



## **OLDBURY ON SEVERN PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the

### **NUCLEAR NEW BUILD SUB GROUP MEETING**

Held on Tuesday 04 April 2017, 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall

#### **1. PRESENT**

Keith Sullivan, John Cornock, Malcolm Lynden, Gillian Ellis-King, Dr Tony Acton and Eirian Vaughan Lewis.

#### **2. APOLOGIES**

Matthew Clothier and Matthew Riddle.

#### **3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Minutes of the last meeting on the 04 December 2017 were approved.

#### **4. RESULTS AND REVIEW OF ACTIONS SO FAR**

Both actions from the December meeting closed.

#### **5. FEEDBACK FROM THE VISIT TO HINKLEY B SSG & HINKLEY C SITE**

Keith Sullivan, Malcolm Lynden, John Cornock and Tony Acton attended the Hinkley B Site Stakeholder Group meeting on the 27 February 2017. The meeting was very interesting and informative; it was a good opportunity to do some networking. A strong anti-nuclear group were also at the meeting. The Environment Agency gave a presentation and answered question on the monitoring in the local area. After lunch the group went on a tour of the Hinkley C Site and were very impressed with the enormous scale of the work being done on the site. Malcolm Lynden discussed an article on the issue of the future of Nuclear New Build from the Telegraph.

Gillian Ellis-King reported that a press release was issued today from Horizon to say that they are applying for a Site Licence for Wylfa Newydd.

#### **6. FEEDBACK FROM VISIT TO STOGURSEY PARISH COUNCIL**

Keith Sullivan produced a briefing on the meeting with Stogursey Parish Council, circulated to all before the meeting. Keith discussed his report with members present. Interesting points about Stogursey Parish Council:

1. They have 11 Councilors (that may include the Clerk)
2. They were meeting twice a week
3. Their precept was £22K

Topics discussed were Finance, Consultation, Relationship with EdF, overall design, planning, construction, phasing and benefits. Officer of the Council Andrew Goodchild was at the meeting and gave very interesting points. Andrew is the Assistant Director for Place and Energy Infrastructure of Taunton Deane Borough Council and West Somerset Council.

The three basic points that came across very clearly at the meeting was

1. The key is the relationship with the District Council
2. Get in at an early stage and influence
3. We should engage with South Gloucestershire Council now.

Community Impact Mitigation Funds (CIM) was discussed. Gillian Ellis-King will send a copy of the Summary of Section 106 Agreement to the group. A return visit in a year's time was discussed.

## **7. GDA CONSULTATION RESPONSE**

Tony Acton reported on the meeting that he had attended in Birmingham in January 2017. Tony was not happy with the way the questions and answers were handled. The Environment Agency took down all questions and promised to get back to individuals, but the answers were only circulated a few days before the deadline for the consultation.

Tony completed the response and sent it in; an email confirmation was not received. Tony was on the whole quite happy with the Generic Design Assessment but had concerns about the emission from the plant, rather on the upper level and he felt that they had an obligation to do better than average.

Gillian Ellis-King discussed South Gloucestershire Council's response to the GDA consultation regarding safety, the need for radioactive materials to be stored on site until the national geological disposal facility is available, and a concern that the generic design assumes direct cooling (i.e. cooling water being able to be taken from the sea as at Wylfa), whereas the situation is different at Oldbury, where cooling towers will be necessary. Horizon continue to state that their commitment to the shorter 'hybrid' (fan assisted) cooling towers at Oldbury.'

## **8. AOB**

1. Recent legislation now allows 'related housing development' to be consented as part of a Development Consent Order for a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project such as nuclear new build power stations. Recently published guidance states that the maximum number of houses would generally be 500 for any one project.

It is also understood that if the justification for housing is functional need, the expectation is that the housing will be close to the NSIP. However the guidance states that where a large amount of housing for construction workers is proposed it may be more appropriate and sustainable overall for this to be provided in a local town with better access to local services and facilities, provided that it is within reasonable commuting distance of the NSIP.

2. South Gloucestershire Council PSP discussed
3. Termination of Cavendish Fluor contract at Magnox was discussed.

## **9. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 06 June 2017 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall.

## **10. MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting was closed at 9.20pm.