INFORMATION SHEET

PROJECT TITLE: **Concerns of mining communities**

You are invited to take part in a research project about attitudes towards living within a mining community. The study is being conducted by James Cook University student Katerina Kanakis and will contribute to the degree in Doctorate of Philosophy (Psychology) at James Cook University.

If you agree to be involved in the study, you will be invited to participate in either a focus group or a one-on-one interview. The focus group or interview, with your consent (and others in the focus group), will be audio-taped, and should take approximately 1 hour of your time. The interview will be conducted at a venue of your choice.

Taking part in this study is completely voluntary and you can stop taking part in the study at any time without explanation or prejudice.

At the beginning of the focus group the researcher will ask participants to respect the confidentiality of the group, however the maintenance of confidence by other group members cannot be guaranteed.

If you know of others that might be interested in this study, can you please pass on the contact details provided on this information sheet so they may contact one of the investigators to volunteer for this study.

Your responses and contact details will be strictly confidential. The data from this study may be used in research publications and presentations. You will not be identified in any way in these publications.

If you have any questions about the study, please contact Katerina Kanakis or Dr Connar McShane.

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