
MINUTE 12 OF THE EXPERT PANEL
Update on suspension
Alternative to Brynderwyn Hills [FTAA-2603-1178]
[8 October 2026]

[1] As recorded in Minutes 7-10, the Panel suspended processing of the Application at the Applicant's request. The suspension took effect from 11:59 p.m. on 11 August 2026. The Applicant did not specify an end date for the suspension period and has been providing updates throughout the suspension period.

[2] As recorded in Minute 11, the Panel met with the Applicant on 1 October 2026 to signal the Panel's concerns with aspects of the ecological assessment undertaken on behalf of the Applicant. The Panel asked the Applicant to confirm whether it would like the Panel to progress the matters raised in Minute 11 during the suspension period.

[3] By memorandum of counsel dated 7 October 2026, the Applicant provided an update on the suspension period and responded to Minute 11.

[4] The Applicant requests that processing of the Application resume from 11.59 p.m. Monday, 19 October 2026. Section 65(2) gives the Panel no discretion in relation to such a request. Accordingly, the Panel confirms that processing of the Application will resume from **11.59 p.m. Monday 19 October 2026.**

[5] As the comments period closes the following day after the Application resumes processing, the Panel confirms that comments on the Application will therefore be due by **11.59 p.m. Tuesday 20 October 2026.**

[6] At the request of the Applicant, the Panel also confirms it will not progress the ecological requests raised in Minute 11 during the suspension period and will await the Applicant's response to the comments received before issuing further directions.

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Mary Hill
Alternative to Brynderwyn Hills Expert Panel Chair