

**MINUTES OF THE ASHTON COAL
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
79th MEETING Thursday 30th October 2025
ACOL Administration Office, Glennies Creek Road, CAMBERWELL**

Attendees

Margaret MacDonald-Hill	(MMH) Chairperson
John McLnerney	(JM) Community Representative
Debbie Richards	(DR) Community Representative
Michael Bestic	(MB) Community Representative
Clr. Godfrey Adamthwaite	(GA) Singleton Council (SC)
Phillip Brown	(PB) Company Rep (Environment & Community Superintendent)
Elise Albury	(EA) Company Rep (Environment & Community graduate)

1. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 1:05 pm.

2. Apologies

Michael Bartlett (MBa) Company Rep (Operations Manager)

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by Community Representatives

No change to Committee Members' pecuniary interests previously declared.

4. Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Minutes from the meeting held 24 July 2025, were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Debbie Richards **Seconded:** John McLnerney

5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

- a. Weed control*
- b. Controlled burn timing – flash feeding of rehab*
- c. Camberwell properties demolition*
- d. Grazing of paddocks above church*
- e. Tour of rehab area*
- f. Glennies Creek Road cracks repairs responsibility*

6. Correspondence

- a. 29/7/25 – email PB to CCC – fauna monitoring*
- b. 7/10/25 – email PB to CCC – Wild dog baiting program*

7. Company Reports and Overview of Activities

7.1 Ashton Operations Update

Refer to presentation.

JM raised Lemington Road issues in relation to the Longwall panels.

PB said that the repairs to Lemington Road have been completed.

7.2 Monitoring and Environmental Performance

Refer to environmental monitoring handout.

7.3 Community Complaints and response to complaints

Refer to presentation.

7.4 Environmental Update

Refer to presentation.

JM asked if maintenance of slashing etc will continue in Camberwell village.

PB advised that he will inform Bloomfield staff of what maintenance Ashton had been doing in the village.

7.5 Camberwell Update

Refer to the presentation.

8. Community Representative questions/comments

JM asked about potential grazing of the paddocks above the church.

PB said that the RFS had advised that the area is currently too green to be burn and that they were checking conditions every other day. The RFS had advised that the burn-off isn't affected by a fire ban and that they can burn throughout the period.

PB followed up with Glennies Creek Road repairs and that it had been referred to Singleton Council for attention.

9. General Business

MMH - asked that the CCC members be advised when the transfer from Ashton to Bloomfield is finalised.

MMH – referred to the Terms of Reference (TOR) required under the DPHI Guidelines that were adopted in 2023 and advised that she would update the membership to include Michael Barlett as an Ashton member. The members confirmed the currency of the TOR with this amendment.

MMH - proposed dates for the CCC meetings for 2026 as 26 February, 30 July and 29 October.

10. Next meeting

Next CCC meeting: 1:00 pm, 26 February 2026.

MEETING CLOSED at 1:41 pm with a tour of the rehabilitation area with available members.