

RECORD OF SITE INSPECTION

SITE INSPECTION NOTES		
Project:	Bowdens Silver Project (SSD 5765)	
Meeting Location:	The Project Site and surrounding area	
Date:	14 February 2023	
ATTENDEES (SITE INSPECTION AND LOCALITY TOUR)		
Commissioners:	Peter Duncan AM Clare Sykes Peter Cochrane	Panel Chair
Office of the IPC:	Phoebe Jarvis Geoff Kwok Stuart Morgan	Senior Planning Officer Senior Planning Officer Manager Public Participation
ATTENDEES (SITE INSPECTION ONLY)		
Applicant:	Anthony McClure Joel Ray Blake Hjorth Tom Purcell Nicholas Warren Paul Ryall	Managing Director, Silver Mines Limited and Director, Bowdens Silver General Manager, Bowdens Silver Community Liaison Officer, Bowdens Silver Environment Officer, Bowdens Silver Principal Consultant, RW Corkery & Co Senior Environmental Consultant, RW Corkery & Co
Community Group Representatives:	Tom Combes Bradley Bliss	Lue Action Group CEO Wellington Valley Waradjuri Aboriginal Corp and Gallangabang Aboriginal Corp

LOCATIONS AND KEY OBSERVATIONS

Meeting opened at: 7am

LOCALITY TOUR

1) Lue Road between Mudgee and Lue

The Panel travelled by car from Mudgee via Lue Road towards Lue and observed the landscape and other physical characteristics of the surrounding area. The Panel observed from Lue Road land associated with sensitive receiver R92 (2295 and 2385 Lue Road).

2) Lue Village locality tour

The Panel visited and observed the following:

- Swanston Street
- Lue Public School
- Lue Railway Station
- Cox Street and playground
- Lue Hotel
- Lue Pottery

The Panel observed from Harpur Street land associated with sensitive receiver R91 (29 Swanston Street).

3) Lue Road/Pyangle Road intersection

The Panel observed the existing intersection of Lue and Pyangle Roads.

4) Lawsons Creek bridge

The Panel observed the existing bridge across Lawsons Creek from Pyangle Road.

5) Lue Road between Lue and Camboon

The Panel travelled by car from Lue via Lue Road towards Camboon. The Panel observed from Lue Road land associated with 4077 Lue Road, Camboon.



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6) Site office

The Site Inspection commenced with an opening statement from the Panel Chair. The representative from Lue Action Group and the representative from Wellington Valley Waradjuri Aboriginal Corp and Gallangabang Aboriginal Corp were in attendance at the Site Inspection. The Applicant conducted a safety briefing.

7) Bingman Hill

The Panel viewed the existing transmission line and the indicative location in which the transmission line is proposed to be re-located. The Panel observed the ridgeline to the north, behind which the open cut pit is proposed. Lue was visible to the south.

8) Main open cut pit area

The Panel stood towards the western side of the proposed open cut pit and observed the location of the proposed open cut pit. The Panel observed the ridge at the eastern side of the proposed open cut pit.

9) Processing plant area

The Panel observed the location of the proposed processing plant. The Applicant indicated the proposed location of the turkey nesting dam and the nursery.

10) Tailings storage facility area

The Panel observed the proposed location of the tailing storage facility and the embankment. The Panel observed the location of a rock shelter which is identified as an Aboriginal cultural heritage site. The Panel drove to the bottom of the embankment.

11) Relocated Maloneys Road intersection

The Panel continued driving and from the vehicle observed Lawsons Creek, Lue cemetary and Council's waste transfer station. The Panel observed the position of the proposed relocation of Maloneys Road where it will intersect with Lue Road

12) Lue Public School / Meterological Station

The Panel stopped outside Lue Public School. The meterological station was also visible from this location (opposite the school).

13) Powells Road

The Panel drove along Powells Road. The Panel observed the proposed location of the waste rock emplacementand Hawkins Creek.

14) Site Office

The Panel returned to the site office. Attendees observed the Applicant's drone footage of the mine site. The Applicant demonstrated an interactive programme of the mine site with overlays of the proposed development. The Applicant noted that the interactive tool is available for download on its website.

NEIGHBOURING SITES LOCALITY TOUR

As part of its locality tour, the Commission visited and met with the owners of three neighbouring sensitive receivers to the south and south-west of the mine site to observe the relationship between the mine site and these three neighbouring sites.

15) Landowner 1 – R37

The Panel observed the location of the mine site, to the north and north-east of sensitive receiver R37. The Comission walked to Lawsons Creek at the property boundary and viewed the location of the proposed mine site and its proximity to this receiver.

16) Landowner 2 – R35, R12

R35: The Panel walked to the rear of the dwelling and through the rear garden. The Panel observed the hill to the north that the proposed tailings storage facility and emplacement area would be located behind. The Panel observed the transmission lines.

R12: The Panel drove to a second location further east on the property and viewed the location of the proposed mine site to the north and north-east.

17) Landowner 3 - R87

The Panel observed the mine site to the north and north-east from the property. The Panel observed the hill to the north that the proposed tailings storage facility and emplacement area would be located behind. The Panel observed Lawsons Creek, which forms part of the property boundary.



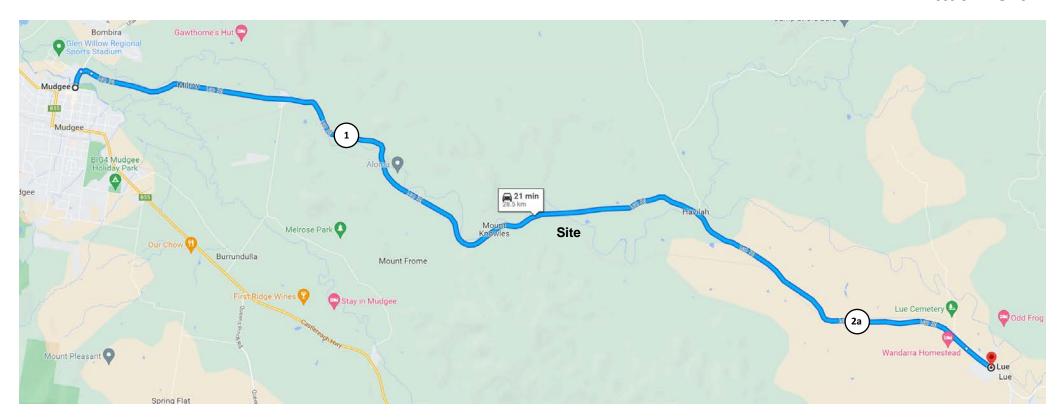
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Attachment A – Locality Tour Map Attachment B – Site Inspection Map

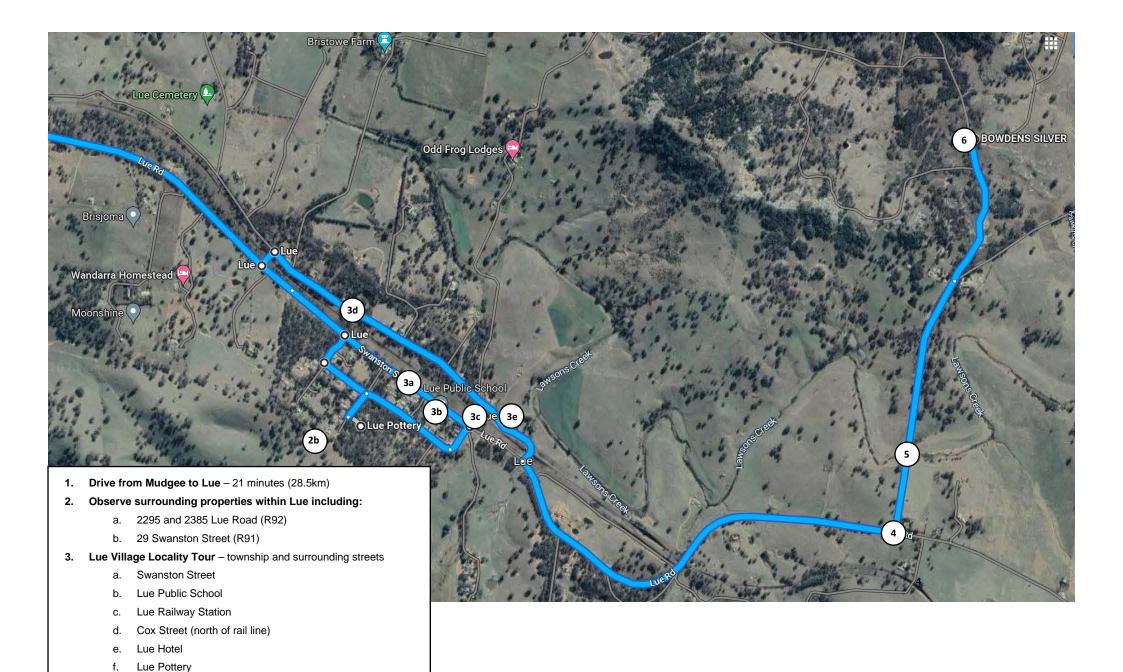
Attachment C - Neighbouring Sites Locality Tour Map

Meeting closed at: 1:30pm

Attachment A



- 1. Drive from Mudgee to Lue 21 minutes (28.5km)
- 2. Observe surrounding properties within Lue including:
 - a. 2295 and 2385 Lue Road (R92)
 - b. 29 Swanston Street (R91)
- 3. Lue Village Locality Tour township and surrounding streets
 - a. Swanston Street
 - b. Lue Public School
 - c. Lue Railway Station
 - d. Cox Street (north of rail line)
 - e. Lue Hotel
 - f. Lue Pottery
- 4. Lue Road/Pyangle Road intersection
- 5. Lawsons Creek bridge (Pyangle Road)
- 6. Drive to Bowdens Silver site

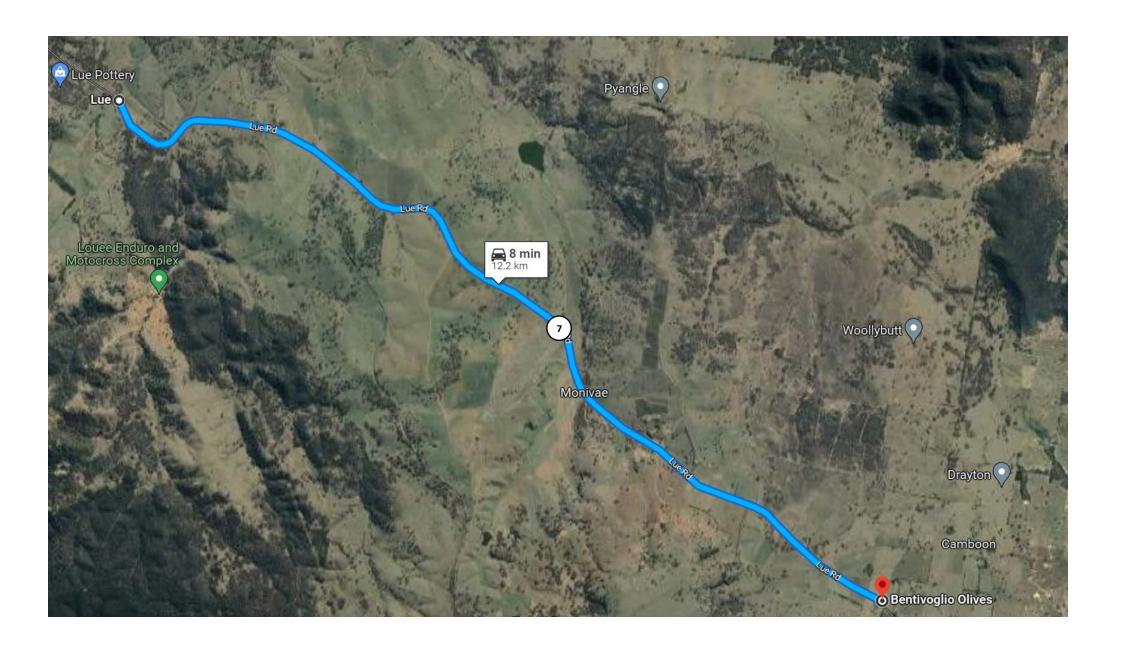


Lue Road/Pyangle Road intersection

Lawsons Creek bridge (Pyangle Road)

Drive to Bowdens Silver site

Bowdens Silver – Locality Tour



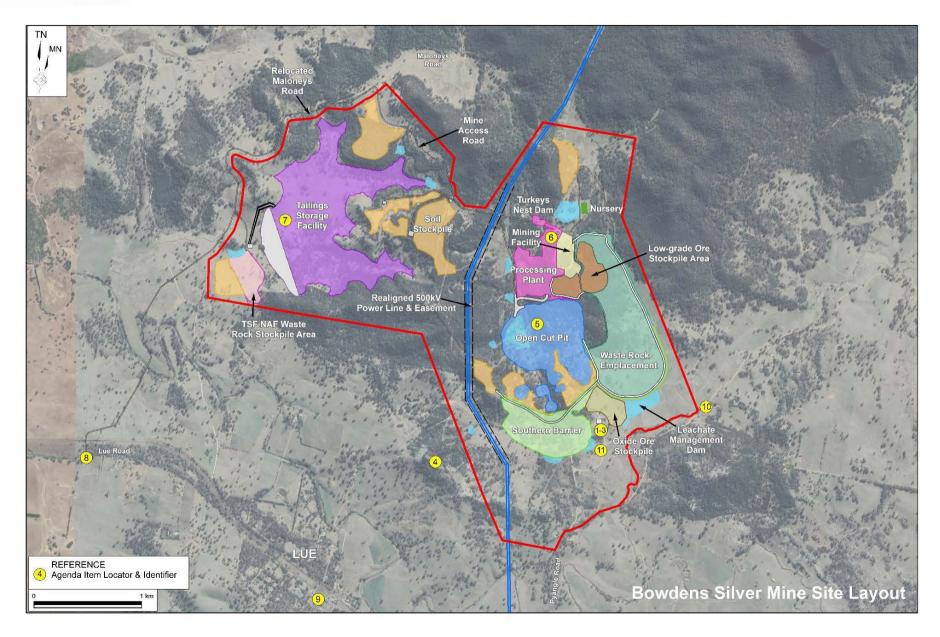




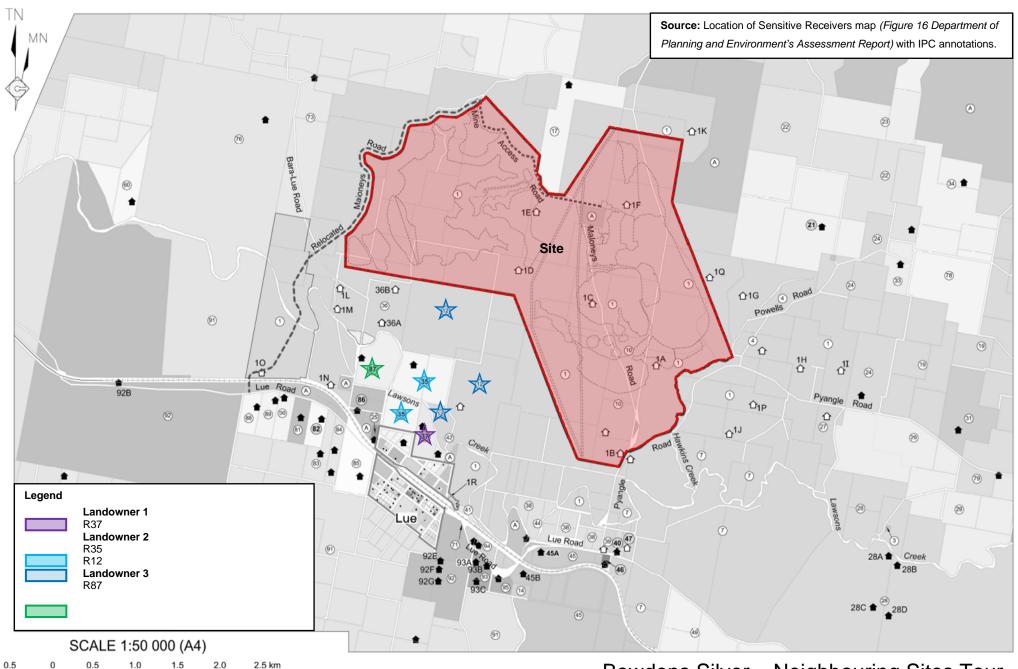
Schedule

Map Location	Agenda Item	
1	Welcome and introductions	
2	Induction and safety briefing	
3	Overview of site and inspection route	
4	Travel to Bingman Hill – view over site including 500kV realignment	
5	Visit main open cut pit area	
6	Visit processing plant area	
7	Visit TSF area	
8	Visit relocated Maloneys Road intersection	
9	Lue Public School / Meteorological Station	
10	View WRE area from Powells Road	
11	Return to Bowdens Silver Office	





Attachment C



Bowdens Silver – Neighbouring Sites Tour