

Energy Isles Wind Farm Community Liaison Group (CLG) Meeting 30th October 2018 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) – Element Power
Derek Jamieson (DJ) – Energy Isles
Charlotte Healey (CH) – Element Power
Sharon Powell (SP) – Energy Isles
Lisa Ward (LW) – Energy Isles
Lawrence Odie (LO) – Yell Community Council

Apologies:

Fetlar Community Council Lynsay Cunningham (LC) - Yell Community Council Graham Hughson (GH) — Yell Community Council Gordon Thomson (GT) — Unst Community Council Annette Jamieson (AJ) — Yell Community Council

2. Action Points from the last minutes

The minutes of the last meeting was approved by the group with the change to Baltasound Hall in Unst from Haroldswick.

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

Foundation Scotland

It was agreed that it would be helpful to the community council representatives if Energy Isles could facilitate a Community Benefit Workshop led by Foundation Scotland, an independent charity that 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.

CARES

LO confirmed that contact has been made with CARES and a possible meeting date of 19 November set. LO will be the point of contact for the community.



3. Exhibition dates

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.

4. Project Update

CH provided the group with an update on the layout and explained the revisions to the scoping report.

The original design was for a63-turbine wind farm however following the results of environmental survey work, analysis of technical constraints and feedback from the ongoing consultation with the community and other stakeholders the current layout is for 29 turbines.

It was noted that advances in technology means the reduction in turbine numbers would not necessarily mean a reduction in output of the site.

JT reported to the group the results of the initial economic impact findings of the socio-economic report.

5. Community and Economic Benefits

LW had attempted to contact the schools to set up the visits but had not received a response.

It was agreed to try a different route as this was felt to be a very important visit which has been requested by the pupils.

ACTION LW

6. AOB

There was no other business raised

7. Future Meeting Dates

The next meeting was provisionally agreed for Monday 4 February 2019.

Meeting closed at 7.10pm