

CHAIN VALLEY COLLIERY and MANNERING COLLIERY

Venue:	Chain Valley Colliery Board Room	
Date:	14/08/2024	Time: 14:00
Participants:	<p>Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH) – Chair</p> <p>Neil Wynn (NW) – Community</p> <p>Laurie Williams (LW) – Community</p> <p>John Oakes (JO) – Community</p> <p>Andrew Whitbourne (AW) – Community</p> <p>Ian Carr (IC) – Community</p> <p>Bob Brooks (BB) – Community</p> <p>Richard Miller (RM) – Tidy Towns, Guest</p> <p>Lachlan McWha (LM) – Delta Coal</p> <p>Kerrie Davis – Delta Coal</p> <p>Joshua Cornford (JC) – Delta Coal</p> <p><u>Apologies:</u></p> <p>Lesley Parker (LP) – Community</p> <p>Cr Christine Buckley (CB) – Lake Macquarie City Council</p> <p>Central Coast Council</p>	
WELCOME	MMH declared the meeting open at 14:01pm and welcomed all, Richard Miller of Tidy Towns and Kerrie Davis of Delta Coal were introduced to the CCC as a guest representative of Tidy Towns and the Health, Safety Environment Manager of Delta Coal respectively.	
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	MMH declared no change in her interests from previous meetings. No change in previously declared interests from members present.	
CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES	The minutes of the May 2024 meeting were confirmed as distributed and moved by JO and seconded by LW.	
BUSINESS ARISING	There was no Business Arising from the previous meeting.	

CORRESPONDENCE	<p>MMH discussed correspondence undertaken in the period, consisting of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda issued by MMH to CCC members on 31 July 2024. 									
DELTA COAL OPERATIONAL UPDATE	<p>LM provided an operational update on the mine operations. Notably:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production continues in Herringbone-Mains • Production in HB-E3 panel completed in reporting period. • Production commenced in HB-E4 panel in reporting period • Production continues in the MA2 panel • Total production for the 1 May 2024 to 31 July 2024 was 279,419 t ROM Coal. 									
APPROVALS UPDATE	<p>LM Advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current mining approvals and environmental licenses held by Delta Coal were outlined. No changes to approvals since May-24 CCC meeting. • Update provided on consent consolidation including most recent requests for Information made by the Independent Expert Advisory Panel – Mining (IEAPM). 									
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<p>ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE</p>	<p>LM provided an update of Delta Coal environmental performance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discharge Water Volume – CVC and MC discharge volumes and rainfall volumes presented. • Discharge Water Quality – CVC and MC Discharge water quality presented. • Depositional Dust Monitoring – CVC and MC depositional dust results for quarter presented. • PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} Monitoring – Monitoring results for PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} presented for period. • Noise Monitoring – CVC and MC noise monitoring results presented for the period. • Biodiversity Monitoring – Results of seagrass monitoring in Lake Macquarie. 						
<p>COMMUNITY COMPLAINTS</p>	<p>LM provided an update on community complaints received by Delta Coal operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No community complaints for CVC or MC since previous CCC meeting. • No community enquiries. 						

GENERAL BUSINESS	<p>Richard Miller proposed as an alternate to Laurie Williams, committee agreed to the arrangement.</p> <p>Bob Brooks advised of his resignation from the committee after fifteen years, the committee chair and participants thanked Bob for his contributions to the committee and broader community.</p> <p>MMH noted the tenacity of Bob and other long term member Andrew Whitbourne in their successful efforts to obtain government funding for a shared pathway between Mannering Park and Chain Valley Bay, estimated to be completed in 2027.</p>		
NEXT MEETING	<p>Next meeting time: 14:00 (2 pm) – 13 November 2024.</p> <p>MMH thanked everyone for their participation and contributions. MMH declared meeting closed at 14:55 (2:55 pm).</p>		
ACTIONS ARISING FROM MEETING	Action	Action Owner	Proposed Delivery Date
	Nil.		