

Minutes

Community Consultative Committee Meeting – Hanson Tweed Sand Plant

Date: Friday 21 June 2023

Location: Hanson Tweed Sand Plant, Altona Rd (Off Crescent Street), Cudgen, NSW 4287

Start Time: 09:05AM

Attendees:

Michael Ulph (MU)	Chairperson
Felicia Cecil (FC)	Community Member
David Oxenham (DO)	Tweed Shire Council
Justin Munro (JM)	Hanson Tweed Sand Quarry Manager
Brendan Shears (BS)	Hanson Sustainability & Planning Lead
Phil Cole (PC)	Hanson Supply Chain Manager Aggregates
Kenny Wong (KW)	Hanson Development Manager
Marion Gardner (MG)	Community Member

Apologies: David Ross (DR) Community Member (apology)

Item	Discussion Point	Person Responsible
1.0	Welcome	
1.1	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledgement of country and traditional owners of Bundjalung country. Welcome and introduction of CCC members. Declaration of pecuniary interests. 	MU / All
1.2	Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CCC was advised of persons unable to attend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> David Ross. 	MU
2.0	Previous Meeting	
2.1	Summary and confirmation of previous minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All members provided with previous CCC update dated 17 February 2023. Confirmation of previous minutes – moved JM and 2nd FC. 	MU
2.2	Business arising from previous minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Previous minutes discussed and items raised addressed in later sections. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Redevelopment DA Community engagement strategy – progressing TSP to seek to engage further with local community 	MU
3.0	Business Update	
3.1	Tweed Sand Plant (TSP) business update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PC other activity, stripping campaign taking off topsoil to access the reserves, 3rd party is screening and distributing the topsoil Sand sales– shortage of sand in the SEQ market. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Market strong in SEQ, high volumes and competitive pricing. Hanson has restricted supply volumes to external customers. Still supplying the local built to the Tweed hospital. 	JM

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 149,000 Tonne YTD figure for production, generally produce 250,000T but licenced for 500,000T The cost of goods is stabilising but contractor availability, fuel is still impacting the bottom line. Everyone is impacted. Availability of contractors improving however still restricted. Hanson is currently struggling with recruitment and retention as the employment market is volatile. 	
3.2	<p>Redevelopment Development Application (DA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Met with council since last meeting, revisited flood modelling, should be finalised in the next few weeks. Iron in the groundwater sent to Groundworks. Traffic roundabout off the M1. MG requested sign to use your indicators. Talk about end use after 30 years, intension was to maintain ownership funded internally. 30-year project. Something of this scale has not been approved before. Hanson spoke about a staged approached to rehab to give the department confidence in achieving end goal. Stagged approach, for example is before we get to stage 3 have something like 80% rehabilitation established, provide certainty for the Department. Meeting with Department of Planning and Environment on the 31st Question from DO regarding roundabout location and who owns it. Placement image to be included in the minutes [see last page]. Dept of Transport will own it. 	KW
4.0	Reports / Operational Issues	
4.1	<p>Operational performance summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The limited availability of contractors has led Hanson to hire an additional full-time employee to comply with our environmental conditions. There are issues with cemented sand deposits. The business trialled a cutter head in April/May which was successful. Hoping to submit AFE capex for new dredge later this year. We have around a million or million and a half tonnes of sand left to extract, which is around three years' worth, so we are hoping for approval of the DA. 	JM
4.3	<p>Operational works</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Motor Control Room (MCC) being operationalised shortly. Pit floor drainage works are ongoing. New fencing to be installed around new pits. Contractor stripping is to be undertaken along western boundary screening off topsoil. Mulching is ongoing, mulch has been supplied by a recently stripped quarry on the Gold Coast which is ongoing. New winches to be fitted to dredge in coming weeks. Cutter head trial was successful and broke through cementitious material. Looking to try to buy one. 	JM
4.4	<p>Regulator update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JM, ND and others attend the NSW Small Mines Roadshow in Ballina on 14 March. Quite informative. Mines Inspectorate audit on electrical and pressure vessels on site on the 29/5/23. 4 x minor improvement notices were issued – an improvement notice was given for legislation updates in our documentation, 1 x for guarding improvement, 1 x earth leakage improvement which is happening with the new MCC cut over later this month. 	JM

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4.5	<p>Environmental performance summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brendan Shears is the new Sustainability & Planning Lead. • Tweed Sand Plant performed well since the last update. • No Acid Sulphate Soils have been unearthed. Same since last Feb. • Cyanobacteria levels have progressively dropped since February and are well below acceptable level – due to temperature drop. • Dust monitoring has returned no exceedances for the year, however numerous samples have been considerably contaminated with insect and organic material. Same since last meeting. • Noise monitoring was completed in February and May 2023, and this confirmed compliance with Environment Protection Licence (EPL) and DA conditions. • Occupational Hygiene monitoring for Diesel Particulate Matter (DPM), Noise & Dust is scheduled for later this year. • Rehabilitation efforts continue: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional weed management efforts were undertaken, and additional planting was completed with germination occurring in greenhouse. • Mulch has been spread to reduce weed ground cover. • Water quality monitoring undertaken during June 2023 identified the usual minor fluctuations of water quality parameters. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All elevated results remain within historical seasonal range. • Dissolved iron concentration which will be monitored during next period, nil actions required at the moment. • All results notified to NSW DPE, and no remedial actions considered necessary. 	BS
5.0 General Business		
5.1	<p>Community engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community members to speak if they have any engagement opportunities. • No community complaints have been received regarding TSP since the previous update. • CCC guidelines updated every 5 years, will be sent out over the next few months. • Key items, easier to recruit, don't need to place and ad anymore, can be done by word of mouth, can have up to 7 community members and nice to have balance as we only have 2 members today. • Appointment comes to the Chair, member can bring/suggest a person. Candidate completes an EOI form. Department will give a yes or no. • Declaration of pecuniary interests will occur at every meeting. 	MU
5.2	<p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q: FC: – any issues with the application for the nearby airstrip? • A: No, it doesn't affect us. • No known complaints or issues raised by broader community. • PC: The Bolsters used have the tea trees, but tea trees are no longer an activity here so land will be managed by Hanson. 	ALL
6.0 Close and Next Meeting		
6.1	<p>Frequency of CCC meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change proposed to current frequency of two CCC meetings per year. 	MU
6.2	<p>Format of CCC meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change to format of meetings. 	MU

