



Bendigo-Ophir Gold Project

Community Liaison Group

Charter of Understanding

1. Purpose

The Community Liaison Group (CLG) is established by Matakaniui Gold Limited (MGL) to facilitate open communication, collaboration, and mutual understanding between the Bendigo-Ophir Gold Project (BOGP), community and relevant stakeholders. The CLG aims to address concerns, share information, and foster cooperative relationships to support community well-being and project success.

2. Objectives

- To provide an additional forum for discussion and engagement between the BOGP, community representatives and key stakeholders.
- To enhance transparency and trust through regular communication.
- To promote community engagement activities undertaken by MGL.
- To identify and address community concerns in a proactive manner.
- To provide feedback and recommendations on activities that impact the community.
- To promote inclusivity of diverse community perspectives.

3. Membership

The CLG will consist of representatives from the following groups:

- Local community members and residents.
- Representatives from relevant organisations, businesses, or agencies.
- Project or special interest representatives.
- MGL employees and nominated persons.

Members will be selected based on their willingness to participate, their ability to represent community interests, and their commitment to the objectives of the CLG. MGL retains full discretion on the selection of community members.

4. Roles and Responsibilities

- **Chairperson - MGL General Manager:** Facilitates meetings, sets agendas and manages discussions. The Chairperson has the authority to remove members who do not comply with the Charter of Understanding. Membership is subject to review every two years.
- **Secretary – MGL Communications and Government Relations Senior Advisor** - Maintains meeting records, distributes minutes, manages correspondence, and is the primary point of contact for communication.
- **Members:** Actively participate in meetings, provide input, and communicate with their respective communities. Attendance expectation is to be able to attend three out of four quarterly meetings annually in person.

5. Meetings

- Meetings will be held at the end of each quarter – March, June, September and December.
- Special meetings may be convened as necessary to address urgent issues.
- Agendas will be distributed in advance, and meeting minutes will be recorded and shared with members.
- Meetings will be conducted in a respectful and inclusive manner, ensuring all voices are heard.

6. Confidentiality and Ethics

- Members will respect the confidentiality of sensitive information shared within the group.
- Discussions will be conducted with integrity, honesty, and professionalism.
- Any associations of interest should be disclosed, recorded and managed appropriately.

7. Communication and Reporting

- Regular updates will be provided to the broader community through newsletters, public meetings, or online platforms.
- A summary of discussions and decisions will be made available to ensure transparency.
- Feedback mechanisms will be in place to gather community input on relevant matters.

9. Review and Amendments

- This Charter will be reviewed annually to ensure its relevance and effectiveness.
- Any changes will be documented and communicated to all members.

10. Adoption

This Charter of Understanding is agreed upon and adopted by the members of the Community Liaison Group, with the shared commitment to fostering collaboration and positive community relations.

Signatures

Date:

Community Representative Name:

Signature:

Paul Miles, General Manager, Matakanui Gold Limited

Signature:

Polly Clague, Senior Advisor – Communications & Government Relations

Signature: