

Aldbrough Community Liaison Group Meeting

Date:	19 th June 2025	Location:	Aldbrough Sports Hall
Date issued:	3rd July 2025	Recorded by:	Rachel Fox
Attendees:		Apologies:	
Michael Gillatt, SSE (MGi) - Chair	Janice Harvey, St Michaels Church (JH)	Cllr Samantha Whyte (SW)	
Mick Robinson, Aldbrough Sports Hall (MR)	Tim Isherwood, St Michael's Wood (TI)	Steve Mattinson, EGPC (SM) - Chair	
Paul Dacombe, Equinor (PD)	Caroline Turner, VOICE (CT)		
Sally O'Brien, SSE (SO)			
Rachel Fox, SSE (RF)			
Billie Henry, Equestrian (BH)			
Stewart Allen, Aldbrough Primary School (SA)			
Avril Crawforth, EGPC (AC)	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>TI (St Michael's Wood) provided an update on developments in St Michael's Wood – the gate as requested by the CLG has been completed. The hedgehog houses are now in place and there are also some tin sheets that are to encourage grass snakes, frogs etc. The wildflower meadow areas are performing in some areas better than others, but it's hoped that they will continue to develop.</p> <p>TI gave an update regarding the flooding issues in Garton stemming from the blocked drains. TI, RF, SM & MGi walked round the drains that have been identified as having the potential to block with branches etc. which could prevent the water flow. TI is currently removing these blockages when possible. It has been requested by the CLG & Garton Parish Council that SSE provide & fit drain covers to prevent the blockages by preventing the debris entering the drains. ERYC team have jetted the drains and have surveyed the infrastructure and have confirmed that they are in good order.</p> <p>MGI has confirmed that SSE will discuss options with ERYC and seek further guidance to ensure that if any preventative measures are put in place that they are appropriate and will not cause additional issues.</p> <p>TI raised the point of financial compensation for those potentially impacted by any project development and subsequent construction. A discussion was held with SO assuring that this was being discussed internally and if the project progresses to construction this will be addressed. RF reminded the group that all feedback including the suggestions shared during consultations etc. on compensation have been recorded and would be reviewed moving forwards when appropriate.</p> <p>CT asked if there were any updates from SSE regarding the Community Benefit Fund and which groups had been given funding as she felt that it was being kept from the wider community. RF stated that the applications and any funding allocated was decided by an independent panel including representatives from the community and Parish Council, some of whom are on the CLG. CT stated that the fund felt unobtainable to the community due to the requirement to have a constitution or be a charity. RF explained that any benefit fund is required to have a level of governance, and this is usually the case for a community funds and is not specific to SSE. MGi reminded the group that the applications could be submitted via Parish Councils.</p> <p>ACTION:- RF to share the list of successful funding applications & re-share the contact at ERYC Smile Foundation who could assist with any general queries relating to forming constitutions or obtaining funding not only from SSE, but other organisations. Post meeting update – List of fund beneficiaries and Smile Foundation contact shared with CLG minutes.</p>
2	Aldbrough Hydrogen Pathfinder Scheme Update
	<p>SO gave an update on the AHP (Aldbrough Hydrogen Pathfinder) development.</p> <p>The project is still progressing through the HAR2 (Hydrogen Allocation Round 2) funding bid, and it is hoped that the successful projects will be announced by the end of the year.</p> <p>The necessary marine licence and environmental permit applications are expected to be submitted by the end of June 2025.</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 talked through the Seismic survey plans that have now been rescheduled for 2026 and thanked those that attend the demo sessions earlier that day.</p> <p>TI asked when the planning application for AHS would be submitted. PD advised that this would be towards the end of 2025, but any further detailed updates would be shared in the September CLG meeting.</p> <p>PD talked through the Humber Hydrogen Pipeline project and discussed the recent in person and on-line non-statutory consultation events. The general themes & feedback from these events would be compiled and shared once completed.</p> <p>CT asked why a local resident had been contacted and advised by a Dalcour McLaren representative that the pipeline would not be underneath her garden if the route had not yet been refined or decided. PD made it clear that the pipeline would not be under the gardens of any residential properties and would speak to DM to understand more.</p> <p>ACTION:- PD to liaise with Dalcour McLaren regarding pipeline placement conversations with residents.</p>
4	AOB
	<p>RF advised that there had been a request for a beach litter pick to be conducted as part of the SSE volunteer days. The logistics for this are challenging given the limited access to the beach, but RF to advise if a date is arranged.</p> <p>It was also suggested to the group that an Archaeological information session could be arranged as a separate to the CLG to share artefacts etc. found during surveys. This could include the wider community and local primary school. SA said this would be well received and will mention to the Aldbrough Primary School Head Teacher. Feedback from the group to be sent to RF.</p> <p>MG mentioned that the safety session planned for April was still in the pipeline to be shared and feedback on a date for this would also be appreciated.</p> <p>MR asked if support could be given for the setting up the Sports Hall ahead of the Aldbrough Show on the afternoon of July 24th, 2025.</p> <p>ACTION:- RF to arrange support and will confirm to MR. Post meeting update – Assistance arranged and confirmed with MR.</p>
5	Questions & Comments
	<p>JR (public) asked if the borehole identified for the Pathfinder project would create issues with the water table, particularly at times of poor rainfall such as the current period. SO & MG both agreed to share further details of the borehole and the source, but it is thought that it is linked to the sea.</p> <p>ACTION:- Further information & confirmation of the borehole water supply to be shared to the group.</p> <p>CT also asked if the section 106 would be agreed, specifically relating to the BNG options, and would the proposed areas be open to public access. Post meeting update – Further information on the borehole shared alongside minutes.</p> <p>ACTION:- SO to share further information on the BNG options with the group. Post meeting update – The details of the BNG proposal are being agreed and further defined in meeting taking place over the next month. Update to be shared in the September CLG meeting.</p> <p>It was asked when a meeting with SSE/Equinor senior management could be arranged. RF confirmed that she would feed this request back to the relevant individuals.</p>



6	Date and Time of Next Meeting
	The next meeting will be Thursday 18 th September at Aldbrough Sports Hall from 19:00 until 20:30

