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Gas Networks Ireland	21 Jan, 2026	
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Briefing on policy priorities seeking support	Support for designating GNI as the Hydrogen Network Operator, a technology neutral approach to decarbonisation and providing additional financial supports for biomethane producers.	

Name of person primarily responsible for lobbying on this activity

Christina Van der Kamp

Is or was there any Designated Public Officials or former Designated Public Officials who carried out lobbying activities related to this return on your behalf?

No

Are you managing or directing a grass roots campaign?

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Lobbying activity

Meeting (1) **In-person meeting on the 15th October.**

Designated public officials lobbied

Siobhan Russell

Special Adviser

Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment

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Email seeking meeting on updated policy priorities	Policy priorities document covers hydrogen, biomethane, security of supply, LEU and decarbonisation of heat	

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Email (1) **Email sent on the 23rd October.**

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Aine Doyle

Special Adviser

Department of Environment, Climate and Communications

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Submitted a paper to the committee on policy changes that could be made to accelerate the delivery of biomethane sector in Ireland	Changes in policy to support biomethane development	
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Aindrias Moynihan	Peter 'Chap' Cleere	
<i>TD</i>	<i>TD</i>	
<i>Dáil Éireann, the Oireachtas</i>	<i>Dáil Éireann, the Oireachtas</i>	
Natasha Newsome Drennan	Michael Fitzmaurice	
<i>TD</i>	<i>TD</i>	
<i>Dáil Éireann, the Oireachtas</i>	<i>Dáil Éireann, the Oireachtas</i>	
Martin Kenny	Joe Cooney	
<i>TD</i>	<i>TD</i>	
<i>Dáil Éireann, the Oireachtas</i>	<i>Dáil Éireann, the Oireachtas</i>	
Danny Healy-Rae	Paul Lawless	
<i>TD</i>	<i>TD</i>	
<i>Dáil Éireann, the Oireachtas</i>	<i>Dáil Éireann, the Oireachtas</i>	
Victor Boyhan	Paraic Brady	
<i>Senator</i>	<i>Senator</i>	
<i>Seanad</i>	<i>Seanad</i>	
Joanne Collins	Paul Daly	
<i>Senator</i>	<i>Senator</i>	
<i>Seanad</i>	<i>Seanad</i>	
Eileen Lynch		
<i>Senator</i>		
<i>Seanad</i>		

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Meeting set up with David Joyce, Director of Services and Martin McCormick, Fleet Services, Cork City Council in December to gain support for a new Cork BioCNG Station.	Support for a new Cork BioCNG Station, mainly focusing on the Planning process. David is Director of Services for Emergency Planning and Sustainability and has an interest in reducing emissions across Cork City, including their own fleet of vehicles. Having a local BioCNG Station could be of interest to him for a potential trial in the future.	

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Fran Mc Fadden

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Meeting (1) **In-person meeting, 16th December at Cork City Council offices.**

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David Joyce

*Director of Services or Equivalent
Cork City Council*

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Meeting with Nina Carberry at the EU Parliament to discuss progressing biomethane developments in Ireland and the EU.	Raise awareness of the need for more support for renewable gas.	
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Padraig Fleming		
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Meeting (1)	In-person meeting on the 4th November.	
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Nina Carberry		
<i>MEP</i>		
<i>European Parliament</i>		

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Engagement with Cynthia Ni Mhurchu, one face-to-face meeting on the 17th September.		Seeking to influence timing for review of the EU CO2 Emissions for Heavy Duty Vehicles.

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Cynthia Ní Mhurchú

MEP

European Parliament

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<p>GNI (Ciara Russell, Head of Legal and Emer Walsh, CLO) engaged with Liz Pope, Tailte Eireann at a meeting on 17 November. Emer Walsh and Ronan Galwey emailed Fintan Towey, Assistant Secretary in the Department of Housing on the 19th December.</p>		<p>Amendment sought to the category of registrable burdens to include GNI wayleaves created before date of first registration of the land in the Land Registry, due to safety risk arising (subsequent landowners & developers unaware of existence of gas pipeline on land) from the gap in the registration rules. GNI engaged with Tailte Eireann with a view to having the amendments including in DCEE's Gas (Safety) and Misc Provisions Bill 2024.</p>
<p>Emer Walsh and Ronan Galwey engaged with Fintan Towey by email on 19 December with a view to gaining his support to have the amendments included in DCEE's Gas (Safety) and Misc Provisions Bill 2024.</p>		

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Emer Walsh/Ronan Galwey/Ciara Russell

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Meeting (1)

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Fintan Towey

Assistant Secretary

Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage

Liz Pope

Chief Operations Officer

Tailte Éireann

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Briefing on policy priorities seeking support.	Providing additional financial supports for biomethane producers.	

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Christina Van der Kamp/Edwina Nyhan

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Meeting (1) **In-person meeting on the 2nd December.**

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Michaela Reilly

Special Adviser

Department of the Taoiseach