



- 14 noise complaints were received from Walkabout Park and have been recorded in the complaints register.

### ITEM 3 CURRENT OPERATION OF QUARRY

#### ➤ Relocation of Wash Plant and Facilities

Paul advised the following:

- Rocla are currently extracting out of cell 3 and 4.
- High voltage line and transformers are being installed to service new washplant.
- Ongoing development of the main entry road to the main administration building and new washplant area.
- The new washplant is nearing completion with anticipated commissioning when power connection finalised on 18 September.

### ITEM 4 2012 ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT REPORT

Graeme Ausburn read an extract from AEMR regarding groundwater (Annexure 3 Sections 6 and 7 A3-31 to A3-34) in relation to impact on groundwater that has occurred due to extraction of material from Cell 3/6 which is contrary to the conditions of consent and he raised the contention that exceedances were not noted in the Compliance Section (Page 30 Section 5) of the AEMR. Discussion followed. Pat suggested that due to time constraints in getting the AEMR released, this matter may have been overlooked.

Pat also advised that the land owner and Department of Planning have been notified of the impact on groundwater.

After discussions, Tassin pointed out that it has been highlighted 2 years in a row that there is significant omission from the compliance section, in particular, referring to groundwater impacts resulting from extracting activity in Cell 3/6. Tassin proposes AEMR compliance be corrected and resubmitted or that it be drawn to the Director General's attention in a specific communication. Margaret also pointed out that other community organisations rely on the accuracy of the information in the compliance section and as amateurs, based on the information provided assumed that there were no non compliances as they have no time to read all of the expert reports in the Annexures. Tassin suggested that the community is being misled by incorrect information.

**Action:** Rocla to send correspondence to various Government agencies to advise that there has been a non compliance identified in Annexure 3 of the AEMR and that this non-compliance was not recorded in the Non Compliance section of the AEMR.

Pat advised that Rocla has engaged the Hydrologist to carry out further monitoring of the bores impaired by the extraction of material from Cell 6 to determine the impact.

The community representatives requested that the Calga Peats Community Group Inc, as a significant interested party, should receive a copy of the AEMR annually and be included on the mailing list.

**Action:** Rocla to include CPCG Inc. on mailing list.

## ITEM 5 REVIEW OF CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

### ➤ Noise

- Personal Noise and Dust monitoring were conducted in March and were all found to be within acceptable limits. These tests were carried out by placing high volume air samplers on employees working in and around the site.
- An Independent Noise Assessment was carried out at Walkabout Park in June 2013, in response to the Walkabout Park complaints to the Department. No noise issues were identified in the quarterly reports.

### ➤ Dust

- Personal dust monitoring carried out as indicated above. No dust issues were identified from the dust monitoring

### ➤ Groundwater

- Groundwater monitoring has identified impact on a number of bores resulting from works in Cell 6. Pat advised that Hydrologist is doing further monitoring.
- No other groundwater issues were identified.

### ➤ Rehabilitation

Rocla advised the following:

- The rehabilitation contractor (James Dutton) attends the site on a weekly basis to monitor the progress of the rehabilitation works and to carry out ongoing weed spraying.
- The mature trees that have been planted on the bund at the front of the property have taken and are growing well. Planting for rehabilitation has been slow due to the need to control weeds before planting can commence. Some mulching and seeding has occurred on the site. Tassin asked whether there has been a time line given in regards to the rehabilitation and whether consideration has been given to the long term rehabilitation of the site after the quarry is closed. Pat advised that there is a long term plan in place as outlined in Management Plan prepared for the development consent.
- Seed banking of natives has commenced and propagation is going well.
- Monitoring of the southern boundary is continuing to see what can be planted in this area.

The timing of the Cumberland Ecology Annual Rehab Report which includes Noxious Weed Report, Endangered Species and Feral Animal Report has been changed to coincide with growing season.

All reports will be included in the AEMR.

## ITEM 6 NEW MEMBERS

- It was acknowledged that Helen Simmonds is resigning from the Committee. She was advised by Tony that a letter of resignation will be required to confirm her status.
- Two (2) residents of the Calga Village, Annette Wilby and Debbie Chancellor have been nominated as representatives on the CCCC. David O'Bryan was also nominated.

Tony Tuxworth indicated the process for new members. He advised that the nominees need to submit a brief resume outlining their qualifications and interest in the Committee. These resumes are to be forwarded to Tony Tuxworth and he will then forward to the Department of Planning for approval.

## ITEM 7 GENERAL BUSINESS

### ➤ Recording of minutes

- Margaret Pontifex made reference to the minutes of meeting dated 16 April 2012 which made reference to the voice recording of proceedings of the meeting. The minutes indicated that it was agreed to not voice record the meeting but this topic will be the first agenda item of the next meeting. However, the minutes of the meeting of September 12 made no reference to this matter. After a short discussion within the committee Tassin requested that it be known that she personally was satisfied with the quality of minute taking at present, therefore, the continued method of laptop recording will remain. Should any concerns arise concerning the method of minute taking in the future, the issues will be discussed and reviewed accordingly.

**TT: Noted.**

- Margaret also made reference to two (2) species of plants, namely:

Beronia serralata - Boronia  
Eriostemon australis – Pink wax

She said that she was concerned that they were not listed in the Environmental Reports as they were rare and endangered species as she believes that they had occurred on the site during early quarrying operations. She requested that the existence of these species on the site should be investigated by the Environmental Consultant Cumberland Ecology when they are carrying out their survey in relation to the Annual Rehabilitation report.

**Action:** Rocla to advise Ecologist accordingly.

- The Community representatives have requested that truck drivers be asked not to use compression breaks when approaching and travelling through Calga Village as this causes unnecessary disturbance. Rocla advised that if people could obtain rego plates of the offending truck, time of day of when the incident occurred and notify them, they would investigate the matter further with the truck company.
- Pat thanked Helen for her contribution to the committee and wished her all the best for the future.

Next meeting Monday 3 March 2014