

Independent Planning Commission NSW

Public Meeting Parkes October 16<sup>th</sup> 2018

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Sunrise Nickel Mine MOD 4

Thank you for the opportunity to address the public meeting. I live in the township of Tullamore, 27kms east of Fifield. Tullamore sits on the boundary of Parkes and Lachlan Shire Councils. It is a service town for residents in the Lachlan Shire as well as those in the Parkes Shire.

I declare an interest as I am a share holder in CleanTeQ.

I have lived in Tullamore since 1998 and during this time there has always been the anticipation of a mine. Tullamore is like so many small towns who are seeing a decline in population, yet still has an energy to ensure its survival. A contributing factor to that survival should be the Sunrise mine. The town has a very well equipped and staffed Accident and Emergency facility with acute and aged care beds. As well, there is a Central School catering for years K-12.

I support the Sunrise mine expecting it to offer employment and associated benefits to our community.

As a Councillor of the Parkes Shire, I also see the Shire and regional benefits of the mine in the long term.

In my support I fully understand the questions the communities have had in regard to traffic, air quality, water and noise. I feel the review of the MOD 4 has addressed these issues, but, ultimately I would like to think that CleanTeQ will be proactive in addressing the issues if they develop, as a good corporate citizen.

Although land clearing is said to be at a minimum and a vegetation corridor is to be planted on the southern and eastern boundaries, I feel the Green House Gas emissions could be offset with considerable revegetation. This would help with dust, visual amenity as well as bird corridors.

Again, I support this development and MOD 4. I have found CleanTeQ to be considerate of all objections put to them and feel our communities will benefit from the Sunrise Mine.

Thank you  
Barbara Newton

