

Eden Geothermal Community Liaison Group

Minutes of group meeting Wednesday 10th February 2021, 18:30 (Zoom)

Present: Roy Taylor (Chairman); Henry Orchard (Eden Neighbours Forum); Mike Grindley (Luxulyan PC); Matthew Luke (Treverbyn PC); : Alan Moore (Carlyon PC); Doug Scrafton (SE LAG); Tom French (CC); Sally-Anne Saunders (CC); Dan James (Eden Project); Gus Grand (EGL); Tony Bennett (EGL); Max Skerratt (EGL); Claire Judd (EGL – minutes).

Apologies: Paul Newcombe (EGL).

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<p>Minutes of last meeting and matters arising Minutes of meeting 24/11/20 proposed as an accurate record by ML. Seconded RT. Agreed.</p>	
<p>Amendments to Terms of Reference Proposed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.2 – include SE Cornwall LAG as a member group, with 1 representative • 3.7 – approval of wording to create a mechanism for members of the public to attend part of EGCLG meetings; principle agreed 24/11/20. <p>ML recommended for approval. RT seconded. Passed.</p>	<p>CJ to distribute and upload to community page on website</p>
<p>Operations Update TB gave an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurement: all major drilling services contracts now in place. • Proposed timetable (rig mobilisation mid-late February; drilling start - 'spud date' - mid March) delayed. Now hoping to mobilise March/April. Factors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ wet weather (impact on site works); ○ Covid restrictions and planning – e.g. impact on crew changes; ○ Brexit (visa/immigration delays). • Site progress: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Retaining wall for lagoon (water storage) under construction ○ Well cellars in place. Visible as the areas with '2 pipes sticking up'. ○ Liner for rig containment area about to be installed. This area will then be complete. ○ Most services now installed. 	
<p>Neighbour communications GG gave an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key updates (e.g. conductor drilling) have been posted on EGL website (community page), Facebook page and other local Facebook 	

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<p>pages. Some local interest in conductor drilling, with people bringing children to watch from cycleway/bridleway.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Going forward (post lockdown restrictions) plans for open days, meetings, visits, etc. • New public information signs have arrived and will soon be erected at site, at/around public viewing area. • 9m x 2.5m shelter being erected in viewing area (2-3 weeks.) Positioned to give clear view of drilling operations. 	
<p>Press and wider public relations GG provided an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GG interviewed on 'The World Tonight; (Radio 4) in context of G7. Repeated on Radio Cornwall. • Bigger PR push when drilling starts. Interest from The One Show. • Timelapse camera in situ to capture site works/rig up. 	
<p>Eden Geothermal Community Fund GG provided an update (from Vanetta Geach, Eden Development Team, who is administering applications).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following have indicated they will definitely apply: Treverbyn Hall, Friends of Menacuddle Well, Luxulyan School, Bugle School, Bugle Youth Club. • Others who have shown an interest and may apply are: Friends of Luxulyan Valley; Luxulyan Village Hall. • No applications/enquiries received from Parish Councils; GG urged those present to encourage PCs. • Applications close on 31/03/21. <p>Details of the fund can be found on the EGL's 'Community' website page with the following link: https://www.edengeothermal.com/community/</p>	<p>EGL to provide link to relevant page on website.</p> <p>All to encourage potential beneficiaries to apply.</p>
<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ML asked about a tour of the site. MX (Max) happy to arrange for anyone present; please contact. • TF asked about support from government/Steve Double. GG wrote to him re immigration issues and he has been helpful. • TF retires as County Councillor in May. • HO asked that neighbours be kept updated about progress, and suggested more frequent EGCLG meetings when drilling is about to start. 	<p>MX organise site visits as requested</p>
<p>Date of next meeting TBC</p>	