

CORRIB GAS DEVELOPMENT

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PROJECT MONITORING COMMITTEE (PMC) HELD IN ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, CASTLEBAR, ON 14th JUNE 2006, at 11.00am.

Chairman: Mr. D. Mahon, County Manager

Present: Mr. Gerry Costello, Shell E & P Ireland Ltd.
Mr. Terry Nolan, Shell E & P Ireland Ltd.
Mr. Leslie Finnegan, Shell E & P Ireland Ltd.
Mr. Michael Hughes, NWRFB
Mr. Gerard McDonnell, Community Representative
Mr. Nicholas Whyte, Community Representative
Sergeant James Gill, An Garda Síochana
Mr. Peter Hynes, Mayo County Council
Mr. Paddy Mahon, Mayo County Council Project Manager
Mr. Ray Smith, EPA
Mr. Michael Daly, Dept. MNR

Apologies Mr. Enda McDonagh, Bord na Móna
Mr. Denis Strong, National Parks & Wildlife Service
Ms. Agnes McLaverty, Shell E & P Ireland Ltd.

In attendance: Ms. Muriel Finnerty, Mayo County Council

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the Project Monitoring Committee Meeting held on 10th May 2006 and already circulated, were proposed by Mr. P. Mahon, seconded by Mr. Costello and approved.

2. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Water Quality – Carrowmore Lake

Mr. P. Mahon outlined the position as set out in report circulated prior to the meeting.

Mr. Hynes informed the meeting that the Mayo County Council Belmullet Area Meeting was held recently in the Bangor Erris Regional Water Supply Scheme Treatment Plant, after which a guided tour of the facilities took place.

The visit and presentation on the plant should help to allay any outstanding public concern regarding the standard of treated water in the Erris Regional Water Supply Scheme.

4. Environmental Issues

Mr. P. Mahon informed the meeting that Mayo County Council had recently issued a letter to Shell E & P Ireland asking for a programme for the installation and commissioning of the new Axonics Plant as a matter of urgency. Mr. Costello undertook to respond to the Council with this programme as soon as possible.

Mr. Finnegan updated the meeting, as set out in report circulated, and indicated that no complaints in relation to the site had been received in the Shell E & P Ireland Office in Bangor Erris. The Chairman requested that any anomalies in results, due to the dry weather, would be thoroughly explained when results are published.

5. Updates:

- **Roadworks/Transportation**

Mr. P. Mahon indicated that the accommodation works and road repair works at Glenturkbeg and Muinhinn are practically complete.

- **Bord na Móna**

The Environmental Management System up-date, already circulated, was noted.

6. Update on Terminal

Mr. Costello informed the meeting that no attempt is being made to get back on site until the current mediation process concludes. However, tenders submitted by sub Contractors are currently being evaluated in order to be in a position to proceed with the construction of the Terminal Building on the successful completion of mediation.

7. Court Cases

Mr. Costello informed the meeting of the up to date position in relation to the following:

- *Judicial Review – Martin Harrington-v-An Bord Pleanála and Others:*
The Judge's decision on costs in this case is awaited.
- *Peter Sweetman-v-Shell E & P Ireland Limited and Lennon Quarries and TJ Lennon.*
This case, which was lost in the High Court, has been appealed by Mr. Sweetman to the Supreme Court.

▪ *Onshore Pipeline Proceedings:*

The application to the High Court for discovery of documents for the hearing of proceedings linked to the construction of the gas pipeline was heard by Ms. Justice Mary Leffoy on 9th May last and her decision is currently awaited.

An Bord Pleanála Determination

Discussion took place on recent Bord Pleanála determination regarding developments at Rosspoint South, Bellegelly South, Sruwaddacon Bay, and Glengad.

8. Local Issues

Mr. McDonnell outlined details of request received from Bangor Angling Club for funding from the Community Fund for the erection of pontoon pier at Carrowmore Lake. Discussion ensued and the Chairman requested that proposals for this project be prepared as soon as possible. Mr. Hynes and Mr. P. Mahon undertook to meet with the Bangor Angling Club in order to progress this proposal.

9. Any other business

Mr. Hynes outlined details of North Western Regional Fisheries Board Report on water quality in Carrowmore Lake and the Bellanaboy River, which was circulated at Mayo County Council Area Meeting held recently. This report was noted by the PMC and a copy is attached. The report will be available on the County Council website.

The Committee thanked Mr. Finnegan, who was attending his last PMC meeting, for his work and wished him well in the future.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the PMC will be held on 12th July 2006 at 11.00am in Castlebar.

This concluded the business of the meeting.