

# Minutes

## Community Consultative Committee Meeting – Holcim Dunloe Quarry

**Date:** Thursday 16 February 2023

**Location:** Pottsville Bakehouse – 1/10 Coronation St, Pottsville NSW

**Start time:** 9.30am

**Attendees:** Michael Ulph (MU) – CCC Independent Chair

Matt Kelly (MK) – Quarry Manager (via phone)

Chris Hamilton (CH) – Area Manager, North NSW Aggregates

Therese Peterson (TP) as delegate for Kim Jackson (KJ) – Community member and landowner representing Ramtech

David Norris (DN) – Community Member

Graham McWilliam (GM) – Representing Ramtech

Bianca Hamilton (BH) – Community Member – neighbour to the site

Bill Hamilton (BiH) – Community Member – neighbour to the site

**Apologies:** Lindsay McGaven – Manager, Development Assessment and Compliance  
- Tweed Shire Council

Kim Jackson – Community member and landowner

**Not present:** Peter Coram - Community Member

Steve Peterson - Community Member

Sasha Peterson – Community Member

Item	Discussion Point	Person Responsible
<b>1.0 Welcome</b>	1.1 Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledgement of Country</li> <li>• Welcome and introduction of CCC members</li> <li>• Declaration of pecuniary interests, being that Kim Jackson as landowner receives revenue from Holcim via a lease agreement. Today represented by Tess Peterson.</li> </ul>	MU / All
	1.2 Apologies Mr Lindsay McGaven and Ms Kim Jackson have tendered their apologies for this meeting.	
<b>2.0 Previous minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous report accepted by CH, seconded by MK.</li> </ul>	MU
<b>3.0 Business Arising</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regeneration site visit occurred earlier this morning.</li> </ul>	MU
<b>4.0 Correspondence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous minutes. Emails to establish a meeting date/time and to set up this meeting.</li> </ul>	MU
<b>5.0 Business Operations</b>	MK provided an overview and update of the operations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Production has continued within the approved extraction limits, with no operational issues to report</li> <li>• Increased sales volumes to Holcim concrete plants and well as white sand, loam and topsoil to landscaping resale yards</li> <li>• High turnover of staff, with 5 resignations in 2022 along with resignations of a number of corporate support staff within Holcim. Currently recruiting for a site supervisor and 3 operator roles</li> <li>• MK is currently acting supervisor, and an interim Holcim employee from another site and contractors are working in operator roles in the short term until these can be replaced</li> <li>• Short term road repairs were completed on the entrance road with replacement of the substrate with high quality roadbase – hoping to seal it in the next couple of months</li> <li>• No set date for commencement of extraction from the second extraction pond, though this has been approved.</li> </ul>	MK
<b>Site Inspections</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No regulator visits or inspections of Dunloe since previous CCC meeting</li> </ul>	

## Monitoring and Environmental Performance

- There have been no exceedances of truck movements and no new contracts since the previous meeting.
- Still awaiting approval of updated soil and water management plan
- An ecological assessment was conducted on trees within extraction boundary that require clearing. Findings indicated that no Koala habitat trees are present, and there is no evidence of any threatened flora or fauna. Further ecological assessment and spotting by an ecologist to be conducted during the stripping works as per legislative requirements.

## Community Complaints and Responses to complaints

- No complaints have been received about the quarry operations.

## Information provided to the community and any feedback.

- Available on Holcim website [www.holcim.com.au](http://www.holcim.com.au)

## 6.0 General Business

MU/All

- The Hamiltons raised questions on noise and timing with the southern extraction area as this moves closer to their property. Holcim does not have immediate/short term plans to establish quarrying in the southern area given the infrastructure set up and current plan to further the northern pond within its approved limits. Discussed if noise and dust monitoring equipment could be placed on their property. Holcim to follow up, though previous monitoring showed the levels as considerably below the approved levels.
- The Hamiltons also raised a question on flooding potential from large berms around the pond (as flooding affects their orchards). It was discussed that edge protection is a safety/ regulation applied by the resources regulator, however suitable design options can be in place that can allow passages (overlaps) and or include drainage/ pipes within the bunds (typically 1.5m bund) to help in the event of flooding.
- Question from BH - Do you put anything in the water? A: CH - No.
- Q: BH - Are you looking to change any access points to the mine? A: CH - No.
- CH – rehab will be a focus at end of life. In the long term, visual amenity can be a benefit.
- CH explained the use of the environmental management plan.
- DN - At the end of life will the area be considered for passive recreation? BH - That will be up to the landowners at the time.
- Agenda item for next meeting is to have the DA on hand - focus on the end of life use/plan for the site. It was noted that this pre-exists Holcim as Holcim did not undertake the quarry approval however the vision is to ensure operations are carried out within all requirements/obligations and this therefore would lead itself towards achieving the end of life use.

- There is discussion with Holcim around bringing in more renewables across the business, but nothing confirmed yet.
- Michael to investigate having the Hamiltons formally appointed to the CCC.

**7.0 Next meeting / site inspection**

MU

Tabled as June 29th to be confirmed.

**8.0 Meeting closed 12:55pm**

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