

McPhillamys Gold Project CCC Minutes

Title	McPhillamys Gold Project	
	Community Consultative Committee (CCC) Meeting #27	
Meeting Date	6pm, Monday 2 September 2024	
Venue	Blayney Shire Community Centre	
Meeting	David Ross (DR)	Independent Chair
Attendees	Jeannine Bryant (JB)	Minute Taker
	Elizabeth Russ (ER)	Community Representative
	Miles Hedge (MH)	Community Representative
	Cyril Smith (CS)	ORWSA Representative
	Rosemary Reid (RR)	Community Representative
	Daniel Sutton (DS)	BHPG Representative
	Jordan Butler (JB)	Community Representative
	Jan Steele (JS)	Community Representative
	Mark Dicker (MD)	GM, Blayney Council
	Nick Redmond	Orange City Council
	Heather Nicholls	Cabonne Shire Council
	Wayne Taylor (WT)	Regis Resources
	Kathryn Logan (KL)	Regis Resources
	Danielle Wallace (DW)	Regis Resources
Observers	Robert (Bob) Russ (RR)	Community representative
	Bruce Reynolds (BR)	NSW Farmers Association representative
Apologies	Robert Taylor	Bathurst Regional Council
Next Meeting	6pm, Monday 25 November 2024	

Agenda item	Comments
Meeting opened	6:00 pm DR welcomed everyone to the meeting, introducing the two new community representatives, Jan Steele and Rosemary Reid, along with the representative from Cabonne Shire, Heather Nicholls. DR also introduced Jeannine Bryant who is taking over as minute taker.
1. Apologies	Nil
2. Declaration of pecuniary and other interests	DR is paid a fee to chair the meeting. JB is paid a fee to that the minutes of the meeting
3. Business arising from previous minutes	The majority of actions were completed. DW and KL observed that the following actions were unable to be completed: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Half page Blayney Chronicle ad (print version no longer being produced• Draft SIMP will not be presented as is the case for the provision of information about managing and protecting groundwater due to the recent Section 10 determination. Members accepted the reasons for these actions being closed.
4. Previous meeting	Previous minutes endorsed by committee.
5. Correspondence	Nil
6. Update on Project	See minutes below.
7. Next meeting	6pm, Monday 25 November 2024 at Blayney Community Centre
8. Meeting closed	7:23pm

	Action Items	Responsible	Due By
1	Book Blayney Community Centre for Monday 25 November 2024	Kath Logan	Complete
2	Draft minutes distributed to members by email	David Ross	Monday, 9 th September
3	Send a link for Appendix D (Tailings Storage Facility) of the EIS to the CCC committee members.	Danielle Wallace	Completed
4	Committee members to provide any comments on draft September minutes to Chairperson.	All committee members	Monday, 16 th September
5	Post draft minutes and final presentation on McPhillamys website	Kath Logan	Monday, 23 rd September
6	Invite members to submit questions before November 2024 meeting.	David Ross	Monday, 11 th November
7	Discussion at November meeting to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review what members want from CCC meetings • Consider whether further efforts are required to communicate what is happening on the project 	David Ross	Monday, 25 th November

4. Previous Meeting

After members had heard about why some of the actions from the previous meeting were unable to be completed, there was a lengthy discussion regarding the impact of the Federal Government's recent decision on the community and individuals and indeed, the toll that has been exacted consequently.

This would prove to be a theme throughout the meeting. KL invited the committee to invite any interested members within the wider community to seek further information on what is happening from Regis. The company would be happy to answer any questions.

6. Update on Project

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection (Kings Plains) Declaration 2024

The committee was advised that Regis is currently assessing all options available to respond to the S10 declaration made by the Federal Minister for the Environment, in relation to part of the approved McPhillamys Gold Project site. A copy of the S10 Declaration was attached to the meeting agenda along with Regis's two ASX Announcements dated 19 August and 20 August 2024.

Information on the Declaration can be found at:

<https://www.legislation.gov.au/F2024L00999/asmade/text/explanatory-statement>

Site selection for the tailings storage facility was discussed. The site in question was selected because it was determined during the impact assessment to have the lowest environmental and social impacts of the final four options but was not the cheapest.

For more information see Appendix D of the EIS at

<https://bit.ly/3B26RE9>

A discussion was held on this. There had been concerns raised about the flow-on effects of the declaration. Some observed that Dungeon Road would have to be closed. There was also concerns about the impacts on agriculture. Members believed that there was a lot more to come out of this.

Regis requested that CCC members refer community questions to the company for answers.

7. General Business

DR was asked what ramifications the declaration would have for the CCC and the holding of future meetings.

DR observed that there were a few options he identified that were available to the committee. These ranged from the committee ceasing to meet through to reducing the frequency of meetings and finally, to maintaining the current quarterly schedule. He emphasised that he would not be making any decisions without continuing to gain information from Regis on their plans as well as discussing the future direction with committee members.

Feedback then provided to DR was that maintaining the continuity of the committee meeting had never been more important. By doing so, the committee members and the wider community can continue to gain any information from Regis.

There was then a brief discussion about whether the committee should revisit the discussion that it been having previously on how to communicate what is going on to the wider community. This discussion is proposed to continue at the November CCC meeting.

Members were sincerely thanked for their time and for the conversation in what is appreciated to be trying times.

Meeting closed at 7.23 pm