Role of the Community and Environment Society

The role of the Community and Environment Society (C&ESoc) is to encourage all AusIMM members to understand Community and Environment issues and implement best practice professional approaches through communication and collaboration with AusIMM branches, Services and professional groupings. Areas of interest include:

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- Community
- Environment
- Mineral exploration
- Geology
- Mine planning
- Environmental geochemistry
- Hydrogeology
- Mine Rehabilitation
- Closure planning

Membership includes Community and Environmental professionals as well as other professionals with an interest in, or role in community and environmental aspects of mining.

C&E Society activities include:
- Improving cross discipline collaboration
- Providing input, support and planning for the biennial Life of Mine conference
- Promoting the minerals sector to the wider community through involvement with broader AusIMM advocacy
- Hosting professional development opportunities via a range of mediums from regional road shows, technical presentations to webinars
- Membership services and participation
- Strengthening guidance to non C&E practitioners, for example considerations for JORC / VALMIN reporting
- Development and contribution to AusIMM publications
  (e.g. Spectrum series, Bulletin articles on C&E topics)
- Professional mentoring programs

Representing You:

The C&ESoc provides input into AusIMM policy positions, particularly around strategies for improving Australasia’s sustainability performance.

The C&ESoc provides comment on issues including:
- regulatory closure planning guidance
- regulatory surety systems
- emerging industry issues, e.g. climate change
- abandoned mines policy
- stakeholder and community engagement
- application of sustainable development principles

Effective Representation:

The Community and Environment Society Committee meets on a monthly basis via teleconference to discuss its goals, progress and how to best represent the AusIMM membership on Community and Environment subjects. The Committee is comprised of a broad range of disciplines including geology, mining engineering, environment and community disciplines. The AusIMM website, weekly e-newsletter as well as the AusIMM Bulletin are used to broadcast significant C&E related news and initiatives to AusIMM members. In addition the C&E Society webpage of the C&E Bulletin website provides updates on the latest news and events within the Community and Environment scope.

The C&ESoc is always open to new members and welcome the involvement of interested people to assist with committee initiatives.