SAMESG Committee Meeting

Date of Meeting	29 May 2025	**Time**	12:00
Chaired by:	Charlene Wrigley	**Location**	Teams
Minutes prepared by:	Gcina Matsoyane		

Present:

Committee Members:

Charlene Wrigley	Bruce Williamson	Nikki Fisher
Nicole Wansbury	Kevin Davies	Matt Mullins
Maria Antoniades	Vassie Maharaj	Kelly Ken
Richard Gardner	Billy Wilson	Marvin Lobeko
Sunday Mabaso	Tania Marshall	
Jeremy Whitley		

SAIMM Secretariat:

Gcina Matsoyane

Apologies:

Teresa Steele-Schober
Tim Rowland
Seef Vermaak

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Topic	Discussion
Welcome	Charlene Wrigley opened the meeting, acknowledging an apology from Teresa, Tim and Seef.
1. Acceptance of previous minutes with reference to actions noted	The committee reviewed previous meeting minutes, with Matt raising concerns about the process related to recommendations for Table 1 in the SAMESG guideline. **Proposer:** Nikki Fisher **Seconder:** Marvin Lobeko
2. Matters Arising	Charlene identified actions from the previous meeting, including updating the documents like the Glossary of terms and putting the document together, including disaggregating it from other reporting guidelines and keeping this just as the guideline not as a standard. Noting that the SAMESG guidelines are going to go through change process.

3. Discussion on SAMESS Guideline Review **SAMESG v2 pre-release**	Kevin expressed confusion over a section regarding material issues and community relocation, while Tania sought clarification on whether her editorial comments would be included in the next draft. Charlene confirmed that feedback from the committee would be addressed in the public consultation process. Matt expressed governance and industry confusion concerns regarding recommendations for Table 1, asserting that only the SAMREC Committee should issue changes. He proposed removing Section 11 from the exposure draft and replacing it with a statement indicating that recommendations have been forwarded to SAMREC for consideration. Charlene acknowledged the feedback and clarified that the intention was to provide guidance without altering Table 1. Nicole proposed that instead of removing a table, the information could be repackaged in a different format to avoid confusion with Table 1. It was suggested by a conference room participant that the content be submitted to the SAMREC Committee for review, which would ensure consistency across guidelines, despite potential delays. Maria confirmed that the content had already been discussed in detail with the SAMREC Committee, leading to its current presentation. Maria suggested the removal of the name "Table 1" from certain documents to reduce confusion and strengthen the guidelines. She highlighted the importance of providing additional considerations for clarity. Bruce raised concerns about the potential for activists to exploit discrepancies in public documents, which could increase pressure on explorers and juniors. Nikki supported the idea of repackaging the documents for better clarity. Nikki further highlighted the risk of proposing ESG elements for Table 1 in SAMREC, noting significant opposition during the review process. Nicole supported this view, stating that the summary committee recommended including these elements in the guidelines instead of the code to prevent confusion and maintain focus on minimum standards. She emphasised the need for clarity regarding the guidelines' purposed and its separation from the SAMREC code. Nicole highlighted that the new guideline should not supersede Table 1, with it being noted that the wording must avoid confusion with Table 1's format. Charlene stated that the guideline needs to be revised to include a clear statement about its purpose and the precedence of Table 1. She also mentioned that public consultation cannot begin until these revisions are completed and approved by SAMREC. Kevin discussed the complexities of community resettlement in relation to declaring mineral resources, drawing from his experience at AngloGold Ashanti. He noted that resettlement challenges can hinder the progression to resource declaration and suggested that the current example in the discussion should be revised. Charlene

	concurred and encouraged the group to think of a more suitable example that reflects the issues of capital allocation and community obligations. Charlene highlighted the value of diverse viewpoints in shaping guidelines and acknowledged Bruce Williamson's concerns regarding liabilities from the MPRDA proposals. She detailed the necessary steps before initiating public consultation, including addressing comments and obtaining approvals.
2.SAMSESG Update Portfolio update	Nikki outlined the process for amending the guidelines, tracking comments, and the timeline for the public consultation period. The period for consultation will be 60 days. **Action:** The next step is to consolidate comments and prepare for public consultation. **Action:** Prepare a stakeholder briefing and document to inform stakeholders on how to address their comments; and launch a public consultation process, potentially a press release. Charlene highlighted the committee's mission to enhance mineral reserve and resource reporting with a focus on sustainability. She encouraged members to engage in the public consultation process and assist with communication efforts. She expressed optimism about the progress made and the importance of collaboration in the upcoming months.
3. General	The Committee will recirculate the date for public consultation.
Next meeting	Thursday, 28 August 2025 at 10:00. Revised Thursday, 27 November at 11:30.
Meeting closure	The Chairperson thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Matters Arising/Action Items

Meeting Date	Action	Responsible	Due	Status	Comments
29/05/2025	To resend his letter expressing concerns regarding the process to Charlene Wrigley for her review.	Matt Mullins			
29/05/2025	To ensure that the updated guideline includes a clear statement that it does not replace the SAMREC Table 1 and that SAMREC takes precedence.	Charlene Wrigley			

29/05/2025	To make the amendments that were discussed to the guideline and submit that to the SAMREC committee and get SSC approval.	Nikki Fisher and Marvin Lobeko			
29/05/2025	To have a dedicated email address for recommendation submissions.	Nikki Fisher and Marvin Lobeko			
29/05/2025	To revisit Section 11 with stakeholders before public consultation.	Charlene Wrigley			