

Aldbrough Community Liaison Group Meeting

Date:	27 th October 2023	Location:	Aldbrough Sports Hall
Date issued:	14 th November 2023	Recorded by:	Rachel Fox
Attendees:		Apologies:	
Michael Gillatt, SSE (MGi)	Rachel Fox, SSE (RF)	Stewart Allen, Aldbrough Primary School (SA)	
Steve Mattinson, EGPC (SM) - Chair	Janice Harvey, St Michaels Church (JH)	Cllr Samantha Whyte, Mid Holderness Ward Councillor (SW)	
Avril Crawford, EGPC (AC)	Tim Isherwood, St Michael's Wood (TI)		
Mick Robinson, Aldbrough Sports Hall (MR)	Julie Dickinson-Shaw, St. Michael's Church (JDC)		
Paul Dacombe, Equinor (PD)	Billie Henry, Equestrian (BH)		
Sally O'Brien, SSE (SO)	Caroline Turner, VOICE (CT)		
Cllr John Holtby, Mid Holderness Ward Councillor (JHo)			
Rachel Palmer, SSE (RP)	Public Attendance		

Contact Details

Rachel Fox – Stakeholder Manager – 07467 652088 / rachel.fox@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	Operations Update
	<p>MGi provided an update regarding ongoing site operations.</p> <p>The temporary site workover rig that is erected on site was discussed. There had been a concern raised by a local resident to RF that the lighting was very bright and had been left on through the night. The lighting was reviewed following this and adjusted to the resident's satisfaction. MGi confirmed that the siting of the rig had been shared in the last CLG (Community Liaison Group) meeting presentation. Any delay in the removal of the rig will be shared. The rig is used to carry out essential works and has been used throughout the site life and will continue to be used in the future. Any use will always be communicated in advance.</p> <p>*Post meeting update* the extended timings associated for the workover rig have been shared, and it has been confirmed that since the complaint that we received on the 16th of October that the main tower lights are turned off no later than 19:30 and are not turned back on before 06:30am. The mobile lighting towers are only used to light up walkways but must be scoped down so not to cause light pollution.</p>



MGI reminded the attendees of the meeting that if there are any issues relating to the site (noise/lighting etc.) out of business hours the 24-hour site security number should be used. This is included on the CLG minutes (see above).

2 Aldbrough Hydrogen Pathfinder Scheme

SO shared an update on the AHP (Aldbrough Hydrogen Pathfinder) development.

The Pathfinder project planning submission date to ERYC (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) is potentially late November / early December. Ahead of any planning submission SO confirmed that photo montages and 3D images would be shared to the CLG. This is hoped to be the November meeting but is dependent on the information being available.

The Net Zero Hydrogen Fund application decision is due to be announced mid-December, the CLG will be updated on this.

3 Screening Update

SO shared the proposed screening plan. This shows all areas that had been discussed on a walk round with landscapers and TI representing the community & CLG. The areas are split into priorities and include new planting of species that were suggested by the CLG and moving of existing trees. Ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the screening has also been considered. There are a small number of areas that will need either land purchase or agreement from landowners. This initial communication with landowners has been started but may take some months to complete.

SO confirmed with attendees that planting will commence this planting season. The landscapers are current developing their programme of works. An overview of the programme will be shared with the CLG when available.

CT shared a photograph that was taken from another location (Bail View Farm) that showed a gap in the screening and asked if this could be reviewed in addition to the proposed plan. CT shared the photograph, and this is being reviewed by the landscapers.

MR also noted there are gaps from the north area of the site – these have been noted to the landscapers who will review.

4 Aldbrough Hydrogen Storage Scheme

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

Information and feedback on the recent consultation event was shared.

Feedback on a previous action on the current status of the existing site 106 agreement was discussed. It was confirmed there are no outstanding obligations under the agreement. A question was raised regarding a sum of monies that formed part of the agreement. This element of the agreement was never 'triggered' so did not come into effect.

JHo suggested that ideas for any future section 106 planning obligations should be thought about by the CLG in preparation to feed back to ERYC.

5 DBD Project Update

RP reminded the group that the DBD consultation event was still open on-line for feedback until the 7th of November. Hard copies of material and feedback forms were also brought to the meeting.

The CLG were advised that further landowner notices would be put up shortly to identify pieces of land that are currently showing as not being registered with the Land Registry. It was explained that this is a legal requirement. Each project has a requirement to complete this exercise.

CT asked what would happen if an owner was never identified?

AC asked if feedback on the responses to the notices could be shared?

ACTION:- RP to check with the land team for a response on both questions.

Post meeting update As required by the Planning Act 2008, developers as applicants are required to identify those with an interest in identified land. This includes HM Land Registry referencing, further mapping services for special category land, land interest questionnaires, site visits and the erection of

	<p>on-site notices for unknown owners. The purpose of the land notices is the first step in being able to acquire the land, if needed by the project, by compulsory purchase order if no legal interest comes forward. If someone comes forward and identifies themselves as the owner of land or with an interest, then HM Land Registry will be updated. Land referencing information will be included within the DCO (Development Consent Order) Statement of Reasons when published.</p> <p>Contact information for Rachel Palmer is below. This can be used for any further information on the DBD project.</p> <p>Rachel Palmer – Rachel.palmer@sse.com M: +44 (0) 7467 397742</p>
6	AOB
	<p>All previous actions were closed out.</p> <p>At the start of the meeting SM asked the CLG for agreement if a member of the VOICE group could be elected to sit on the CLG to represent VOICE. It was agreed by all, and Caroline Turner will now sit on the meeting with Joanne Richardson as a delegate in CT's absence.</p> <p>JH raised that a meeting that had been attended by members of the CLG with the 'Changing Coasts' East Riding team. JH advised that the team were not aware of the proposed projects and asked what could be done to inform them. Concerns being that the lack of knowledge could impact on any funding available. PD advised that the ERYC costal team were aware of the project and may not have communicated to the separate team. RP updated that she had very recently received an email from the Environment Agency asking the projects stakeholder teams to link in with the Changing Coasts contact. This would be arranged as soon as possible.</p> <p>JH discussed the land ownership plan that was shared recently; clarification was asked for on adjacent land and the access road next to Church Farm owned by SSE/Equinor as this was not clear on the map.</p> <p>ACTION:- PD to check and confirm. *Post meeting update* The plan has been updated and is attached.</p> <p>The exposed coastal pipework was discussed and what the plan was for removal and future use.</p> <p>SM asked if the land identified at Salt End for DBD was owned by SSE/Equinor. RP confirmed that this is land owned by ABP for development.</p> <p>SM suggested the possibility of the SSE volunteer days being used for a litter pick on the road towards Garton.</p> <p>TI raised the long term 'ownership' of St Michael's Wood, and what could happen when the current agreement runs out in 2033. There are concerns that if circumstances were to change the future of the wood could be impacted. PD confirmed that he had explored options available and advised that it would be best to wait and review 2-3 years before the current obligation runs out as other options at present would only last until that time so would be counterproductive.</p> <p>JHo updated that he had spoken to the ERYC planning team, and they had advised that that competent and suitable individuals had been engaged to work on the project planning submissions.</p>
7	Questions & Comments
	<p>Public Questions:</p> <p>A question was raised regarding the safety history of SSE and previous incidents. The incidents raised were not related to the Aldbrough site and a wider conversation took place on compliance and independent safety regulations that are in place. A further conversation to discuss specifics was offered to the individual.</p> <p>A member of the public from Grimston shared that the lighting on the temporary rig was very bright and could be clearly seen from their home. A request was made for it to be changed, and also a request on confirmation when the rig would be removed.</p> <p>*Post Meeting Update* It was confirmed by the rig team that following the initial complaint on the 16th of October that the lighting is no longer left on after 19:30, and not turned on before 06:30. The rig will be removed on completion of the maintenance, which should be w/c 30/10/23, this is dependent on any delays from weather etc. A communication will be shared if there are any such delays.</p> <p>Feedback on the projects cumulative impact was discussed. It was felt that whilst each individual project gives the opportunity to feedback, is there an option to share concerns over the wider long-term impact</p>



	<p>by all projects. PD confirmed that as part of the EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) studies carried out, this is incorporated into the final report which can be commented on when it is published.</p> <p>It was requested that the ditches located behind Church Farm be cleared by the tenants as they were becoming blocked.</p> <p>*Post Meeting Update* This has now been completed.</p> <p>The impact to the community was raised and what benefit/compensation would be provided. Some individuals felt that it was the responsibility of SSE/Equinor to initiate suggestions for this. RF explained that this needed to be a two-way conversation and suggestions and ideas needed to be shared by the community and CLG.</p> <p>Other concerns raised were that the community did not feel like they were being listened to. MGi commented that there is a CLG meeting each month which is in addition to consultation events, and other ongoing communication between the community and SSE/Equinor. This prompted a conversation about the format of the CLG meetings as project updates were limited and it was becoming frustrating that the same conversations were happening each month.</p> <p>RF advised that the CLG minutes were shared for comment and any omissions or amendments should be fed back to enable the minutes to be revised. If no comments are received it is presumed that they are accurate.</p>
8	Date and Time of Next Meeting
	<p>The proposed date is Thursday 30th November from 7pm until 9pm. Any update on timing changes relating to the Pathfinder visualisations will be communicated when confirmed.</p> <p>It was agreed following discussions on the content of the meetings, that alternate meeting would be shorter and would not cover the standard agenda (unless there were any emerging issues/updates) and would focus on a specific topic identified by the CLG. Some examples that were suggested included: Cavern creation, Safety, Hydrogen Awareness, Environment and Archaeology. The shorter information sessions will commence in January.</p>

