



Notes for the Record

**New Consort Mine Environmental Authorisation and Mining Right Amendment Application
(MP 30/5/1/2/2/10220 MR (190 MR))
Draft BAR and EMPR Public Open Day
Mlambongwane Community Meeting Place & Barberton Golf Club, Barberton
10H00 – 18H00
24th & 26th April 2021**

Present:

Stefanie Weise (SW, Shango Solutions)
Zizo Siwendu (ZS, Shango Solutions)
Tshililo Malange (TM, Shango Solutions)
Ken Lovell (KM, Shango Solutions)
Ms Katlego Mukwevho (KM, Shango Solutions)
Phuthanang Faith Mooka (PFM, Shango Solutions)
Murendeni Nxumalo (MN, Shango Solutions)
Jochen Schweitzer (JS, No 77 Nyala Road, Wildlife Estate, Greenstone, Barberton)
Mary Stewart (JS, No 77 Nyala Road, Wildlife Estate, Greenstone, Barberton)
Bhekimuzi Mathebula (BM, Mandela Village)
Siyabonga Mamba (SM, Mlambongwane)
Johanna Sifunda (JS, Mlambongwane)
Natresa Nkosi (NN, Mlambongwane)
Thembelihle Thabethe (TT, Mlambongwane)
Zandile Nxumalo (ZN, Mlambongwane)
Ncamisile Nxumalo (NN, Mlambongwane)
Happy Zunguza (HZ, Mlambongwane)
Cleve Crossling (CC, Chariessa conservancy)

MINUTES OF THE OPEN DAY

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The purpose of the meeting is detailed as follows:

1. Present findings of the Basic Assessment process to the public.
2. Solicit comments on the Draft Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme Report.

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Comments provided during meeting:

COMMENT	RESPONSE
Is the community going to be affected in any way?	The community will not be affected because this is an amendment application to address an administrative error that was made when the application area was omitted in Annexure A of the converted new order mining right. No development will take place on surface.
Are you from Barberton Mines?	Barberton Mines appointed Shango Solutions as an independent Environmental Practitioner who is neither for Barberton Mines nor for the public to carry out this process. This is in line with the requirements of the NEMA EIA Regulations (2014, as amended).
How sure is Barberton Mines that the community will not be affected? May the community have a written document ensuring them that we will not be displaced from our homes?	Mining activities at New Consort consider underground gold mining operations as well as surface reclamation of tailings material. The boundary of the mine is detailed in the mine's Regulation 42 Plan. This means the mine is not legally permitted to go beyond its mine boundaries. Furthermore, your concern is noted and it will be communicated to Barberton Mines regarding a written document that ensures the community that they will not be displaced from their homes.
May we have something done about squatters that have invaded Charriessa Conservancy?	Your comment is noted, thank you. It is understood that the Charriessa Conservancy is not within the mining right boundary and the

			<p>Conservancy is not under the management of the mine. As such, The mine has no authority to take action against the invasion of the Charriessa Conservancy by squatters.</p>
		<p>Please consider Barberton Nature Reserve and underground water reserves when carrying out any mining operations.</p>	<p>Your comment is noted, thank you. Both the Barberton Nature Reserve and underground water reserves are considered in the BAR and EMPR.</p>
		<p>How will future encroachment into adjoining properties be averted?</p>	<p>The boundary of the mine is detailed in the mine's Regulation 42 Plan. This means the mine is not legally permitted to go beyond its mine boundaries.</p>
		<p>The mine has very less interest in employing people from surrounding communities. Young people are unemployed.</p>	<p>Your concern is noted and it will be communicated to Barberton Mines.</p>
		<p>Dust emission from the mining operation is affecting the health of community members.</p>	<p>Your concern is noted thank you. Mitigation measures relating to noise pollution have been proposed in the EMPR. The mine undertakes dust monitoring to estimate the impact of fugitive emissions. It is noted that the mine has on occasion exceeded the daily limits, but the annual average is generally below this threshold.</p>
3	<p>Comments provided during the Public Open Day have been incorporated into the final Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme Report.</p>		