

Grantville Quarries Reference Group

February 27 2026
Meeting Notes

🏠 Location: Grantville Community Hall
📅 Date: February 27 2026
🕒 Time: 10.00 am

Chair: John Mitas Meeting Notes: Zena Benbow

Attendees: John Mitas (Chair), Zena Benbow, Garry Cranny (Dandy PreMix), Michael Cole, Nathan Thomas (GSG/Holcim), Gunther Benedek (Heidelberg), Andy Dunn (Boral), Craig Banthorpe (Barro Group), Anne Westwood, Rob Parsons, Allen George, Halina Gwizdzil (Community Reps); Catherine Waterson Save Westernport Woodlands (SWPW) (Guest), Shannan Little (BCSC)

Remote: None

Apologies: Mayor Rochelle Halstead, Cr Meg Edwards, Robbie Viglietti (Bass Sands), Mark Morse (Heidelberg).

	Item
1.	Welcome and Introductions – Chair welcomed Nathan Thomas back to the group; decision made that too wet for bus onsite so site visit postponed until May meeting.
2.	Attendance and Apologies - Noted Above
3.	Confirmation previous Meeting Notes

4.	Environmental Management Reporting Boral Key Report highlights: Dust results prior to 5/2/26 are from equipment testing prior to commissioning onsite and should be excluded. Site Map highlighting the extraction zone and the rehabilitation zone. Heidelberg Planning application still under review under the Development Facilitation Program (DFP). Fire breaks updated at Northern Boundary in compliance with Council notice. Anne reported the speed limit on Stanley Road has officially been reduced to 60km/h bottom, 50km/h top- should be better result for road considerations as a result. GSG Dust spike in February but still well under limit. Weed Control and Fire Prevention under control Nathan to present during General Business in lieu of Site visit today. Barro WA still paused Contacted by Robbie regarding extension of stock fencing. Dandy PreMix Slight spikes in dust October & January, other months in-between okay; may be more civil works than quarry activity as monitors at front of property. Deep Creek Rd will remain open owing to Bushfire season to allow residents an alternate south-bound escape option towards Grantville. Temp traffic lights have enabled trucks to turn right out of the quarry since January 12. Cost of this intersection 100% covered by Regional Development Group (Dandy PreMix) as developer along with maintenance for the next 10years. Catherine asked about dust yesterday (26/02/26), apparently excessive; Garry to follow up as with Easterly Wind Extraction should have been closely monitored, if indeed at all- site practice.
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Bass Sands (via email from Robbie- put on screen)

Apologies for not earlier preparing a report for WA 210 Bass Sands The Gurdies and for WA 520 Pittsburgh Sand and Gravel Almurta.

In addition to my usual obligations, I have to take bereavement leave in between an intense schedule for commissioning a new project in Ballarat.

Regarding WA 210 and WA 520: I advise that we have undertaken further significant rehabilitation earth works at the Gurdies having placed over 20,000 m³ of reclaimed material to continue completing terminal batters to a gradient of less than 1:3 (refer to attached pictures).

This material will be left to consolidate and an additional campaign is scheduled for late March/early April.

This will be followed by construction of contour drains ahead of the commencement of revegetation works in late autumn/early spring, subject to achieving a safe, stable (and sustainable) landform.

Regarding WA 520, I advise that works to complete terminal batters has been paused while works have been taking place at the Gurdies.

Equipment to be used in rehabilitation works is still being repaired following theft and vandalism at site; additional equipment will be mobilized to site next month to complete works on the Northern and South Eastern boundaries.

Following the completion of fencing along the South/South Western boundary with GSG, we have undertaken works to clear along the other fence lines at the site ahead of reinstating fencing along the boundary with the Barro Group and other adjacent properties.

The fencing along these boundaries has significantly deteriorated over time and needs to be replaced; this will include reinstating Work Authority marker posts.

Updated compliance related signage has been ordered and will be installed at both sites.

I hope to complete all of these works before Winter.

5. Other business

1. Presentation to Council, 1st April 2026; Community Representatives asked who can attend- Anne Westwood and Halina available. Anne Westwood nominated by Garry Cranny

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extensive historic experience of the industry. Halina offered to back up if Anne not available closer to the date.

2. Distribution to the wider community of the Website-

Rob and Zena to link website to local targetted Facebook pages

A5 flyer for Community Noticeboard with the website (Zena to action)

Rob to consider a positive column for Bass Coast Post.

South Coast FM (Community Radio) & Waterline News ¼ page other options

3. Discussion about getting meeting notes up in a more timely framework; discussed TOR states 14 days from date of meeting notes distributed, any alterations by consensus next 14 days so as 30 day mark can be put on to website. *Action TOR Section 7.4 rewrite to reflect this *Action Committee understands timeframe

4. Update old advertisement asking for EOI for two community members for Sentential Times (reference can now be made to website and specifically TOR before applying)

5. ASX announcement 3 weeks ago Heidelberg Materials have bought Regional Group (Dandy Pre-Mix) 6-8 months to work through the T&Cs of sale

6. Presentation from Nathan Thomas (given delay in site visit) regarding Almurta Operation Rehab on common boundary done.

No infrastructure on site; no excess, no processing; overburden used on onsite rehab.

Coarse sand from here added to finer material at Grantville or supplied to public tracks locally as needed.

7. Next Meeting 10am Friday May 22 2026; site visit to follow.



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