



NESS ENERGY PROJECT



MINUTES OF MEETING

Code – NSS-M-ACC-PM-ABE-0006

Purpose of the meeting: NESS Energy Community Group Meeting No 6

Location: Online

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**ATTENDEES:**

| <i>Name</i>       | <i>Organisation</i>             |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sergio Campo Mata | Acciona                         |
| Wayne Goldsworthy | Acciona                         |
| Evelyn Pendlebury | Acciona                         |
| Mel Sayer         | Acciona                         |
| Peter Lawrence    | Ness Energy Project             |
| Hazel Stevenson   | Aberdeen City Council           |
| Pam Walker        | Aberdeen City Council           |
| Ros Baxter        | Aberdeenshire Council           |
| Alex Nicoll       | Councillor – Kincorth/Nigg/Cove |
| Miranda Radley    | Councillor – Kincorth/Nigg/Cove |
| Audrey Nicoll     | Councillor – Torry/Ferryhill    |
| Christian Allard  | Councillor – Torry/Ferryhill    |
| John Little       | Indaver                         |
| Elaine Bury       | Indaver                         |
| Trudie Leask      | Torry Community Group           |
| Anne Wels         | Kincorth & Leggart CC           |
| Karen McCormack   | Acciona Volunteer Ambassador    |
| Sara Argueta      | Acciona Volunteer Ambassador    |
| JG                | Foundation Apprentice           |

**DISTRIBUTION:**

| <i>Name</i>                | <i>Organisation</i>   |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| As attendees plus          |                       |
| Andy Bendall               | Acciona               |
| Megan McConochie           | Ness Energy Project   |
| John Wilson                | Aberdeen City Council |
| Karen Allan                | Aberdeen City Council |
| Daniel Lewis               | Aberdeen City Council |
| Mark Nicholl               | Aberdeen City Council |
| Linda Ovens                | Aberdeen City Council |
| Lori Manson                | Aberdeen City Council |
| Anne-Marie Steehouder-Ross | Aberdeen City Council |

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| Ken Duncan            | Aberdeenshire Council           |
| Sharon Dunbar         | Moray Council                   |
| Kevin McDermott       | Moray Council                   |
| Dawn Brodie           | Moray Council                   |
| Sarah Duncan          | Councillor – Kincorth/Nigg/Cove |
| Philip Sellar         | Councillor – Kincorth/Nigg/Cove |
| Alan Donnelly         | Councillor – Torry/Ferryhill    |
| Seamus Flynn          | Indaver                         |
| George Smith          | SEPA                            |
| Alan Strachan         | Nigg CC                         |
| Raymond Clark         | Cove & Altens CC                |
| Cove & Altens CC      | Cove & Altens CC                |
| Kincorth & Leggart CC | Kincorth & Leggart CC           |
| Nigg CC               | Nigg CC                         |
| Colin Wright          | Torry Locality Partnership      |

### AGENDA:

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Site Progress
3. Complaints
4. Public Contacts
5. Community Benefits
6. Questions
7. Next Meeting

### MINUTES OF MEETING:

| Item N° | Description & Required Actions   | Date | Responsible |
|---------|--|------|-------------|
| 1       | <b>Welcome and Introductions</b>   |      |             |
|         | Evelyn Pendlebury (EP) welcomed everyone to the meeting, and gave details of all invited.  |      |             |
| 2       | <b>Site Progress</b>   |      |             |
|         | As per slides 4 and 5, Wayne Goldworthy (WG), Site Manager, gave an updated on works completed since the last NESS Community Group meeting in October 2021. He advised on work in progress, and plans for the coming 6 months. |      |             |

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|         | Re the SEPA Permit, he advised that all documentation has been submitted and the draft permit is expected to be ready for public consultation before the end of January.   |      |             |
| 3       | <b>Complaints</b><br>During the period, we received 4 complaints, all relating to the same issue, ie parking around the project site. The group were informed that our subcontractors have all been advised, both verbally and through formal written notification, that they should not park illegally or obstructively around the site, and that the police and traffic wardens are unable to do anything about the situation.<br><br>They were further informed that we in the process of leasing an area of land from a neighbouring company, and are working on levelling the area and finalising paperwork. We are expecting this to be in place by the end of January and this should go some way to alleviate the parking problem. |      |             |
| 4       | <b>Public Contacts</b><br>As per slide 7, since our last meeting we have had three public contacts, two letters of thanks, and an enquiry from a local charity re a donation from one of the subcontractors.   |      |             |
| 5       | <b>Site Photographs</b><br>Slides 8-12 were presented, showing aerial photographs of the site taken in December 2020, and a year later in December 2021. They show the significant progress made in the last year.   |      |             |
| 6       | <b>Community Benefits</b>  |      |             |
| 6.1     | <b>Progress to Date:</b><br>EP gave an update on the community benefits programme which is now into year 3. She highlighted the recent recruitment campaign by Indaver, who will be operating the plant on behalf of ACCIONA, and added that there are two open vacancies on <a href="http://www.ness.energy.co.uk">www.ness.energy.co.uk</a>  |      |             |



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| 6.2 | <p>Looking Ahead:</p> <p>More site visits are to be planned; we are working on the details of a STEM (science, technology, engineering &amp; mathematics) work placement during the school Easter holidays. This is to encourage female school pupils into the industry.</p> <p>We are looking at ideas for providing time bank hours to community groups and organisations.</p> <p>EP will commence mentoring a school pupil from one of the Aberdeen City academies, a commitment of 18 months which will also involve a four week work placement in June; and she is continuing to work with a school pupil from an Aberdeenshire academy who is doing a foundation apprenticeship in Business Administration.</p> |  |  |
| 7   | Questions   |  |  |
| 7.1 | <p>Councillor Audrey Nicoll asked whether the project had been impacted with any disruption to supplies due to the pandemic. SCM advised that due to planning we were able to source materials from other places, and there has been little effect on progress.</p>   |  |  |
| 7.2 | <p>Councillor Allard asked about Acciona's community benefits work with schools, and if Moray and Aberdeenshire schools could also be included. He was advised that we had been in communication with an Aberdeenshire primary school, and our foundation apprentice is from Aberdeenshire. Peter Lawrence advised that we have quarterly meetings with the community benefits representatives from all three authorities to share information.</p>   |  |  |
| 7.3 | <p>Councillor Allard asked about light pollution from the site in the direction of Torry. WG advised that the lights are not directed towards Torry and that they are required on the project to ensure safety during night time operations. Going forward most of the works should now be done internally.</p>   |  |  |
| 8   | Next Meeting  |  |  |
|     | Proposed for Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April at 1830.  |  |  |