



Dixon Sand (Penrith) Pty Ltd


MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE 4610 Old Northern Road, Maroota 24th February 2020

PRESENT	NAME	ORGANISATION
	Lisa Andrews (LA)	Independent Chairperson
	Pat Schwartz (PS)	Community Representative
	Farley Roberts (FR)	Community Representative
	Lisa Aylward (LAy)	Maroota Public School Representative
	Hunny Churcher (HC)	Environmental Officer, Dixon Sand
	David Dixon (DD)	General Manager, Dixon Sand
	Mark Dixon (MD)	Dixon Sand
	Melissa Mass (MM)	Dixon Sand - Ecologist
APOLOGIES	Jemma Roberts	Community Representative (alternate)
	Kristine McKenzie	The Hills Shire Council Representative
	Robert Buckham	The Hills Shire Council Representative
	Daniel Giffney	The Hills Shire Council Representative
	Chris Spraggon	Bush Regeneration Contractor (Bush-It)

The CCC meeting was opened at 2.07pm

WELCOME	The chair welcomed all present to the extraordinary meeting, explaining the purpose of the meeting was to answer any questions in relation to the Haerses Road Mod 3 application that was currently on public exhibition. The advertising period closes on Wednesday 26 February 2020 and this was the opportunity to address any issues that may have arisen in the community.	
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	LA declared that she is approved by the Department of Planning and Environment to chair the meeting and engaged by Dixon Sand.	No changes to previous declarations by members.
BUSINESS ARISING	Action Item 1 HC to advise CCC members when SEE goes on exhibition. <i>Complete 17/1/20.</i>	
CORRESPONDENCE (as emailed with Meeting Notice on 4/2/20)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20/11/19 – Email from Dixon Sand with Mark Dixon's declaration forms completed. 1/12/19 - Draft minutes sent to members for review. 11/12/19 - Finalised minutes sent to members. 14/1/20 – Email from HC to CCC members with the link to the Independent Environmental Audit lodged with the Dept of Planning. 17/1/20 – Email from HC advising of the exhibition period for Haerses Road Mod 3, Wednesday 29 January to Wednesday 26 February. # 29/1/20 – Email to CCC proposing and extraordinary meeting on 24/2/20 during the exhibition period of Mod 3. 	#Action item complete.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4/2/20 – Email to CCC members with the Meeting Notice & Agenda for this meeting. • 20/2/20 – Email to CCC members with a reminder for this meeting. 	
DISCUSSIONS ON HEARSES ROAD QUARRY MODIFICATION 3 FOR HEARSES ROAD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HC provided a copy of the “notice of exhibition” received from DPIE. • DD advised that no one from the community has contacted the company directly with any questions regarding the proposal. • LAy raised concern with the bus zone and bus stop at the Maroota School, stating that the time specified should be increased to allow for the number of high school students waiting in the area for their onward buses. Discussions around this item ensued. Despite LAy’s representations to RMS and the Department of Education there had been no success. • PS stated that she had spoken with all the community groups that she is a member of (Cattai Hills Environmental Network, Glenorie Progress Association, Glenorie Maroota Bioregional Forum and the Eastbend Rural Communications - Living Heritage). She had spoken to people in general and received one phone call. • PS informed the CCC that the main issue of concern is the truck movements and enquired whether there could be a Regional Traffic Management Plan or study that would consider the cumulative impacts that trucks from the region are causing and to ensure local road infrastructure is able to cope. Further, that the public amenity is not negatively impacted. • DD advised that RMS have a criteria for the development, where certain movements trigger certain requirements. Currently the traffic movements on Old Northern Road and Wisemans Ferry Road do not trigger these requirements. Dixon Sand however, will be required to upgrade the intersection to assist in access in and out of the site. Traffic counts have been undertaken and the road capacity calculated; and the figures are still under. • PS enquired whether trees were going to be removed to carry out the intersection works. DD responded by stating that this was necessary to provide the correct sight distances. • MM commented that planting works have already been undertaken to replace the trees proposed to be removed for the works. • PS further commented that the Eastbend committee had raised the issue of speed around the Cattai School, specifically where the speed goes from 80km to 40km during school times (from O’Brians Rd to Millers Rd or Threlkeld Dr – both sides of the school). Discussions on whether the speed should go from 80km to 60km to 40km or whether more signage should be erected, warning drivers of the upcoming school zone (40km). DD mentioned that it may be difficult to alter a main arterial road from 80km to 60km, stating it would require a robust argument with supporting technical data. Notwithstanding this, Dixon Sand is committed to safety and driver conduct. 	Action: LA to write to local state member of parliament seeking assistance in expanding 40kpm school zone to 4.30pm.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FR reiterated the communities concerns with the volume of trucks using the roads. DD advised that the Hearses Rd quarry will be selling direct, so all types of vehicles (utes, box trailers, large trucks, etc) will be visiting the site, therefore splitting the vehicle movements between the two sites. DD further informed the CCC that whilst there are increased movements proposed, it will all depend on the demand for the product and that these figures are a maximum. Comparison was made to other developments, issued under old consents that have 24 hour approval for truck movements, so it would be difficult to record a true cumulative impact. However, he was aware that traffic counters were currently assessing activities. PS asked whether DPIE would read the CCC minutes to see that the traffic issues had been raised. LAY tabled a social media post stating their disappointment with the removal of forests and bush for mining purposes and concerns with air quality monitoring and water usage. This appeared to be a general comment on sand mining. 	<p>Action: LA will write to assessing officer (DPIE) and provide the CCC minutes.</p>
GENERAL BUSINESS	Nil.	
NEXT MEETING	 Wednesday - 13th May 2020 Commencement time - 12.30pm for 1pm	

Meeting closed at 2.57pm with LA thanking all CCC members for their attendance.

ACTION ITEM

1 Email extraordinary minutes to assessing officer of Mod 3.

LA