



# Community Consultative Committee Meeting Minutes

## CHAIN VALLEY COLLIERY and MANNERING COLLIERY

<b>Venue:</b>	Chain Valley Colliery Board Room		
<b>Date:</b>	13/11/2024	<b>Time:</b> 14:01	
<b>Participants:</b>	<p><b>Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH) – Chair</b></p> <p><b>Lesley Parker (LP) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Laurie Williams (LW) – Community</b></p> <p><b>John Oakes (JO) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Ian Carr (IC) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Richard Miller (RM) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Douglas Way (DW) – Visitor (Chain Valley Bay Progress Association)</b></p> <p><b>Lachlan McWha (LM) – Delta Coal</b></p> <p><b>Apologies:</b></p> <p><b>Andrew Whitbourne (AW) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Kerrie Davis – Delta Coal</b></p> <p><b>Joshua Cornford (JC) – Delta Coal</b></p> <p><b>Neil Wynn (NW) – Community</b></p> <p><b>Central Coast Council</b></p>		
<b>WELCOME</b>	MMH declared the meeting open at 14:02pm and welcomed all, DW was introduced as a visitor for this forum pending Planning Secretary approval and RM was welcomed as an approved committee member. DW provided a brief overview of his interests and background.		
<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	MMH declared no change in her interests from previous meetings. No change in previously declared interests from members present.		
<b>CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>	The minutes of the August 2024 meeting were confirmed as distributed and moved by JO and seconded by LW.		
<b>BUSINESS ARISING</b>	There was no Busing Arising from the previous minutes.		

<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	<p>MMH advised one additional to that sent with the agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12/1124, MMH to BB – letter of appreciation.</li> </ul>												
<b>DELTA COAL OPERATIONAL UPDATE</b>	<p>LM provided an operational update on the mine operations. Notably:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Production continues in Herringbone (HB) Mains</li> <li>Production in HB-E1 panel commenced in reporting period.</li> <li>Production continued in HB-E4 panel in reporting period</li> <li>Production continued in the MA2 panel</li> <li>Total production for the 1 August 2024 to 31 October 2024 was 242,077 t ROM Coal.</li> </ul>												
<b>APPROVALS UPDATE</b>	<p>LM Advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current mining approvals and environmental licenses held by Delta Coal were outlined. All licences and approvals remained the same from the previous meeting with the exception to Amendment 1 of the Miniwall S5 and Northern Pillar Area Extraction Plan.</li> <li>Update provided on consent consolidation including most recent requests for Information made by the Independent Expert Advisory Panel – Mining (IEAPM) and current anticipated timeline.</li> </ul>												
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENTS</b>	<p>LM discussed the following environmental incidents occurring in the period between 1 August 2023 to 31 October 2024:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="459 1178 1517 1919"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="459 1178 584 1317">Site</th> <th data-bbox="588 1178 751 1317">Date</th> <th data-bbox="756 1178 959 1317">Type</th> <th data-bbox="963 1178 1517 1317">Details</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="459 1323 584 1715">Chain Valley</td> <td data-bbox="588 1323 751 1715">11 September 2024</td> <td data-bbox="756 1323 959 1715">Water Quality</td> <td data-bbox="963 1323 1517 1715">Faecal Coliform Exceedance, result of 250 CFU/100ml compared to limit of 200 CFU/100ml. Notably upstream results where higher and the incident investigation determined that the exceedance was not a result of CVC operations, with wastewater discharge to ponds being ceased in July 2023.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="459 1722 584 1919">Chain Valley</td> <td data-bbox="588 1722 751 1919">13 August and 17 September 2024</td> <td data-bbox="756 1722 959 1919">Depositional Dust</td> <td data-bbox="963 1722 1517 1919">Depositional Dust Gauge DDG004 contaminated by activities unrelated to mine operations. Likely a result of adjacent Transgrid operations.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Site	Date	Type	Details	Chain Valley	11 September 2024	Water Quality	Faecal Coliform Exceedance, result of 250 CFU/100ml compared to limit of 200 CFU/100ml. Notably upstream results where higher and the incident investigation determined that the exceedance was not a result of CVC operations, with wastewater discharge to ponds being ceased in July 2023.	Chain Valley	13 August and 17 September 2024	Depositional Dust	Depositional Dust Gauge DDG004 contaminated by activities unrelated to mine operations. Likely a result of adjacent Transgrid operations.
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<b>ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE</b>	<p>LM provided an update of Delta Coal environmental performance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discharge Water Volume – CVC and MC discharge volumes and rainfall volumes presented.</li> <li>• Discharge Water Quality – CVC and MC Discharge water quality presented.</li> <li>• Depositional Dust Monitoring – CVC and MC depositional dust results for quarter presented.</li> <li>• PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Monitoring – Monitoring results for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> presented for period.</li> <li>• Noise Monitoring – CVC and MC noise monitoring results presented for the period.</li> <li>• Biodiversity Monitoring – Results of annual biodiversity monitoring in the biodiversity enhancement area</li> <li>• Rehabilitation Monitoring – Results of annual rehabilitation monitoring at the former CVC mining cottages.</li> <li>• Subsidence – Results of foreshore monitoring and bathymetric scanning.</li> </ul>		
<b>COMMUNITY COMPLAINTS</b>	<p>LM provided an update on community complaints received by Delta Coal operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No community complaints for CVC or MC since previous CCC meeting.</li> <li>• No community enquiries.</li> </ul>		
<b>SITE PROJECTS</b>	<p>LM provided an update of environmental projects completed being undertaken in the period, including Mannering Colliery sediment dam desilting and the installation of perimeter fencing at Chain Valley Colliery.</p>		
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b>	<p>As a requirement of DPHI, the Chair raised the currency of the TOR agreed to by the CCC last year. All confirmed relevance for the ensuing year.</p>		
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	<p>Next meeting time: 14:00 (2 pm) – 19 February 2025.</p> <p>Remainder of 2025: 14 May, 13 August and 12 November.</p> <p>MMH thanked everyone for their participation and contributions. MMH declared meeting closed at 15:15 (3:15 pm).</p>		
<b>ACTIONS ARISING FROM MEETING</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Action Owner</b>	<b>Proposed Delivery Date</b>
	Nil.		