



## Dufferin Aggregates Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Meeting Minutes

### Meeting Date, Time & Location

Tuesday, March 29, 2010, 7-9 p.m.

Dufferin Rural Heritage Community Centre, 30 Park Avenue, Acton

### Participants

Name	Organization
Norm Elliott	Local Neighbour
Monica Gunn	Vision Advisory Committee (VAC)
Ron Heller	Acton East Housing Corp.
Geoff Knuff	Local Neighbour
John McNabb	Acton Business Improvement Association
Paul Vanhanen	Bruce Trail Conservancy
Andrea Bourrie	Dufferin Aggregates
Enzo Bertucci	Dufferin Aggregates
Rob McDougall	Dufferin Aggregates

### Guests

- Jessica Pompilio, Dufferin Aggregates

### Regrets

- Shawn Steepe, Local Neighbour

### CLC Facilitation and Support

- John McHugh
- Lucy Lai

### Minutes

- CLC members in attendance approved minutes from the January 26, 2010 CLC meeting for posting on [www.dufferinactonquarry.com](http://www.dufferinactonquarry.com).
- Rob McDougall, Acton Quarry Site Manager, provided an operational update on the Quarry, including:
  - Updates on the results of the redesigned blasting method incorporating new laser technology, including:
    - Seven (7) test blasts occurred in the months of January and February, 2010 during which blasting effects were reduced by 10 per cent. The number of neighbours' complaints received



about blasting has been reduced to one (1) over seven (7) blasts to date in 2010 from seven (7) over 11 blasts in 2009.

- As a result of the new laser technology, which increases the efficiency and productivity of each blast, Acton Quarry is hoping to reduce the number of blast days by 20 per cent in 2010 while still producing the same tonnage.
- The Acton Quarry continues to have dialogue about its blasting operations with its neighbours, and CLC members are encouraged to report any feedback on behalf of the community.
- A tree planting event to celebrate Earth Week 2010 will take place on April 17. Everyone in the Acton community, including CLC members, is encouraged to join the event.
- Dufferin acknowledged Geoff Knuff's comments at the last CLC meeting about the risk of accidents due to poor visibility and heavy truck traffic at the haul truck exit/entrance located on 22nd Sideroad west of 4th Line (at the top of the hill). Dufferin is working with the appropriate parties to explore possible solutions and will report back to the CLC at the next meeting.
- Andrea Bourrie, Director, Planning and Regulatory Affairs, Holcim Canada, provided an update of the status of the Quarry extension application, including the JART review process nearing completion, and the next phase of the application – the formal review process required by the Aggregates Resources Act (ARA).
- Andrea also provided an overview of the planned community engagement activities for Acton in 2010. Dufferin invites CLC members to suggest channels and forums for the planned activities, such as speaking opportunities, and/or joint presentations by Dufferin and the CLC members. The Committee provided and discussed a number of suggestions, including:
  - Posting on the Acton Quarry's web site, information regarding the pilot project at the Acton Quarry to improve blasting efficiency and reduce negative effects;
  - Exploring partnership/stewardship opportunities with community-based environmental agencies, including Credit Valley Conservation, Conservation Halton, etc., for mutually beneficial environmental programs, such as, the Forestry Management Programs, on Dufferin's land holdings in Acton;
  - Assisting CLC to secure opportunities to increase its profile in the community
- The CLC will revisit and hear updates from Dufferin regarding the above suggestions at the next meeting.
- Enzo Bertucci, Project Manager, Dufferin Aggregates, gave a presentation with an overview of the quarry applications in the GTA and surrounding area.

### **Next Steps**

- Minutes for this meeting will be sent to the CLC for review
- An information package regarding the ARA formal review process will be provided to the CLC members for their information



### **Next Meeting**

- Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 8, 2010, 7-9 p.m.
- The meeting will feature a presentation regarding Dufferin's application following the ARA formal review process.
- CLC will also revisit the community engagement ideas raised at March 29, 2010 meeting.