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Boral Ormeau Quarry Community Liaison Group Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 26 August 2025

Darlington Conservation House, 24 Cliff Barrons Road, Kingsholme

ATTENDEES

Neighbours / Community Representatives

- Bob and Sue Durance
- Sid Wright
- Judy Hendrikx

Boral

- Bruce Barry, Quarry Manager Ormeau
- Kate Woodbridge, National Community Relations and Engagement Manager

Apologies

- Cr Mark Hammel, Division 1, City of Gold Coast
- Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera
- Matt Ceccato, Planning and Development Lead – North
- Carlo Dela Cruz, Environmental Business Partner

Meeting commenced at 5pm

Introductions

Bruce welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Operational Update

- Development following staged plans is continuing with stage 2 clearing progressing. This is being undertaken by BMD contracting company.
- Production and sales volume have remained static with no major projects currently being supplied.
- Hours of operation remain unchanged.

Current Local Projects

- Contractor on site crushing fill product for part of the Coomera connection project.

Current site Projects

- Site has started stripping of stage 2 clearing as shown here. This will be done over a 6 – 12-month period.





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Environmental Updates

Blast Monitoring – Overpressure

- Overpressure for the period December 2024 to July 2025.
- We conducted 16 blasts since our last meeting.
- Ormeau Quarry approval limits:
 - Overpressure:
 - must not exceed 120dB(L) for all blasts
 - must not exceed 115dB(L) for 9 out of 10 blasts
- We had 1 reading above 115 dBL at Sams residence, previous 2 blasts all ok and we have now had 3 further blasts that are under the 115 dBL. We only started monitoring at Sam's residence in late May at her request.

Blast Monitoring –Vibration

- Vibration for the period December 2024 to July 2025.
- Ormeau Quarry approval limits: Vibration:
 - must not exceed 10mm/s for all blasts
 - must not exceed 5mm/s for 9 out of 10 blasts
- 1 blast exceeded the 5mm/s and was under the limit of 10mm/s, the previous and post 8 blasts are all under the 5 mm/s limit.

Site Environmental Update

- Unusual rain event in March 2025 with over 719mm of rain was recorded.
- DESI made a few inspections over the proceeding months with no concerns raised at all.
- Boral has continued making improvements to the site's erosion and sediment controls including vegetation replanting and water diversions to pit catchment area.
- The rock slip within the pit area continues to impact resource recovery from the central part of the pit. The site continues to work with a contractor to safely remediate the slip.
- The site is currently clearing land in accordance with their Environmental Authority and DA.

Dust Monitoring

- For the period December 2024 to July 2025.
- No elevated results at any dust sensitive locations between December 2024 to July 2025. A high reading was recorded onsite of 293 at M2. monitors either side of this had compliant levels.
- Wind direction throughout the period was variable.
- Rainfall total for the 8 month period = 1355mm.
- Dust deposition guideline limit: 120mg/m2/month (Total Insoluble Matter) .
- Monitors are installed at sensitive receptors M1 and M6.
- Total Insoluble Matter = mix of organic (combustible) & inorganic (ash) after it has been filtered. Ash content usually indicates quarry dust.

Planning Team Update

- Boral Property Group (BPG) lodged a minor change request to GCCC to amend 2019 operational works approval (OPW) for vegetation clearing. This has been approved.
- The change application included some changes to boundaries of clearing stages to respond to operational requirements; however, it did not increase the amount of clearing to be undertaken on the site.
- OPW change did require a minor change to material change of use (land use) approval with Boral making an application to the Planning & Environment Court, as the relevant authority, to amend this



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- approval.
- BPG worked in consultation with town planning, visual, ecological, stormwater, and geological experts to ensure changes are in line with intent of approval for top-down extraction, vegetation clearing and rehabilitation outcomes.
- The Planning & Environment Court approved this minor change.
- A further OPW application was lodged in June 2024 to facilitate veg clearing associated with Stage 2B. This application was approved.

Current Local Matters / Community Issues

- 3 community complaints were received concerning noise from quarry site, all of these investigated and rectified (dewater pump x 2, process water pump).
- A blasting concern from neighbour, this was addressed and monitors now in place.
- Another query from resident in Ormeau claiming blast was felt 5kms away. Investigated and next blast monitored which did not trigger monitors. (105 and 0.13 trigger set)
- A few complaints were received regarding trucks along Upper Ormeau Road.
- Truck behavior on road x 3 in January, May and June.
- Use of exhaust brakes down Whites Hill in May and July.
- Truck speed in April.

Other business

- Kate to check the Landcare agreement to see when it expires.

Next meeting is to be held prior to Christmas.

Meeting closed at 6pm

ACTION ITEMS:		
Name:	Task:	Actioned by:
Quarry Manager	- Update on Quarry Operations	Next meeting
Planning and Environmental Team	- Any over the horizon planning updates - Results of monitoring at the quarry	Next meeting
CLG members	- Update on Community matters	Next meeting

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