

Aldbrough Community Liaison Group Meeting

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| Date: | 12 th December 2024 | Location: | East Village Meadows Conference Centre, Garton |
| Date issued: | 20 th December 2024 | Recorded by: | Rachel Fox |
| Attendees: | | Apologies: | |
| Michael Gillatt, SSE (MGi) - Chair | Steve Mattinson, EGPC (SM) - Chair | None received | |
| Mick Robinson, Aldbrough Sports Hall (MR) | Tim Isherwood, St Michael's Wood (TI) | | |
| Paul Dacombe, Equinor (PD) via TEAMS | Caroline Turner, VOICE (CT) | | |
| Sally O'Brien, SSE (SO) via TEAMS | Janice Harvey, St Michaels Church (JH) | | |
| Rachel Fox, SSE (RF) | Avril Crawforth, EGPC (AC) | | |
| Billie Henry, Equestrian (BH) | | | |
| Stewart Allen (SA) | | | |
| | Members of the public | | |

Contact Details

Rachel Fox – Stakeholder Manager – 07467 652088 / rachel.fox@sse.com – (Monday to Friday 08:30 – 16:30).

Site Security – 01964 527885 (24 hrs a day)

Purpose of Meeting

- The Community Liaison Group will include representatives from the SSE, ERY Council, Aldbrough and Garton Parish councils and other relevant local interest groups.
- The Community Liaison Group shall provide a forum in which consultation can take place to consider the effects and issues which may arise from the development during its implementation and operation.
- The Community Liaison Group shall meet on a regular basis being at least once every six months.
- Meeting of the Community Liaison Group shall be open to members of the public, as observers.
- SSE shall nominate a Liaison Manager to act as point of contact; they will be a member of this Community Liaison Group.

Above is an extract taken from the Section 106

Meeting Notes

| Item | Discussion |
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| 1 | Individual Updates |
| | <p>CT (VOICE) raised the speeding signs as mentioned in the last meeting. MG advised that the request should go via East Garton Parish Council. CT mentioned that any applications for the Community Benefit fund had to be from a constituted group and have the necessary bank account. AC to progress via EGPC. The group were reminded that there are contacts available at ERYC that can assist with forming a constitution.</p> <p>mb@heysmilefoundation.org – Michell Barnes is the contact who can assist with any queries relating to the forming of a constitution</p> <p>ACTION: RF to contact Jayne Collings to look at the possibility of extending the Community Investment fund application window. POST Meeting Update - This has now been extended to Monday 20th January 2025.</p> <p>TI (St Michael's Wood) provided an update on developments in St Michael's Wood – the pond clearance has now been completed and whilst currently looks a little untidy, it will recover over the</p> |

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| | <p>coming months. The clearance has gone well and will encourage wildlife such as newts and frogs to breed.</p> <p>SM asked if SSE would be willing to pay for the proposed gate that had been discussed in the last meeting. MG said that it would be more suitable for it to be put through via the Community Investment fund. Post Meeting Update - MG has agreed that the gate will be funded by the GS site – quotation to be obtained via Heritage Hedging and site contact.</p> <p>It was shared by MG that the site team were supporting the Mission Christmas campaign again this year, donating gifts and supporting the collect hub using their volunteer days.</p> <p>MG provided an update regarding ongoing site operations – business as usual.</p> <p>No other updates.</p> <p>SM asked how the decommissioning of the cavern was progressing. MG shared that the cavern had been filled with brine, and it would now be left for approx. 2/3 years with a decommissioning plan in place. CT asked if the brine from the storage tanks had been used. MG confirmed that the quantity of brine from the storage tanks would not be anywhere near enough, so water from the borehole was utilised under the existing abstraction license that the site has.</p> |
| 2 | Aldbrough Hydrogen Pathfinder Scheme Update |
| | <p>SO gave an update on the AHP (Aldbrough Hydrogen Pathfinder) development.</p> <p>SO shared that both the planning application and hazardous substance consent application have officially closed for comment, but should there be any last-minute submissions they will be still accepted. ERYC confirmed that all comments received are vetted prior to publishing, so this can lead to a delay in them being visible on the portal. It was discussed that the HSE had commented that they would take several weeks to review the application and SO confirmed that this was worst case, and that their statement was typical for this type of application, and that the team would work alongside the HSE & ERYC to provide any information required. SSE Thermal already have a strong working relationship with the HSE via the existing site.</p> <p>SO provided an update on screening and will contact TI early 2025 to arrange another site walk round. Land discussions are still ongoing regarding copse planting.</p> <p>It was confirmed by MG that the gap highlighted from Bail View Farm has been flagged for review with Heritage Hedging to look at options if additional screening is possible.</p> <p>SM asked if there were any updates on the funding submission. SO explained that there was no update yet, it was anticipated that the shortlist would be announced in Autumn 2024, but there had been no news.</p> |
| 3 | Aldbrough Hydrogen Storage Scheme Update |
| | <p>PD provided an overview of current and expected activity relating to the AHS (Aldbrough Hydrogen Storage) development project.</p> <p>PD updated that the Seismic surveys were planned in for Summer 2025 with UXO surveys prior to that. The demo day date was still to be agreed, but would be shared as soon as planned in.</p> <p>Landowners would be contacted on a one-to-one basis to discuss access and to cover any questions or concerns.</p> <p>CT asked if planning would be required for any beach works, PD confirmed that this would be the case and that conversations were already underway with ERYC.</p> <p>TI also queried the beach access and whether one point could be used for all projects. PD & SO responded that this was a preferred option, but there were several factors that would need to be reviewed. PD explained that the access for the Seismic surveys would only be needed for a short time but would be the same location for the AHS project and the Seismic surveys.</p> <p>SM asked if there was any consultation feedback that could be shared, such as numbers and themes of feedback. PD explained that the feedback is compiled into a report that forms part of the DCO submission, it was agreed that a summary would be shared at the next meeting.</p> <p>ACTION:- AHS consultation feedback to be shared at next meeting.</p> |
| 4 | AOB |



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| | <p>RF talked through the Changing Coasts workshop that she had attended. An updated report detailing the costal erosion map was due to be completed and published at the end of January. RF to share the date and how the information will be sent out once confirmed.</p> <p>BH asked if there were any updates on how the seismic surveys could impact livestock. PD advised that this would be addresses with the landowners during the one-to-one conversations.</p> |
| 5 | Questions & Comments |
| | <p>A member of the public mentioned that some trees had blown over and may need replacing. JR to share the location and photograph.</p> |
| 6 | Date and Time of Next Meeting |
| | <p>The next meeting will be Thursday 13th February at Aldbrough Sports Hall from 19:00 until 20:00</p> |

