

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PROJECT MONITORING COMMITTEE (PMC) HELD IN CUAN NA FARRAIGE, AUGHOOSE ON 11th MAY 2005 AT 2.15pm.

Chairman: Mr. D. Mahon

Present: Ms. Agnes McLaverty, Shell E & P. Ireland Limited
Ms. Catriona Morrison, Shell E & P. Ireland Limited
Mr. Leslie Finnegan, Shell E & P. Ireland Limited
Mr. Gerard McDonnell, Community Representative
Mr. Nicholas Whyte, Community Representative
Sergeant James Gill
Mr. Ray Smith, Environmental Protection Agency
Mr. Paddy Mahon, Mayo County Council Project Manager
Mr. Peter Hynes, Mayo County Council
Mr. Donal Wynne, Bord na Móna
Mr. Denis Strong, National Parks & Wildlife Service
Dr. John Conneely, North Western Regional Fisheries Board

Apologies: Mr. Gerry Costello, Shell E & P Ireland Limited
Mr. Michael Daly, Petroleum Affairs Division, Dept. CMNR
Mr. Vincent Roche, North Western Regional Fisheries Board

In Attendance: Ms. Muriel Finnerty, Mayo County Council

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the Project Monitoring Committee held on 13th April 2005, were approved, having been proposed by Mr. McDonnell and seconded by Mr. Hynes.

2. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Updates:

(i) Roadworks / Transportation

Mr. P. Mahon updated the meeting on roads and transportation as outlined in progress report circulated to the meeting.

The meeting was informed that all recommendations of Safety Audit are being undertaken and that monthly surveys of the peat haulage roads are carried out by independent road survey team.

Mr. Whyte requested that bulletin be issued to re-assure people that safety measures are in place and Ms. McLaverty undertook to take the matter up with Shell E & P Media Consultants.

(ii) Environmental Monitoring

Mr. Finnegan outlined up to date position as outlined in report circulated to the meeting, regarding work carried out to date and environmental monitoring.

Mr. Whyte enquired if comparative figures could be provided in respect of environmental monitoring and this was agreed.

Mr. Finnegan clarified the position in relation to potential diesel spills, which was raised by Dr. Conneely.

(iii) Bord na Móna

Mr. Wynne outlined position in relation to Shrahmore Site, as set out in report circulated to the meeting.

(iv) Truck Incidents

Ms. Morrison informed meeting that due to recent peat haulage truck incidents, transportation of peat has ceased temporarily and is due to recommence on 16th May next.. Drivers are currently undergoing intensive training provided by Institute of Advanced Motorists. The Chairman stated that the safety issues of transportation were a matter for Shell E & P Ireland Limited and that any recommendations arising from Safety Audits or monitoring would be carried out by Mayo County Council.

4. Update on Terminal

Ms. Morrison informed meeting a letter of intent had issued to Project Management for construction management commencing in August/September next. She also indicated that five sub contracts have recently been advertised in the EU Journal and it is hoped to have these let by end June/early July next.

5. Court Cases

Ms. McLaverty indicated that there was no change in relation to Court Cases since the last PMC meeting.

6. Community Fund

Chairman undertook to prepare proposals for the setting up of community fund. Applications will be considered when fund is put in place. Correspondence from residents of Attawalla regarding provision of children's playground was noted.

7. Correspondence

Correspondence received from Ms. Monica Muller:

This matter was deferred until next PMC meeting due to the absence of Mr. Daly.

8. Any other business

Chairman thanked Shell E & P Ireland Limited for organising site visit which took place earlier.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the PMC will take place in Aughoose at 10.45am on 8th June next.

This concluded the business of the meeting.