



NESS ENERGY PROJECT



MINUTES OF MEETING

Code – NSS-M-ACC-PM-ABE-0008

Purpose of the meeting: NESS Energy Community Group Meeting No 8

Location: Online

Date: 20th July 2022

ATTENDEES:

Name	Organisation
Sergio Campo Mata	Acciona
Victor Moreno	Acciona
Evelyn Pendlebury	Acciona
Peter Lawrence	Ness Energy Project
Hazel Stevenson	Aberdeen City Council
Christian Allard	Councillor – Torry/Ferryhill
Seamus Flynn	Indaver
Elaine Bury	Indaver
Pat Watt	Kincorth & Leggart CC

DISTRIBUTION:

Name	Organisation
As attendees plus	
Mel Sayer	Acciona
John Wilson	Aberdeen City Council
Megan McConochie	Aberdeen City Council
Karen Allan	Aberdeen City Council
Pam Walker	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
Ken Duncan	Aberdeenshire Council
Ros Baxter	Aberdeenshire Council
Dawn Brodie	Moray Council
Sharon Dunbar	Moray Council
Kevin McDermott	Moray Council
Audrey Nicoll	MSP
Alex Nicoll	Councillor – Kincorth/Nigg/Cove
Richard Brooks	Councillor – Kincorth/Nigg/Cove
Miranda Radley	Councillor – Kincorth/Nigg/Cove
Lee Fairfull	Councillor – Kincorth/Nigg/Cove
Lynn Thomson	Councillor – Torry/Ferryhill

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Simon Watson	Councillor – Torry/Ferryhill
Michael Kusznr	Councillor – Torry/Ferryhill
John Little	Indaver
George Smith	SEPA
Alan Strachan	Nigg CC
Raymond Clark	Cove & Altens CC
Cove & Altens CC	Cove & Altens CC
Nigg CC	Nigg CC
Trudie Leask	Torry Community Group
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

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Item Nº	Description & Required Actions	Date	Responsible
1	Welcome and Introductions		
	Evelyn Pendlebury (EP) welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave details of all invited.		
2	Site Progress		
	As per slides 4 and 5, Victor Moreno (VM), Deputy Site Manager, gave an update on works completed since the last NESS Community Group meeting in April 2022. He advised on work in progress and plans for the coming 6 months.		
3	Complaints		
	During the period since the last meeting, Acciona had been made aware of three complaints, involving problems with parking, litter, and an anonymous call from a member of the public regarding suspicious behaviour by two men wearing work clothes and the possibility of them being workers from the project. All three complaints were addressed.		

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4	Public Contacts		
	On 3 rd May, there was an issue with workers from one of our sub-contractor companies, in that they were not paying their agency staff. All Acciona payments to this sub-contractor were up to date. The sub-contractor is no longer working on the project.		
5	Site Photographs		
	Slides 8-11 were presented, showing aerial photographs of the site taken this week and VM pointed out and gave an explanation of various locations.		
6	Community Benefits		
6.1	Progress to Date: As per slide 12, EP gave an update on the community benefits achievements since the start of year 3 of the programme.		
6.2	Looking Ahead: As per slide 13, EP gave an overview on what is currently being worked on to fulfil the community benefits programme. She highlighted three job vacancies and advised that details on how to apply can be found on the project website. www.nessenergy.co.uk		
7	Questions		
7.1	Pat Watt (PM) asked for information on the safety of the cladding being used on the project, in particular that it was fireproof. Sergio Campo Mata (SCM) confirmed that it was, and he gave a technical overview of the product and how it is used.		
7.2	PM asked about the need for an EfW plant. SCM commented that the actual prices of the electricity jointly with the actual inflation in the UK make the project business case more favourable than the estimated scenarios. The project is needed by the Community and the actual prices just increase the reasons for that. Peter Lawrence(PL) added it gives an opportunity to provide heat to the Torry Heat Network and also have the ability to expand in the future. He also mentioned that once up and running there would be less risk of changes to prices as we are seeing in the local energy market. And it is hoped that the district heating system could be expanded to Kincorth. It was also noted that we should be reasonably confident that there is no significant risk of it not working efficiently		

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	Christian Allard (CA) questioned the wording being used for competitive pricing and the expectation that this would give, and that prices should be based on the index of 2 years ago.		
7.3	PM said she had noticed a number of road closures and it was confirmed to her that this was due to the installation of the pipework for the system.		
7.4	CA has noted that there are traffic issues, and his observation of the area is that there are more private cars now parked, and less subcontractor vehicles. He was advised that subcontractors are regularly reminded to not park in an obstructive manner and to use the allocated site car park. CA said that he had concerns about the safety of workers crossing from the site to the compound with the number of HGV's parked around this site.		
8	Next Meeting		
	Proposed for Wednesday 20 th October, 2022		