

# Deer Park Quarry ERC Meeting Minutes

**Location:** Deer Park Quarry Training Room, Riding Boundary Road, Ravenhall

**Date:** Thursday 17 November 2016 - 5pm

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**Chairperson:** Julia Preston, Stakeholder Relations Advisor (Southern Region) (JP)

**Minutes:** Vikki Barker, Property Administration Assistant (Southern Region) (VB)

## **QERC Members (Community and Regulatory):**

- Wendy Bitans – neighbouring resident (WB)
- Mick Hewitt - Caroline Springs resident (MH)
- Eyal Cohen - neighbouring landowner (EC)
- Geoff Gilbert - Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources (GG)
- Rick Cleary - Department of Justice (RC)

## **QERC Members (Boral):**

- Paul Hodges – Quarry Manager (Deer Park) (PH)
- David Karstens – Plant Manager Asphalt (Deer Park) (DK)
- Luke Brown – Project Sponsor Deer Park Quarry Plant Replacement (LB)
- Christian McMahon – Metropolitan Operations Manager – Quarries (CM)
- Patrick Boyce – HSE Advisor – Quarries Vic/Tas (PB)

## **Apologies:**

- Cr Nola Dunn – Melton City Council (ND)
- Kevin White – Metropolitan Remand Centre (KW)
- Marion Martin - Deer Park resident (MM)
- Michael Suddes – Operations Manager Country (MS)
- Sam Muscat – Deer Park resident (SM)
- Lorraine Harrison (LH)
- Frances Carabott – neighbouring resident (FC)
- Dr Richard Strauch – Group Environmental Advisor, Boral Concrete (RS)

*The following minutes are taken from presentations and conversations conducted as part of this community meeting. The content, while representing an accurate summation of proceedings, should not be taken to represent exact dialogue unless specifically minuted as such.*

*Minutes are reviewed at the start of each meeting to identify any items in need of correction.*

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**Meeting opened at approximately 5.00pm**

## **1. Welcome, introductions and apologies**

**Julia Preston (JP)** welcomed everyone to the final QERC meeting for 2016.

## **2. Previous Minutes and Actions**

Previous minutes were accepted.

### **Actions from previous meeting:**

**PH** confirmed communication to the contractors regarding safe driving practices has been actioned.

**PH** has advised the fake monitors will remain in place as a deterrent.

## **3. Deer Park Quarry Plant Replacement project**

**LB** advised 60% through putting up the steel structure. On track for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2017. Planting finished end of October. On track for operation mid-2017. Talked through slide presentation showing photos of planting work and construction of the office. No safety issues raised during construction.

Dust management of the office construction area being monitored.

## **4. Business Reports**

### **Concrete**

Michael Suddes was an apology at this meeting. No update provided.

### **Asphalt**

**DK** advised Boral won the VicRoads North/West night project. Boral Asphalt will be working over a 20 week period on night shift.

Boral also won a section of the night works for the Tullamarine widening project and will begin night works starting Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November, 5-6 nights per week. Asphalt to be supplied by Montrose Quarry.

Deer Park Asphalt to shut in July 2017 for 4-6 weeks for upgrading. Currently doing 10% to 15% recycled product, after the upgrade this should increase to 40%.

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## Quarries

**PH** discussed the slide presentation on dust monitoring, blast reports and ground vibration. Continuous improvements saw the purchase of a new grader worth \$300k. This saw a significant improvement due to the old grader being in use since 1994.

**PH** advised quarries will be busy heading up to Christmas and stopping on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December around lunch time. Back in production on the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

**MH** asked how often risk assessments are completed. **PH** replied they are done with every job via a SWMS (safe work method statement), toolbox sessions, continuous improvements and staff are always encouraged to look hard for hazards.

**PH** advised that there will be no access from Hopkins Road or Riding Boundary Road for a week commencing 30 December 2016 while they are putting in a crossroad.

## **4. Environment**

**PB** The lizard relocation/translocation still operating to management plan. Will continue translocation until Christmas.

New Rice Flower plot started in the north paddock.

Roof tiles being used to track lizards which assists in capture and relocation. The lizards use the roof tiles for heat which make them easier to catch.

## **5. General business**

**JP** to confirm date of next meeting in the new year. A site visit will be organised around February/March to see the advancement of the new site.

**WB** advised may not be able to make the next meeting and requested her husband be able to attend. This was advised ok to do.

## **ACTION LIST**

NIL

**Meeting closed at approximately 5:40pm**

**Next meeting to be held:** Thursday 16 March 2017 (including tour of replacement site). Tour will commence at 4pm, with meeting to follow at 5pm.