

Hillside Mine Community Voice Minutes

19th September 2016

Chairperson P Tyler

HCV Attendees Stewart Lodge (Ag Bureau, Petersville), S Kennedy (Local Trader), L Kakoschke (Ag Bureau, South Kilkerran), T Stock (YPC), G Matchoss (Black Point PA), J Sandercock (Ardrossan PA), J Buchanan (YP Tourism & RDA), I Haywood (Community Member), B Sleath (Pine Point PA), J Wundersitz (YPLOG), R Sawers (Rex Minerals)

Apologies M Young (Ag Bureau, Petersville), D Hosking (Community Member), L Easther (Port Vincent), P Koulizos (Community Member), D Kluske (Local Trader), Stephen Lodge (YPLOG), M & C Redding (Community Members), P Klopp (Ag Bureau, South Kilkerran),

Visitors Dr P Heithersay (DSD), A Querzoli (DSD), N Zeman (DSD), S Griffiths (Local State Member of Parliament), R Laufmann (Rex Minerals), G Hall (Rex Minerals), K Van Schaik (IPC)

Minute Taker K Van Arend (Rex Minerals)

AGENDA ITEM	Notes	ASSIGNED TO/DATE DUE
1. Welcome & Introductions	Meeting opened at 6.35pm Record keeper for this meeting /recording – K Van Arend Apologies – noted above	
2. Endorsement of Minutes	<u>July 11th 2016 Minutes:</u> P Tyler thanked D Hosking for checking the July minutes. Moved – S Kennedy Seconded – J Sandercock HMCV member to check minutes for this meeting: S Kennedy <u>YPC website:</u> July 11 th 2016 minutes were endorsed for distribution and can now be made available on the YPC website and through the community networks. P Tyler introduced R Sawers as E Dearlove’s replacement whilst on maternity leave and will be Rex’s representative on the HMCV as formally advised by Rex. P Tyler welcomed S Griffiths, Dr P Heithersay, A Querzoli, N Zeman and K Van Schaik to the meeting.	K Van Arend to send minutes to YPC for posting on website and to the HMCV members for distribution.
3. Business Arising (Actions)	Actions Arising from May Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K Van Arend to circulate all meeting dates until the end of 2016 • K Van Arend to send minutes to YPC for posting on website and to the HMCV members for distribution. • K Van Arend to send the questions and outcomes from the mine closure working group meeting to all HMCV members • K Van Arend to email HMCV members and provide the link once description of operations is published • Rex to respond to questions raised by Agriculture working group • G Hall to try & provide information on land values around mining operations. G Hall advised that the initial information has been received but this is still being pulled together. • C Redding to forward to K Van Arend the list of questions from the agriculture working group to be addressed by Rex. • K Van Arend to formulate a list of acronyms used. It was agreed by all members to have this list posted on the HMCV website. • Public meeting to be held on the 4th October 2016 with the advertisement to be placed in the Country Times in August 	COMPLETED COMPLETED COMPLETED COMPLETED COMPLETED ONGOING COMPLETED COMPLETED COMPLETED

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication working group to finalise the Survey monkey questions with E Dearlove 	COMPLETED
4. Update from Chairman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During the month P Tyler has had meetings with 3 HMCV members Also held numerous conversations with both members and R Laufmann regarding the letter sent to R Laufmann from some working group members. Attended meetings with the following working groups – communication, transport and a joint meeting with air quality, agriculture and rehabilitation Met with P Heithersay and communicated with A Querzoli regarding the upcoming HMCV public meeting and the status of additional information submitted to DSD from Rex Communicated with Rex regarding the additional information and timing of public release Met with R Sawers as part of the handover from E Dearlove Had a phone interview with the YPCT regarding the public meeting. Worked on the logistics of the public meeting with the communication working group Started preparing a presentation for the public meeting. 	
5. Guest Speaker Dr P Heithersay	<p>P Tyler introduced Dr P Heithersay from DSD, Deputy Chief Executive and expressed the HMCV's appreciation for attending this meeting to address the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How does DSD juggle the role of being the regulator and the policy implementer and what may be seen as a conflict of interest. Multiple land use framework, juggling the needs of agriculture and the needs of mining and how does this all come together with regards to the Hillside mine. <p>Dr P Heithersay thanked the HMCV for inviting him to this meeting and provided a presentation which also included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of DSD including focus areas Growing South Australia's copper industry including the copper strategy Unlocking South Australia's potential – linking to Multi land use framework Commercial research – International Copper Technology and Research Hub concept. <p><i>(a copy of Dr Paul Heithersay's presentation is available on the HMCV website)</i></p> <p>Some of the questions asked: <i>You mentioned judicial reviews, have any judicial reviews actually been carried out?</i></p> <p>D P Heithersay advised that he had only been involved in 2 himself.</p> <p>J Wundersitz noted that the big disadvantage to a judicial review is the cost involved and is really outside the scope for any local community. What South Australia lacks is a merit review. Dr P Heithersay noted this point and advised that it is their intention to review the mining act shortly and the issue of review costs is one of the areas to be looked at.</p> <p><i>The copper strategy and the multiple land use strategy attracted considerable criticism from the agricultural industry. How is agriculture going to be protected when the government is so heavily pushing for the copper strategy, where is the balance between mining and agriculture come in?</i></p> <p>To actually develop an economic mine is a very very rare occurrence. Approx 1 in 1000 have the possibility of being economic so the reality of mines appearing everywhere is extremely remote.</p>	

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	<p>Dr P Heithersay noted that mining and agriculture do co-exist successfully in other areas and encouraged the HMCV to go and visit other similar community groups, eg Northparkes Mine near Parkes, NSW . L Kakoschke commented that this area ‘Central Yorke Peninsula’ is very unique, taking into consideration what is produced off the land as dry land farmers and also the amount of money just this area alone contributes to the state. To find a similar area with a copper mine for the HMCV to go and look at is very difficult.</p> <p>Dr P Heithersay acknowledged that this is some of the best farming land in Australia but noted that you would find a similar kind of passion in other areas and it would be worth hearing from other farmers that have been impacted and involved and see how they ensured benefits for their communities.</p>	
6. Update from Rex	<p>R Laufmann acknowledged the letter he received from some members of the HMCV and noted the 2 main areas of frustration that were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why should the HMCV be proceeding with their work on the contributing to the PEPR until DSD approve the mine plan • Lack of documentation provided by Rex <p>R Laufmann noted the importance of communication between the HMCV and Rex and encouraged any future issues to be raised with him. He understands the amount of time that the HMCV members are contributing and really appreciates this input</p> <p>The 12 month extension for submission of the PEPR has now been approved and documentation (including ‘Description of Operations’ & Appendices) has started being available from today with further documentation to be provided in coming weeks.</p> <p>There was a lengthy discussion where the following items were covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern about the wording in the quarterly report of working towards ‘completion’ of the PEPR when the working groups had only just begun work • Lack of information inhibiting the progress of the working groups and therefore resulting in the feeling of pressure • Difficulties in getting ‘community buy in’ without having the decision from DSD and the lack of documentation • Differing opinions on the level of interest from the broader community • The next couple of months the busy period for landowners starts • The importance of gaining the best benefits for the community as possible from the mine • Difficulties in engaging people to become involved in working groups • A lot of opposition within the community here that don’t believe mining can co-exist with agriculture. • The government want to support their copper strategy. They don’t want a flare up between Rex and the community. • Multiple land use framework favours mining over agriculture • The PEPR is the community’s opportunity to have an influence around protecting some of the agriculture interests. Acknowledging there is benefits from the project and it is about maximising these benefits for the community and minimising the negatives. • Rex acknowledge the importance of communication and want to improve on their communication and respect with the community 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HMCV want reassurance that they have the appropriate time for the working groups to complete their work and would like Rex's expectation for a time line. • There is a lot of technical data in the new documentation. The HMCV would like access to experts in the government • HMCV have had the 'time' conversation about lack of information before and it is important to recognise that there are many areas that the community can have input in to now and be prepared. The PEPR process for 12 months is known and there are a lot of areas around social infrastructure that aren't going to change irrespective of the new documentation. • This is an opportunity to identify gaps within the community and to come up with ideas and designs for the benefit of the community and work with Rex now to achieve these. • It was noted that the mining lease conditions have not changed and still stand as in the approved MLP • Assessment of the consistency of the new project plan and developing the PEPR. Should the assumption be made that the current plan has been judged to be consistent and the HMCV should work on this basis? DSD are in the process of assessing the consistency to determine the next process. • When will DSD make this decision? DSD advised they are well advanced. They have had the documentation for 3 months and can't give an exact time frame but may be months. • This is a very financeable project but the approvals need to be in place first • The peninsula doesn't need saving its doing quite well, but there followed comments that not all parts of the peninsula are doing well. 	
7. CEP	<p>J Wundersitz sought clarification on the CEP and asked if it was going to be circulated to the community and if feedback would be welcomed.</p> <p>G Hall explained that it was a requirement of the mining lease approved that Rex submit a CEP for approval with DSD. This does not mean that the CEP can't be changed, reviewed or added to as required. The CEP is now published on Rex's website and Rex are happy to add to the website that community input into the CEP is welcomed.</p> <p>P Tyler noted that the CEP is Rex's document not a HMCV document and is a 'live document' and will change and evolve as required. It agreed to publish on HMCV website – P Tyler to provide wording to accompany document</p> <p>The CEP can also be mentioned at the public meeting on 4th October 2016.</p>	<p>P Tyler to provide wording to accompany CEP on website</p> <p>P Tyler to include feedback on CEP in his presentation</p>
8. Working Groups Update	<p>Air Quality, Noise, Light and Blasting - Group Leader – L Kakoschke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Had a joint working group meeting with Water, Ag and Rehab groups as 90 of the 96 conditions involve these groups with a lot of overlap Issues arising from Air Quality Group • Community requirements re location of emissions and dust deposition monitors; where does the community want them? Residential and coastal areas as well as farming to be considered. • Risk management re potential contamination; baseline measurements, recognition of independent testing results, ongoing monitoring and reporting after commencement of operations, soil tests – whole process has to be independent with a chain of evidence, dust of truck trays – suppression issues, compensation • Communication strategies – how is Rex going to communicate throughout operations regarding this, how will shut downs be communicated, real time monitoring reported to locals, etc. <p>Transport – Group Leader– J Buchanan</p>	

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	<p>Focus of Transport Sub-Committee to date has included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Significant discussion amongst members re proposed infrastructure upgrade between Ardrossan and Port Wakefield, including the design of the proposed roundabouts especially for truck manoeuvrability, bridge changes, merging lanes etc• Sub-Committee have requested from Rex more detailed plans of the proposed Pine Point intersection (Minlaton / Curramulka) – want to be assured that the visibility issues will be addressed adequately• Sub-Committee have requested from Rex more detailed plans of Pine Point Rd where it joins existing Curramulka rd• Communication on road closures / openings – Sub-Committee suggest at least one month before – utilise neon signs at multiple key locations• Sub-Committee requesting to meet with a representative from DPTI to discuss the technical aspects / design of changes, particularly Davey R. Trucks need to come to a dead stop, need to start slow with heavy load• Responses from Rex received today...to be reviewed by Sub-Committee and information to be shared with HCV members <p>Rehabilitation & End of Mine Life – Group Leader – J Wundersitz</p> <p>Some of the key issues that have been identified and are under consideration by the rehab WG are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participated in the joint working group meeting with Water, Ag and Rehab groups• Seeking community views on what it wants done with the pit and the site in general• Viability of, and issues involved in, returning 68% of Hillside to agriculture• Post mine closure monitoring – what, who and for how long• Adequacy of rehab bond required by government <p>Water Quality & Marine Environment - Group Leader – Stephen Lodge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participated in the joint working group meeting with Water, Ag and Rehab groups• Feedback has already been provided on rainwater tank testing• Marine environment baseline survey was completed by Cooe over 3 days. Believes this needs to be repeated as it was over 5 years ago and was for a short period of time and want to know if Rex are planning to repeat this survey. This report noted that potential impact from mining is based on the current information provided at the time. Given that plans have changed to a smaller scale will this affect the impact?• Surface water runoff issues and groundwater seepage <p>Agriculture - Group Leader – Stewart Lodge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participated in the joint working group meeting with Water, Ag and Rehab groups• Responses to questions have been provided from Rex <p>Accommodation & Tourism - Group Leader – P Koulizos</p> <p>Are working on the following key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure no more land is rezoned Residential in the township of Ardrossan as this could encourage an oversupply of new dwellings. Numerous towns on the Yorke Peninsula should share the benefit from the economic uplift of an increased population but they also need to be willing to share in the pain of the potential oversupply of properties at the end of the life of the mine.• Make use of existing underutilized accommodation such as vacant homes and explore the option of strategies such as boarding in homes with spare	<p>K Van Arend to circulate responses to HMCV members and S Griffiths</p> <p>G Hall to look at what was completed and will respond to the WG</p>

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	<p>bedrooms and house/room sharing so as to minimise the demand for new housing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimise the negative impact of an oversupply of housing that could remain in Ardrossan, once the mining operations cease. A better utilisation of existing properties and monitoring of the number of new properties will lessen the negative impact of an oversupply of properties once mining operations cease. • Minimise the negative impacts on tourism and tourism accommodation during the construction of the mine. For example, minimal construction to occur during peak holiday periods. • Enhance the attraction of the mine to tourists during the operational phase through such initiatives as a viewing platform or interpretive centre. • Consider end of mine life options to capitalise on the benefit for tourists and residents. We would like to work closely with the End of Mine Life group in formulating options that will enhance the tourist attraction of this site. • Parking in the CBD. With an increased population in the town, we would like to ensure for adequate parking for residents, workers, contractors and tourists. <p>Communication - Group Leader – T Stock</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey monkey – 31 responses received <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ End date to be confirmed ○ Will be promoted at public meeting • Facilitation of public meeting. P Tyler to send out an agenda for the meeting which can then be circulated by community networks <p>G Hall reiterated that Rex are happy to have J Burgess and R Sawers come and talk to any of the working groups any time</p>	<p>P Tyler to provide agenda for the public meeting for circulation</p>
9. Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed to postpone the next planned HMCV meeting on 10th October as it is so soon after the 4th October public meeting, and hence the next meeting to be held on the 7th November 2016. 	
10. Confirm actions	<p>Agreed actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K Van Arend to send minutes to YPC for posting on website and to the HMCV members for distribution. • G Hall to continue to source information on land values around mining operations • CEP to be posted on HMCV on website with wording provided by P Tyler • Feedback on CEP to be included in P Tyler’s presentation • K Van to organise Acronyms list to be published on the HMCV website • K Van Arend to circulate transport working group responses by Rex to all HMCV members & S Griffiths • G Hall to look at what was completed re: Marine environment baseline survey and respond to the WG • P Tyler to provide an agenda for the public meeting which can then be circulated by community networks 	
<p>11. Meeting Close Meeting was closed at 9.14pm Next HMCV meeting date When: Monday 7th November 2016 Where: Ardrossan Bowling Club Time: 6.30pm Agenda Items</p>		