, particularly in West Wyalong and through the media. The ESR Team is currently drafting the FY17 Social Responsibility Plan, and recommendations include the establishment of an Information Centre in West Wyalong and changes to the Community Open Day.</p>	
<p>7.0 General Business</p> <p>LM said that Evolution had a good story to tell about the drilling program and that we should get it out into the local media to make people aware.</p> <p>ACTION: EWB to identify positive media opportunities and roll out as soon as possible.</p>	EWB
<p>8.0 Meeting Closed – 10:30 am</p>	
<p>9.0 Next Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 31 August at the Cowal Gold Mine</p> <p>2016 Meeting Dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 31 August • 7 December 	

ATTACHMENT A – CEMCC MEMBERS’ DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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Community Environmental Monitoring and Consultative Committee (CEMCC)

Declarations of interest:

Margaret MacDonald-Hill - Independent Chair

- ***Appointed by DG of DP&E, paid via Trust administered by Bland Shire Council***
- ***Member of the Mine Subsidence Board***

Angus Stitt – Community Representative, West Wyalong

- Receives reimbursement of travel costs for attending CEMCC meetings, from time to time

Lucy Buttenshaw – Community Representative, West Wyalong

- Nil

David Carter – Community Representative, Condobolin

- Nil

Bruce Dent – Lake Cowal Landholders Association

- Noise Mitigation Agreement in accordance with Development Consent Conditions
- Receives reimbursement of travel costs for attending CEMCC meetings, from time to time

Neil Pokoney – Bland Shire Council Representative

- Evolution Mining is a ratepayer within the Bland Shire
- Evolution Mining has entered into a Roads Maintenance MOU with Bland Shire Council
- Evolution Mining has provided financial support for certain community events, initiatives, and infrastructure operated by the Bland Shire Council

Graham Scott – Lachlan Shire Council Representative

- Evolution Mining has been a ratepayer within the Lachlan Shire
- Evolution Mining is a customer (subscriptions and advertising) of The Lachlander newspaper, of which, Cr Scott is the Editor
- Evolution Mining has entered into a Roads Maintenance MOU with Lachlan Shire Council
- Evolution Mining has provided financial support for certain community events, initiatives, and infrastructure operated by the Lachlan Shire Council

Brian Mattiske – Forbes Shire Council Representative

- Evolution Mining is a ratepayer within the Forbes Shire
- Evolution Mining pays annual easement payments to the Forbes Shire Council for properties owned by Council
- Evolution Mining pays annual easement payments to entities which Mr Mattiske maintains a financial interest in for properties owned by those entities
- Evolution Mining pays an annual fee for Temporary Water Transfer Agreements to entities which Mr Mattiske maintains a financial interest

- Evolution Mining has provided financial support for certain community events, initiatives, and infrastructure operated by the Forbes Shire Council

Graeme Miller – Forbes Shire Council Representative

- Evolution Mining is a ratepayer within the Forbes Shire
- Evolution Mining pays annual easement payments to the Forbes Shire Council for properties owned by Council
- Evolution Mining has provided financial support for certain community events, initiatives, and infrastructure operated by the Forbes Shire Council

Ally Coe – Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation

- Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation receives compensation payments in accordance with Native Title requirements
- Wiradjuri Condobolin Corporation is a contractor to Evolution Mining at the Cowal Gold Project

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