

# McPhillamys Gold Project CCC Minutes

Title	McPhillamys Gold Project Community Consultative Committee (CCC) Meeting	
Meeting Date	17 December 2018 @ 6:00pm	
Venue	Regis Resources Blayney Office – 57 Adelaide Street, Blayney NSW	
Chair	<b>David Johnson</b>	Independent Chairperson
Meeting Attendees	<b>Elizabeth Russ</b>	Community Representative
	<b>Miles Hedge</b>	Community Representative
	<b>Jim Newman</b>	Community Representative
	<b>Evan Leitch</b>	Community Representative
	<b>Daniel Sutton</b>	BHPG Representative
	<b>Cyril Smith</b>	ORWSA Representative
	<b>Graham Hanger</b>	Bathurst Council
	<b>Heather Nicholls</b>	Cabonne Council
	<b>Rod Smith</b>	Regis Resources
	<b>Tony McPaul</b>	Regis Resources
	<b>Andrew Wannan</b>	Regis Resources
	<b>Bob Russ</b>	Alternate Community Representative
	<b>Stacey McFawn</b>	Minutes
Apologies	Peter Hildenbeutel	Community Representative
	Tom Williams	Alternate Community Rep
	Rebecca Ryan	Blayney Council
	Chris Roach	Regis Resources Alternate
Next Meeting	Monday 25 February 2019 @ 6:00pm Blayney Community Centre 91 Adelaide Street, Blayney NSW	

**MEETING WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS - David Johnson Meeting**  
opened at 6:10pm.

Apologies for the meeting tendered for Rebecca Ryan, Chris Roach, Tom Williams and Peter Hildenbeutel (arrived late).

Introduction by David Johnson:

- Briefly discussed best day/time for future meetings;
- Discussed the Code of Conduct and The Declaration of Pecuniary Interest Form;
- What is the Community Consultative Committee (CCC);
- Meeting frequency would likely be bi-monthly or quarterly;
- Thank you to everyone who volunteered and who is now involved with the CCC;
- Each committee member briefly introduced themselves to the committee.

### **CODE OF CONDUCT AND DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS – David Johnson**

Code of Conduct forms and Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests forms

- Both forms were provided to committee members for reading and signing;
- Photocopy of each individual declaration returned to each individual;
- Original copy of each declaration provided to David Johnson.

**REGIS RESOURCES McPHILLAMYS GOLD PROJECT UPDATE – Tony McPaul** PowerPoint presentation by Tony McPaul.

#### Overview

- Explanation of how the McPhillamys district and near neighbours was defined;
- Site layout as per the Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) was explained;
- Explanation of the status of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and that the aim of this is to establish a viable project and to minimise impacts;
- PowerPoint presentation also provided in hardcopy to members.

#### Community Consultation

- Community Consultation is ongoing;
- Community Information Sheets are continuing to be produced;
- CCC formed and first meeting planned;
- Interest groups/business updates are ongoing;
- Social Impact Assessment is ongoing;
- Feedback has been positive, neutral and negative as you would expect.

#### EIS

- Transition from RW Corkery to EMM Consulting as the lead consultant for the EIS;
- Andrew Wannan has joined Regis as the owner's representative;
- Impact studies - noise, air quality and water are the key factors in finalising the site layout and mining schedule;
- Completion date targeted for end of first quarter 2019;
- Explanation as to how the approvals process is likely to operate after the submission of the EIS;
- There would be a minimum 30-day exhibition period;
- Likely that Independent Planning Commission (IPC) will be the determining authority;
- David Johnson discussed the role of the (IPC) hearing process, also giving an example of how it would likely operate;
- If an IPC hearing was to occur, it would most likely be held in Blayney, probably at the Blayney Community Centre.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- Discussion held regarding what day and time suits committee members best for future meetings;
  - The third Monday of each month is unsuitable for Blayney Council;
  - Tuesdays were less preferred for Cabonne Council; - Wednesdays were less preferred for Bathurst Council;
  - Majority of group were satisfied with Monday at 6pm.
- Based on the above, the next meeting date was set for Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 6pm at Blayney Community Centre, 91 Adelaide Street, Blayney; notification and agenda will be forwarded in advance by email to all members;
- In the event that the Blayney Community Centre was not available then the Regis Resources Blayney office at 57 Adelaide Street, Blayney would be used.
- Some members queried whether it is appropriate for a Regis employee to be recording the meeting notes. David Johnson noted that this was quite common practice with CCC meetings, and that it is the independent chairperson's responsibility to ensure that the minutes are an accurate record of any meeting. It was agreed that the present arrangement would continue for the next two meetings, after which it would be reviewed.

#### **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

- Q. What stage is the project up to? (*Graham Hanger*)
- A. The Preliminary Environmental Assessment has been submitted, Environmental Assessment Requirements have been issued and Regis is now working on the EIS.

- Q. Does the public see Regis' responses to submissions? *(Evan Leitch)*
- A. Yes, they are displayed on the DPE website. *(Tony McPaul)*
- Q. The submissions time frame of 30 days means the community does not have much time? *(Miles Hedge)*
- A. Regis generally engage a consultant and peer reviewer to make sure the information is correct. *(Tony McPaul)*
- A. IPC also may engage specialist consultants to assess the EIS. *(David Johnson)*
- Q. Water modelling is difficult as there is no correct number? *(Evan Leitch)*
- A. General discussion by the group.
- Q. The community would appreciate assessments by the independent consultants appointed by the IPC. *(Cyril Smith)*
- Q. Does there have to be 25 submissions (to require IPC involvement) for each area or in total ? *(Elizabeth Russ)*
- A. In total *(Tony McPaul)*
- Q. There are so many natural springs, not many of us even know how a natural spring works? Water is the biggest factor! *(Elizabeth Russ)*
- A. There are normally expert hydrogeologists working on the project. *(David Johnson)*. Regis will ensure that the hydrogeologists are available again at some future community information meetings. *(Tony McPaul)*.
- Q. Can a husband and wife, or two or more persons living in the same residence, put in separate submissions? *(Daniel Sutton)*
- A. Yes *(David Johnson)*
- Q. Are groups counted as 1 submission? *(Evan Leitch)*
- A. Yes, but it is common for members of a group to also submit individual submissions. Also, a group submission would normally carry more weight with decision-makers or a consent authority. *(David Johnson)*

## ACTIONS

	Action Items	Who	Due By
1	Book Blayney Community Centre for the 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2019- 6pm	Stacey McFawn	18 Dec 2018
2	Draft minutes to be provided to the Chairperson.	Stacey McFawn	21 Dec 2018
3	Draft minutes distributed to members by email	David Johnson	24 Dec 2018

4	Committee members provide comment on minutes to Chairperson	All committee members	14 Jan 2019
5	Minutes finalized & posted on the McPhillamys Website (Together with CCC Guidelines)	David Johnson Rod Smith	28 Jan 2019

**MEETING CLOSED**

Meeting closed at 7:23pm.

**NEXT MEETING**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 6:00pm at Blayney Community Centre, 91 Adelaide Street, Blayney NSW.