

ISLAND VIEW COMMUNITY FORUM

Minutes of Meeting held at 17:30 on Wednesday 12 August 2026

Online via MSteam

Present (as per attendance register)

Bridget Buthelezi (BB)	Bidvest Tank Terminals
Philip Collyer (PC)	Bulk Connections
Nomfundo Chonco (NC)	Bulk Connections
Khanyisile Dlamini (KD)	SAPREF
Masingi Mkatoko (MMs)	Vopak
Tshepiso Mokale (TMO)	Bulk Connections
Noxolo Msiya (NMs)	Vopak
Len Naidoo (LN)	Cutler Complex
Nomzamo Ncube (NNc)	Bidvest Tank Terminals
Loganathan Perumal (LP)	eThekwini Storm Water
Philisiwe Selwane (PSe)	Transnet Pipelines
Pelan Soobramoney (PS)	Cutler Board
Tiisetso Senyolo (TS)	Bidvest Tank Terminals

Secretariat

Mrs Rose Owen (RO)	Phelamanga
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Apologies

Sifiso Dube (SD)	Vopak
Santosh Hansraj (SH)	eThekwini
Zoe Solomon (ZS)	Ward 66 Councillor
Shireen Whitby (SW)	eThekwini

MEMBERS BY INITIALS			
AA	Ashnie Adams	NN	Ntsaphokazi Ncarashe
AM	Andile Mafika	NNc	Nomazamo Ncube
ANj	Ayanda Njapha	NNt	Ningi Ntombela
AR	Andy Rossell	NS	Nondumiso Siko
BD	Bongani Dube	ON	Oliver Naidu
CC	Cindy Cande	PC	Philip Collyer
DD	Des D'Sa	PMa	Pavan Maharaj
DHi	Daniel Hiralall	PN	Phumulani Ngema
EK	Emmanuel Khuzwayo	PNa	Preggy Naidoo
EM	Enock Mchunu	PR	Phathu Raphaelalani
EZ	Eric Zondi	PSe	Philisiwe Selwane
GJ	Garth Jonathan	PS	Pelan Soobramoney
GM	Gift Mathula	RN	Ringo Naidoo
GV	Gary Vahl	RO	Rose Owen
HH	Hlengiwe Hlela	SD	Sifiso Dube
IA	Ivor Aylward	SF	Shanice Firmin
JK	Jotham Khumalo	SG	Silindile Gumede
KD	Khanyisile Dlamini	SH	Santosh Hansraj
KP	Kyrin Pillay	SiMa	Simon Malindi
KT	Kevin Thomas	SiMaz	Simphiwe Mazibuko
LC	Louise Colvin	SMd	Siyabonga Madondo
LB	Lionel Beukes	SMe	Sandile Memela
LD	Lindo Dube	SMo	Sakina Moosa
LMo	Logan Moodley	SMp	Simphiwe Mpanza
LN	Len Naidoo	SN	Sagie Naicker
LP	Loganathan Perumal	SS	Shamona Sookhlal
MF	Melanie Francis	SSh	Sizwe Shiba
MaMb	Mandla Mbuyazi	SSi	Samuel Singh
MMh	Mthokozisi Mhlongo	SW	Shireen Whitby
MMo	Melusi Molefe	TM	Thomas Maduraimuthu
MMs	Mkatoko Masingi	TMa	Thembihle Mazibuko
MN	Mvuzo Ntombela	TMb	Thobile Mabaso
MNg	Mbali Ngubo	TiM	Tirelo Mamosebo
MNd	Mfundo Ndwandwe	TMO	Tshepiso Mokale
MNk	Mduduzi Nkosi	TN	Thandeka Nodada
MR	Melvin Ramlall	TS	Tiisetso Senyolo
NC	Nomfundo Chonco	YC	Yuza Chabalala
NK	Nkosana Keleni	ZC	Zama Cele
NMa	Njabulo Masuku	ZN	Zibuse Ngcece
NMd	Nompumelelo Mdlaose	ZNg	Zandisile Ngundze
NMs	Noxolo Msiya	ZM	Zamani Mtshali
NMt	Ntokozo Mthembu	ZS	Zoe Solomon
NoMt	Nokukhanya Mthuli	ZZ	Zamokhule Zuma
NoMy	Nompumelelo Myende		

ACTION

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND APOLIGIES

- RO welcomed everyone to the meeting, thanked them for attending and asked them to introduce themselves and who they represented.

	<u>ACTION</u>
2. She let the forum know that the meeting will be recorded for accuracy of the minutes. 3. Apologies as recorded above.	
2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA 1. The draft agenda was accepted and adopted.	
3. PURPOSE AND FORMAT OF MEETING The scope and format of the meeting were restated as follows. 3.1. Scope of meeting 1. To discuss issues, originating from the Cutler Complex, of interest to the immediate community around Island View. 2. These issues include odour complaints, transport or traffic matters, health related issues and emergency communication. 3. The aim is to pro-actively engage between the Community, Industry and the Municipality on issues affecting the Community.	
3.2. Agreed format • Quarterly • Public meeting ○ Word of mouth ○ Extensive database • Meetings to focus on genuine issues • Timing: from 17h00-20h00 • Venue easily accessible • Attendees to submit issues prior to the meeting • Agenda to cover agreed topics	
4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 13 MAY 2026 The minutes were confirmed as a true record and signed.	
5. MATTERS ARISING 1. There were no matters arising from the previous minutes that were not already covered elsewhere on the agenda.	
6. ACCUMULATIVE RISK AND MHI UPDATE 1. PS provided an update on behalf of the Cumulative Risk Assessment Committee, which he chairs, advising that further meetings had been held with the appointed Approved Inspection Authority (AIA), MM Risk. 2. Due to the magnitude of the cumulative risk assessment, there had been slight delays in finalising the draft report. The AIA has been conducting a fault tree analysis of the neighbouring non-MHI sites within the complex to determine the potential domino effect and applicable risk zones. 3. The proposed LPG terminal on Lot 100, awarded to a joint venture between SEA and WASA and currently subject to separate EIA studies and public town hall meetings, has also been factored into the cumulative risk assessment. 4. The AIA is still collecting some outstanding information from neighbouring sites. TNPA had recently been visited by the relevant government environmental department, who will also form part of the collective process. Once complete, the report will be handed to Disaster Management to formulate a collective off-site plan for presentation to the Bluff community and surrounding residential complexes. 5. The report has not yet been finalised and remains in the drafting stage. It was originally targeted for completion by the end of August but is now expected around August/September, as the Committee wants to ensure the assessment is fit for purpose, given that no cumulative risk assessment had previously been conducted for the complex.	

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6. Additional items identified during the study will likely be addressed in Phase 2 of the project. PS noted that a TNPA process safety engineer has provided oversight and guidance throughout the project and has worked hands-on with the AIA, including attending site visitations.
7. PS will notify RO once the AIA report is submitted to Disaster Management, so that this can be communicated to the Forum. Feedback is expected to be provided at the next meeting.
8. In response to a query raised at the previous meeting by Bulk Connections regarding their exclusion from the cumulative risk assessment despite their location only being accessed via the complex. PS confirmed that Bulk Connections has not been included in the case study at this stage, although their access and egress routes have been factored into discussions on shutdown scenarios. This may be revisited should the scope be extended in Phase 2.

7. INDUSTRY REPORTS

7.1. Bidvest Tank Terminals

[Link to .pdf of presentation in Annexure]

1. BB, presenting to the Forum for the first time, explained that an eNose is a device that detects and analyses odours using an array of chemical sensors and pattern-recognition technology to identify or classify smells, and can be used for environmental monitoring and gas detection.
2. BTT has a total of 12 eNoses strategically placed across its sites on the island. Two of the twelve were inactive at the time of reporting as they were due for service; the service contractor had attended site that day to have their safety file approved before commencing the work.
3. For the reporting period January to July 2026, eNose detections by site were:
 - Bay 3 – 41%,
 - Bay 6 – 29%, Bay 4 – 12%, and
 - Bay 5 – 6%,
 - with no detections recorded at Bay 2, Q1 or Q2.
4. By product, detections comprised Ethylol 95 – 18% (stored at Bay 6), n-Butanol – 12% (stored at Bay 3), Other – 23%, and No Activity – 47%.
5. No questions were raised.

7.2. ENGEN

[Link to .pdf of presentation in Annexure]

1. No representative from ENGEN was in attendance and no report was received. RO advised that Engen's new contact, EK (Emmanuel Khuzwayo), had been informed of the meeting but had not joined; RO will follow up telephonically and extend an invitation to the next (in-person) meeting.

7.3. SAPREF

[Link to .pdf of presentation in Annexure]

1. SAPREF does not present eNose data; instead, the company reports on its Leak Detection Report (LDR), comparing targets against actual performance.
2. KD advised that SAPREF has only just begun its LDR programme for 2026, and the report will only be available for the meeting in November 2026.

7.4. VOPAK

[Link to .pdf of presentation in Annexure]

1. NMs presented the Vopak eNose Performance Report covering November 2025 to July 2026, focusing on tracking site emissions, aligning monthly maintenance plans, and ensuring transparent communication with internal and external stakeholders on scheduled site work, risk assessments and environmental triggers.

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2. Continuous monitoring tracks eNose environmental trigger levels across all participating stakeholder facilities in the Island View complex, including at boundary walls shared with neighbouring companies, to identify monthly fluctuations, operational anomalies and seasonal variances.
3. Triggers increased between November 2025 and February 2026. Investigations found that the majority originated from neighbouring companies, with some internal instances linked to tanker loading; the loading practices causing these issues were subsequently stopped.
4. Triggers decreased from March to July 2026, following the calibration of Vopak's eNoses by Skyside Environmental in April 2026, which formed part of the site's ongoing maintenance programme.
5. Isolating data by sensor zone helps pinpoint specific operational focus areas, such as the loading and rail-side areas, and directly informs maintenance schedules and mitigation measures reviewed at these forum meetings.
6. NMs also reported on Vopak's sustainability initiatives: participation in World Environment Day with TNPA in June 2026; the DMRE Back to School Programme on 14 January 2026 at Nyanyadu Primary and Ingabade High Schools in Dannhauser, which included the donation of water tanks, classroom water dispensers, gas stoves and a microwave; the Vopak South Africa rooftop garden, an urban agriculture initiative supporting food security, biodiversity and water conservation; and the purchase of International Renewable Energy Certificates (I-RECs), issued by Monsoon Carbon and sourced from a wind farm in Jeffreys Bay, Eastern Cape, to reduce Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions at the Vopak Lesedi and Vopak Durban terminals towards Vopak's net-zero target.
7. No questions were raised. The Chair thanked NMs, who had to leave the meeting shortly after presenting as she was on site elsewhere at the time.

8. eThekweni Passive Monitoring

1. No report was received.
2. RO advised that, per feedback from PN, eThekweni is not currently conducting passive sampling due to procurement challenges in sourcing equipment, and that this project will only be conducted in the next financial year. The last presentation received was on real-time air quality monitoring conducted in the city, delivered by NMa, eThekweni's Air Quality Manager.

8.1. eThekweni Odour Complaints

1. RO advised that apologies had been received from SH, who reported no odour complaints relevant to the Island View area for the period.
2. RO further clarified that SH only reports on complaints relevant to these industries and this area, and not the wider Durban South Basin.

9. TRANSNET PIPELINES

1. PSe of Transnet Pipelines presented an update on the company's servitude and community engagement programme, apologising that the presentation had not reached RO in advance due to its file size; a link would be shared separately.
2. Transnet's new stakeholder engagement contact, MNd, had been invited to the meeting, but the calendar invitation was sent too late for him to join; he is expected to attend future meetings.
3. The presentation was not specific to Island View but covered Transnet's pipeline network across South Africa, explaining the procedures and contact points communities should use to report incidents.
4. Transnet operates two pipelines relevant to the region: the Durban-Johannesburg Pipeline (DJP), constructed in 1965, and the newer New Multi-Product Pipeline (NMPP), built due to the age of the DJP. Together the network spans 3,800km of high-pressure petroleum and gas pipeline from Durban to Johannesburg across five provinces.

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5. The pipeline route is indicated by above-ground markers, which display emergency contact telephone numbers. Transnet holds a servitude of 3m on either side of the pipeline (6m in total); it does not own this land but has the right to access it for maintenance and emergency work.
6. Block valves are placed along the route to isolate sections of the pipeline in the event of an emergency, such as a leak or theft. The affected section is isolated, drained and repaired before being returned to operation, to prevent environmental pollution. The network is monitored and controlled from Transnet's Master Control Centre (MCC) in Pinetown, which includes a leak detection system able to identify pressure drops and the approximate location of a leak.
7. Any excavation within the servitude requires a permit from Transnet ("call before you dig"); contact numbers for this purpose are displayed on the markers.
8. Historic incidents of product theft occurred mainly between 2019 and 2021, with the majority in 2019 and 2020, resulting in pollution and, in some cases, fatalities among those stealing product. Improved security measures, combined with community servitude-awareness campaigns, have significantly reduced these incidents; no theft-related incidents or environmental pollution have been reported in KwaZulu-Natal this year, and no further incidents have been reported to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment.
9. Community engagement includes annual leaflets, posters and handouts distributed by regional servitude supervisors; focus groups in informal-settlement hotspots previously associated with theft; landowner engagement to remind property owners of servitude conditions; safety notices in the media in relevant local languages; annual calendars distributed to residents with toll-free contact numbers; school engagement; CSI community projects; and participation in local forums and special days such as Mandela Day.
10. PSe highlighted a recent International Coastal Cleanup event held in collaboration with the Department of Environmental Affairs and municipal partners, at which the Deputy Minister delivered a keynote address. The event had over 300 participants and collected recyclable waste comprising approximately 800 bags.
11. Members of the public can report suspicious activity on the servitude via an anonymous tip-off hotline, free SMS, or toll-free number, all of which are displayed on the pipeline markers and distributed materials.
12. RO thanked PSe for a useful and insightful update, noting the value of catching up new stakeholders on Transnet's programme given recent changes among Island View forum participants. No questions were raised.

10. TRUCKING FEEDBACK – WAR ROOM

1. No further updates were provided by industry partners on trucking-related matters within the island. The Chair noted that an apology had been received from ZS.

11. CANALS AND ESTUARIES

1. No further questions, queries or comments had been received since the last meeting.
2. RO will follow up again and request a presentation for the Forum's consideration. This topic is not directly related to industry activities but was raised as a matter of interest by a stakeholder.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. No items were raised.

13. PROPOSED MEETING DATES 2026

The remaining 2026 meeting dates are therefore:

~~14 May 2026 (Online)~~

~~13 August 2026 (Online)~~

9 November 2026 (In Person – Fynnland Primary School)

	<u>ACTION</u>
14. CLOSURE	
There being no further business, the meeting closed at 18:42.	

Read and confirmed this day of 20

Facilitator

ANNEXURE

The following links to the presentations referred to above will be freely available in Phelamanga's Dropbox until the next meeting of the Forum.

PRESENTATION	LINK	FILE SIZE
Bidvest Tank Terminals	https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/ks82uye8muoxz7fm11gxp/BTT-eNose-Presentation_12-August-2026.pdf?rlkey=wy03o470rsv5wy3pojvqvdy&dl=0	607 KB
ENGEN	No Presentation available	
eThekwini Passive Screening	No Presentation available	
SAPREF	No Presentation available	
Vopak	https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/esspiydsI0r88kdq4ckon/eNose-Report-Presentation-Nov-2025-Jul-2026.pdf?rlkey=wzs2vhzrcnntogu4lhwgr1a8j&dl=0	2 793 KB