

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

**Minutes
1 May 2018**

Attendance

Kristine McKenzie – The Hills Shire Council (THSC) – Chairperson
Robert Buckham – The Hills Shire Council (THSC)
Shaunagh Hitchcock – Resident
Lisa Aylward – Resident
Marianne Sheumack – Resident
Melissa Mass – South Eastern Environmental
Peter Cummins – PF Formation (PF)
Joshua Graham – PF Formation (PF)
John Graham – PF Formation (PF)

Apology

Nil

Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Accepted

Matters Arising from Minutes

- None

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

- Melissa Mass from South East Environmental was introduced as PF Formation's environment consultant looking after regular monitoring of noise, dust rehabilitation etc
- There have been no further issues with the Planning Department in the last 6 months.
- The Department of Water have advised that they are undertaking a Groundwater Study at Maroota. PF Formation have been requested to assist by provide data to the water regulators. The Department are aiming to have a better understanding of the region.
- A new EPA officer has visited the site recently. As a result of the visit the EPA sent an advisory letter requesting that a second oil spill kit be acquired for the site and raised the issue of the fuel tank not meeting the new regulations. PF Formation has decided to install a smaller tank to meet the new roofing and bunding requirements.
- There have been no community complaints in the last 6 months
- Operations have been routine with less tertiary sand and more sandstone being sold.
- The Maroota Lodge development at the end of Roberts Road has been approved by Hornsby Council in 2017. When the pre-commencement conditions are met the operation will involve the transfer of up to 20 trucks per day to the Hitchcock Road site.

Reporting

- 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 Jurd dust deposit gauge was found to be missing today and will be investigated with the new tenant.
- PF received no notification of high TEOM results in the period.
- No new vegetation rehabilitation has occurred recently but some weed removal will be conducted.

Other Matters Discussed

- The new Biodiversity Act was discussed.
- Local roads were discussed. Notice of a new overtaking lane at Canoelands Road being built from May to October 2018 was discussed.

Site Visit

- A site inspection was conducted.

Next Meeting

- 10.00 am Tuesday 13 November 2018