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| **Aldbrough Virtual Community Liaison Group Meeting** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Date:** | | 23rd June 2022 | | | **Location:** | | Aldbrough Sports Hall | | |
| **Date issued:** | |  | | | **Recorded by:** | | Jade Fernandez | | |
| **Attendees:** | | | |  | | **Apologies:** | | | |
| Michael Gillatt, SSE (MGi) | | | Mick Robinson, Aldbrough Sports Hall (MR) | | | Julie Dickinson Shaw, St. Michael’s Church (JDC) | | | |
| Jade Fernandez, SSE (JF) | | | Paul Dacombe, Equinor | | | Avril Crawforth, EGPC (AC) | | | |
| Steve Mattinson, EGPC (SM) | | | Tim Isherwood (TI) (public) | | | Stuart Allen, Aldbrough Parish Council | | | |
| Aaron Hammond, Aldbrough Parish Council (AH) | | |  | | |  | | | |
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| **Contact Details** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Jade Fernandez** – Stakeholder Manager – 07584 313526 / [jade.fernandez@sse.com](mailto:jade.fernandez@sse.com) - (Monday to Friday 08:30 – 16:30).  **Site Security** – 01964 529451 (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** | **Apologies for absence** | | | | | | | | |
|  | Apologies as above. | | | | | | | | |
| **2** | **Minutes of the previous meeting / Matters Arising** | | | | | | | | |
|  | Community woodland signs – no feedback had been provided by members of the community, therefore the current signage will remain in place.  Woodland land ownership -MGi confirmed that internal discussions are ongoing with a further update to be provided at the September meeting. Any agreement would sit with SSE and would be on a protected basis. | | | | | | | | |
| **3** | **Operations Update** | | | | | | | | |
|  | MGi confirmed that the recent outage at site is now complete and that site operations remain on a BAU basis.  Work to caverns 6 and 9 are ongoing and expected until September with rigs still onsite. | | | | | | | | |
| **4** | **Hydrogen Storage Project Update** | | | | | | | | |
|  | PD confirmed that an expert consultant team has been appointed, including engineering consultants Atkins and environmental consultants ERM.  Environmental/ecological surveys are ongoing and will continue through to September this year.  Work is ongoing to understand the feasibility of moving the above ground infrastructure to an area already benefiting from the established screening. | | | | | | | | |
| **5** | **Feedback from Liaison Manager** | | | | | | | | |
|  | None | | | | | | | | |
| **6** | **Community Concerns / Comments** | | | | | | | | |
|  | AH – are there differences between storing hydrogen vs gas?  MGi outlined that there are potential differences in engineering, work to understand this are ongoing and that investment in projects is also dependant on economics.  AH – would the existing monopile remain in place?  MGi explained that whilst no decision has been made about the monopile, the preference is likely to be for it to be repurposed.  SM acknowledged that the community are grateful that SSE/Equinor are listening to community feedback.  MGi offered the opportunity for the September meeting of the CLG to be held at site and include a walkover of the proposed phase 2 area. | | | | | | | | |
| **7** | AOB + Public Discussion | | | | | | | | |
|  | Some members of the CLG and members of the public asked questions:  A discussion around potential biodiversity enhancements that could be made to the woodland area took place. JF to pick this up separately with TI.  TI request it be noted that the mature conifer tree at the entrance to the woodland be preserved and also asked if it was possible to check on the grass cutting schedule for the woodland. | | | | | | | | |
| **8** | Date and Time of Next Meeting | | | | | | | | |
|  | The proposed date is Thursday 22nd September | | | | | | | | |
|  | Actions | | | | | | | Action by | Date |
|  | JF to circulate minutes and place on project website | | | | | | | SSE | ASAP |
|  | MGi to update on legal advice re- woodland for September meeting | | | | | | | SSE | Sep |
|  | JF to contact TI regarding biodiversity project | | | | | | | JF | ASAP |
|  | MGi to contact Heritage Hedging to check grass cutting schedule | | | | | | | MGi | ASAP |
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