

## KANMANTOO-CALLINGTON COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (KCCCC)

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### DRAFT NOTES TO THE MEETING

8 December 2011

The meeting opened at 7.40pm

#### Attendance and Apologies

##### Committee Members Present

Barry Featherston  
Hans Bailht (PIRSA)  
Cr Lyn Stokes  
Harry Seager  
Katherine Roberts  
Cr Trevor Corbell  
Cam Schubert

Approximately 15 people were in attendance.

#### Business:

##### 1. Welcome

Barry Featherston welcomed everyone.

##### 2. Introductions and Business Arising

Draft Minutes from meeting held on 8 Sept 2011 were discussed and confirmed as accurate.

##### 3. Product Transport Plan (Introducing Whittam Transport)

Cam Schubert explained the following transport outcomes:

- The mined and processed product will be trucked to Port Adelaide.
- The winning tender for the job is Whittam Transport based at Strathalbyn – their General Manager Ashley Whittam was introduced.
  - It was mentioned that it was good that a local company was successful and that their values and commitments were key in the tender process – these align with the values of Hillgrove.
  - Whittams will avoid school hours, start before 6.00am and operate mid- morning, early afternoon with rest breaks to avoid school hours of arriving and leaving.
- It was noted that sea containers will be used for transport, rather than bulk. This shipping process allows better management of dust issues in handling and loading.
- The Container option is the future of the industry – environmentally sensible – although costs more, Hillgrove are convinced the industry should show leadership.

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Drew Simonsen noted that this type of transport could be compulsory in future. It was generally supported by the committee.

- Truck will have 29.5 tonnes of product in 3 tonne containers. There will be 9 trips per day (return)
- 450 containers stored at Berth 29 (owned by HGO)
- 420 containers/ship – good environmental outcome, no cleaning

Barry – suggested that HGO should look at environmental awards such as Advantage SA.

### **4. Construction Phase**

Hillgrove have now finished the construction phase of the operation and mining has started.

### **5. Processing**

Cam Schubert provided the following update on the processing arrangements:

- Started November 29<sup>th</sup> 2011;
- Slide show of the process presented showing the floatation process used;
- There was discussion on extraction of gold, copper and silver;
- HGO are paid on the assay of each container;
- 24 m tonnes mined each year and this returns 70-80 tonnes concentrate/yr;
- That means that 23/24 of the mined product goes into tailings;
- Pit level will be below surface within 2-3 weeks and this will help noise;
- Crusher, secondary crusher and mill – you would need to be within 100m to pick up significant noise.

### **6. Site Rehabilitation**

John Crocker and Catherine Davis presented slide show to the gallery, summarising the planting in various sections, fire breaks on boundaries, seed collections and propagation systems helping revegetate, and seed generation being completed off site.

### **7. Complaints and Enquiries**

HGO presented graphs and data on complaints:

- Noise - Focus for the quarter was on noise – a large increase noted
- Light - Some complaints
- Traffic – Constant complaints
- Blasting – Constant complaints
- Dust – Increased from zero

Noise complaints mostly from Kanmantoo and surrounding rural properties.

Gallery member presented a record of light complaints which will be passed onto the Mine Manager and contact made directly. Gallery member commented that truck movement was going 24/7 on site. Noise monitoring at gallery member's house will happen and light measurements taken.

### **8. Mine Generated Noise**

Wind v Noise complaint. Slideshow wind rose shows effects of wind direction and seasonal change. Jason from Sonus talked about noise monitoring and the continuing monitoring program. This is an independent company for noise control. He advised that it is important to log complaints with HGO so action can be taken at the time.

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The resultant modelling can help noise mitigation. Hans has worked closely with HGO over past 3 months on noise issues – he says company proactive.

Some changes to operations as a result of complaints from Kanmantoo, and also some engineering structures being considered.

### **9. Blasting**

Slideshow presented by Mine Manager – Carmen Letton, which showed the over pressure monitoring report/results since June. All within limits since August, when closed down for 3 weeks. Hans happy with way company has changed their method of blasting. HGO also trialling new methods, local residents may notice a change in sound.

### **10. Traffic Survey**

Construction finished therefore traffic load has reduced considerably. It was noted that HGO now have about 100 people on site at one-time. Susan Wilson reported on traffic survey conducted since last meeting. HGO has addressed Back Callington Rd issues with work groups - where problems have been identified there is a 70% compliance. She will continue to survey.

### **11. General Business**

HGO were asked if they had considered linking with local CFS, and Cam explained that they have a team on-site with capability for mine rescue, fire, and emergency service. They work with a similar team at Terramin at Strathalbyn. It was noted that on extreme fire days HGO will close down operations as required, and keep employees on site.

Committee Member asked whether their team could help SES where needed. No plans at this stage and HGO staff would need to be appropriately trained.

HGO are doing exploration work over the rail line on Southern Side.

Committee Member raised the issue of future potential developments in the vicinity and Hans said that developments would need re-assessment and need further community consultation prior to any approvals.

Opening date is now scheduled for 22 Feb (was previously tentatively scheduled in December).

Meeting Closed at 9.30pm