



OLDBURY ON SEVERN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the

NUCLEAR NEW BUILD SUB GROUP MEETING

Held on Tuesday 06 December 2016, 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall

1. PRESENT

Mr Keith Sullivan (Chair), Mr Matthew Riddle, Mr Matthew Clothier, Mrs Gillian Ellis-King, Mrs Eirian Vaughan Lewis and Dr Tony Acton.

2. APOLOGIES

Mr Malcolm Lynden and Mr John Cornock.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Amendments made to agenda item 4 and 5, corrected and approved by all.

4. RESULTS AND REVIEW OF ACTIONS SO FAR

Flyer from the Parish Council to go out with Horizon newsletter – Action deleted.

Response to Environment Agency questionnaire – Clerk responded to questionnaire, with the comments from the group – action closed.

Amendment to constitution – Clerk updated the constitution – action closed.

Visit to Wylfa Newydd Site and possible meeting with local councils – to be further discussed on item 6 of the agenda.

5. ENVIRONMENT AGENCY & HORIZON PRESENTATIONS AT THE SSG

John Gilbert from Horizon Nuclear Power gave an update at the November Site Stakeholder Group meeting. He discussed the development of their proposal for establishing a new nuclear power station at Wylfa and Oldbury. Wylfa Newydd would be the lead site, which is anticipated to be in full operation by the late 2020's, with Oldbury following after.

Mr McGoff from the Environment Agency attended the Site Stakeholder Group meeting and gave a presentation on the process of the Generic Design Assessment which is being applied to all designs proposed for new nuclear power station. The type proposed for the Oldbury site is currently undergoing the assessment. Public Consultation will take place at a drop in session in Turnberries, Thornbury on the 7th and 8th of February 2016.

Gillian Ellis-King discussed the seminar held in Birmingham on the 24 January 2017 about the Generic Design Assessment on the Hitachi-GE ABWR. Tony Acton will be attending the event on behalf of the New Nuclear Build group, Tony will respond to the email invitation.

Action: Tony Acton

6. UPDATE ON PROGRESS WITH HINKLEY C AND WYLFA NEWYDD

Hinkley C

Keith Sullivan discussed his conversation with Barry Leathwood, who was Chair of Otterhampton Parish Council when two major papers were produced (response to EDF's Preferred Proposals for Hinkley Point C and Submission to the Planning Inspectorate relating to EDF's Hinkley Point C Development Consent Order Application). Mr Leathwood is no longer Chair but still a Councillor. Most of the work on these papers was done by Barry, who also says Paul Gripton was heavily involved.

Otterhampton Parish Council received no funding towards the consultation whatsoever, said little about how they funded but suggested there may have been a benefactor. The Parish Council have been promised £500K compensation, but this has not yet materialised. The parish of Otterhampton includes the village of Comwich. Comwich is the port that is proposed for the AILs (abnormal indivisible loads) to be imported.

The issues for Otterhampton Parish Council appear to be the port, the roads and the flood plain. Otterhampton Parish Council borders with Stogursey (but apparently not with the Hinkley site?) Stogursey borders with Hinkley.

Keith also discussed his conversation with Allan Searle of Stogursey Parish Council. The Parish Council had no funding help whatsoever but they did have a lot of support from one person who is a civil servant and apparently knew how to deal with these issues. If they had not had his support they would have had to employ a consultant.

Allan did not seem to know whether they could release any of their responses or even if they still had them. Keith agreed to email their clerk and ask for what they could release.

Action: Keith Sullivan

Wylfa Newydd and Oldbury

Keith discussed his conversation with Samantha Stagg (James Reed PR – Agent for Horizon Nuclear Power). The conversation was around two separate issues, firstly where Horizon is now with its project and its relationship with Oldbury and secondly specifically about Wylfa and our relationship and how we can work to find what they have done and how to benefit from that.

Oldbury

1. There will be a newsletter published fairly soon.
2. A letter has gone to residents of Shepperdine re demolition of Windbound.
3. The Environment Agency are about to consult on the UKABWR, there will be
 - (a) A stakeholder event at Turnberries on 07.02.17 (this may be a presentation type event)
 - (b) A Community drop in event at Turnberries on 08.02.17
 - (c) A National Stakeholder event at Birmingham, in January 2017
4. The EA contact is Caroline Richards, 0203 0254122, caroline.richards@environment-agency.gov.uk, Caroline has responsibility for engagement and communications.
5. Offices of Nuclear Regulation (ONR) are looking at New Nuclear Build on a site by site basis re Buckover Emergency Planning. (Tim Proudler may have been in contact with Barry Turner regarding this).
6. As discussed at the Oldbury Site Stakeholder Group (SSG), the existing reservoir has ongoing discussions and each party has first refusal.

Wylfa

7. We agreed that a December trip to Wylfa is now out of the question for three reasons, simply because there is no time left to organise it, and also because it will not be a good time to see very much at Wylfa (see below).
8. A trip may well be appropriate in the New Year but no dates as yet. Contact will be Clare Loveday, Communications at Horizon Nuclear Power.
9. Wylfa has finished PAC2 consultations (second stage).
10. Apparently the Planning Laws are different in England to Wales. In Wales only the reactors themselves are subject to National Policy and all other “bits” are covered by the Town and Country Planning Act.
11. The CDA for the UKABWR is expected to be complete by December 2017.
12. Government discussions are ongoing and the final investment decision is expected during 2019.

7. AOB

A letter to Parishioners regarding the demolition of the Windbound was discussed.

A letter regarding the Magnox reservoir was discussed (this question was raised at the Site Stakeholder Group meeting).

Gillian Ellis-King discussed her recent visit to the Hinkley C site.

Note - to add to the agenda for the next meeting – Gillian Ellis King will discuss response to the Wylfa consultation.

8. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 07 February 2017.

9. MEETING CLOSED 8.30pm.