

Aldbrough Community Liaison Group Meeting

Date:	13 th February 2025	Location:	Aldbrough Sports Hall
Date issued:	28 th February 2025	Recorded by:	Rachel Fox
Attendees:		Apologies:	
Michael Gillatt, SSE (MGi) - Chair	Steve Mattinson, EGPC (SM) - Chair	Avril Crawforth, EGPC (AC)	
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)	Janice Harvey, St Michaels Church (JH)		
Rachel Fox, SSE (RF)	Cllr Samantha Whyte (SW)		
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
1	Individual Updates
	<p>CT (VOICE) requested further detail on the possibility of compulsory purchase of land in the area and why additional land was required considering that SSE & Equinor already own a large area.</p> <p>SW raised whether it was appropriate to discuss Compulsory Acquisition with landowners in the first instance. PD stated that the Land Agents representing the individual landowners asked the question during meetings, and that it is appropriate to be transparent and open during any conversations. PD also explained that any Compulsory Acquisition is not the preferred option and would need to be a last resort if a mutually agreed arrangement could not be reached. This would need to be demonstrated to the Secretary of State that all other options had been exhausted. RF also stated that it was not appropriate to be discussing individual landowner conversations.</p> <p>MGi reminded the group that the map showing the proposed area of the project had been shared to the group on several occasions, including previous CLG meetings and via the consultation. The Seismic area needed is large to ensure that the technology can capture all the data required.</p>



	<p>ACTION:- A reminder of the red line boundary and Seismic survey area to be re-shared to the group.</p> <p>TI (St Michael's Wood) provided an update on developments in St Michael's Wood – the pond clearance has left debris behind, and the clearance of this debris at this time would create damage to the surrounding area if vehicles were brought it. Heritage Hedging will make tidy and then collect at a later date.</p> <p>TI raised the issue of flooding in the Garton area over New Year, and the potential for further issues. SO & RF had walked round the area with TI who had pointed out the three drain areas where blockages may occur and asked for the possibility of grates being fitted to prevent the blockages. ERYC have been contacted and have yet to jet the drain and are struggling to provide a camera survey to determine the problem due to budget not being available. It was agreed that one ERYC have carried out their inspections and the results shared that any responsibility that is deemed to sit with SSE will be addressed.</p> <p>TI discussed the option of the AHP & AHS developments utilising the same beach access and SO confirmed that this would be the preferred option if possible. The planning officer at ERYC was aware of this, but because both applications must be dealt with separately this could not be reflected in the documentation.</p> <p>SW agreed to liaise with the relevant team at ERYC to escalate if possible and asked SM to share the correspondence to date.</p> <p>ACTION:- SM to share all correspondence with ERYC to SW to be escalated.</p> <p>MGi provided an update regarding ongoing site operations & it was confirmed by MGi 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>
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 are progressing with responses from consultees being addressed. The date for the planning committee hearing is now likely to be the end of April.</p> <p>SM asked if the planning could be granted before the Hazardous Substance application has been agreed. SO confirmed that this could happen but would be made a condition as part of the main planning application.</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 shared that Seismic survey non-intrusive walkovers from the Seismic team would be carried out in the coming weeks. BH asked if this would only be done on land where agreement had been given. RF confirmed that only public areas and land where permission had been given would be accessed.</p> <p>The AHS Statutory Consultation (Summer 2024) feedback report that was shared as part of the CLG pack was discussed and a request was made that the CLG members review and share any feedback on the report.</p> <p>PD talked through the Humber Hydrogen Pipeline project and shared that consultation events would be taking place in April & May, and that Aldbrough would be included in the locations for a face-to-face session.</p> <p>TI asked what the width of the pipeline construction corridor would be, PD replied that he would check and confirm.</p> <p>ACTION:- Confirmation of the pipeline working width to be shared.</p> <p>RESPONSE:- Generally 40m but may be up to 60m at crossing points e.g. roads, watercourses, subject to ongoing design work.</p> <p>SM asked if the pipeline would be one pipe or multiple. PD confirmed that it would be one.</p> <p>ACTION:- AHS Feedback should reflect comments and suggestions related to the Bridleway.</p>
4	AOB



	<p>RF updated on the recent Graham Stuart MP site visit and also shared that work to fit the gate requested in the last meeting would be started soon.</p> <p>Post Meeting Update:- Tees that were damaged in the recent storm and reported have now been replanted.</p> <p>RF raised that there had been requests from the CLG for more safety information, so it was suggested that at the next meeting a presentation be given by some of the Gas Storage team to talk through the existing rigour and processes followed. If there are any specific questions that the group would like to raise then these should be shared to RF prior to the next meeting, by Friday 4th April.</p>
5	Questions & Comments
	<p>SM asked for an update on the community benefit fund. RF stated that there had been a panel meeting held, and the latest round of applications reviewed, and funding awarded. Once the paperwork had been signed and completed a further update would be shared by Jayne Collings. SM asked if all the funds had been allocated, and RF confirmed that there was some remaining.</p>
6	Date and Time of Next Meeting
	<p>The next meeting will be Thursday 24th April at Aldbrough Sports Hall from 19:00 until 20:30</p>

