

Hanson Bass Point Quarry Community Consultative Committee

TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2020

MINUTES (Version 1.1)

Location

Bass Point Quarry Board Room

Attendance

Mr Philip Thompson (PT)
Mr Mike Archer (MA)
Mr Les Brooks (LB)
Mr Mark Miller (MM)
Mr Robby Stephenson (CC)
Ms Vicki Steele (VS)
Mr Stephen Butcher (SB)
Miss Chelsea Flood (CF)
Mr Stephen Sellers (SS)
Mr Ryan Bates (RB)

Independent Chairperson
Independent Chairperson (2021)
Community representative
Shellharbour City Council
GM - Links Shell Cove
Community representative
Hanson Quarry Manager
Hanson Compliance Officer
Hanson Project Manager
Hanson Graduate Management Trainee

Invited (Other)

Apologies

Mr Luke Daniels (LD)

Killalea State Park

Absent

Meeting Start Time

16:15

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1.0	Introduction		
1.1	Welcome to all members (PT)		
2.0	Apologies/Absent		
2.1	LD Absent for health reasons		-
3.0	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting		
3.1	Confirmed – LB Second – RS Minutes from previous meeting carried as confirmed. PREVIOUS CONFIRMED.		
3.2	Mike Archer will be taking over the independent chairman position from 2021.		
4.0	Business Arising from the Previous Minutes		
4.1	Nil		
5.0	Company Reports and Overview of Activities		
5.1	<u>Project Update by SB</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mansand: Dry processes mansand currently in stage 2 trial of an air separated process. Currently due for completion in mid-January with some promising results for dry separation. This product allows Hanson to reduce the piles of production generated dust and meet stringent RMS guidelines. There will be a development process to integrate to new plant • Old plant northern stockpile stackers were demolished due to safety concerns of structural integrity. The remainder of the plant is due for demolition in 2022 pending structural inspections. • Recommissioning of Ship loader due to Hanson's strategic acquirement of a deep-water port at Glebe Island with the view to stockpile & distribute aggregates plus having an onsite concrete plant which will be operational within the first half of 2021. Currently projects will be looking to recommission the Bass Point Ship loader and find a ship which can be 		

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	modified to suit the purpose. More updates to come in 2021.		
5.2	<u>Operational Report (SB)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No changes in major projects being supplied. • Most projects are continuing into next year with sales expected to be steady as per normal. • Possible project in the works for the new Western Sydney Airport which large quantities will be required. Updates will be made early 2021. • Development within Quarry is continuing in the Western Pit at RL18. • Overburden stripping campaign to begin in first quarter of 2021 in north west corner of the Western Pit. The overburden will be utilised onsite to continue northern bund wall to screen quarry from outside whilst providing dust suppression capabilities. 		
5.3	<u>Audits (CF)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resources Regulator audit in October on 'Fire & Explosion and Dust Controls' • Received: 1 x s. 23 'written notice of matters' • Received: 1 x s. 191 'improvement notice' • Hanson Internal Audits site Monthly - COVID-19 Control Checks • Dust Noise & Asbestos Oct/Nov • Quality Nov/Dec 		
6.0	Environment & Community		
6.1	<u>Environment Protection Licence variation (CF)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variation to EPL by NSW EPA is yet to be finalised. • Change: Removal of 3 discharge points 6,7,8 which were added in the last variation • Extra condition to be added to license to quantify what an extreme event is in case of emergency discharge of water. • SB- The most likely discharge point to overflow in an extreme event are at Moloney's Bay and the northern discharge point near the ship loader. • Tests conducted on water before discharge are TSS (Total Suspended 		

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	Solids) & pH. Acid treatment plants are being investigated for potential implementation to ensure all water can be discharged well within the Project Approval & EPL limits, with the pH & TSS as consistent as possible.		
6.2	<u>Independent Environmental Audit (CF)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed on 28 October 2020 and 8 September 2020 • 14 non-compliances noted, which is an improvement from the 2018 audit where 30 non-compliances were noted. • DPIE is yet to respond on non-compliances • PT- what are the main non-compliances? • CF explained that most non-compliances are incidents that have already been reported to DPIE and addressed, and have been also discussed at CCC previously. The audit report and Hanson's response will be posted on the Hanson BPQ website once DPIE have responded (rough timeline of posting: early next year) 		
6.3	<u>Compliance Action (CF)</u> <u>Southern landscape mound (SB)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DPIE issued Hanson with a penalty notice for the emplacement of the landscape mounds. • DPIE issues Notice of Intent to Issue a Development Control Order. • MM- What sort of order • SB- not a demolition order • PT- Can more material come from the Marina? • SB- Frasers have large mound on business park site which they want to bring onto site but is suspended indefinitely pending outcome of order. • SB- The spoils may be retrospectively approved by the DPIE. A modification to the Project Approval will be sought 		

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	<p>by Hanson, which would allow the mounds to stay in place. This would be retrospective approval, and to clarify imagery currently in approval documentation.</p>		
6.4	<p><u>Donations (SB)</u> <i>Albion Park BMX Club</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Materials donated for trail and carpark development [added: material volume approximately 60 tonnes]. 		
7.0	Complaints (CF) [as per complaints register]		
7.1	<p><u>2/10/2020: Blasting – excessive ground vibration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blasting/Ground vibration on the 2/10/2020 was the complainant's concern. LB- What were the levels, as blast results are not yet on the website: RB- Rangoon Ave Shell Cove 0.548mm/s 107.5 dBL, Killalea Drive Shell Cove 0.808mm/s 106.0 dBL RB- Limit is 5mm/s CF/SB- We are aware that documents are not being promptly uploaded to the website and are working on getting site access so that CF can upload documents, currently this is centrally managed by Hanson IT department VS- Highlighted that previously residents did not feel blasts in Minnamurra but in the last 15 years they consistently do. SB- We have a meeting with our explosives provider this week to discuss options to further decrease our impact as much as reasonably possible. MA- Are blasts ever scheduled at night and are they always on a Wednesday? LB- Have Hanson thought about going back to blasting 2 times per week? SB- The current plan is to blast as infrequently as possible. Typically, for consistency, blasts are at the same time and on the same day of the week. Blasts are only permitted between 8:00am and 5:00pm weekdays; no blasting to be conducted at night. 		

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7.2	<u>27/11/2020: Blasting – excessive ground vibration</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone call to quarry reception where complainant was concerned over blasting activities. • Blast results were compliant within limits. • Complainant advised CF that an official complaint will be made to the EPA although no communication has been made to the EPA thus far. No Further communication was received. 		
7.3	<u>6/12/2020: Excessive Dust</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complainant concerned about excessive dust leaving site (towards Maloney’s Bay, Bass Point Reserve) on a Sunday, when Quarry is usually unmanned. • Rostering has been changed to include Sunday shifts on watercarts to suppress dust, where weather forecast indicates this will be necessary (e.g. when it is not raining). • Trial to commence early in the new year to trial harmless chemical dust suppression options & also potential of permanent water sprayers being implemented on site boundaries. 		
7.5	<u>6/12/2020: Blasting – Concern of structural damage</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complainant called CF to highlight concern over possible structural damage being caused by site blasting activities. The blasts of concern (in late November to early December) were well under limits. CF has offered an independent structural inspection but is yet to hear back. • Complainant advised CF that the EPA will be contacted regarding concerns, but no further communication has been received. 	CF 23/12/2020	
8.0	General / new Business		
8.1	<u>Site lighting</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VS- Concerned over site lighting being brighter. With a view that excavation had been undertaken on the western side of the Southern earth mound, which impacted lighting visibility. A photo was displayed to committee 	SB to investigate Christmas period light shut off taking safety & security into account.	23.12.2020

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	<p>which showed lights from Minnamurra (VS advised a camera effects setting was used).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VS stated that the visible lighting is in breach of Schedule 3, Condition 25(a) of the Project Approval. SB- advised that no excavation on the boundary has occurred recently, nor has the lighting been changed in addition of extra lights, direction or brightness since this was last addressed after complaints were received. Furthermore, a lighting audit was conducted in early 2020 to address community complaints at the time, changes were made but ultimately the quarry has a minimum requirement to provide a safe workplace with adequate lighting. The Project Approval requires Hanson to “minimise” lighting impacts, not prevent visible lighting emission entirely. LB- Asked if there is a possibility to turn off the quarry lights over the Christmas period. SB- Will investigate whether it would be feasible to turn off the lights during the shutdown period 		
8.2	<p><u>Visibility of plant through ridgeline</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VS- Highlighted quarry visibility from Minnamurra through a gap in the ridgeline which was not there before SB- confirmed that the area has not been quarried in many years, and certainly has not changed recently. However, extending the ridgeline to screen the gap will be within scope of the Project Approval modification. 	SB to investigate possible plan to extend southern bund to improve screening of quarry	January 2021
8.3	<p><u>Committee membership</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PT- Simon Webb resignation; suggested that committee may arrange for a replacement committee member. VS- Suggested representative from the nearby Anglican School. SB- Advised that there is a process that needs to be followed such as advertisement. Also, that the Anglican School has been offered a position previously which was rejected. 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MA- is there a prescribed committee structure of 7? Possible no requirement to replace Simon. CF- CCC Guidelines say 'up to 7', not a requirement to have 7. 		
8.4	<u>Resignation of current chairperson</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SB- Thanked Phil for his service to the committee, from both the company and committee members. 		
8.5	<u>Introduction of new chairperson</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MA- introduction to committee 		
8.6	<u>Independent Minute Taker</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SB- Last meeting minutes were taken by a labour-hire (independent) minute-taker and were not up to a reasonable standard. SB proposed that we defer back to the company taking minutes. MM- noted that for other CCC in the area, the Proponent is responsible for minutes. Motion Passed by committee. 		
9.0	Next Meeting (MA)		
9.1	Proposed date: Undecided, will be in March 2021. [Added: proposed meeting time and date 15:00 Tuesday 30 March 2021].	All	

Meeting Closed

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