

**Community Consultative Committee
Hitchcock Road and Lot 198 Maroota
Sand Extraction and Rehabilitation Projects**

**Minutes
2 May 2017**

Attendance

Kristine McKenzie – The Hills Shire Council (THSC) – Chairperson
Robert Buckham – The Hills Shire Council (THSC)
Marianne Sheumack – Resident
Shaunagh Hitchcock – Resident
Lisa Aylward - Resident
Stewart Mclachlan – Department of Planning and Environment (‘DPE’)
Kathleen Withers – Department of Planning and Environment (‘DPE’)
Peter Cummins – PF Formation (PF)
Joshua Graham – PF Formation (PF)

Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Accepted

Matters Arising from Minutes

- None

Report on Current Status of Operations by Joshua Graham (PF)

- There have been no complaints in the last 6 months
- Whilst there is high demand in the industry PF has been limiting sales. Examples of some of the bigger jobs were discussed.
- Tertiary (Maroota) sand and sandstone differences and locations were discussed.
- Operations have been routine with less tertiary sand and more sandstone being sold.
- Personal dust monitoring has been conducted in the last week on several employees. This was required as part our Mine Safety requirements. Lung testing will also be done on some employees.

Reporting

- The Annual Environmental Management Plan (‘AEMR’) was completed in December and is on the website. No significant matters were raised.
- No significant reporting matters have occurred in the period.
- PF is continually updating the website with its regular monitoring information.

Environmental Matters

- The monthly dust deposit results were reviewed and discussed.
- The dust results generally were low in the 6 month period but January was higher than usual at Hitchcock Road and Jurd locations. Most of the Insoluble Solids were combustible meaning they could not be quarry sourced.
- PF received no notification of high TEOM results in the period.
- No new vegetation rehabilitation has occurred recently.

Department of Planning and Environment Matters

- The representatives of DPE gave a discussion and provided handouts on Compliance Overview including contact details for complaints
- There has been an increase in the monitoring and enforcing of State Significant developments based on the size of the development and risk factors
- Community members directly raised their issues to DPE in particular to the cumulative impact of trucks, truck movements and car safety.
- DPE advised that they monitor condition requirements regarding movements and times but issues on the road are for Police. More monitoring of driver speeds and behaviour is required but it was questioned as to how this occurs without individuals (community members) following through incidents.
- PF confirmed that any incidents of driver speeding/poor driving is taken seriously by all quarries in the area and the truck involved in any incident should be able to be readily identified and action taken by the quarries.

Other Matters Discussed

- Changes are being drafted by the DPE regarding the conduct and process of CCC meetings. More information should be available over the next 6 months.
- Possible expansion of quarries in the area by a new owner/operator was mentioned

Site Visit

- A site inspection was conducted.

Next Meeting

- 10.00 am Tuesday 14 November 2017