

# KANMANTOO-CALLINGTON COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (KCCCC)

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## NOTES TO THE MEETING

2 December 2010

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

### Attendance and Apologies

#### KCCCC Attendees:

Bob Goreing  
Bill Filmer  
Harry Seager  
Kathryn Roberts  
Cr Lyn Stokes  
Neil Turner  
Cam Schubert  
Hans Bailiht

#### Apologies were recorded from:

Fiona Challen  
Marilyn Deutrom  
Jamie Briggs MP  
Mark Goldsworthy MP

A gallery of 20 people was in attendance.

### 1) Welcome and introductions

The Chair, Bob Goreing, welcomed the KCCCC and the members of the community in the gallery to the meeting.

It was noted that Hans Bailiht had replaced Nicole Edkins on the Committee as the PIRSA designated project Regulator.

A special welcome was extended to Drew Simonsen, who was recently appointed as Hillgrove Managing Director replacing David Archer.

### 2) Administrative Items

#### Chairs Update

Bob provided a brief history of the KCCCC.

Bob explained that the Committee operated under a Terms of Reference (ToR). The ToR identified items such as the membership, the purpose and outcomes, and some procedural matters such as the meeting schedule. Copies of the Terms of Reference were available at the meeting.

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Bob said that the term of appointment for the current KCCCC membership was due to lapse in March 2011 and that this matter would be addressed at the next meeting of the Committee.

### **Action:**

Bob to review the Terms of Reference for the KCCCC and place relevant items on the agenda of the next meeting.

### **3) Operational Items**

#### **Update on the project**

Cam Schubert, General Manager, provided an update on the project.

#### History

Cam said that the Kanmantoo pit was mined between 1971 and 1976 by North Broken Hill / South Broken Hill / Electrolytic Zinc and that 4.1 million tonnes of copper ore was extracted.

Cam said that at the time of closure, the mine had identified 8 million tonnes of resource still to mine and that, through its exploration program, Hillgrove had taken this resource up to 32 million tonnes.

In answer to a question, Cam said that the final pit would be 280m deep.

Cam described the leaching operation currently running on site where old stockpiles were treated to recover copper.

#### Water

In answer to a question, Cam said that pit water would be used for mining operations and all water would be contained on site.

Cam said that construction of the Laratinga waste water reuse pipeline had commenced and drew the meeting's attention to the mauve coloured pipes positioned in various locations along the route. He said that the pipeline was due for completion by end of the first quarter 2011.

Cam was asked when the extension pipeline to the Callington township would be completed. It was understood that the project would be contiguous with the pipeline to the mine.

### **Action:**

Cr Lyn Stokes to confirm with Council, the schedule for the pipeline extension to the Callington township.

#### Transport

Cam described progress on the construction of the (Kanmantoo) by-pass road. He said that this road had been constructed on land that Hillgrove had purchased in order to encourage mine traffic to by-pass Kanmantoo where possible.

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Cam said that the extension of the by-pass road to the mine site was almost complete and would be used for all heavy road vehicles. The final stage of the road construction involved upgrading of the intersection with the Princes Highway. The Princes Highway intersection work was to be tendered and construction expected in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2011.

In answer to a question, Cam said that the product from the processing facility would be a black powder, copper concentrate. He said it would be transported as a bulk product in 50 tonne B double trucks to Pt Adelaide for bulk shipment. Cam said that there would be about 6 trucks per day leaving the site.

Cam described the route of the trucks along the by pass road, on to Princes Highway, along East Terrace Callington and on to the SE Freeway.

Concern was expressed about growing heavy traffic numbers along East Terrace (and the condition of the road) as a result of the general build up of traffic from the growing community. There was also discussion around the condition of other roads in the district.

Kathy reported that the placement of a particular light infrastructure on the Hillgrove site had caught her attention crossing the railway line on Mine Road. Some other examples of light spill were raised.

### **Action:**

Investigations to be made of Murray Bridge Council and Mt Barker Council to identify road maintenance schedules/ programs for East Terrace. Enquiries also to be made of programs for other roads (see below).

Cam to review placement of light structures to ensure least inconvenience to community.

Cam to review the traffic management plan for Hillgrove and present to the next KCCCC meeting.

Bob to include transport on the agenda of the next KCCCC meeting.

### Contaminated soils

In answer to a question, Cam confirmed that there was no arsenic in the rock structures associated with the Kanmantoo mine.

### Other infrastructure and potential community benefit

Cam described the programs of infrastructure development related to power and ICT (broadband). He said that where opportunities existed for broader community benefit from mine infrastructure development, Hillgrove would be keen to cooperate.

### Tailings facility

Cam described the design and location of the integrated tailings facility. He said that license requirements included a double lining of HDPE (1.5mm thick plastic membrane) with a seepage interception layer and underdrainage. At the end of use the facility would be sealed and made water tight for mine closure.

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Peter and Glenn from the EPA confirmed this requirement and explained the purpose. Peter said that the design was risk based and represented a high standard for the operation.

### Significant Environmental Benefits (SEB) Plan

Catherine from Hillgrove, described the SEB Plan. She drew attention to the Eucalyptus community to the north of the existing pit and the native grassland community to the south.

Catherine described the offset program and highlighted the linking of existing remnant communities of Eucalyptus as one strategy.

Catherine said that the 20.5 hectares that would be disturbed would be compensated (offset) with appropriate environmental programs.

Harry differentiated the SEB requirements from the plant rescue activities that the Landcare Group were involved in.

Harry expressed concern that the earlier flora and fauna surveys conducted were inadequate due to unusual seasonal factors in particular. He pointed out that the Landcare Group had recommended that follow up surveys be undertaken.

While the studies had been accepted by government bodies and the Native Vegetation Committee, Catherine reinforced that further studies had been undertaken and the recommendation to conduct these studies in spring was taken on board.

Harry pointed out that, on the one hand the delay in the decision to mine had created an opportunity to undertake further work but on the other hand, the delay had meant that only limited resources were available for this purpose.

Catherine reinforced that seed collection had continued to occur opportunistically under the advisement of seed collection contractors and consulting ecologist.

Harry said that the decision recently taken to go ahead meant that programs for plant rescue had little lead time in the areas where development was to occur first. In particular this related to the area to the south of the existing pit.

Harry noted that the area to the north of the pit was not due to be cleared for some months and this provided more opportunity. Catherine said that a contractor will be engaged to assist with these matters and offered to continue to work closely with Landcare.

Catherine said that the site would be subject to a Heritage Agreement once mining was completed and the site was rehabilitated. Harry questioned the capacity of such an agreement to fully protect the site from future mining. Hans said that the Heritage Agreement brought additional protection such as an automatic 10 to 1 ratio for any future environmental offset.

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### **Action:**

Catherine and Harry to further explore opportunities to work together for the best possible environmental outcome for the site with particular emphasis on the plant rescue activities and issues such as lead time.

### Employment opportunities

Cam outlined the following processes for applying for vacancies at Hillgrove:

- visit Hillgrove website: [www.hillgroveresources.com.au](http://www.hillgroveresources.com.au)
- visit Seek at [www.seek.com.au](http://www.seek.com.au)
- drop resume into Security Gatehouse at the Kanmantoo Site, corner of Back Callington and Éclair Roads.

### **4) Regulatory Items**

Hans said that PIRSA was supportive of the KCCCC and would continue to be represented.

He said that that PIRSA as the Regulator was keen to consider the views of the community in its decision making processes.

### **5) New Managing Director**

Drew introduced himself as the new Managing Director of Hillgrove. He said that he would be on site regularly and looked forward to developing a close working relationship with the community.

### **6) Other business, next meeting and close**

Bob said that the ToR for the KCCCC stated that the Committee meets at least quarterly as the mine became operational.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the KCCCC should be in three months time unless there were urgent matters that arose in the meantime.

**The meeting closed at 9.30pm.**