

**Tuesday, 12 November 2024 at Murrurundi Library,
Murrurundi commencing at 9.35am**

Attendees	Initials	Position
Michael Silver OAM	MJS	Independent Chairperson
Delma Ross	DR	Community Member
William Avery	WA	Community Member
Penny Dalton	PD	Community Member
David Bates	DB	Community Member
Luke Robinson	LR	Systems Manager – Construction Materials, Daracon Group

Observers

John Cannon	JC	Divisional Manager - Construction Materials, Daracon Group
Geoff Reeves	GR	Ardglen Quarry Site Manager – Construction Materials, Daracon Group

Apologies

Megan Taylor	MT	Community Member
Nathan Skelly	NS	Director Infrastructure Services, Liverpool Plains Shire Council
Geoff Phillips	GP	Crown Lands (Tamworth)

Item	Details and Actions
1.0 Welcome and Introductions	Michael Silver welcomed all present, particularly Mr David Bates attending his first meeting.
2.0 Acknowledgement of Country	The Chair acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land on which the meeting is being held and recognised their continuing connection to land, waters, and culture, paying respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.
3.0 Declarations of Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MJS declared that his expenses as Independent Chairperson are borne by the proponent. DB advised he had a casual agreement with the Proponent regarding undertaking maintenance on the Proponent's property adjoining his land. MJS noted that there were no other declarations of pecuniary or other conflict of interests from Community Members.
4.0 Chair's Minute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MJS reported that following public advertising Mr David Bates had been appointed by the NSW Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) to the CCC.
5.0 Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>NSW Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure – Advising the appointment of Mr David Bates to the CCC.</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Megan Taylor</i> – Expressing concern at the deteriorating condition of a section of the haul road in the village. LR advised this would be addressed in the Proponent’s Presentation.
5.0 Previous Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was noted that the minutes of the meeting of 9 April 2024 were approved on 2 May 2024. • No Business Arising
6.0 Proponent’s Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Luke Robinson presented the Proponent’s Presentation. <i>(Copy attached to the Minutes)</i> • LR provided a brief overview of the history of the quarry and the current status of the site, summarising the current operations. • LR advised that Daracon has now entered the ‘Extension Area’, with several critical tasks completed. The stockpile of previously quarried material continues to be supplied to various Daracon projects and clients. Noise compliance assessment has been completed and accepted by the EPA whilst environmental monitoring in accordance with the Modification 2 conditions continues. The Committee noted the various photographs highlighting the current status of operations at the quarry. • LR stepped the Committee through the Air Quality monitoring data and associated tables and graphs. • It was noted that the monthly averages were relatively low and well within the required criteria. It was also noted that a PM 2.5 spike was detected on 4 August 2024 created by strong north westerly winds, with the probable source being trucks (not associated with the quarry) on the Swinging Ridge Road creating dust. • DB raised concerns over the movement of quarry trucks through the village, asking what constitutes a “movement”. LR advised 55 movements per day are permitted with one movement being an in and out viz. 110 truck movements overall. • DB highlighted issues associated with trucks exceeding speed limits and driver behaviour on the haul route in Ardglan. ACTION: Daracon to provide a response to concerns regarding ‘truck speed’ and ‘driver behaviour’ in the Ardglan village. <i>Daracon: The alleged truck speed matter was promptly addressed with the trucking company and the driver in question. The truck was GPS tracked, and all this information was fed back to DB promptly after the CCC meeting.</i> • The Committee noted the Noise Monitoring data as presented complies with the consent. It also noted that the Noise Compliance Assessment was completed in August 2024 and subsequently accepted by the EPA on the 1 November 2024. • LR advised that since the commencement of blasting there have been five (5) blasts. DB indicated that on one occasion he felt the blast and his coffee had sloshed in the cup. LR explained the blast notification process. JC suggested a dilapidation survey could be

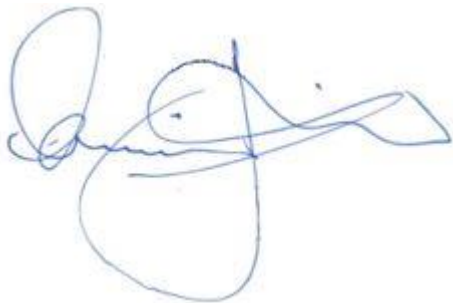
	<p>undertaken on DB’s dwelling. DB explained that his well and the quarry dam are on the same groundwater stream, and this could contribute to tremor transfer. WA noted the latest blast was very noisy as was the one prior to that. WA also advised the monitor near his property had been removed – LR explained that it was historically placed near WA’s property in error and had now been relocated to the correct position in accordance with the original Environmental Assessment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LR advised that topsoil is being removed from the extension area. • PD questioned the extent of feral animals at the quarry. GR advised that feral pigs remain a considerable problem however the number of deer appears to have declined. • The Committee noted that five (5) incidents and six (6) complaints have been recorded during 2024 – refer to extracts from the registers in the presentation. • Considerable discussion proceeded on the deteriorating condition of a section of Main Street, Ardglan caused primarily by water infiltrating into the road pavement material. LR advised that Daracon is liaising with Liverpool Plains Shire Council (as the road authority) to resolve this issue by the installation of ‘inter-pavement drainage’ to rectify the section of road that is currently failing. The current action is with the Council and Daracon is awaiting its instruction. The Committee noted the images provided in the presentation highlight the damage to the road. • LR advised that in terms of rehabilitation, the Conservation Agreement (CA) which permanently secures the Biodiversity Offset Areas (BOAs) was formally ratified by the Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT) and commenced on the 7 May 2024 whilst work on the Doughboy Hollow Rehabilitation Strategy recently commenced – this work will extend over several years. • LR provided details of truck movements over the last ten months. He indicated that the number of truck movements will increase as few large projects will commence shortly which is likely to increase truck movements from the quarry (up to 55 laden per day). • LR outlined the planned activities and works associated with the quarry for the rest of 2024. He indicated that hard copies of Management Plans can be provided to Committee members upon request. He highlighted that a groundwater monitoring network is in place with monitoring undertaken on an ongoing basis. The focus over the next couple of years will be the establishment of the Extension Area.
<p>8.0 Other Agenda Items</p>	<p>Current and Upcoming Projects</p> <p>JC provided an overview of the projects to be supplied from the Ardglan Quarry in the immediate term:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gabion Rock – Coulson Creek Project • Barrington Tops Road works • Ballast – ARTC (10,000 tonnes) • Other mine and infrastructure projects <p>JC noted that there was demand for the resource at the quarry as other quarries have currently reached the limit of their consent and are not operational.</p>
9.0 General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic Safety Mirrors – WA highlighted the need to check the traffic safety mirrors along Warra Street for adequate alignment. ACTION <i>Daracon: Mirrors have been adjusted and tightened as requested</i> • Telstra Pit Lid – WA advised that the Telstra pit lid adjacent to his property was dislocated during the road widening works and requires reinstatement. ACTION <i>Daracon: Telstra pit lid has been reinstated as requested.</i>
10.0 Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed for April 2025 – date to be confirmed

Meeting closed at 10.50 am.

MJS thanked all present for their attendance.

Meeting Minutes Approved:



Michael J Silver OAM
Independent Chair

Date: 4 December 2024