Grantville Quarries Reference Group

August 28 2026
Meeting Notes

Location: Grantville Community Hall
Date: August 28 2026
Time: 10.17 am

Chair: John Mitas Meeting Notes: Zena Benbow

Attendees: John Mitas (Chair), Zena Benbow, Michael Cole (GSG), Garry Cranny (Dandy PreMix), Robbie Viglietti (Bass Sands), Andy Dunn, Mel Farrell (Boral), Halina Gwizdzil, Rob Parsons, Anne Westwood (Community Reps); Catherine Watson Save Westernport Woodlands (SWPW) (Guest), Janette Allen (Potential Community Rep/Guest)

Remote Attendees: Craig Banthorpe (Barro Group)

Apologies: Gunther Benedek, Mark Morse, Steph Holland (Heidelberg), Allan George (Community Rep), Nathan Thomas (Holcim)

	Item
1.	Welcome and Introductions – Chair welcomes Janette Allen, potential Community Rep and Mel Farreoo, Community Relations Officer Boral. Round table introductions. Role of community representative set out in Terms of Reference Document, history of group elaborated by Chair; Garry reiterated any community concerns should be directed to either the responsible quarry or at least brought back to this group for discussion (where appropriate); Catherine added the website and inclusion in the group for comment has been invaluable. Raised issue of a Cr purportedly saying the Regional Quarry Traffic Lights were paid for by public money at a Public Meeting. Garry has been asked to provide Catherine with an article regarding the Developer funding of said lights and the social and environmental benefits of the trucks no longer needing to go through Grantville.
2.	Attendance and Apologies - Noted Above
3.	Confirmation previous Meeting Notes (now on website after feedback received) Was raised that the presentation to Bass Council and the 'Questions on notice' response forwarded to the Mayor should be put on the website for transparency.

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4.	**Environmental Management Reporting** **WA210 Bass Sands** Rehabilitation works ceased in late May due to wet weather. Site was "Safed off" before activity entered care and maintenance mode over Winter. Rehabilitation bulk earthworks to recommence in Spring. Works will include: • Filling last section of formerly extracted areas to achieve terminal batters • Shaping terminal batters to achieve 1:3 profile • Create contour drains • Plantings of sterile rye grass followed by endemic species from species list Intent is to achieve "a safe, stable and sustainable landform" that complies with requirements of endorsed Rehabilitation Plan. Most of fixed plant now dismantled and removed from site. Valuable equipment was placed in sheds onsite for secure storage. Sheds on-site were broken into on 8 June 2026; all equipment placed in the sheds following decommissioning was stolen. Trail cam footage showing trespassers onsite was retrieved and forwarded to Police. Permanent monitored/solar powered security cameras are now installed onsite providing 24/7 surveillance in addition to trail cams. Regular visits occur weekly to monitor unauthorised activity at the site. Question from Catherine Watson regarding the goats, Robbie said the goats "appeared" after the last bushfire. They come and go from the site. They appear to be domesticated and may be someone's pets…Catherine urged they be removed. Robbie to chase up **WA 520 "Pitsburgh Sand and Gravel"** Rehabilitation works were undertaken in late May and ceased in early June due to wet weather.

Works included trimming the terminal batter along the Southern Boundary with GSG/Holcim and along the Northern part of the pit adjacent to the native vegetation preserved for the wildlife corridor.

Rehabilitation works will be completed in these two areas in Spring ahead of finalizing contour drains as required and seeding areas with sterile rye grass to stabilize soil prior to revegetation with endemic species from native species list.

Earth Resources Regulation (ERR) attended onsite to conduct WA Compliance Audit 10th of June 2026; no enforcement actions were required.

Trespassers were detected on-site on 14 June and 2 July 2026 via trail cameras. Video and still images were retrieved and forwarded to Police.

Permanent monitored/solar powered security cameras are now installed onsite providing 24/7 surveillance in addition to trail cams.

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Boral

WA 970

Weeds targeted in Autumn; 'Cell 1' continuing to be rehabilitated with oversize and pressed fines

WA 532

Weeds targeted Autumn; Southern terminal face buttresses. 30no Austral Grass Trees relocated from extraction face to rehabilitation area.

GSG

WA 470

Internal Woody Weed Control – 15th May 12th 14th Aug.

3500 Tube stock currently being planted over the Nth boundary rehab area.

One industrial noise complaint was received via the EPA from the 2 July 2026 at 2100.

This incident has been investigated and is unrelated to Grantville Sand & Gravel

(GSG) operations.

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	WA 469 Internal Weed Control – 20th 22nd May 5500 tube stock planned over the Nth & Nth West rehab areas. **Dandy Premix** No adverse Groundwater quality results from the Take and Use Bore. Dust limits April-June well within acceptable limits, with noted decline after the completion of the roadworks. Respirable Crystalline Silica Dust (RCSD) all well below OHS trigger levels. Inkweed continues to be the biggest weed problem; ongoing weed maintenance program in place (ongoing) 2000 tube stock planted 3/08/26; direct seeding (previously regarded as failure) showing encouraging signs of growth and robustness; request submitted to Landcare for 5000 tube stock for Autumn 2027 **Barro** -nothing to report other than new neighbour (former police officer) requesting access to firewood
5.	Other business 1. Discussion regarding Janette Allen approval for Community Representative Position unanimously agreed upon. 2. Best wishes to Anne Westwood regarding the safe quarantine measures in place for her chickens.
7.	Next Meeting 10am Friday December 4 2026