

Ferrybridge Community Liaison Group Meeting

Date:	20 April 2016	Location:	'Ian Marchant' Pavilion, Ferrybridge 'C' Power Station
Date issued:		Recorded by:	Jade Fearon

Attendees:

Jade Fearon, SSE (JF)		Apologies:
Paul Hook, SSE (PH)		Mick Gee, SSE (MG)
Colin Drew, MEL (CD)		Cally Bristow, Siniat (CB)
Graham Stokes, WMDC (GS)		John Mackman, Selby DC (JMa)
Rhonda Fleetwood, BDR (RF)		David Davies, Bryam cum Sutton PC (DD)
Chris Pearson, NYCC (CP)		Linda Wroe, Fryston Lane RA (LW)
Steve Yates , Friends of Fryston Wood (SY)		Andrew Pound, Selby DC (AP)
Michael Elphinstone, Oakhill Park RA (ME)		Julie Mayhew, WMDC/ Job Centre Plus (JM)
Margaret Gill, Oakhill Park RA (MGil)		David Nicklin, Byram cum Sutton PC (DN)
Jennifer Mitchell, Byram Cum Sutton PC (JM)		Rory O'Connor, WMDC (RO)
Glenn Burton, Knottingley (GB)		John French, Castleford Lane resident (JFre)
Richard Lowe, Aecom (RL)		Yvonne Crewe, WMDC (YC)
Rita Stephenson, Fairburn PC (RS)		Ray Newton, Monk Fryston and Hillam Community Association (RN)
Roy Wilson, representing Nigel Adams MP (RW)		Don Simpson, AIRE/ Brotherton PC (DS)
Keith Shenton, Pollards Fields resident (KS)		Stephanie Gilbert, AIRE/ Brotherton PC (SG)
		Jack Crawford, Selby DC (JC)
		Chris Ratcliffe, Wheelabrator (CR)
		Harry Ellis, WMDC (HE)
		Jackie Dennis, Oakhill Park (JD)
		Ian Foster, Environment Agency (IF)

Contact Details

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Purpose of Meeting

To inform the group of the status of the Ferrybridge C power station, of the Siniat gypsum facility, and the construction of the Multifuel power station.

This committee satisfies the requirement of Condition 58 of the S.36 consent for the development of the Multifuel power station.

Meeting Notes

Item

1 Introductions and Safety Moment

JF welcomed the group and gave a safety moment relating to recent weather conditions and driving.

2 Review of previous minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and agreed.

3 Ferrybridge 'C' Update

PH was introduced to the group as the decommissioning manager for the Ferrybridge C station. PH explained the decommissioning process has now begun at the site. There are a total of 120 staff consisting of 60 SSE staff and a further 60 contractors. RW asked if there are preparations for demolition being made? PH explained that the decommissioning process is still in the early stages and decisions have not yet been made regarding the future of the site. Once further information is available it will be shared with local communities. RW asked how the removal of coal from the site was progressing PH informed that there is approximately 800,000 tonnes left on site at the moment. It is anticipated that all coal should be removed towards the end of 2016. RW asked if there could be a reduction in the lighting on the coal stack. PH explained that whilst there is still coal on the site there is a requirement for lighting relating to safety; however he is happy to look into a reduction in the lighting. ME asked if the intention is to demolish the cooling towers. PH explained that the decision had not yet been made. RW asked if SSE is still paying rates for the Ferrybridge C site. PH explained that rates are still being collected for unit 3 as this is technically still available to run. MGil asked what would replace Ferrybridge C? PH explained that the land is designated for power generation CD added that there are currently no plans for another Multifuel plant at the site beyond those for FM2. SY asked if the C station had been in touch with Wakefield Council regarding the flood strategy emergency plan. PH commented that the decommissioning process is still in its early stages and contact with the relevant third parties will be made in due course. JF explained that representatives from the Environment Agency were unable to attend the meeting but had requested that any questions relating to their involvement in the decommissioning of the C station be passed to them directly.

4 SINIAT update (formerly Lafarge)

A Siniat representative was unavailable for the meeting. If anyone has any concerns regarding Siniat, they should contact Lyndon Sutcliffe on 01977 634007 or email lyndon.sutcliffe@siniat.co.uk.

5 Multifuel 1 Update

5.1 Operations Update

CD gave an update on the operations for the FM1 plant; 510,000 tonnes of fuel have been processed up to financial year end on 31st March 2016. Recent outages went well. During the outages additional valves were fitted with the possibility of a CHP scheme from the plant. Discussions for a potential scheme are ongoing with Wakefield Council. GB asked if the reported figures were in line with

expectations? CD commented that these figures exceeded expectations. RW questioned the efficiency of the plant. CD reported that the plant is 32% efficient. RW asked if there is a current scheme under consideration? CD reported that investigations around feasibility are ongoing. RW asked what the strike price for the electricity generated from the plant is? CD explained that there is no specific strike price as FM1 exports all electricity generated is exported. Q; How much ash is produced on site? CD responded around 20%, which is reprocessed in Sheffield. The air pollution control residues comprise 5% of the total and there are strict hazardous waste controls in place for this part of the ash; recovery options are being considered for it. SY asked what distance CHP heat can be transferred? Would Airedale be possible? CD confirmed that this would be feasible. Q – could the excess heat be used by Siniat? RL responded that there is unlikely to be a need for this. CD informed the group that there had been a complaint regarding the condition of a vehicle visiting the site. CD had spoken to Shanks regarding their Sherwood wagons. RS commented that there had been two lorries parked in a layby. KS responded that any vehicles using the layby would be doing so illegally as the laybys had now been changed for use. CD to look into this with hauliers.

RL provided the group with a draft copy of the operation air quality monitoring report and explained that this shows the monitoring carried out since the plant was operational. Two monitors are being used, one at Brotherton and one at Ferrybridge. Results for the year are lower this year than last due to seasonal fluctuations, and show no increase in measured results since FM1 became operational. Monitoring will continue. Wakefield requested that a monitor is placed close to the motorway. Wakefield will use this data against their air quality plan for the area. RW asked if this air monitoring is a true assessment now that Ferrybridge C is closed. RL explained that the yes baseline has changed but Ferrybridge C has only been running on part load for some time and also the emissions from Ferrybridge C disperse further away than Brotherton due to the taller stacks. RL suggested that the group can look over the report once it has been finalised. RW asked how PM2.5 particles are measured. RL explained that the monitor is set up to take the measurement of PM10 including the PM2.5 fraction, and results currently show the compliance with the PM2.5 air quality standard even including the PM10 fraction. RW noted that Tom Maillet had been helpful with regards to FM1. CD added that regular learning meetings are taking place for FM2 using FM1 construction as a guide.

5.1 Golf Course

JF gave the following update on the golf course.

- The maintenance shed has been erected and is in use
- Site fence and gates are completed
- All plant required for the course has been delivered
- Ground works for the car park, road and swale are due to commence in 3-4 weeks

6 Ferrybridge Multifuel 2

RL gave an update on the FM2 project explaining that there are a number of planning conditions to satisfy prior to construction. Start date for construction is expected to be later this year. Site preparation may commence prior to this. GB asked if FM2 will be a carbon copy of FM1? CD commented that the plant will be materially the same. MGil asked if there will be noise monitoring

during the construction of FM2. RL explained that noise monitoring will take place at the site boundary. There is no construction take place on the FM2 site at the moment. ME commented that Oakhill resident believe that the FM1 plant has made noise from the motoway worse, would FM2 increase this? RL commented that noise monitoring will take place before and after the construction. RW commented that he had previously thought that noise in the area originated from Ferrybridge C, however since it has ceased operations he had not witnessed any reduction in the noise level, the noise appears to be related to the motorway. RL and JF to look into noise monitoring for before and after construction.

7 Any other business

RW asked what would happen to the old ash lagoons from Ferrybridge C. PH informed the group that there would be a land management plan connected to the decommissioning of the site. A surrender plan will be part of the surrender permit for the site.

Q – there had been plans for a community fund for the local area with a donation going towards a parish hall for Brotherton and Byram. JF to look into this. RW asked if this was part of a S106 for the project. RL explained that S106 are put in place to mitigate for circumstances that are directly related to potential impacts from the project and that none had been required for FM2..

8 Date and time of next meeting

The next CLG meeting will take place on **Wednesday 20 July 2016** at 10.30am at the Ferrybridge site. The schedule for the 2016 meets is as follows:

Wednesday 12 October 2016

Wednesday 20 January 2017

These dates are subject to change.

10 Actions

Paul Hook to look into reducing the lighting on the coal stack

Colin Drew to investigate hauliers using layby

Jade Fearon to look into potential donation for community fund.

Jade Fearon to look at noise monitoring before and after the start of FM2 construction