

SIZEWELL C JOINT LOCAL AUTHORITY GROUP

Actions from meeting held on 24 January 2014

Present:

Cllr Andy Smith (Chairman), Cllr Ray Herring, Cllr Tony Cooper, Cllr Gordon Jones, Therese Coffey MP, Arthur Charvonia, Cllr Graham Newman, Cllr Andrew Nunn, Paul Wood, Bryn Griffiths, John Pitchford, Philip Ridley, Cllr Geoff Holdcroft, Cllr Lisa Chambers

Invited Guests:

Nick Collinson (SCC), Kevin Rodger (SCC), Judith Mobbs (SCC)

Apologies:

Cllr Richard Smith, Cllr Andrew Reid, Cllr Stephen Burroughes, Stephen Baker

1.	Introductions and apologies for absence	
	Introductions made and apologies received.	
2.	Notes of previous meeting and matters arising	
	Notes of meeting on 11 December 2013 agreed.	
3.	Further comments on Ecology and Land Management papers (Nick Collinson)	
	Positive feedback was given by JLAG members on the two papers circulated in advance of the meeting by Nick Collinson, with no suggested amendments or changes proposed.	
4.	Work on Skills issues (Lisa Chambers, Judith Mobbs)	
	<p>JLAG received a presentation by Cllr Lisa Chambers (SCC Cabinet Member for Education, Skills & Young People), Judith Mobbs and Kevin Rodger from the SCC Skills team.</p> <p>There is a large programme of work underway to meet the skills challenge presented by Sizewell C. A lot of activity is taking place to strengthen the baseline of skills around science, technology, engineering and mathematics (known as STEM) with further education colleges, particularly Lowestoft and West Suffolk Colleges. There is a joint project with EDF and National Energy Foundation (NEF) in the planning phase.</p> <p>Another strand of work is focused around courses and training opportunities, including apprenticeships. The Suffolk Colleges Energy Partnership has been formed, with EDF, to work together to strengthen the skills offer for the energy sector across all disciplines from scientific/technical to business support/admin and project management.</p> <p>The third workstream is focused on raising awareness of job opportunities in technological industries, through the Energy Ambassadors Programme, which engages with local secondary schools.</p> <p>Action: Judith Mobbs to forward via email to Therese Coffey MP, details of which schools are engaged with the Energy Ambassadors programme.</p>	Judith Mobbs

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	<p>Cllr Lisa Chambers, Judith Mobbs and Kevin Rodger left the meeting at this point.</p> <p>Cllr Richard Smith joined the meeting at this point.</p>	
5.	Update on workstreams:	
	<p>a) Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EDF AONB analysis report is being produced • There is still an issue over the design work, particularly the reactor building and dome, from an environmental perspective, which is being addressed in discussions between officers and EDF. <p>b) Transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B1122 and 4 Villages Bypass: At Phase 1 consultation the evidence presented by EDF on which their transport proposals were based, was very light and this was criticised by JLAG. <p>Members felt that the 4 Villages Bypass was undoubtedly needed, and this was backed up by a study produced by AECOM.</p> <p>Officers are now pushing for more information and evidence from EDF on numbers, type, mode and movements in traffic, challenging the current evidence base.</p> <p>JLAG noted that a communication strategy was needed at this point, first involving parish councils before making a public statement regarding the way forward from stage 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southern Park & Ride site feedback: The three options on the table were: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wickham Market 2. Woodbridge 3. Bredfield (Potash Corner) <p>Option 1 is favoured by EDF.</p> <p>JLAG were of the view that in our response we need more evidence on several critical factors before we can give a view on a preferred site. The group were in favour of ruling out option 3.</p> <p>c) Associated development</p>	

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	<p>No progress to update</p> <p>d) Socio-economic</p> <p>JLAG expressed concern than no new information is coming forward.</p>	
6.	Suffolk Energy Coast Delivery Board	
	<p>The membership of the group was discussed and agreed by JLAG as appropriate.</p> <p>The first meeting will take place on 3 March.</p>	
7.	Matters for next meeting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4 Villages Bypass work – brief update - Feedback on discussions with Cllr Lisa Chambers - Suffolk Energy Coast Delivery Board feedback 	
8.	Any Other Business	
	<p>Date of next JLAG meeting – 14th March at 10:00am at Suffolk Coastal DC's offices.</p> <p>Note – the above meeting date was cancelled after this meeting took place.</p>	
	The meeting closed at 5:00pm	