Joint Local Authority Group

Friday 18th September: 14.00

Microsoft Teams

INVITED MEMBERS: Cllr Richard Rout (Chairman), Cllr Craig Rivett (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Jocelyn Bond, Cllr Norman Brooks, Cllr Alison Cackett, Cllr Tony Cooper, Cllr Graham Newman, Cllr Alexander Nicoll, Cllr Russ Rainger, Cllr Andrew Reid, Cllr Richard Smith MVO, Cllr Phil North (on behalf of Therese Coffey).

Invited Officers: Bryn Griffiths (Assistant Director Infrastructure & Waste / SZC Senior Responsible Officer SCC), Michael Moll (SCC Sizewell C Programme Director), Steve Merry (Highways Authority SCC), Michael Gray (Skills SCC), Graham Gunby (Development Manager, SCC), Joseph Hough (Highways, SCC) Graeme Mateer (SCC), Nick Khan (Strategic Director ESC), Naomi Goold (Senior Energy Projects Officer, ESC), Nick Clow (Energy Projects Co-Ordinator, ESC).

Apologies: Cllr TJ Haworth-Culf, Cllr David Ritchie, Dr Dan Poulter MP, Peter Aldous MP, Philip Ridley, Lisa Chandler.

1	Welcome and Introductions	14:00
	Cllr Richard Rout	
2	Notes of last meeting 14th August 2020	14:05
	Minutes of previous meeting approved.	
3	Wylfa DCO Process – lessons learnt	14:10
	Bryn Griffiths presented slides that officers had received from colleagues at Ynys Mon/Isle of Anglesey County Council to discuss lessons learnt and what to expect based on Isle of Anglesey's experience of the NSIP process.	
	Discussion about the learning, and that Suffolk Local Authorities are generally well prepared when considering the learning from Isle of Anglesey.	
	Discussion between officers and councillors regarding the proposed Sizewell C night-time rail movements and whether there is still potential for EDF and Network Rail to implement line improvements to increase deliveries by rail. Members were advised the SCC published on that day a study commissioned to test the potential to increase rail deliveries (available at https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/planning-waste-and-environment/major-infrastructure-projects/sizewell-c-nuclear-power-plant/)-	
	Bryn Griffiths / Michael Moll	
4	Draft Relevant Representations to Cabinet – opportunity to highlight and specify any omissions to the published documents?	14.40
	No objections or omissions were raised.	

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5	Brief update on EA1N and EA2 Preliminary meeting part 1	14:45
	Feedback to members on how the Preliminary Meeting on 16th September was conducted.	
	Next steps in the process were explained to members and the up and coming deadlines highlighted. Members were directed to the PINS website to find out the latest information on the process, as well as to view the video of the Preliminary Meeting.	
	Members were informed that non-material changes can still be made by the developer but would be likely to slow the process down. The Examining Authority stressed early sight of any changes is necessary to ensure full and robust consideration of the amendments within the statutory six-month period.	
	Digital exclusion was raised and is being taken seriously by the Examining Authority with the developer asked to considered measures to address those excluded.	
	Members were advised that the Examining Authority made it clear at the Preliminary Meeting the examination was open for all Interested Parties to participate, emphasising that the process is inquisitorial and not adversarial. The Planning Inspectorate will also make every effort to avoid clashes with the SZC DCO timetable deadlines/hearing dates.	
	Naomi Goold / Graham Gunby	
6	AOB	15:20
	No other business was raised.	
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	Next JLAG meeting 16 th October 2020.	15:20