Tahmoor Colliery Community Consultative Committee
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Name	Role
Attendees	
Michael Muston (MM)	Independent Chairperson
James Johnson (JJ)	Community Representative
Bob Clayton (BC)	Community Representative
Col Mitchell (CM)	Community Representative
Karen Moss (KM)	Community Representative
Peter Vale (PV)	Tahmoor Coal Representative
Amanda Bateman (AB)	Tahmoor Coal Representative (minute taker)
Zina Ainsworth (ZA)	Tahmoor Coal Representative
Natalie Brumby (NB)	Tahmoor Coal Representative
Tam Robertson (TR)	Tahmoor Coal Representative (minute taker)
David Auchterlonie (DA)	Observer
Sandra Auchterlonie (SA)	Observer
Apologies	
Paul Rogers (PR)	Wollondilly Shire Councillor
Nicole Pearce (NP)	Community Representative
Wayne Southwell (WS)	Community Representative
Robert Faddy-Vrouwe (RFV)	Resources Regulator
Greg Kininmonth (GK)	Resources Regulator
David Henry (DH)	Wollondilly Shire Council Representative
Ally Dench (AD)	Wollondilly Shire Councillor (alternative)

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1. Welcome and Introductions				
1.1.	Michael Muston is the Independent Chairperson. He acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land on which we met and paid respects to their Elders, past and present.	NOTE		05/12/24
2. Declarations of Interest				
2.1.	MM is paid by Tahmoor Coal to facilitate the TCCCC in accordance with Department of Planning & Environment (DPE) CCC Guidelines.	NOTE		05/12/24
2.2.	NP is part of the Dharawal Elders Circle.			
3. Apologies				
3.1.	As per list above.	NOTE		05/12/24
4. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting				
4.1.	Minutes from Q3 meeting on 5 September 2024 were accepted. Note: Q3 minutes added to the Tahmoor Colliery website.	NOTE		05/12/24
5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes				
5.1.	AB to arrange an underground tour for committee members – to be scheduled in 2025.	OPEN		05/12/24
5.2.	Outstanding declaration of interests and code of conduct forms to be completed by PR.	OPEN		
5.3.	AB to coordinate an inspection for the Dharawal Aboriginal Elders to visit the heritage rock shelter (Teatree Hollow 2013.1) – awaiting suitable date from Prof. Bodkin-Andrews.	OPEN		
6. Correspondence - update as per the agenda				
6.1.	Final Q2 meeting agenda issued – Emailed by AB 06/06/2024	NOTE		05/12/24
6.2.	Subsidence Advisory issued a follow up email with information after the CSMC Act draft Approved Procedures presentation – Emailed RS 06/09/2024			
6.3.	NP provided Steve Baker's contact information – Emailed NP 06/09/2024			
6.4.	MM acknowledged receipt of contact details – Emailed MM 06/09/2024			
6.5.	AB forward Subsidence Advisory NSW information to members – Emailed AB 09/09/2024			
6.6.	Koala & Tasmanian Devil opening event rescheduled – Emailed AB 10/09/2024			
6.7.	Foundation Law cost proposal for committee submission – Emailed MM 11/09/2024			
6.8.	Follow up committee agreement to engage Foundation Law – Emailed MM 13/09/2024			
6.9.	Follow up purchase order for Q3 Chair costs – Emailed MM 16/09/2024			
6.10.	Subsidence Advisory NSW draft approved procedures open for public consultation – Emailed AB 17/09/2024			
6.11.	Q3 meeting minutes sent to Chair for review – Emailed AB 19/09/2024			
6.12.	Q3 meeting minutes reviewed by Chair – Emailed by MM 19/09/2024			
6.13.	Q3 meeting minutes & documents distributed to committee – Emailed AB 19/09/2024			
6.14.	Foundation Law committee submission correspondence – Emailed MM 19/09/2024			
6.15.	Weed Management Procedure sent to IM at council – Emailed AB 19/09/2024			
6.16.	Foundation Law committee submission payment correspondence – Emailed MM 23/09/2024			
6.17.	Tahmoor South Newsletter #8 September 2024 – Emailed AB 24/09/2024			
6.18.	CM & ZA meeting at NAB to arrange cheque for Foundation Law – Emailed AB 25/09/2024			
6.19.	Draft committee submission for review from Foundation Law – Emailed MM 28/09/2024			
6.20.	Quarterly CMAP Progress Report September 2024 – Emailed AB 30/09/2024			
6.21.	Noise exceedance notification issued – Emailed AB 03/10/2024			
6.22.	Draft submission feedback provided – Emailed AB 04/10/2024			
6.23.	Six Monthly Subsidence Report – Emailed AB 04/10/2024			
6.24.	KM requested a copy of the Deed of Release template – Emailed 05/10/2024			

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6.25.	Draft submission feedback provided to Foundation Law – Emailed MM 05/10/2024			
6.26.	Foundation Law response to feedback – Emailed SB 05/10/2024			
6.27.	Response to Foundation Law regarding feedback – Emailed MM 07/10/2024			
6.28.	Chair Q3 invoice – Emailed by MM 08/10/2024			
6.29.	Response to KM providing second copy of Deed template – Emailed AB 08/10/2024			
6.30.	Reminder for submissions on the CMSC Act 2024 draft Approved Procedures – Emailed AB 08/10/2024			
6.31.	Sought proposed Deed of Release from Subsidence Advisory for future claims process – Emailed AB 09/10/2024			
6.32.	Final draft submission for review from Foundation Law – Emailed SB 09/10/2024			
6.33.	Foundation Law invoice – Emailed MM 10/10/2024			
6.34.	Confirmation of final draft committee submission – Emailed MM 10/10/2024			
6.35.	Final committee submission from Foundation Law – Emailed SB 11/10/2024			
6.36.	Covering letter to committee submission – Emailed MM 11/10/2024			
6.37.	Final committee feedback submitted to Subsidence Advisory NSW – Emailed MM 11/10/2024			
6.38.	Invitation to TCC & AWS enclosure opening event – Emailed AB 11/10/2024			
6.39.	Apology from JJ for opening event – Emailed JJ 11/10/2024			
6.40.	Update from BC regarding meeting absence – Emailed BC 12/10/2024			
6.41.	Response to BC – Emailed MM 12/10/2024			
6.42.	KM accepted opening event invitation – Emailed KM 13/10/2024			
6.43.	Response to BC – Emailed AB 14/10/2024			
6.44.	MM accepted opening event invitation – Emailed MM 18/10/2024			
6.45.	TCC & AWS opening event rescheduled to 29/11/2024 – Emailed AB 21/10/2024			
6.46.	Apology from JJ for opening event – Emailed JJ 21/10/2024	NOTE		05/12/24
6.47.	Aboriginal Elders contact information provided for rock shelter inspection – Emailed NP 07/11/2024			
6.48.	Acknowledgement sent to NP – Emailed AB 07/11/2024			
6.49.	Contacted Professor Bodkin-Andrews to schedule rock shelter inspection – Emailed AB 12/11/2024			
6.50.	Professor Bodkin-Andrews acknowledged email and will confirm dates – Emailed GBA 12/11/2024			
6.51.	Council confirmed TCCCC delegates for committee meetings – Emailed KP 15/11/2024			
6.52.	Council delegates forwarded to Chair – Emailed AB 15/11/2024			
6.53.	Bargo Sportsground Master Plan community consultation open – Emailed AB 19/11/2024			
6.54.	Tahmoor South Newsletter #9 November 2024 – Emailed by AB 20/11/2024			
6.55.	Q4 meeting agenda distributed – Emailed AB 22/11/2024			
6.56.	Q4 apology – Emailed NP 22/11/2024			
6.57.	Q4 invitation to Cr Dench – Emailed AB 22/11/2024			
6.58.	Q4 apology – Emailed AD 25/11/2024			
6.59.	Q4 invitation sent to DA – Emailed AB 25/11/2024			
6.60.	Q4 attendance confirmation – Emailed DA 25/11/2024			
6.61.	Q4 attendance confirmation – Emailed CM 26/11/2024			
6.62.	Community questions submitted – Emailed KM 28/11/2024			
6.63.	Queried KM on location of wattle for bushfire concerns raised – Emailed AB 02/12/2024			
6.64.	Q4 apology – Emailed DH 03/12/2024			
6.65.	Wattle question response – Emailed KM 03/12/2024			
6.66.	Q4 apology – Emailed PR 03/12/2024			
6.67.	Q4 apology – Emailed WS 03/12/2024			
6.68.	2024 committee feedback survey sent to MM for review – Email AB 05/12/2024			
6.69.	Follow up to Professor Bodkin-Andrews to schedule rock shelter inspection – Emailed AB 05/12/2024			

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7. Committee Members Reports				
7.1.	**James Johnson** – no updates or issues raised. Advised committee about emails being received from a Chinese company selling mining equipment. Likely due to the committee email addresses being displayed on the Tahmoor Colliery website. Please block and delete these spam emails and do not respond.	NOTE		05/12/24
7.2.	**Col Mitchell** – no updates or issues raised	NOTE		05/12/24
7.3.	**Bob Clayton** – no updates or issues raised	NOTE		05/12/24
7.4.	**Karen Moss** – no updates. Resident questions submitted prior to meeting and Tahmoor Coking Coal responded by email and hard copy.	NOTE		05/12/24
7.5.	**Nicole Pearce** (via message) – Asked is it possible for Tahmoor Coking Coal to display signage like South32 (GM-3) does when conducting blasting activities. PV advised it is very rare that Tahmoor Coal conducts blasting underground and when we do it is minor and localised, 350m to 400m underground. This cannot be heard or felt on the surface. Following the meeting, Tahmoor Coal contacted GM-3 who advised the following information: *GM-3 do not have any blast signage related to underground blasting. The blast signage we have on display relates to the current construction of the two ventilation shafts being sunk at Menangle. We've been blasting from about 15m from surface slowly downward. The blast notification board is a condition of our blast management plan as its right next to Menangle Road. We do not display signage for underground blasting as residents cannot hear or feel it at the surface from our mining operations.*	NOTE		05/12/24
7.6.	**David Auchterlonie** – thanked SIMEC for providing land access and supporting Macarthur Traditional Archers in Bargo.	NOTE		05/12/24
8. Mining Operations Update – Mine Update (presented by Peter Vale)				
8.1.	**Mine Update:** • Longwall production has continued to exceed budget targets, with the month of October resulting in record ROM production, and the best roadway development metres since 2003. • Coal Handling Prep Plant (CHPP) operating performance has been optimised to deal with the thinner seam and higher dilution, allowing higher throughput, and the construction of the sands plant is well advanced. • Application for additional longwall South 7A submitted in May, feedback received, responses submitted to Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure (DPHI) in November, awaiting determination. • Investigations into carbon emission reduction strategies ongoing, with focus on Ventilation Air Management (VAM) as well as conversion of extracted gas to electricity. • Coal price in the last 3 months has been steady just above $200/t USD. Supply and demand remain muted, with slowdown in China and reduced steelmaking in India and Japan. ○ BC asked what percentage of Tahmoor's coal is sold domestically. PV advised about 25% is sold to Australian companies. **8.2. Tahmoor South Mine Plan:** • Mining of Longwall S3A commenced bolt-up this week. • Development mining - Maingate for Longwall S5A (MG5A panel) (first workings, no subsidence). • Development mining - Ventilation roadways to reduce ventilation pressure and facilitate removal of shaft (first workings, no subsidence).	NOTE		05/12/24

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	• Development mining - South 2 Mains to progress towards "B" series longwall blocks (first workings, no subsidence). • Development mining - Main roadway progression towards Maingate for Longwall S6A (MG6A panel) (first workings, no subsidence).			
9. Tahmoor South (presented by Amanda Bateman and Natalie Brumby)				
9.1. Longwall South 3A • Longwall S3A commenced on 8 May 2024 and has progressed 1695.5m as at COB 4 December 2024, with 9m remaining until completion. • LW S3A subsidence levels are tracking below predictions. • Currently monitoring: o Teatree Hollow Creek and the Aboriginal heritage rock shelter o Remembrance Driveway o Caloola Road o Bargo Petroleum o Wollondilly Anglican College o Tahmoor Garden Centre o Utility services along Remembrance Dr o Resident pools and dams o Jemena Gas main pipe will be backfilled in January 2025 **9.2. Environmental observations:** • No observed subsidence-related impacts to the following environmental features in the last 6 months: cliffs, natural steep slopes, agricultural land, Aboriginal heritage rock shelter, historical heritage items, ecology - terrestrial & threatened ecology, threatened flora and fauna. • Level 1 Trigger Action Response Plan (TARP) trigger at Farm Dam FD18 due to seepage following rain event during October inspection. Trigger has returned to normal range during November inspection. • Annual headwaters inspection conducted during September with no changes observed from previous year for the 10 selected sites within the Tahmoor South study area. • Surface water level and flow changes within last quarter confirmed to be due to mining influences: o Level 1 (green) – (visually lower water level than baseline conditions for 1 month) o Level 3 (orange) – (visually lower water level than baseline conditions for 3 months) o Knickpoints – Level 2 – K64 (moderate development of erosion at knickpoint in comparison to baseline) • Groundwater level changes observed at following bores: o Level 2 (yellow) – P53C, P56B/C (Water level decline >2m below the baseline for >6months but not below the 'maximum modelled drawdown') o Level 3 (orange) – P55B/C, TBC032 (131 m Vibrating Wire Piezometer) (Level 2 and below the 'maximum modelled drawdown') o Decline in groundwater levels at some bores may be associated with extraction activities, some recovery has started to occur. • All triggers are in line with predictions identified in Tahmoor South EIS and Extraction Plan. • Relevant government agencies notified. • Following completion of all impacting longwalls, a rehabilitation strategy will be developed if required in consultation with relevant government agencies.	NOTE		05/12/24
10. Environment Update (presented by Natalie Brumby)				

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10.1. Water – License Discharge Point 1 • No exceedances for the last quarter. All levels are under our Environment Protection Licence (EPL) threshold and are often meeting the ANZECC Guidelines. • The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) limits following the commissioning of the Water Treatment Plant are yet to be set. **10.2. Environmental Performance** • No environment incidents to date for 2024. • A noise exceedance was identified at two assessment sites during the Q3 Noise Audit (may have been attributed to weather conditions). Notification emailed to committee on 3 October 2024. • No noise exceedances were identified during Q4 Noise Audit. • All dust monitoring within EPA assessment criteria limits. • Water Treatment Plant - commissioning ongoing, fine-tuning processes and operation of plant. Achieving excellent water quality results to date.		NOTE		05/12/24
11. Myrtle and Redbank Creek Remediation Plan Update (presented by Amanda Bateman)				
11.1. Creek Remediation Works Overview: • Myrtle Creek remediation schedule completed and in monitoring phase. • Redbank Creek schedule completed in November 2024 and in monitoring phase. • Inspection by Resources Regulator to be scheduled next year following completion of the Corrective Management Action Plan. **11.2. Redbank Creek update** • Remediation Pool RR16: ○ Site rehabilitation completed. ○ Grout curtain wall 50m wide x 18m depth in four stages using expandable grout compound. ○ Return of surface water demonstrating early indication of success, monitoring ongoing for a period of at least 2 years. **11.3. Monitoring update** • Surface water and groundwater levels – monitoring ongoing at least 24 months past remediation. • Surface water consultant reviewing remediation effectiveness of Pool 12a at Myrtle Creek following 2 years of monitoring, remediation outcome report to be submitted to the Resources Regulator • Aquatic ecology: ○ Spring 2024 aquatic ecology monitoring using Standard River Assessment System (AUSRIVAS) scheduled for mid-December. ○ Results to be presented at next TCCCC meeting.		NOTE		05/12/24

	Schedule	Completed & in monitoring phase
Myrtle Creek – Pools	7 Pools	7
Redbank Creek – Pools	15 Pools	15
Redbank Creek - Rock Bars	6 Rock Bars	6

12. Community Update (Presented by Amanda Bateman)
12.1. Community Complaints • 1 complaint received last quarter regarding possible pit top noise and vibrations.

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Sep 2024	1
Oct 2024	0
Nov 2024	0

12.2. Community Investment Program and events:

- LW S4A to proposed S7A Community Drop-In Session held on Wednesday 27 November at Bargo Community Hall.
- Opening ceremony of the Tahmoor Coking Coal Koala Sanctuary and Tasmanian Devil enclosure held on Friday 27 September at the Australian Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Wollondilly Beach Bus - $12,000 sponsorship for the Beach Bus in January for our 13th continuous year
- Bargo Bunnies Junior Rugby League Club - $10,000 sponsorship for the 2025 junior season
- Walk for Sheree - $500 donation to Cancer Council
- Picton ANZAC Day Committee - $500 donation for a table at the Remembrance Day Memorial Dinner in Picton
- South West Sydney Academy of Sport - $5,000 sponsorship for the 3-year partnership for the Triathletes

12.3. Community – Tahmoor South Newsletters

- Tahmoor South Newsletters for September and November issued to residents and available on Tahmoor Colliery website.

12.4. Bargo Sportsground – planning agreement

- Tahmoor Coking Coal is providing $3.375M for the upgrade of Bargo Sportsground through a Planning Agreement with Council.
- First phase of council community consultation is open for public submission until Sunday 8 December 2024.
- Council will hold a public exhibition period for the Master Plan once prepared.
- Master Plan to be finalised by June 2025.
- https://www.yoursay.wollondilly.nsw.gov.au/master-planning-bargo-sportsground

NOTE — 05/12/24

13. Subsidence claims update (Presented by Amanda Bateman)

13.1. Residential Claim Status

- 2 Tahmoor North LW 32 claims
- 2 Western Domain claims
- 3 Tahmoor South claim (on hold)
- 3 claims finalised in the last quarter

Total number of open claims	7
Preliminary assessment	0
Claims on hold (active subsidence)	3
Under investigation	0
Determination issued	4
Review requested	0
Land & Environment Court Appeal (L&EC)	0

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14. TCCCC Finance (Presented by Amanda Bateman)

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14.1.	The TCCCC bank balance is currently $33,846.66 statement end 30 September 2024, includes deduction for cheque payment to Foundation Law for claims submission legal advice.	NOTE		05/12/24
15. General Business				
15.1.	TCCCC 2024 Feedback Survey for Annual Report – MM to send survey link for all members to complete the committee effectiveness review survey. Results will feed into the annual report which will be prepared in February for tabling at the March meeting.	**MM**	**09/12/24**	
15.2.	Committee submission prepared by Foundation Law for the Coal Mine Subsidence Compensation Act proposed draft approved procedures. No updates have been received from Subsidence Advisory NSW to date. Tahmoor has a standard quarterly meeting with Subsidence Advisory on Tuesday 10 December and will provide any updates received following the meeting.	NOTE		05/12/24
15.3.	ZA asked the committee if the meeting day and time still suits everyone for 2025. KM requested a start time change to 5.30pm. Committee agreed to change the start time going forward.			

Meeting Closed	*5.47 pm*	Next Meeting	*Thursday 6 March 2025*	Time	*5:30pm*	Location	*Tahmoor Coal Mine*