



**Energy Isles Wind Farm  
Community Liaison Group (CLG) Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
Cullivoe Hall, Yell**

**Minutes**

**1. Present & Apologies**

JT opened the meeting at 6.30pm and welcomed all those in attendance, noting apologies.

**Present:**

Jeanette Thomson (JT) – Smithy House Associates Ltd  
Derek Jamieson (DJ) – Energy Isles  
Charlotte Healey (CH) – Statkraft  
Sharon Powell (SP) – Energy Isles  
Lisa Ward (LW) – Energy Isles  
Lawrence Odie (LO) – Yell Community Council  
Gordon Thomson (GT) – Unst Community Council  
Annette Jamieson (AJ) – Yell Community Council

**Apologies:**

Fetlar Community Council

**2. Action Points from the last minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting was approved by the group.

These would now be circulated to key stakeholders and uploaded to the Energy Isles website.

LW had made contact with the schools around the proposed visit which had been requested by the pupils at the last exhibition.

Progress will be followed up and updated at the next meeting.

**3. Exhibition update**

Tuesday 5 February  
Sellafirth 10am – 2pm  
Baltasound Hall 3pm – 7.30pm

Wednesday 6 February  
Cullivoe Hall – 4pm – 7.30pm exhibition

A 3D model has been commissioned and will be available at all exhibitions. The comments from the CLG around the last exhibition feedback forms have been taken and this time the forms have more specific questions and points.

It was noted that Fetlar Community Council had sent their apologies for the CLG and they would not be attending the exhibitions. It was noted that Fetlar would receive email copies of the exhibition data

The CLG received a preview of the banner presentation and discussed the decrease in turbine numbers and the more condensed, centred layout.

It was explained that the old road would not be used due to the high level of upgrading this would require and that the proposed route is less disturbing.

#### **4. Project Update**

The lifespan of the wind farm has changed from 25 to 30 years and it was explained that this is due to changing technology and the ability to maximise opportunity. The changes will be shown in detail in the planning application and the Environmental Impact Assessment Report.

It was also noted that the viewpoints for the photomontages which had been agreed with the Shetland Islands Council and Scottish Natural Heritage would be included in the EIAR.

Work is ongoing with Scatsta airport around the aviation lighting.

The reduction in turbine numbers may not affect the generating capacity due to advances in technology. It will though utilise the site and work is ongoing to ensure the right turbine is picked for manufacture.

The group also discussed the importance of the proposed HVDC Link to the mainland was to the future economy of the island and to renewable projects on the island

#### **5. Community and Economic Benefits**

##### **Foundation Scotland**

Energy Isles had facilitated the Community Benefit Workshop led by Foundation Scotland, an independent charity that provides support and advice to local communities on strategic grant making, facilitating philanthropy and contributing to achieving lasting positive impact in communities across Scotland on Sunday evening.

The event had been very informative and notes would be sent out in due course to those who attended.

#### **Community AND Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES)**



CARES had been invited to meet with Community Councils this evening and update would be given at the next CLG.

#### **6. AOB**

There was no other business

#### **7. Future Meeting Dates**

The next meeting date would be confirmed as soon as possible.

**Meeting closed at 7.00pm**