

Murray Mallee Community Consultative Committee (Mineral Sands)
Minutes of Meeting No 40
East Murray Community Centre
6:00 pm Tuesday 11th March 2014

Attendees:	
Peter Smithson (PS)	CEO DCKEM
Kevin Burdett (KB)	Mayor DCKEM
Hans Bailiht (HB)	DMITRE
Anne and Peter Crouch	Landowners
Kevin Heidrich	Landowner
Jennifer Roberts (JR)	NRM Board
Dennis Roberts (DR)	Landowner
Birgit Porter (BP)	Community Engagement Consultant – GHD
Steve McEwen (SM)	CFO – Murray Zircon Pty Ltd
Larry Liu (LL)	GM Business Development - Murray Zircon Pty Ltd
Michelle Waters (MW)	Environment Manager – Murray Zircon Pty Ltd
Yi Zhu (YZ)	Environmental Technician – Murray Zircon Pty Ltd

Apologies:	
Brenton Lewis	Regional Development Australia
Adrian Pederick	Member for Hammond
Sharyn and Fudd Francis	Landowners
Patrick Mutz (PM)	CEO – Murray Zircon Pty Ltd

1.	WELCOME
	Kevin Burdett (KB) Mayor District Council Karoonda East Murray welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated he would be chairing the meeting. Apologies duly noted.
2.	MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING
	Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 17 th December 2013 were then accepted as a true and correct record.
3.	MINDARIE PROJECT UPDATE
	Steve McEwen (SM) gave an overview of the site activities as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the January the slurry mining unit (SMU) moved across the Karoonda Highway from Mindarie C West (MCW) to Mindarie C East (MCE); • the processing plant (PCP) has reached a steady state (500t/hr) and is meeting production Key Performance Indicators (KPIs); • review of the mining method with the contractor to increase efficiencies by using additional equipment during the day and reducing the night shift; • currently mining MCE from Cell 12 back to Cell 1 adjacent the highway, then jump back to Cell 13 and mine towards Cell 72 adjacent Charleston Road; • a slip lane has been constructed on the western side of the Karoonda Highway to provide a safe passing lane for traffic at the MCE mine entrance; and • subsoil and topsoil has been returned to approximately 1,600m of mine path ready to be sown in April/May. <p>KB – were there any project delays or hold ups due to the prolonged hot weather ?</p>

	<p>SM – no not with hot weather, but wet weather did contribute to downtime of operations.</p> <p>KH – is there any subsidence on the rehabilitated areas due to the high rainfall (110mm) ?</p> <p>MW – no subsidence on rehabilitated land but on natural non mined land sink holes opened up.</p> <p>SM – we have had a slip lane installed on the Highway (by Downer EDI) to facilitate safe traffic movements at the MCE mine entrance. In addition a set of boom gates will be added for additional security.</p> <p>KB asked PS if Council had received any complaints with regards to the operation. PS responded that Council had not received any complaints.</p> <p>AC – what is the plan for additional road shoulder works ?</p> <p>KB – unfortunately Council is not involved or consulted by DPTI with regards to road upgrade works.</p> <p>It was discussed that the committee believe there is significant benefit in the Member for Chaffey (Tim Whetstone) attending the MMCCC meeting, and an official invitation would be extended to him.</p>
4.	DMITRE UPDATE
	<p>DMITRE are currently working with a consultant (GHD) on Community Consultative Groups and Birgit Porter presented the committee with a presentation on their study.</p>
6.	OPEN FORUM/GENERAL BUSINESS
	<p>Nil.</p>
8.	NEXT MEETING
	<p>17th June 2014 16th September 2014 16th December 2014</p>
9.	Meeting closed at 7:45 pm