



**Dufferin Milton Quarry  
Community Advisory Panel (CAP)  
Meeting Minutes**

**REVISED: November 24, 2010**

**Meeting Date, Time & Location**

Tuesday, September 28, 2010, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
Dufferin Milton Quarry, Boardroom, 9410 Dublin Line, Milton

**Participants**

| <b>Name</b>         | <b>Organization</b>  |
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| Kim Wilson          | Local Neighbour, CAP Member                                      |
| David Johnston      | Niagara Escarpment Commission, CAP Member                        |
| Jan Mowbray         | Town of Milton Councilor, CAP Member                             |
| Maureen Smith       | Bruce Trail, CAP Member  |
| Letty Stevenson     | Dufferin Aggregates, CAP Member                                  |
| Janice Vansco       | Local Neighbour CAP Member                                       |
| Julia Carslake      | Local Neighbour CAP Member                                       |
| Stephen Ng Qui Sang | Neighbour (Guest)  |
| Marrion McMeeken    | Local Neighbour (Guest)  |
| Kate Bottos         | Local Neighbour (Guest)  |
| Steve Clairman      | Local Neighbour (Guest)  |
| Mike Grimwood       | Local Neighbour (Guest)  |
| Richard Erdmann     | Dufferin Aggregates (Guest)                                      |
| Chris Flemming      | Dufferin Aggregates (Guest)                                      |
| Andrea Bourrie      | Holcim Canada (Guest)  |
| Walter Heyden       | Dufferin Aggregates (site manager, Milton Quarry),<br>CAP Member |
| Paul Ostrander      | CEO Holcim Canada (Speaker)                                      |

**Facilitation and minutes**

Amanda Brewer, Edelman  
Tom Sargent, Edelman

**Regrets**

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| Sandy Martin | Milton Chamber of Commerce, CAP Member |
| Cindy Lunau  | Town of Milton Councilor, CAP Member   |

## Minutes

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Amanda Brewer
- 2) Minutes from the last CAP meeting (April 27, 2010) were approved by the Committee
- 3) Paul Ostrander, CEO Holcim Canada introduced himself and addressed the CAP members
  - a) Touched on how Holcim is using the CAPs across more of its quarries
  - b) Paul began his presentation by giving a history of St. Lawrence Cement and Dufferin Aggregates and the re-branding in 2009 as Holcim
  - c) Paul discussed the company's geographical distribution in Canada
  - d) Paul talked about Holcim's CSR program, including community sponsorship, environment, health & safety and community advisory panels
- 4) Andrea wrapped up the presentation and quickly summarized the presentation; she also reiterated that the presentation will be posted online.
- 5) Andrea opened the floor for questions from CAP members
- 6) Jan Mowbray thanked Paul for the presentation and asked about how Holcim is working toward making any green innovations
  - a) Paul said that Holcim Canada needs to be a green company internally and are continuously working towards that and that they are exploring objectives related to reducing power usage and carbon emissions (trucks)
- 7) Jan Mowbray then asked about customer and community acceptance of pervious concrete?
  - a) Paul said that Chicago likes to use it and that they are promoting it
  - b) The engineering community has some concerns about how it will react in the winter
- 8) Is it expensive?
  - a) The overall project is cheaper because of the sewers, but the material itself, it is potentially more costly
- 9) What is the life cycle?
  - a) 20-25 years however there are concerns around frost
- 10) Are there concerns about ground/water contamination?
  - a) There are opportunities for filtration, mimicking what nature already does. Paul said they have a demonstration on how the pervious concrete actually works. We can have an example at the next meeting.
- 11) Kim Wilson wanted to talk about the water recharge system
  - a) Concern that Dufferin staff has not provided Kim with information/response to previous questions and he said he didn't have the expertise to interpret data.
  - b) Holcim needs to investigate the situation about the recharge system further

- c) Andrea indicated that information had been provided to Kim about his previous concerns and that the information had also been provided to all relevant agencies Kim was also provided details about who to contact at the agencies
  - d) Andrea said that they will work with Kim to get the right people to the table for him to speak with, if that is required going forward
  - e) Andrea indicated that Dufferin is confident that the recharge system is not the cause of the issues Kim is experiencing on his property. The system is working the way it is supposed to and as approved
  - f) Kim wanted the minutes to show that he was never contacted **and that he never received the information that he requested**
  - g) **Julia Carslake said that Kim Wilson was not being constructive by implying that Andrea was being dishonest.**
- 12) Janice asked a question about the amendment to the NEC that was the subject of a letter received from the NEC. Does the amendment affect neighbours and what will be the impact?
- a) Andrea said that this was nothing new. When the approval for the Milton Quarry extension was granted in 2006, Dufferin made a commitment to transfer a piece of the land into the Niagara Escarpment Plan.
  - b) Last spring, the government (MNR) declared five areas to be added to the NEC Plan and the Dufferin Milton lands were among the five. So it was something that was always going to be done and it is a procedural thing that is happening now
  - c) Andrea reemphasized that the land will now be covered by the Niagara Escarpment Plan, as opposed to the Town of Milton OP and Zoning Bylaw.
- 13) Jan agreed with Janice that there should be a laymans letter describing the proposed amendments and the transfer of land to the NEC and the current letter from the NEC is difficult to understand
- 14) Andrea committed to circulate the letter that Dufferin sent to Town council and will follow up with Ken Whitbread to determine if there is anything else NEC can do to address misunderstandings
- 15) Andrea wrapped up the CAP member question portion of the meeting and then expanded to questions from non-CAP members
- a) **Steve Clairman** asked if there is a place where he can get more information (agenda, minutes, presentations, etc.) so that he can stay informed.
  - b) Andrea referenced the website, [Holcim.ca](http://Holcim.ca), where he can find more information on the quarries. Go to the Corporate Social Responsibility section on the home page and then to Sustainable Development page. Community Advisory Panels is on the left list.
- 16) **Steve Clairman** asked, "Where are you at with excavating?"
- a) Walter Heyden and Andrea Bourrie showed the group a map of the quarry and showed the areas where they are extracting and where they plan on extracting in the future
- 17) Kim would like for the large map to display where his property is, since it is right in the middle of it all

- 18) Walter talked about the blasting at the quarry and also addressed how they monitor noise and air pressure around the quarry
- 19) Kim requested that they re-look at the monitoring in the area, because there are cracks in his foundation
  - a) Andrea responded by indicating that a review of monitoring locations was completed after a previous CAP discussion (see presentation material posted on website) and that some changes had been made
  - b) Confirmation was given that blasting meets the MOE limits and that Kim will be provided with this information so he can review it again
- 20) A question was asked about biodiversity over the lifespan of a project (quarry). Reference was made to a Holcim-Vietnam initiative
  - a) Andrea confirmed that the Milton rehabilitation plans and monitoring results are in place and well underway. Biodiversity results are published as part of the Annual Monitoring Report
  - b) Holcim is just starting on a new biodiversity initiative and further information will be available in 2011
- 21) A question was asked about the criteria around submitting blasting data and does the government measure the blasting?
  - a) Dufferin is required to monitor all blasts and make the data available to MOE. An annual report of this data is not required. If there is something specific that is of interest, staff can provide it
  - b) Also, Andrea indicated that Dufferin is willing to put a seismograph on individual properties, as requested, to address any noise concerns
- 22) A question was raised about dust and air quality and what Dufferin is doing about that
  - a) Andrea said that aggregate quarries are required to report some data via the NPRI reporting process but that the recent issues about PM 2.5 are not specifically addressed
  - b) At the Milton Quarry, there are numerous proactive measures and ongoing ways to mitigate dust including watering roads, truck wheel wash to decrease tracking of mud onto roads
  - c) It is on the radar of an issue to explore in more detail, however at this point, there is no air monitoring at the quarry
  - d) Andrea will report back to CAP members on status overall air monitoring programs at a future meeting
- 23) At the next meeting, Kim wants the water management company to come and present the numbers. Also to invite someone who can explain the numbers.
- 24) Andrea indicated that there have been two water presentations by CRA (posted on the website) and if the CAP would like additional information, that can be arranged
- 25) Paul committed to reviewing the Water Management System technical data and confirming that Dufferin is not the cause of the issues at Kim's property. The CAP will be cc'd on Paul's response to Kim

26) Paul Ostrander wrapped up the meeting by saying thanking the CAP and the community for inviting him to the meeting and to sharing their thoughts with Holcim/Dufferin

**Ongoing List of Topics suggested for future meetings:**

- Water management system
- Acton Quarry tour and Acton expansion proposal

**Next Steps**

- Minutes will be sent to CAP members for review

**Next Meeting**

- Tuesday November 23, 7:00 pm at Dufferin Aggregates Milton Quarry