

UIC PERMIT ADVISORY FORUM (PAF)
Minutes of meeting held at
Umbogavango Conservancy, at 14.00 on Thursday 7 May 2026

Present:**(As per attendance register)**

Ewan Alanthwaite (EA)	AECI
Kyle Dass (KD)	AECI
Zinzi February (ZF)	AECI
Navika Govender (NG)	DWS
Ayanda Mkhize (AMk)	Anchor
Thando Nxumalo (TN)	Anchor Yeast
Orlena Pillay (OP)	Anchor Yeast
Charles Mzobe (CM)	AECI

Secretariat

Rose Owen (RO)	Phelamanga
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Apologies

Nomali Msomi (NM)	AECI
Jabulile Madibe (JM)	DWS
Natisha Padayachee (NP)	Anchor/Rymco
Mervin Soobramoney (MS)	AECI
Mumsy Tlholoe (MTh)	Anchor/Rymco

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS – ALL MEMBERS

AB	Andre Beetge	NMb	Nkululeko Mbatha
AMa	Alfred Matsheke	NMc	Ntuthuko Macwele
AMk	Ayanda Mkhize	NMh	Nozuko Mhlongo
BM	Bongani Mthembu	NMk	Nqobile Mkhize
BN	Brent Newman	NMt	Nozopho Mthethwa
CM	Charles Mzobe	NNd	Ndumiso Ndlovu
CF	Chris Fennemore	NNDo	Nonhlanhla Ndoba
DD	Des D'Sa	NNt	Nolwazi Ntsontso
EA	Ewan Alanthwaite	NP	Natisha Padayachee
EM	Ebrahim Moosa	OP	Orlena Pillay
GTh	Grahame Thompson	PMp	Philiswa Mpantsha
JM	Jabulile Madibe	PR	Preesha Rooplal
JP	Justin Pillay	SA	Sumaiya Arabi
KD	Kyle Dass	SB	Satisha Barath
KN	Kyle Naidoo	SF	Simon Forster
LC	Lerato Chipi	SG	Surikumari Govender
LH	Liane Henman	SGo	Surikumari Govender
LS	Lihle Sibiya	SH	Stuart Henderson
ML	Mpho Ligudu	SL	Simone Labuschagne
MMI	Msibi Mlungisi	SW	Stewart Whyte
MN	Musa Nzuza	SZ	Skhumbuzo Zungu
MS	Mervin Soobramoney	TMo	Thuli Montana
MT	Mulalo Tshikotshi	TN	Thando Nxumalo
MTh	Mumsy Tlholoe	TZ	Thembisa Zamisa
NG	Navika Govender	WA	William Ansell
NGu	Nomzamo Gumede	WB	Wanda Mbokazi
NJ	Nonjabulo Dlomo	WM	William Middleton
NL	Neo Leburu	WW	Wandile Wella
NM	Nomali Msomi	ZF	Zinzi February
NMa	Ntombi Madibe	ZK	Zandile Khuzwayo

ACTION**1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

1. RO welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.
2. Introductions were done.
3. A safety briefing was conducted, detailing the location of the G room and oxygen bottles in case of a gas emission.
4. If anyone has not received the relevant emails/SMS notices please forward the correct contact details to: rose@phelamanga.co.za.

2. APOLOGIES

1. Apologies were noted as recorded above.

3. PURPOSE AND FORMAT

1. To ensure that all stakeholders are adequately informed and consulted about the conditions of the licenses issued for a marine discharge pipeline, and are afforded fair and adequate opportunity to make input.
2. To provide relevant information and knowledge to the licensees that may otherwise not have become available.
3. To assist in verifying data, identifying impacts, alternatives, avoidance, minimisation and mitigation measures for issues associated with the conditions of the pipeline licenses.
4. To promote transparency and provide advice to both the licensees and the competent authority based on the meaningful contribution of key parties.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

	<u>ACTION</u>
- The draft agenda was presented, RO noted the incorrect AGENDA HAD BEEN PRINTED. She apologised and noted the available Agenda could be used with the following changes - Item 6.1 Pipeline Repairs - Item 6.2 Development Update - With these changes the Agenda was accepted and adopted.	
5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2026 The minutes having been circulated were confirmed as a true reflection and signed.	
6. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES NOT COVERED ANYWHERE ELSE	
6.1. DEVELOPMENT NEAR PIPELINE SERVITUDE - There has been no further movement or feedback regarding Oxford development near the pipeline. It will remain an agenda item until clarity is received. - The WABAN pipeline notice was received regarding the scoping report availability. - It was noted by EA that there has been engagement with the Vern Steyn, the AECl team had proposed removing their buoy when the cable is landed. He had responded that there is unlikely to be any activity until 2027. - KD noted that a number of the items raised by EA and the Acacia AECl team were considered by the applicant. - RO reminded all that the comment period on the Scoping report closes on 24 May. - EA asked if anyone knew if the IKPSA team were aware of the project as the proposed landing is in their servitude.	
6.2. DYEFIN EFFLUENT WATER RECYCLING PLANT - EA updated the meeting that they have started. He is unaware how far the commissioning has gotten. The indication from Abdullah was that their intentions were to be running at albeit at low rates by August. It does take time to get a plant up and running, so August might be September before it is fully operational. EA noted that Dyefin is taking some condensate from Anchor Yeast. - The item to remain on the Agenda for further updates as the plant ramps up.	
7. REPORT FROM AECl PROPERTY SERVICES OPERATIONS - CM informed the meeting the report would cover 2 quarters, namely fourth quarter of 2025 and the first quarter of 2026, as the February meeting had been the Benthic survey. - It was noted that all attendees knew the pipeline route and there had been no changes to the route. - In terms of our license, qualitative and quantitative sampling measures are done. For quantitative, volume is measured. For the qualitative, there are daily, weekly, and monthly grab samples. And then the pipeline surveys and the benthic survey which has already been reported for 2025. - In terms of volumes, the physical allowance of the pipeline is constrained. Therefore, their quantitative readings will always be below the limit. For 2025, it's always been below the 6,000 m cube, for October, November, December, same was the case for January, February, and March. - Daily grab samples there was only noncompliance in December. This was for Suspended Solids. - CM noted this had been due to the clearing of the sludge. This had been an item that had been delayed and when the action was undertaken it caused noncompliance. Every sample there after achieved 100% compliance. CM further noted that the compliance was a minor excursion and not a high level. - EA further expanded that the sludge clearing was done due to a need to improve the capacity of the dams, to meet any extreme weather events. - The clearing should have been done over 12 months but had not and this meant it was focused in December. - The current plan is for the next clearing to be done more steadily, it was confirmed that the sludge is considered hazardous and so it is collected and then disposed of via the correct waste management process and sites. - All other samples, weekly and daily have been 100% compliant. - There have been no sea discolouration's.	

	<u>ACTION</u>
12. The dive survey is currently being scheduled, there have been negotiations with the service provider regarding the work to be undertaken. 13. Date for the survey has to be set and they are awaiting suitable sea conditions. 14. NG queried the weekly grab slide – noting there was no data on the December line. 15. CM apologised and saw that there was a Q2” column that should not be on the slide and that had pushed December off. He would correct. 16. NG requested clarity where the samples are taken. 17. CM and EA confirmed it is at Kingsway plot, the last point before the pipeline goes out to sea. 18. It was noted that the sampling shows noncompliance for December, but then 100% thereafter. How is this possible? 19. CM confirmed that the daily, weekly and monthly, samples test for different parameters. 20. EA informed the meeting that they do have some frustrations with SS as due to the Kingsway plot sample site being within a pit, there can be other sources that come into the pit and therefore there is a noncompliance that can't be tracked back to any incoming source. They are currently concerned that there is impact coming from storm water runoff from the filling station. The channel was never meant to be a storm water runoff channel, it doesn't take storm water and was silted up during the major floods.	CM to update
8. PERMIT ISSUES 1. No items were raised	
9. COMMUNITY ISSUES 1. No items were raised .	
10. GENERAL 1. The meeting noted with concern the lack of attendance from the municipal officials and departmental officials. 2. RO to follow up with officials and request their participation as they are a key stakeholder in the process.	RO to follow up
11. PROPOSED DATES FOR 2025 5 February 2026 – Benthic Survey Report TBC 7 May 2026 6 August 2026 5 November 2026	
12. CLOSURE There being no further business the meeting closed at 14:30	

Read and confirmed this day of 20

Signature

ANNEXURE

The following links to the folder containing the presentations referred to above will be available in Phelamanga Projects' Dropbox until the next meeting of the PAF.

PRESENTATION	LINK	FILE SIZE
AECI Presentation	Contact us for the file	