

## Aldbrough Community Liaison Group Meeting

<b>Date:</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	<b>Location:</b>	Aldbrough Sports Hall
<b>Date issued:</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	<b>Recorded by:</b>	Rachel Fox
<b>Attendees:</b>		<b>Apologies:</b>	
Michael Gillatt, SSE (MGi)	Rachel Fox, SSE (RF)	Cllr. John Holtby, Mid Holderness Ward Councillor (JHo)	
Steve Mattinson, EGPC (SM) - Chair	Tim Isherwood, St Michael's Wood (TI)		
Avril Crawforth, EGPC (AC)	Julie Dickinson-Shaw, St. Michael's Church (JDC)		
Mick Robinson, Aldbrough Sports Hall (MR)	Stewart Allen, Aldbrough Primary School (SA)		
Paul Dacombe, Equinor (PD)	Billie Henry, Equestrian (BH)		
Sally O'Brien, SSE (SO)	Caroline Turner, VOICE (CT)		
Rachel Palmer, SSE (RP)			
Janice Harvey, St Michaels Church (JH)			

### 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
<b>1</b>	<b>Operations Update</b>
	<p>MGi provided an update regarding ongoing site operations.</p> <p>The workover rig was dismantled and left site in late February.</p> <p>MGi shared a reminder that applications are still being accepted for the apprentice vacancies.</p> <p><a href="http://sse.com">Apprenticeships and Trainees (sse.com)</a></p>
<b>2</b>	<b>Aldbrough Hydrogen Pathfinder Scheme</b>
	<p>SO gave an update on the AHP (Aldbrough Hydrogen Pathfinder) development.</p> <p>The indicative planning submission timeline was shared to the group.</p> <p>SO gave an update on the planting &amp; screening activities. The recent wet weather had caused some delays, but it was hoped that this would be caught up in tie for the end of the planting season. TI highlighted that the planting season would probably be extended because of the weather. It was also raised that the row of trees on the fence line at the back of the cabins only appeared to be one row</p>

deep rather. MG/SO acknowledged and agreed to follow up on this. TI asked if consideration could be given to the possibility of a copse of trees being planted on the tenant farmer land to assist with screening the site. This was raised on the walk round in late 2023. It was agreed that this would be investigated.

SM asked if any further thoughts had been given to the appointment of an arboriculturist consultant? RF & MG confirmed that it was being considered as an option. SM has agreed to share some contacts to SSE.

TI asked if the remaining cabins at the project office area would be painted to the same colour as the others. The green colour blended well into the environment. MG acknowledged that the trial had worked well and that the remaining cabins would be painted in due course.

### 3 Aldbrough Hydrogen Storage Scheme

PD provided an overview of current and expected activity relating to the AHS (Aldbrough Hydrogen Storage) development project.

PD talked through the upcoming proposed consultation plan and explained that additional dates would be incorporated into the plan following feedback from the non-statutory consultation events. These would cover evenings, mornings, and weekends.

CT raised a concern regarding the timing of the consultation events and the submission of the AHP planning submission being very close together. PD explained that the AHP planning may be submitted at a similar time, but once submitted to ERYC (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) that it would go through a verification process that could take several weeks.

The SOCC (Statement of Community Consultation) summary was shared to the CLG ahead of the meeting for any questions. CT mentioned that there was no reference to the community concerns relating to house value depreciation. BH raised that this was not necessarily going to happen and was not experienced when AGS was constructed. BH felt that continuing that narrative may be what leads to any depreciation.

### 4 DBD Project Update

RP shared an update with the CLG to be held under embargo until 1 March 2024. The update was that the DBD project would be retiring the Hydrogen option for the project and had been offered an East Riding of Yorkshire radial grid connection by ESO (Electricity System Operator). The connection would link to a new substation, named Birkhill Wood. The DBD team are undertaking a site selection process to identify potential cable corridors and the location of onshore infrastructure. Landowners and other key stakeholders would be informed of the news in the coming days. MG clarified that whilst the DBD team were not pursuing the Hydrogen option that this did not mean that other teams would not follow up on this option in the future, although currently there are no plans in place for this. Contact information for Rachel Palmer is below. This can be used for any further information on the DBD project.

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### 5 AOB

RF shared the link for the 'Cash for Kids' application for local assistance for families struggling with the cost of living. It is a straightforward process to apply for the grant. This has been sent out to local schools, Ward Councillors and Parish councils for onward sharing.

[Apply for a Cost-of-Living Grant | Info - Viking FM \(planetradio.co.uk\)](https://www.planetradio.co.uk/apply-for-a-cost-of-living-grant/)

### 6 Questions & Comments

SM asked about the Equinor H2H Saltend announcement that had been in the press in recent days. PD confirmed that the granting of the planning for the 600-megawatt low carbon hydrogen production plant with carbon capture was a positive move forwards for the Saltend Chemicals Park. This will help to reduce the park's emissions by up to one third.

A question was asked regarding the location of the AHS construction village. PD confirmed that this was still under discussion.

### 7 Date and Time of Next Meeting



The proposed date is Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April from 18:00 for a site walk round. Further details will be sent out ahead of the date.

