

# COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



## ILLAWARRA METALLURGICAL COAL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

LOCATION:	Online Teams Meeting
MEETING DATE:	Thursday 7 July 2022
ATTENDEES:	Amanda Silarski, Illawarra Metallurgical Coal Representative (AS) Gareth Parkinson, Illawarra Metallurgical Coal Representative (GP) Valentina Tasevska, Illawarra Metallurgical Coal Representative (VT) Shamika Almeida, Community Representative (SA) Christine Towndrow, Community Representative (CT) Kim Chapman, Community Representative (KC) Matthew Deeth, Community Representative (MD) Max Strassmeir, Community Representative (MS) Daryl Chipperfield, Community Representative (DC) Noleen Jessup, Community Representative (NJ) James McFarlane, Community Representative (JM) Leanne Zautsen – Appin Historical Society (guest) (LZ)
APOLOGIES:	
<b>1</b>	<b>WELCOME/APOLOGIES</b>
	AS opened the meeting at 6:10pm and noted no apologies. AS provided the Acknowledgement to Country.
<b>2</b>	<b>PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES</b>
	Meeting minutes from the previous meeting held 12 May 2022 were accepted. Moved MD, seconded DC.  Updates on actions was provided: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AS to investigate what support may be possible for the Illawarra Sexual Health Service – remains an action</li> <li>AS to contact Appin Historical Society to request a more detailed application. Completed.</li> <li>AS to investigate option to increase South32 contribution from \$0.03 per saleable tonne of coal from Appin Mine to \$0.04 – remains an action.</li> </ol>
<b>3</b>	<b>GUEST PRESENTATION</b>
	<p><b>Appin Historical Society</b> LZ presented the application from the Appin Historical Society requesting funds to assist with grave stone remediation. It was noted the 17 stones included in the project were of historical significance and the CPP concurred they were in a poor state. The CPP noted it would like to see the Project include a knowledge share component similar to the Picton Cemetery Project, and LZ noted they were investigating but it was not part of the initial Project of the repair work.</p> <p><b>Menangle Community Association</b> (MD pecuniary interest; DC and JM non-pecuniary interest) MD presented on the Menangle Community Association request for support toward the Menangle Community Hall. It has been successful in receiving a Fire Relief grant and South32 grant which covered most of the cost provided 2 years ago, however with inflation and construction costs increasing more funding is required for the build and fit out. Wollondilly Shire Council approval is</p>

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pending, and once received it would be approaching other funding bodies. The Community Hall would provide a place of refuge during emergencies and a meeting place for past times/leisure/sport activities for the growing community. It does not currently have a facility.

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## APPLICATIONS

### 1. Appin Historical Society

Funding Sought: \$45,300 incl. GST

Total Project: \$58,800 incl. GST

The Appin Historical Society requested funds to contribute to the remediation of 17 grave-stones at the Appin Cemetery that hold historical significance. The stones were selected by priority of damage and each has a varying degree of work needed – an itemised quote is provided. As per the discussion during the presentation from LZ, the CPP is keen to understand how it can assist with improving the sharing of the historical information, similar to the Picton Cemetery project, before it approves support for the remediation project.

The CPP did not endorse the application for \$45,300 toward the grave stone remediation.

**Action: AS to provide feedback to Appin Historical Society that its application was unsuccessful.**

### 2. Appin Public School

Funding Sought: \$46,300 incl. GST

Total Project: \$59,200 incl. GST

The Appin Public School requested funds to upgrade an area of school grounds into an alternative play space for students without an interest in sports. A need for such a space was identified through community feedback and school management.

The CPP discussed the support provided in the last five years for a new playground. Based on this, it felt it was not in a position to financially support a further play space.

The CPP did not endorse the application for \$46,300 toward the new play space.

**Action: AS to provide feedback to Appin Public School that its application was unsuccessful.**

### 3. Wilton Fire Brigade

Funding Sought: \$9,980 incl. GST

Total Project: \$9,980 incl. GST

Noted GP has a non-pecuniary interest in the application as he is a member of the Brigade – present for the discussion but not the vote.

The Wilton Fire Brigade requested funds to purchase and install a new hose drying rack. Currently the station does not have a suitable hard stand area to wash fire hoses after use. Hoses are currently washed on the road outside the station placing members at unnecessary risk.

The CPP noted the safety improvement that the project would provide the volunteers and community. It was flagged Council should be contacted by the applicant for approval to proceed. The CPP were supportive of the project.

The CPP endorsed a donation of \$9,980 toward the hose drying rack to Wilton Rural Volunteer Fire Brigade.

**Action: AS to advise the Wilton Fire Brigade it was successful in its request, and process the application through the South32 compliance process.**

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## 4. Menangle Community Association, Menangle Community Hall

Funding Sought: \$130,000 incl. GST  
Total Project: \$1.4 million incl. GST

Noted MD has a pecuniary interest in the application as he resides adjacent to the project location; JM and DC have a non-pecuniary interest as members of the Menangle Community Association. All were absent for the discussion and vote.

The Menangle Community Association has requested support for the Menangle Community Hall. The Hall would provide a place of refuge to the community in emergency, and offer a place to undertake leisure/sport/other activities in the growing community of Menangle. It currently does not have a hall.

As per the presentation, the Association has secured government funding and a South32 grant to assist with the build and fit-out costs. Given the increase in building costs and inflation, the cost of the project has increased and it requires further funding. It will have Wollondilly Shire Council approval secured shortly which will enable additional avenues of funding.

The CPP discussed the application at length, making particular mention to the community need and lack of facility. It discussed a donation of \$100,000 which would be the largest made by the CPP, and it would require substantial recognition during and after construction for such a donation.

The CPP endorsed a donation of \$100,000 to Menangle Community Association toward the construction and fit out of the Menangle Community Hall.

**Action: AS to advise the Menangle Community Association it was successful in its request, and process the application through the South32 compliance process.**

## 5 PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

AS noted the committee profiles in the community newsletter were yet to progress – first focus would include JM, CT and KC.

## 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

### Member updates

AS advised the committee that she is recruiting for Principal External Affairs which would replace her on the board. The new recruit should be available for introduction at the next meeting.

AS advised the committee that GP will be leaving South32 in the next few weeks and is therefore resigning from the Committee. GP noted he was remaining in Wilton and would be available to join the committee as a community representative in the future.

### Meeting Dates 2022

Committee confirmed the dates:

Thursday, 7 July 2022

Thursday, 8 September 2022

Thursday, 10 November 2022

## 7 ACTIONS

### Actions arising from the meeting:

1. AS to investigate what support may be possible for the Illawarra Sexual Health Service.
2. AS to investigate option to increase South32 contribution from \$0.03 per saleable tonne of coal from Appin Mine to \$0.04.
3. AS to provide feedback to Appin Historical Society that its application was unsuccessful.
4. AS to provide feedback to Appin Public School that its application was unsuccessful.
5. AS to advise the Wilton Fire Brigade it was successful in its request, and process the application through the South32 compliance process.

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|  | 6. AS to advise the Menangle Community Association it was successful in its request, and process the application through the South32 compliance process |
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	<b>CLOSE OF MEETING</b>
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	Close of meeting at 7.35pm.
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	Next Meeting: Thursday, 8 September 2022 commencing at 6:00pm.
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