MEETING MINUTES

MENANGLE ADVISORY PANEL

MEETING:	# 4	
LOCATION:	Menangle Rural Fire Brigade, Menangle	
DATE:	16 June 2021	
ATTENDEES:	Community Representatives	Allana Storrier (AS) Nick Storrier (NS) Jim Arentz (JA) John Potter (JP) Angela Tyson (AT) Martin Scott (MS)
	Illawarra Metallurgical Coal (IMC) Representatives	Amanda Silarski (ASi – IMC Corporate Affairs) Glen Alsemgeest (GA – IMC Projects) Antony Leone (AL – IMC Corporate Affairs) Matt Richardson (MR – Niche Enviro & Heritage)
	Independent Chair	Kate Kernaghan (KK – Factotum Communications) (attendance via dial in)
APOLOGIES:		Michele Arentz (MA) Michael Reardon-Small (MRS)

PURPOSE

The Menangle Advisory Panel (MAP) provides a forum to enable regular two-way communication between representatives of Menangle and Douglas Park residents and Illawarra Metallurgical Coal (IMC) about the Company's proposed ventilation and mine access project at 345 Menangle Road.

The MAP provides a practical and helpful connection to residents for IMC through the members who have self-nominated to be on the Panel and voluntarily give their time.

AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Declaration of interests
3. Acceptance of previous minutes
4. Illawarra Metallurgical Coal update
    a. Concept design – proposed project layout
    b. Community engagement
    c. Assessment update
        - Air Quality
        - Heritage
        - Biodiversity
    d. Planning and approvals progress update
5. Actions from previous minutes
6. Call for agenda items for next meeting

1	***WELCOME / APOLOGIES***
	KK opened the meeting (via phone) at 6:10 pm and noted apologies from **MRS** and **MA**. Brief introductions around the table were provided and new faces welcomed. Traditional Owners acknowledged and respects paid to Elders past, present and emerging.
2	***DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST***
	No declarations of interest offered. Note: Independent Chair KK is remunerated by IMC.
3	***ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES***
	MAP #3 minutes accepted without changes.
4	***ILLAWARRA METALLURGICAL COAL UPDATE***
	ASi - Proposed Layout There have been no changes to the proposed design since the last MAP meeting. ASi is waiting for some geotechnical assessments to follow up on a request to see if some of the site infrastructure can be lowered. **ASi – Community Engagement** A third community project update has been distributed to residents, council staff and councillors since our last meeting. Three community information drop in sessions are planned for the 24, 26 and 30 June at Menangle Rural Fire Station with specialists present to share information and answer questions. Available information will include: • 3D modelling - visual aid to understand how the proposed project will look from varying views • Truescape video (a drive by of the area prior to and after construction of the proposed project) • Fact sheets relating to noise, controlled blasting and air quality Pre-registration required – 1800 102 210 or illawarracommunity@south32.net The project webpage has gone live and the link shared with MAP members. MAP members are welcome to share community update materials amongst their networks. MAP members are invited to encourage community members to register and attend community information drop in sessions. **ASi & MR – Planning and approvals progress update** The project team gave an overview on: • Air quality and Greenhouse Gas Assessment • Heritage Assessments • Biodiversity Development Assessment The project team is planning to lodge the Modification Application to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) in July 2021. The full assessment reports will be submitted to DPIE with the Modification Application. As part of the approval process, DPIE will place the Modification Application on Public Exhibition, enabling the public (including MAP members) access to the full reports and the option to lodge a formal admission for or against the proposal. ASi will circulate a Project Update when the Modification Application is lodged to advise the community of the Public Exhibition process. MAP members will be emailed directly.

	Residents in close proximity to the project site will be engaged directly after the Modification Application is lodged, before it goes on public display.
5	***ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES***
	Outstanding actions from MAP #3 **ASi** to have an updated drive-through simulation created and shared with MAP members by June. Update: ASi has the simulation in development. People have been out onsite taking images from various perspectives in an attempt to provide a realistic simulation. This is expected to be complete within the next week. **ASi** to check what the PM2.5 measurement was and confirm at the next meeting. Update: ASi reported information on PM2.5 measurement. Five monitors were placed in Douglas Park: • 3 at locations informed by the community • 2 at locations advised by EMM Consulting. The program was designed to measure pollutants (including PM2.5) typically found in ambient environments with a focus on pollutants that may also be present in mine ventilation air. A graph was presented showing PM2.5 results in each location.
6	***GENERAL BUSINESS / CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MAP***
	JP raised concern about water run-off from the proposed site polluting Foot Onslow Creek, and one sediment pond not being enough to capture the water. JP compared the site to Tahmoor Colliery. **GA** provided a response, recognising that the proposed site is different to Tahmoor Colliery. No coal handling is proposed at the site, and the footprint is significantly smaller than Tahmoor Colliery. The water run-off will be from the hard-paved areas and roofs only and will be tested prior to being released into Foot Onslow Creek. Areas containing harmful substances (i.e. chemicals, diesel) will be bunded to prevent contamination. **JP/MS** raised the potential to re-use grey water at the proposed site. **GA** noted this idea and will ensure it is included in the detailed design phase of the proposed Project (which would occur after the government approval process). **JP** raised the potential to remove the weeds (i.e. African Olive) along Foot Onslow Creek during the property clean-up. Discussion regarding the potential of erosion after removal of the vegetation followed. **ASi** noted this and will follow up to understand what is possible. Call for agenda items for next meeting No specific agenda requests from MAP members The following assessment overviews will be discussed at MAP #5. • Noise • Traffic • Geotechnical
	ACTIONS
	Ongoing - ASi to have an updated drive-through simulation created and shared with MAP members shortly. **ASi** to check if the project scope includes (or can include) clearing weeds such as the African Olive from the creek line at the edge of the property. **GA** to pass on a request to the design team to include capture of water run off for re-use either via tanks or other means.

	CLOSE OF MEETING
	Close of meeting 7:35pm. **Next meeting** Thursday 24 June 2021 – 6pm – Menangle Rural Fire Brigade, Menangle