



COOMA ROAD QUARRY

Ref: SSD 5109

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT 2017**

Background

Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd (Holcim Australia) operates Cooma Road Quarry, an existing hard rock quarry located approximately 6 km south of Queanbeyan. Cooma Road Quarry has been operating at the site since 1959.

The rural residential area of Googong is located approximately 0.5km to the east of the quarry. The residential area of Jerrabomberra is located approximately 1km to the west, and Karabar is located approximately 2km to the north. The undulating slopes of the quarry provide topographical shielding for the quarry including a ridgeline separating Cooma Road Quarry from residential area of Jerrabomberra.

The new township of Googong is located approximately 3km south east of the Quarry. Approximately 950 homes have been completed. The overall development over 20-25 years will accommodate 16,000 people.

The quarry has a maximum production capacity of 1Mtpa and is a significant local supplier of granite and dacite hard rock aggregates within the region.

Key components of the quarry include:

- A quarry pit providing granite and dacite resources;
- Overburden and excess product emplacement areas;
- Fixed crushing and screening plant and associated product stockpiles and materials handling facilities;
- A truck loading facility and access point (Cooma Road);
- Road transport of quarry product;
- Ancillary infrastructure including workshop, office and amenities buildings, wheel wash station, weighbridge and other minor infrastructure.

Cooma Road Quarry currently operates under a State Significant Development Consent (SSD-5109) determined 27 September 2013.

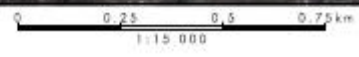
The quarry has approval to operate between 6.00am and 6.00pm Monday to Saturday, excluding public holidays, with general maintenance permitted until 10.00pm and truck movements associated with delivery vehicles returning to site permitted until 8.00pm on these days.

All blasting occurs between the hours of 9.00am and 3.00pm Monday to Friday in accordance with the existing consent.

No operations are permitted on Sundays and Public Holidays.



Source: Google Earth (2011)



Legend

- ▬ Proposed Project Area
- ▬ Approved Extraction Area
- ▬ Approved Disturbance Area - Workshop Boundary
- ▬ Approved Disturbance Area - Overburden Employment

Cooma Road Quarry Existing Operations

Committee Establishment

A condition of the development consent was to establish and operate a Community Consultative Committee (CCC) for the development. The CCC is an advisory committee which is required to operate in general accordance with the *Guidelines for Establishing and Operating Community Consultative Committee for Mining Developments* (Department of Planning, 2007) and be operating within 6 months of the consent. In accordance with the guideline, the Committee should comprise an independent chair and appropriate representation from the applicant, council recognised environmental groups and the local community.

The Holcim Old Cooma Road Community Consultative Committee was established in May 2014. At Queanbeyan City Council meeting of 11 June 2014, Councillor Sue Whelan OAM was elected to the position of Independent Chair. This was endorsed by the Department.

This year, with the Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council transition and NSW Government elections held in September, membership has changed. Our former Council representative and Committee Chair, Sue Whelan was unsuccessful in gaining a place on the Council and as such her position on the Committee was vacated.

At its meeting of 11 October 2017, Council nominated Cnr Brian Brown as the new Holcim Quarry Consultative Committee Representative. He was also at the Committee meeting on 12 December 2017, nominated as Independent Chair, although he was not present at that meeting. An alternative was nominated as Tom Baker, who Chaired the meeting in Cnr Brown's absence.



At a glance

Mission

[Community link](#)

Beenleigh Quarry, Beenleigh, QLD

Chiltern Quarry, Chiltern, VIC

[Cooma Road Quarry, Queanbeyan, NSW](#)

Dunloe Sand Quarry, Pottsville, NSW

East Perth Concrete, East Perth, WA

Jandra Quarry, Possum Brush (Taree), NSW

Lynwood Quarry, Marulan, NSW

Regional Distribution Centre (RDC), Rooty Hill, NSW

Teven Quarry, Teven (Ballina), NSW

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Procurement

Locations

Our community

Community consultative committee

A Community Consultative Committee (CCC) for Cooma Road Quarry was established in May 2014. With Councillor Sue Whelan OAM of Queanbeyan City Council elected to the position of Independent Chair in June 2014.

The CCC members are: Councillor Sue Whelan OAM (Independent Chair), Queanbeyan City Council; Tom Baker; Col Williams; Michael Ziebell; Jan Kozak (Holcim); Adam Bertram (Holcim); Ian Shenton (Holcim); and Natasha Abbott (QCC).

Meetings of the CCC are held twice yearly in May and October.

- Community consultative committee – Annual report 2016
- Community consultative committee – Annual report 2015
- Community consultative committee – Annual report 2014



Cooma Road Quarry information

Overview

About Cooma Road Quarry

Planning & approvals

Our community

Community Consultative Committee Meeting Minutes

May 2014



Website link: <http://www.holcim.com.au/en/about-us/community-link/cooma-road/our-community.html>

Members of Committee

There have been a number of changes in members of the committee during the year.

An update of members can be summarised as follows:

Name	May 2017	December 2017
Cnr Sue Whelan	Independent Chair	Vacated position
Cnr Brian Brown		New Representative - QPRC Councilor delegated to committee. Nominated as Independent Chair
Natasha Abbott	Secretary	Ongoing Secretary
George Villaflor		Vacated position
Tom Baker	Community Representative	Ongoing Community Representative on behalf of Queanbeyan Landcare (Nominated as alternative Independent Chair)
Michael Ziebell	Community Representative	Ongoing Community Representative on behalf of Jerrabomberra Residents Association
Kevin Butt		New Representative on behalf of the Googong Residents Association
Carolyn Larcombe		New Representative – Owner of adjoining property designated as Wandiyali Restoration Trust Conservation area.
Peter Hewson	Holcim Representative	Ongoing Holcim Representative ACT Aggregates Manager for Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
Adam Bertram	Holcim Representative	Ongoing Holcim Representative Cooma Road Quarry Manager for Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd

Note: Those no longer members or in attendance have been marked as “Vacated position”.

A recent request has been made to the Director General (Secretary) to approve the new member positions. (See Appendix 4)

Committee Meetings

During 2017 there have been two meetings of this committee:

- Meeting No 7. was held on Monday 8 May 2017
- Meeting No 8. was held on Monday 11 December 2017.

Minutes of these meetings are attached as Appendix 1 and Appendix 2.

Location of Meetings

Meetings have been held in the Holcim training room at Old Cooma Road Quarry, 505 Cooma Road, Queanbeyan.

Conduct of Members

Members have followed the code of conduct for Consultative Committees as provided in the Guidelines. No breach to requirements has been identified or reported.

Committee Training

Existing members of the Committee have undertaken a site induction and been provided with a tour of the site.

New members will be provided with training and a tour of the site prior to next meeting.

Committee Funding and Remuneration

The committee has not requested nor received any funding or payment.

Responsibilities of the Company

The company responds in a timely manner to committee requests. There have not been any Environmental Reports available for the committee with in this year. An Audit against Conditions of Approval has recently been completed however the report not available prior to the meeting.

During 2017, copies of the following have been provided:

- Community Consultative Committee Annual Report 2016
- Website linkages for monitoring data and approvals.

Communication with Community

The committee has discussed information to be released on the company Website. Such as minutes to meetings. Extracted monitoring data of the webpage attached as Appendix 3. The annual reports of this committee are provided here for community information.

This year the Quarry has been involved with a Conservation Volunteers Planting. The project is ongoing with volunteers planting native trees, involved in rehabilitation of the Quarry. This is advertised on the CVA website:

<https://bookings.conservationvolunteers.org/project/queanbeyan-quarry-revegetation-project>

Help plant some trees!

Queanbeyan , Jan 22nd and 1 other date

Come join CVA, for a fantastic day of tree planting and watering on a site that has spectacular views over Canberra and the Brindabella Mountains. The project site is hit by strong westerly winds, so the project will also involve the construction of dune fencing to assist the revegetation process. The project is proudly supported by Holcim. Come along and join us for what promises to be an engaging and interesting project.

[More information »](#)

There has been no Community Open Day this year. The quarry manager has stated that residents or groups can contact the Quarry for tours. Other opportunities were suggested including the Jerrabomberra Community Newsletter and Jerrabomberra Residents Association Facebook.

Holcim continue to operate a Community contact line (02 62972211). There have been no complaints reported to the committee.

Appendix 1 – Minutes of Meeting No 7.



Minutes of Meeting - Community Consultative Committee

SUMMARY OF MEETING / ACTION PLAN			
DIVISION: ACT		DATE: 8/05/17	
TEAM / PROJECT NAME: CCC meeting		NEXT MEETING DATE: 6 November 2017 @ 4.00pm	
LEADER: Sue Whelan OAM		LOCATION: Cooma Road Quarry	
TEAM MEMBERS: S.Whelan (SW), Peter Hewson (PH), N. Abbott (NA), A. Bertram (AB), M. Ziebel (MZ), T Baker (TB)			
VISITORS: Nil			
Non-Present Members: G Villafior (GV),			
Meeting Minutes – 8 May 2017 @ 4.00pm (started at 4.05pm)			
NO:	AGREED ACTIONS	BY WHO M	BY WHEN
1	Apologies: George advised he has resigned from Ngambri Land Council	NA	-
2	Declaration of Interests: Nil	SW	
3	Confirmation of Minutes:	Moved: PH/TB	
4	<u>Business Arising:</u> Nil	NA	
	Completed Action: Relocate the sign to the new gate which advises the public of the complaints line telephone number and the fact that it is a complaints line so that the impacted community knows how to make a complaint	PH	Completed
5	Quarry Intersection – Concerns over the intersection at Cooma Road. Council engineers have investigated with the Police. They will deploy traffic counters for data and strategic enforcement. Discussion whether the hold line at the stop sign should be increased out. The "noise barrier" makes it difficult to see on coming traffic. Discussions over whether the noise barrier is actually effective. Further discussions with Council Engineers required.	PH	
6	Ellerton Drive Extension – Tenders are closing for the road works. The Quarry has been approached by some tendering companies for this committee to be used for community engagement for the Ellerton Drive Extension Project. It was resolved that this committee is not appropriate for this forum.	PH	

7	<p>Cooma Road Quarry Environmental Improvements The following improvements are in progress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new weigh bridge is to be installed. • Erosion and sediment controls around the pit • Plantings from National Tree Day have taken off and additional planting with Greening Australia on southern side • Concrete wastes are being returned <p>Discussion on flows through Barracks Flat Creek. Noted that there seems to be a spring running all the time. Results of water quality testing and blast monitoring are available on the Holcim website. See attachment for monitoring summary.</p>	PH	
8	<p>Parking of trucks on Edwin Land Parkway verge at the Jerrabomberra Shopping Centre Main issues are the dust affecting nearby residents from trucks parking and pedestrian movement on the southern side.</p> <p>Issue to be referred to Council engineers. Committee can see three possible outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police the parking on the southern side • Restrict parking • Create a formal truck pull in parking bay. <p>Peter advised Holcim could contribute to construction of option 3.</p> <p>ACTION: NA to refer matter to Council engineers</p>	MZ	
9	<p>General Business</p> <p>Bio-connectivity – We have had some great partnerships between Landcare, Holcim, Molonglo Catchment Group and Council. Examples include offset planting and Environa small bird plantings. The steering committee on these projects should be reactivated for long term beneficial outcomes.</p> <p>Council still has some budget for signage which is currently in progress. The draft graphics could be presented to the group.</p> <p>ACTION: NA to coordinate a meeting of stakeholders. Agenda and minutes to be sent to members of this committee.</p> <p>Landcare active on Mt Jerrabomberra and Stringybark . Council currently has a consultant working on a new Fire Plan for Mt Jerrabomberra. Same consultant who prepared Stringybark Fire Plan. Quarry concerned that long grass in Offset land.</p> <p>ACTION: NA to send out Stringybark Fire Plan and Draft to Mt Jerrabomberra Fire Plan when it is available.</p> <p>National Tree Day – NTD is Sunday 30 July. Carolyn Larcombe is organising planting of 2000 trees on Wandiyali (neighbouring quarry) with assistance of a Green Army team.</p> <p>Membership – It is suggested that we expand membership on committee.</p> <p>ACTION: NA to send out a letter to Carolyn Larcombe and Googong Residents Association. Chair to sign letter.</p>	<p>TB</p> <p>TB</p> <p>TB</p>	

Meeting closed 4.35pm

Appendix 2 – Minutes of Meeting No 8.



Minutes of Meeting - Community Consultative Committee

SUMMARY OF MEETING / ACTION PLAN			
DIVISION: ACT		DATE: 11/12/17	
TEAM / PROJECT NAME: CCC meeting		NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, 7 May 2018 @ 4.00pm	
LEADER: TBA		LOCATION: Cooma Road Quarry	
TEAM MEMBERS: Peter Hewson (PH), Natasha Abbott (NA), Adam Bertram (AB), Michael Ziebel (MZ), Tom Baker (TB), Carolyn Larcombe (CL), Kevin Butt (KB)			
VISITORS: Nil			
Non-Present Members: <u>Cnr</u> Brian Brown (BB)			
Meeting Minutes – 11 December 2017 @ 4.00pm			
NO:	AGREED ACTIONS	BY WHOM	BY WHEN
1	Apologies: BB unable to attend.	NA	-
2	Those present agreed that Tom Baker should Chair the Meeting.	ALL	
3.	<p>Introductions and Nomination: Around table introductions. New community members invited to attend and change to the Chair position with the outcome of the Local Government election.</p> <p>PH gave a summary of the guideline requirements and purpose of the Committee.</p> <p>Agreed that <u>Cnr</u> Brown should be nominated as Chair of the Committee with Tom Baker as alternate.</p> <p>ACTION: NA to prepare a letter to <u>Dept</u> of Planning requesting permission from the Director General for new <u>members</u> appointment to CCC.</p> <p>ACTION: NA to send out copy to members of the <i>Guidelines for establishing and Operating Community Consultative Committees for Mining Projects</i>.</p>	TB	To be appointed prior to next meeting.
4	Declaration of Interests: Nil	TB	
5	Confirmation of Minutes:	Moved: MZ/TB	

6	<p><u>Business Arising:</u></p> <p>Wheel wash has been upgraded. Reduces the carry over of dust onto the road.</p> <p>The deck has been changed on weighbridge and is working well.</p> <p>Greening Australia Planting – Planting day held in November. Article on website. Rehabilitation work on one of the wind swept slopes of the quarry. Attempting to get some plants to take in poor soil that is also buffeted by harsh westerly winds by having a lot of maintenance and also used dune fencing to help combat the wind.</p> <p>Quarry Intersection work – Resolved</p> <p>Parking trucks on Edwin Land Parkway – Resolved</p> <p>Bio-connectivity Project – Acknowledged at last meeting. Active partnership Council, MCG & Private. Wandyali rehabilitation plantings successful. 3000 natives planted along 2km of Jerrabomberra Creek. Stakeholder meeting occurred, group includes stakeholders involved with Stringybark to Environa with broader scope including Kosciuszko to Coast. Promoting connectivity conservation.</p> <p>New MCG major funding application.</p> <p>Question on end of life of Quarry, unknown at this stage. Progressive rehabilitation works occurring.</p> <p>Discussion on Fire Plans to be provided to Committee. Drop box could be used.</p> <p>ACTION: NA to send article from website to Molonglo Catchment Group (MCG).</p> <p>ACTION: NA to send Fire Plans through dropbox.</p>	<p>PH</p> <p>TB</p>	<p>Prior to next meeting.</p>
7	<p><u>Independent Audit</u></p> <p>On 1st December 2017, an independent Audit was conducted on the Quarry's compliance with conditions of approval. Report will be provided in the new year recommending areas for improvement.</p> <p>ACTION: To be distributed to committee before next meeting for discussion.</p>		<p>Prior to next meeting</p>
8	<p><u>Monitoring Results</u></p> <p>Yearly environmental monitoring results provided to members from Holcim website.</p>	<p>NA</p>	

9	<p>General Business</p> <p>Open Day – Nothing planned at this stage. Happy to take requests for site visits. Suggest new members may like a tour of the site.</p> <p>ACTION: Allow 1 hour before next meeting for member tour of the site. Agenda to allow time for this.</p> <p>Trucks on Cooma Rd – Some issues with “other Trucks” on Cooma Rd, particularly through tree line. Damaged windscreens, maybe Huon or Hanson trucks. Advice to take number plates for information. Also issue to be reported to Road Safety Officer.</p> <p>ACTION: NA to report to Road Safety Officer.</p> <p>Question on Duplication of Cooma Road - Expect to go to tender in January.</p>	<p>MZ</p> <p>NA</p>	<p>Next agenda to provide Tour at 3pm.</p>
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Meeting closed 4.50pm

Onsite Tour: Monday 7th May 2018 @ 3pm for those wishing to attend.

Next meeting: Monday 7th May 2018 @ 4pm

Appendix 3 - Monitoring Data

Monitoring Data available for 2017

Environmental Protection Licence No. 1453

Blasting Results

Location: Mr Heffernan's Property

Blasting Results Location: Mr Heffernan's Property Date	Overpressure (Limit 115dB)	Vibration (Limit 5mm/s)	Meets NSW Licence Requirement
31/10/17	105.7	0.56	Y
1/9/17	110	0.27	Y
10/8/17	110	0.27	Y
13/7/17	109	0.27	Y
26/7/17	110	0.27	Y
15/6/17	105.1	0.71	Y
16/6/17	107.9	4.34	Y
8/5/17	95.5	0.68	Y
16/5/17	100.3	0.94	Y
7/4/17	99.1	0.65	Y
20/3/17	102	0.52	Y
6/2/17	107.8	0.34	Y
18/1/17	105.4	0.94	Y
10/1/17	104.4	0.98	Y
13/12/16	119.8	1.11	N - Exceedance of the 115 dB limit notified to EPA & DP&E on 14/12/16. This result did not exceed the 120 dB max criteria or the annual limit for blasting

Water Quality Results

Sample Date	pH (Range 6-5 – 8.5)	Total Oil & Grease (Limit 10mg/L)	Suspended Solids (Limit 50 mg/L)	Meets NSW Licence Requirement
3/10/17	7.4	<1	4	Y
1/9/17	7.6	<1	2	Y
1/8/17	7.9	<1	<2	Y
7/7/17	7.3	<1	<2	Y
2/6/17	7.3	<1	<2	Y
1/5/17	7.6	<1	<2	Y
3/4/17	7.3	<1	<2	Y
1/2/17	7.5	<2	2	Y
5/1/17	7.2	1	3	Y
1/12/16	7.2	1	2	Y
2/11/16	7.3	1	3	Y

Appendix 4 – Request for Member Approval



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C184724

12 January 2018

Secretary
NSW Department of Planning
23-33 Bridge Street
Sydney NSW 2001

At: Mr Mike Young

Dear Madam/Sir,

Representation on Holcim Quarry Old Cooma Road (SSD_5109) Community Consultative Committee

The NSW Government Council election in September resulted in the Chair of the Cooma Road Quarry Community Consultative Committee no longer being a Councillor of Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council.

At its meeting of 11 October 2017, Council resolved that Councillor Brian Brown would be Council's delegate on the committee.

The committee has also had some changes in membership and would like to request updated formalisation of membership appointment status from the Secretary for representatives on the committee:

Name	Position	Background
Mr Brian Brown	Independent Chair	QPRC Councillor delegated to committee
Natasha Abbott	Secretary	QPRC Manager Natural Landscapes & Health
Tom Baker	Community Representative (Alternate Chair)	Ongoing representative on behalf of Queanbeyan Landcare
Michael Ziebell	Community Representative	Ongoing representative on behalf of the Jerrabomberra Residents Association
Kevin Butt	Community Representative	New representative on behalf of the Googong Residents Association
Carolyn Lacombe	Neighbour	New representative – Owner of adjoining property designated as Wandivali Restoration Trust Conservation area.
Peter Hewson	Holcim Representative	ACT Aggregates Manager for Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
Adam Bertram	Holcim Representative	Cooma Road Quarry Manager for Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd


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All members have been provided with a copy of the Department's Guidelines for CCC's.

Confirmation of the Department's approval of the membership proposal would be appreciated. Please contact Natasha Abbott on the email below with approval or concerns with membership selection.

Yours sincerely,



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