

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

**Minutes
7 May 2019**

Attendance

Kristine McKenzie – The Hills Shire Council (THSC) – Chairperson
Robert Buckham – The Hills Shire Council (THSC)
Melissa Mass – South East Environmental
Peter Cummins – PF Formation (PF)
Joshua Graham – PF Formation (PF)
Luke Graham – PF Formation (PF)
Gemma Chedid – by invitation

Apology

Lisa Aylward – Resident
Marianne Sheumack – Resident
Shaunagh Hitchcock – Resident

Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Accepted

Matters Arising from Minutes

- None

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

- Business has been noticeably quieter with the housing market slow down. The focus has been on rehabilitation and movement of overburden.
- On the planning side the Office of Water has issued a report on Maroota groundwater. They recommend conditions to be incorporated in all new development approvals. The identification of the Maroota sand and sandstone groundwater tables and the identification of perched aquifers are discussed in the report.
- The Water Management Plan submitted over a year ago is still awaiting Department of Planning approval.
- Modifications PF Formation would like to the Approval conditions have been discussed with the Department of Planning and PF Formation's planners RW Corkery. This matter is proceeding slowly.
- No complaints were received in the period.

Reporting

- No significant reporting matters have occurred in the period.

Environmental Matters

- The monthly dust deposit results were reviewed and discussed.
- The Jurd dust deposit gauge has been moved to a site agreed by the EPA.
- Given the dry conditions the overall dust results have been good other than the recent Site 3 (Jurd) results. This site will be closely monitored.
- Groundwater at the monitoring locations has been stable with very little recent rain.
- Plant rehabilitation has mainly involved the removal of annual weed growth in the previously rehabilitated area. Further maintenance of this area will continue in the next few months.

Site Visit

- No site inspection was conducted.

Next Meeting

- The timing of the next meeting was discussed to try and have a more suitable time to enable the residents on the committee to attend.
- The next meeting will be held 2.30 pm Tuesday 12 November 2019