

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GLOUCESTER EXPLORATION
PROJECT, COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE,
HELD AT SCHOOL OF SCHOOL OF ARTS
DENISON STREET, GLOUCESTER
ON 30 AUGUST 2013**

PRESENT: Mr Terrence Healey, CHAIRMAN
Mr Grant Polwarth, GLOUCESTER RESOURCES LIMITED
Mr Bob Corbett, GLOUCESTER RESOURCES LIMITED
Ms Julie Moloney, NSW TRADE & INVESTMENT (DIVISION
OF RESOURCES AND ENERGY)
Dr Gerald McCalden
Mr Graham Holley, GLOUCESTER RESOURCES LIMITED
Mr Ray Dawes
Ian Jackson
Trevor Sansom
Karen Hutchinson, GREAT LAKES COUNCIL

APOLOGIES: Mr Tony Tersteeg

**NON-
ATTENDANCE** Mr Graham Gardner, GLOUCESTER SHIRE COUNCIL
Dr Steve Robinson

**OPENING OF
MEETING:** Mr Healey declared the meeting open at 10.07 am.

**CONFIRMATION
OF MINUTES OF
LAST MEETING:** Moved: Dr Gerald McCalden
Seconded: Mr Bob Corbett

**BUSINESS
ARISING FROM
THE MINUTES:** Nil.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1 Email from Terry Hardwick to Terrence Healey dated 8 August 2013;
- 2 Emails between Terrence Healey to Grant Polwarth dated 19 August 2013;
- 3 Email from Terry Hardwick to Terrence Healey dated 25 August 2013
- 4 Email from Grant Polwarth to Terrence Healey dated 27 August 2013;
- 5 Emails between Terry Hardwick and Terrence Healey dated 28 August 2013;
- 6 Email from Dr Gerald McCalden to Terrence Healey dated 30 August 2013.

Terrence Healey advised the Committee of the resignation of Mrs Terry Hardwick. Terrence Healey indicated that he asked Terry Hardwick to re-consider her resignation however she advised her decision was final. Terrence Healey placed on the record his appreciation for her sincere and passionate contribution to this

Committee as well as her friendship and behaviour at all time has been nothing but of the utmost highest regard.

Graham Holley seconded Terrence Healey's comments in regard to Terry Hardwick and noted she is a very genuine person and did a very good job.

Discussion took place in relation to Grant Polwarth providing a written summary in relation to what he proposes to discuss in his Project Update.

PROJECT UPDATE BY GRANT POLWARTH

- 1 Grant Polwarth addressed the issues raised by Terry Hardwick as follows:
 - a. The exhibition of the project is a process that is facilitated by and managed by and subsequently notified by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. Whilst it is appreciated where Terry Hardwick is coming from there is a very strict protocol with the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. It is presumed that Terry Hardwick was notified perhaps by other community members from eg GRIP or the Preservation Alliance because they were part of the distribution list managed by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure.
 - b. He too is disappointed by the resignation of Terry Hardwick.
 - c. He was disappointed in some of the words in Terry Hardwick's emails particularly "I hope the rest of the community members keep on fighting" or words to that effect. It is Grant Polwarth's understanding that the CCC is group of people with varying views to get information, challenge the Company and take information back to the community. Noting he would perhaps call to question the use of the word "fighting" in relation to the CCC.

- 2 The project has been placed on exhibition by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure from 28 August 2013 to 28 October 2013. This is a process managed by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. A copy of a CD and a document entitled "Summary of the Environmental Assessment Rocky Hill Coal Project" was handed to all committee members.

Bob Corbett advised there may be some minor differences in the Summary of the Environmental Assessment Rocky Hill Coal Project and the CD as to what is in the EIS. The EIS was prepared a while ago and there are some minor adjustments since and these changes are more a case of bringing things up to date. Grant confirmed it is mainly around dates and council ratings changes - it is nothing material in terms of the EIS.

- 3 GRL are planning to open a Project Information Centre on Wednesday, 4 September 2013 in the old Neighbourhood

Centre in King Street. An advertisement will be placed in the Gloucester Advocate to this effect. This is separate to the exhibition that is being co-ordinated by the Department of Planning whereby the EIS is on display at the library and also at Council. The Information Centre will be manned by Grant Polwarth, Bob Corbett and other GRL personnel. There will be 3D modelling, photo montages, relevant plans and the EIS. It will be open Tuesdays 1.00 pm – 6.00 pm and Wednesday 8.00 am to 12.00 noon until 2nd of October.

- 4 A Project Hotline has been established. Ph: 1300 787 127. There is now this phone number as well as the website for people to make contact with GRL. The phones will be answered by a public relations consultant who will direct the questions, make sure they are addressed and keep a record of calls.
- 5 After exhibition GRL will then be responding to submissions made about the project and the time that will take will be dependent upon the volume of submissions. The process will then be back to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure.

Grant Polwarth advised there has been no exploration since the last meeting and none planned. In relation to site management GRL continue to bale hay, distribute mulch and undertake tree planting.

Ian Jackson asked how long it will then take after submissions are addressed. 2014? Grant Polwarth replied that it probably will be 2014 but GRL do not control the process of the timing but made a commitment of GRL will be that they will be going through the submissions as expeditiously as possible.

Terrence Healey stated rhetorically that it is clear that the Minister for Planning will ultimately make the decision in this matter after having listened to anything that is written to the production of the EIS, is that right?

Julie Moloney advised that she would expect that ultimately the decision maker would be the Minister for Planning, however it is within the Minister's power to delegate that authority to a Planning Assessment Commission ("PAC"). The PAC will also hold public meetings to hear submissions. Would not expect the Department of Planning and Infrastructure would announce the PAC until after the closing of the exhibition period and possibly not until after the Company has answered the submissions. It can be a long process but Julie would not expect any determination until next year. As a general rule of thumb it could take twelve (12) months but it does vary. The process is outside GRL's hands and the timing is in the hands of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure.

Ian Jackson asked if the mine would be subject to the water trigger? Julie Moloney advised it is a Federal matter and she is not aware.

Grant Polwarth reiterated that everyone is welcome at the Information Centre.

Ray Dawes confirmed that a written summary of Grant Polwarth's Project Update would be handy. It was discussed and confirmed that summary in bullet point style be provided by Grant Polwarth.

**GENERAL
BUSINESS:**

Julie Moloney suggested that any press releases be emailed to all committee members and this was seconded by Karen Hutchinson and Dr Gerald McCalden.

Ian Jackson asked if the CD was available at the Information Centre. Grant advised "yes".

Grant Polwarth was congratulated on the Summary of the Environmental Assessment document and how informative it is.

Grant Polwarth thanked the CCC on their input which has helped shape this project.

Ian Jackson asked on behalf of Michael Bowman if the Faye Harris property is owned by GRL? Grant Polwarth advised they do not own that property.

Terrence Healey commended the Summary of the Environmental Assessment document.

Bob Corbett encouraged all to look at the 3D model at the Information Centre. Trevor Sansom stated the Information Centre is a good thing for the community so the people in the area can see what is happening.

Discussion took place about the fires on GRL properties. Grant Polwarth confirmed the property is being leased to a community member.

Ian Jackson raised the issue of the application of lime fertilizer on the Chris Maslen property. Grant Polwarth confirmed this was nothing to do with GRL.

Terrence Healey asked Julie Moloney when the EL was granted. Julie advised 2006.

Next meeting Friday 1 November 2013 at 10.00 am

Meeting closed at 11.00 am