

Hanson Bass Point Quarry Community Consultative Committee

TUESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 2021

MINUTES (Version 1.1)

Location

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Attendance

Mr Mike Archer (MA)	Independent Chairperson
Mr Les Brooks (LB)	Community representative
Mr Luke Daniels (LD)	Reflections Killalea
Mr Mark Miller (MM)	Shellharbour City Council
Ms Vicki Steele (VS)	Community representative
Mr Robby Stephenson (CC)	GM - Links Shell Cove
Mr Stephen Butcher (SB)	Hanson Quarry Manager
Miss Chelsea Flood (CF)	Hanson Compliance Officer

Invited (Other)

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Apologies

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Absent

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Meeting Start Time

15:05

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1.0	Introduction		
1.1	Acknowledgement of country (MA).		
1.2	Welcome to all members (MA).		
2.0	Apologies/Absent		
2.1	-		
3.0	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting		
3.1	Confirmed – LB Second – MM Minutes from the previous meeting carried as confirmed.		
4.0	Business Arising from the Previous Minutes		
4.1	-		
5.0	Company Reports and Overview of Activities		
5.1	<p><u>Project Update</u> (SB)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project focus is still predominantly on Glebe Island <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Overland conveyor from crushing plant to ship loader (jetty) preliminary design, business case and scope is being prepared • Bass Point Quarry Road entrance upgrade project planning is underway • Commissioned crusher dust bulk bag system in early September 2021 • Demolition of old plant scheduled to commence in Q1 2022 <p>LB queried whether the overland conveyor would be covered/enclosed; concerns about dust coming off the conveyor. SB advised it would likely be a similar scope to existing conveyors on the fixed plant, which are enclosed and have removable panels on one side to enable maintenance. There would also be dust suppression sprays and other controls in place.</p>		

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	<p>LB queried how the crusher dust bulk bag system works; does it reduce environmental dust or capture dust from the air?</p> <p>SB confirmed the crusher dust bulk bag system captures dust via the fixed plant dust extraction system, including from the air inside the fixed plant, and funnels it into the bulk bag system rather than feeding the dust back into the system and other products.</p> <p>LB pointed out that dust over the fixed plant is visible at night due to the lighting.</p> <p>VS raised concerns about recent dust in the Minnamurra area.</p> <p>SB advised that standard dust suppression controls are in place, and that there are multiple sources of dust in the area.</p>	<p>SB to investigate dust visibility at night due to lighting.</p>	<p>14/12/2021</p>
5.2	<p><u>Operational Report</u> (SB)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major supplies are consistent with previous meetings, with a few new projects added now that the construction market in Sydney is picking up pace. • Quarry development continuing in western pit RL18, and to a lesser extent, the southern end of the eastern pit. • Stripping campaign in northwest has been completed, with the associated earth bund now at the revegetation stage. <p>VS queried whether west pit has been quarried below sea level.</p> <p>SB confirmed that Hanson have not yet quarried below 0 m in any areas. The necessary documents have been lodged to DPIE and are pending assessment.</p>		
5.3	<p><u>Audits</u> (SB)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • External Resources Regulator audits on COVID Risks on site and Mechanical Engineering Control Plan / Entanglement. 		

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6.0	Environment & Community		
6.1	<p><u>Revegetation</u> (CF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approximately 200 Black Wattle seeds have been heat treated, with germination being attempted via a few different methods. <p>VS queried the success of the trial and noted that they have a contact who could provide advice on germination methods. CF confirmed that some seedlings have sprouted already and accepted the offer of advice.</p>		
6.2	<p><u>Modification 3 (MOD 3)</u> (CF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MOD 3 report submitted to DPIE on 01/09/2021 but not yet on public exhibition due to discussion between Hanson and DPIE about application cost. Report will be publicly available once application fee has been set by DPIE and paid by Hanson. <p>VS queried whether MOD 3 would be advertised in local newspapers. SB advised that Hanson follow the advice of DPIE regarding public exhibition, and Hanson would take this comment on notice to investigate. [added: DPIE website indicates that exhibition will be via website, not via newspaper, due to COVID-19 and broader industry trend away from hardcopy and towards digital media]. VS queried whether CCC members will be able to share the MOD 3 report. CF confirmed that the MOD 3 report will be publicly exhibited and can therefore be freely distributed to any interested people.</p>		
6.3	<p><u>Modification 4 (MOD 4)</u> (CF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCC are currently completing an upgrade of Bass Point Tourist Road. The contractor performing the works on behalf of Council queried whether Hanson could supply quarry products via the gate on Bass Point Tourist 		

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	<p>Road, rather than via Bass Point Quarry Road. However, the Project Approval restricts quarry product transport to Bass Point Quarry Road only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hanson therefore intend to lodge Modification 4 (MOD 4) of the Project Approval. MOD 4 would be to supply the Bass Point Tourist Road upgrade project only, during a set period of time, to enable positive outcomes such as reduced traffic on the public road network in Shell Cove, reduced truck travel distances and associated reductions in diesel consumption and carbon emissions. <p>LB queried the scope of road upgrade works and whether they extend into Bass Point Reserve, as well as time frame for the works. SB advised the project scope ends near the reserve entrance gates. The Council has good information on their website [added; links to the Council website and the Council 'Let's Chat' website].</p> <p>MM advised that Council are investigating a road upgrade within Bass Point Reserve. However, the potential upgrade is complicated by the reserve being Crown Land, because Council have obligations as Crown Land Manager. There are also requirements for appropriate Aboriginal cultural heritage management within Bass Point Reserve.</p> <p>VS noted that she agreed in principle with the idea of using the Bass Point Tourist Road gate rather than Bass Point Quarry Road to supply the Bass Point Tourist Road upgrade.</p> <p>SB advised that Hanson will update the CCC about MOD 4 in due course.</p>		
7.0	Complaints [as per complaints register]		
7.1	<p><u>08 July 2021 – mud on public road (CF)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per the complaints register. No further discussion. 		

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7.2	<u>15 July 2021 – blasting (CF)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the complaints register. No further discussion. 		
7.3	<u>19 July 2021 – blasting (CF)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the complaints register. • LB queried the results being quite high for the blast on that date. • SB advised that as discussed at previous CCC meetings, blasts are typically of a similar size. The variations in monitoring results typically reflect changes in the orientation of the blast rather than size. The blast results were compliant with limits in the Project Approval. • CF added that blast was below the lower limit (5 mm/s) and well below the upper limit (10 mm/s). • VS noted that she received multiple complaints about that blast. A letter was also written to the Minnamurra Progress Association. Also queried whether blast monitors detected the recent earthquake in Victoria. • SB advised that blast monitors are only deployed for blasts (they are not permanently deployed) so they therefore did not capture the earthquake. 		
7.4	<u>16 August 2021 – dust (CF)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 complaints • As per the complaints register. No further discussion. 		
7.5	<u>24 August 2021 – driver conduct (SB)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the complaints register. • LB questioned the process for reviewing the intersection design at Buckleys Road / Dunmore Road. • MM noted that Council have received many community complaints and concerns about the Buckleys Road roundabout, and also heavy vehicles turning right onto Dunmore Road. An intersection redesign is being 		

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	investigated by the developer of the new Shellharbour hospital development on Dunmore Road.		
7.6	<u>02 September 2021 – driver conduct (SB)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the complaints register. No further discussion. 		
7.7	<u>07 September 2021 – blasting (SB)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the complaints register. 		
8.0	General / New Business		
8.1	<u>Dust (LB)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On 04 or 11 September (Saturday) there was a truck traveling south on a hill on what seemed to be a dirt track (not the Quarry Rd), due to the prevalent winds the dust created by the truck was blown towards the Harbour Precinct. LB queried what it would have been doing at that time and noted that there did not appear to be dust suppression in place. • SB took the comment on notice and will investigate with Supervisors. Also advised that CCC members should immediately phone him about any concerns so that they may be immediately investigated and addressed. • VS queried daily dust control measures in place, especially during Summer. • SB confirmed dust control happens every day from early morning until late at night via the water cart, including outside of those times and on weekends if there is forecast extreme weather such as strong winds. There have been issues with the second water cart and it is being replaced. Management is constantly investigating new technologies that may assist with dust suppression. 	SB to investigate site activities on 04/09/2021 and 11/09/2021 and determine reason for vehicle movements.	14/12/2021
8.2	Presentation at Minnamurra Progress Association (VS)		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VS extended an invitation to SB to attend a Minnamurra Progress Association meeting, possibly next year. SB accepted the invitation and advised that they can speak on particular topics if requested. 		
9.0	Next Meeting		
9.1	Next meeting: Tuesday 14 th December 3:00pm (MA).	All	14/12/2021
9.2	MA thanked all attendees for their time.	-	-

Meeting Closed

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