

Parliamentary Question

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Question & Answer:

With regard to the Pluto LNG proposal, and a meeting held between the Minister and the Indigenous community on 7 February 2007 in Karratha, I ask -

- (1) What was the purpose of the meeting with members of the Aboriginal community?
- (2) Who was in attendance at this meeting and who did they represent?
- (3) Where and at what time was the meeting held?
- (4) What was the position put by the members of the Aboriginal community at this meeting in respect of continued industrial development on the Burrup and or the use of Site B?
- (5) Did the Minister meet with representatives of Woodside during her time in Karratha?
- (6) At what times and where did these meetings occur?
- (7) Did the Minister view any of the petroglyphs to be moved or destroyed on either Site A or B?
- (8) If yes to (7), what were the site numbers of the material viewed and on which site, A or B, were these located?

The Department of Indigenous Affairs advises:

1) The purpose of the meeting was for the Minister for Indigenous Affairs to meet with the Aboriginal community regarding the proposed project.

2) The following people attended the meeting:

- David Dale - Aboriginal community member
- Terry Dale - Aboriginal community member
- Robert Hicks - Aboriginal community member
- Tim Douglas - Aboriginal community member
- Wilfred Hicks - Aboriginal community member
- Vince Adams - Aboriginal community member

- Keith Churnside - Aboriginal community member
- Pansy Hicks - Aboriginal community member
- Violet Sampson - Aboriginal community member
- Joanna Churnside - Aboriginal community member
- Jill Churnside - Aboriginal community member
- Jean Mowerin - Aboriginal community member
- Thomas Mowerin - Aboriginal community member
- Michael Sambo - Aboriginal community member
- Max Sambo - Aboriginal community member
- Tyson Mowerin - Aboriginal community member
- Jenny Cosmos (nee Smith) - Aboriginal community member
- Raelene Cooper - Aboriginal community member
- Val Holborn (nee Cosmos) - Aboriginal community member
- Lawrence Kerr - Aboriginal community member
- Margaret Boona - Aboriginal community member
- Patricia Cooper - Aboriginal community member
- Trevor Solomon - Aboriginal community member
- Robert Boona - Aboriginal community member
- Roger Barker - Aboriginal community member
- George Ranger - Aboriginal community member
- Marcus Holmes - Partner, Taylor Linfoot and Holmes, Commercial Lawyers
- Rory O'Connor - Anthropologist, R and E O'Connor Pty Ltd
- Ron Parker - Anthropologist, Australian Interaction Consultants
- Alex Lyneham - Anthropologist, Australian Interaction Consultants
- Hon. Michelle Roberts MLA - Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- Emiliano Barzotto - Chief of Staff, Minister for Indigenous Affairs' Office
- Noel Whitehead - Policy Officer, Minister for Indigenous Affairs' Office
- Ingrid Hebron - Assistant Director, Heritage and Culture, Department of Indigenous Affairs
- Megan McCorry - Senior Heritage Officer, Department of Indigenous Affairs
- Robert Brock - Senior Heritage Officer, Department of Indigenous Affairs

3) The meeting was held in the Sea Ripple Room, All Seasons Hotel, Karratha, from 2pm until 4pm on Wednesday 7 February 2007.

4) Members of the Aboriginal community expressed their desire for no further industrial development on the Burrup.

5) Yes.

6) A site induction was given to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs and her party at 5pm on Tuesday 6 February 2007 at the Woodside Office in Karratha. A site visit was conducted the following morning from approximately 7am until 10am at Pluto Site A and Pluto Site B.

7) Yes.

8) The Minister for Indigenous Affairs, or the appropriate gender members of the Minister's party where sites were gender restricted, viewed the following sites on Pluto Site B:

- DIA Site ID 9255

- DIA Site ID 23355
- DIA Site ID 23357
- DIA Site ID 23433
- DIA Site ID 23434
- DIA Site ID 23435
- DIA Site ID 23544

The Minister for Indigenous Affairs viewed a number of relocated engravings on Pluto Site A.