

KANMANTOO-CALLINGTON COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (KCCCC)

Master Planning Working Party meeting

DRAFT NOTES

6.00pm – 8.00pm
Tuesday 11th April 2017
Callington Memorial Hall

In attendance

Fiona Challen
Garry Duncan
Carol Bailey
Harry Seager
Ed Thomas
Kathy Schneider Roberts
Alistair Walsh
Lachlan Wallace
Bob Goreing

Guests

Sophie-Min Thomson
Greg Drew

Apologies

Bev Robertson

1. Playford Trust Scholarship

Introductions

Lachlan introduced Sophie-Min Thomson as the recipient of the Playford Trust Scholarship. Lachlan said that the project behind the scholarship was a chance to collect and present in a spatial form, information about the key themes of the Master Plan that were relevant to the potential amendment of the mine closure and completion plan.

Sophie introduced herself. She described where the Scholarship project fitted into her University studies as part of her Semester Two program. This meant that it was formally scheduled for commencement in July 2017 but she was keen to begin and could do much of the preparation before then like assembling existing data sets.

The Working Party explained their role as Champions for various topics like mining history and heritage, the natural environment and education. The members of the Working Party said that they were keen to work with Sophie to bring forward their local knowledge and networks of other interested local people to help with the project.

Lachlan offered to be a 'go between' for Sophie and the Working Party members to identify and coordinate the support that the Working Party could offer. The idea was to make sure that this was coordinated and that the KCCCC members were aware of what others were doing to help in the project. The meeting agreed that this was a good idea.

Bob said that he would check that Lachlan had the latest contact details for the Working Party. The Working Party agreed that these contact details could be used by Sophie and could be provided to her by Lachlan.

Action: Lachlan to act as a 'go between' for Sophie and the Working Party to coordinate the assistance the KCCCC could provide to the project.

Action: Bob to check that Lachlan had the latest contact details for the KCCCC members to provide Sophie if and when required.

Scope of the project

Lachlan pointed out that the current mine closure and completion plan was a requirement of the mining regulator and that work was progressing.

He said that by the end of April 2017 there would be a further 12 ha of rehabilitated area added to the 17 ha already completed. This amounted to about 20% of the rehabilitation program.

Lachlan said that this meant that amendments to the mine closure and completion plan needed to be proposed and agreed with the mining regulator as soon as possible, particularly where environmental programs or landform design and construction was concerned.

Lachlan explained that these programs could be amended now even while the mine was still operating whereas it was premature at this stage to consider the future of any built infrastructure while mining continued and Hillgrove was still exploring to see if there was more resource still to be mined.

It was agreed that the scope of the project should prioritize two pillars of the Master Plan:

1. Mining history and heritage and
2. Natural environment

There was some discussion around the GIS layers that may be relevant under each of the pillars such as:

- Existing mine sites and infrastructure
- Historic mine sites and infrastructure
- Potential tourist trail (including historic mine sites and a possible future viewing platform)
- Existing remnant vegetation sites
- Revegetation work completed, in progress and areas yet to be done
- Soils, rainfall, slope, potential primary industry land use

The meeting felt that other initiatives like the further potential for mining history and heritage tourism or the potential for contiguous native vegetation corridors to be developed could be 'bolted on' to this framework when there was an opportunity. A discussion paper prepared by Fiona entitled K4C – from Aspirations to Reality, clearly showed this potential.

Action: Sophie to work to a scope for the project that focused on the two pillars of mining history and heritage and natural environment.

The study area

The meeting discussed the importance of clearly identifying the physical area to be covered by the project. A number of considerations were raised including the area of the mining lease, other land areas included in mine programs like off-lease native vegetation areas (Significant Environmental Benefit (SEB) sites) and the boundaries set by the history of mining in the area like the size and shape of the original special survey for mining in the 1800's. This discussion

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included the importance of choosing a scale that would lend itself to the application of the spatial mapping for Master Planning purposes.

It was pointed out that Harry and John Crocker (Hillgrove) had done some preliminary mapping work that may help to define the spatial limits. Harry agreed to provide Sophie with preliminary mapping work that he and John had prepared.

Action: Harry to provide Sophie with preliminary mapping work that he and John Crocker had prepared (note: Susan may have this work already as it was presented at the last Callington Show).

Existing data and information

Greg Drew (SA Mining History Group) said that there was a good deal of information available about the mining history and heritage of the area. He said that a good place to start would be the SA Mining History Group's website <http://www.samininghistory.com/kancal-geopark/mining-history/>

There was discussion around the selection of what should be included for the purposes of the project. For example, there may be large numbers of possible mining history and heritage sites in the area but a lesser number of priorities based on considerations like 'best examples' or accessibility. Greg and Harry agreed to assist Sophie with this. Harry also agreed to check the location of some priority sites with GPS if necessary.

Action: Greg and Harry to assist with identifying priorities in mining history and heritage sites for inclusion in the project.

Action: Harry to assist with checking the location of some priority sites with GPS if necessary.

Greg was asked if there was spatial information available through the Department of State Development (minerals division). Greg said that the DSD resource (SARIG) had a lot of spatial information. Alistair offered to check what information was available on the mining history and heritage and natural environment particularly, and how (or if) it could be accessed.

Action: Alistair to check what spatial information was available through DSD (including SARIG) particularly on the mining history and heritage and natural environment of the area

Sophie agreed to come along to the next KCCCC to introduce herself to the wider community and perhaps demonstrate the sort of outputs the project may provide. The meeting thanked her for this offer.

Action: Sophie to come along to the next KCCCC meeting to introduce herself to the wider community and demonstrate the sort of outputs the project may provide.

2. Master Planning and the Futures Institute

Lachlan said that he had met with Academic staff and one student involved in the Future Industries Institute (FII) which is a collaboration between the University of SA and University College London.

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He said that the program had brought 11 students from the UK who will stay in Australia for 12 months. Here they will continue their studies towards a MSc in Global Management of Natural Resources. One of their core tasks is to undertake an individual research project and Lachlan had suggested projects that were relevant to the Master Plan like:

- Establishing a mining tourism precinct around the mine and surrounding historic mining district (linked to mine closure and completion)
- Environmental regeneration and recreation (linked to mine closure and completion)

Lachlan said that he had received a very positive response from the student who was present.

Lachlan said that another Academic leader from another discipline (Built Environment and Project Management) showed an interest in being involved in 2018 where a theme could be developed around translating the research into project form.

The Working Party felt that these programs fitted well with Sophie's project and the limiting of scope to the two pillars of mining history and heritage and natural environment.

The Working Party agreed that Lachlan should continue to develop these opportunities with a view to reporting on progress to the next KCCCC meeting.

Action: Lachlan to continue to develop the Future Industry Institute opportunity and other University links and report progress to the next KCCCC meeting

3. Confirm draft notes and actions from last Master Planning Working Party Meeting of 23rd February 2017

The draft notes had been previously circulated by e mail and were confirmed without alteration

It was noted that the actions to this meeting which were for Lachlan to finalise the Playford Trust Scholarship recipient and to follow up the opportunity to work with the Future Institute, had been completed.

The action to present to the Mt Barker Council on the work of the Master Planning Working Party was covered on this meeting's agenda.

4. Consider issues raised by KCCCC by e mail since last KCCCC meeting

The need for a specific champion for commercial/industrial use potential including future employment and sustainability of families/community in the area

Bob said that the issue of a Champion for commercial / industrial use of the area after mining, had been raised with him following the last KCCCC meeting. He said that amongst other considerations like government service providers and local businesses that relied on the local community, there were about 35 families in the local area (less than 5 km from the mine site) and an additional 117 or so families living less than 25 kilometres away that relied on the mine for work.

The need for a Champion for this topic was agreed by the meeting. Three possible options were discussed:

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1. a local business person
2. an existing KCCCC member
3. the economic development officer from the Mt Barker District Council

The meeting agreed that a Champion for this area was important and agreed to carry the matter over to the next KCCCC meeting for decision.

Action: Bob to carry the matter of a Champion for commercial / industrial use of the area after mining, to the next KCCCC meeting for decision.

Promoting more involvement of the wider community in the Master Planning process

The meeting agreed that it was important to find ways to involve as many of the wider community as possible in the Master Planning process and its projects.

Bob said that he felt communications between the KCCCC and the wider community could be ramped up, particularly given that there were particular initiatives like Sophie's project and the potential involvement of the Future Industries Institute that could be reported. The use of the Hillgrove Newsletter was suggested for this purpose.

Bob offered to prepare some draft text for a Newsletter article on progress in the Master Planning process and circulate this to the KCCCC for comment.

Action: Bob to prepare some draft text for a Newsletter article on progress in the Master Planning process and circulate this to the KCCCC for comment

It was suggested that the Callington Show could serve as a milestone for the Working Party where a significant display of progress could be presented.

Bob drew attention to comments that he had received from KCCCC members between meetings that suggested that KCCCC meetings should now target this involvement of the wider community, with KCCCC members taking a lead in their particular leadership areas and making presentations.

Bob said that he would seek input from the KCCCC as he prepared the next KCCCC meeting agenda and look to include items on the Master Planning process led by KCCCC members.

Action: Bob to seek input from the KCCCC when preparing the next KCCCC meeting agenda and look to include items on the Master Planning process led by KCCCC members.

5. Any other business:

1. Letter and presentation to Mt Barker District Council (MBDC)

Harry spoke about the role of the local Council (MBDC) in deciding the future of key infrastructure at Kanmantoo Callington after mining has finished. The matter of what will happen to the water currently supplied by Council to the mine under contract was discussed as an example.

Carole spoke about the need to raise awareness of both elected members of Council and the Council staff to the Master Plan and the work of the Committee.

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Carole said that Council had an Economic Development Officer employed to assist with matters like jobs development in the region as well as a key role in infrastructure development. She said that these were key functions of Council that should be incorporated into the actions we are currently considering in the Master Plan.

The Working Party felt that a letter should be sent to Council, including the CEO, Mayor and the General Manager Infrastructure and Projects, with a view to:

- raising awareness of Council staff in the Master Planning process and encouraging a closer working relationship between the MBDC bureaucracy and the KCCCC
- seeking the involvement of the Council's Economic Development Officer in the Master Planning work
- raising awareness and seeking the support of the elected members of Council for the Master Planning process by providing a presentation to Council

Action: Bob to draft a letter to Mt Barker District Council to raise awareness of the Master Planning process and arrange a presentation for elected members. Harry to provide some further background for Bob. Carole to take a lead in brokering these meetings and presentations with Council.

2. Premier's Award submission

Bob said that Steve McClare had called him last Friday to discuss a possible 2017 Premier's Awards for Supporting Communities submission that he was preparing. The Award entries closed on the same day.

Bob had said to Steve that, given Hillgrove and KCCCC were joint winners of this Award last year, he felt there would need to be something new to put in the submission.

The Working Party discussed the potential for such a submission to support the Master Planning process and provide valuable publicity.

Bob was asked to convey these thoughts to Steve.

Action: Bob to further discuss possible Premier's Awards submission with Steve

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Summary of Actions

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2. Bob to check that Lachlan had the latest contact details for the KCCCC members to provide Sophie if and when required.
3. Sophie to work to a scope for the project that focused on the two pillars of mining history and heritage and natural environment.
4. Harry to provide Sophie with preliminary mapping work that he and John Crocker had prepared (note: Susan may have this work already as it was presented at the last Callington Show).

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5. Greg and Harry to assist with identifying priorities in mining history and heritage sites for inclusion in the project.
6. Harry to assist with checking the location of some priority sites with GPS if necessary.
7. Alistair to check what spatial information was available through DSD (including SARIG) particularly on the mining history and heritage and natural environment of the area.
8. Sophie to come along to the next KCCCC meeting to introduce herself to the wider community and demonstrate the sort of outputs the project may provide.
9. Lachlan to continue to develop the Future Industry Institute opportunity and other University links and report progress to the next KCCCC meeting.
10. Bob to carry the matter of a Champion for commercial / industrial use of the area after mining, to the next KCCCC meeting for decision.
11. Bob to prepare some draft text for a Newsletter article on progress in the Master Planning process and circulate this to the KCCCC for comment.
12. Bob to seek input from the KCCCC when preparing the next KCCCC meeting agenda and look to include items on the Master Planning process led by KCCCC members.
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14. Bob to further discuss possible Premier's Awards submission with Steve.