

Preston New Road Community Liaison Group

Meeting: Ninth meeting Wednesday 11th February 2015

Venue: Wrea Green Institute, Station Road, Wrea Green, PR4 2PH

Time: 7.00 – 8.00 pm

Attendees:

Chair, James Adam [JA]	Bowland Project Delivery Manager Cuadrilla
Leon Jennings [LJ]	HSSE Director, Cuadrilla
Nick Mace [NM]	Environmental & Sustainability Manager, Cuadrilla
Stuart Hall [SHa]	
Susan Holliday [SHo]	
Julie Brickles [JB]	
Pat Davies [PD]	
Liz Cheadle [LC]	
Mark Kerr [MK]	Secretariat, PPS Group

Item	Action
<p>1.0 Apologies</p> <p>Apologies were received from Sam Schofield, Andrew Pemberton, Tim Laycock and Jan Gregson.</p>	
<p>2.0 Minutes of previous meeting</p> <p>The minutes of the 7th January 2015 meeting were agreed.</p>	
<p>3.0 Matters Arising</p> <p>There were five matters arising:</p> <p><u>LCC PNR determination period</u>: JA explained that it was normal practice for LCC to notify local residents of a Reg 22 consultation by an advertisement in the local papers and that LCC had confirmed that this had been done. He added that any additional consultation notifications were only undertaken if the new information being consulted on affected new areas or residents and that in this was not the case for PNR.</p> <p><u>Community update: Community queries</u>: MK confirmed that a a detailed response to the issues raised by JG at the last meeting was sent on 5 February and copied to all CLG members.</p> <p><u>United Utilities (UU)</u>: MK confirmed that there was nothing to add to the comments made at the previous meeting confirming that the UU works had nothing to do with Cuadrilla.</p>	

He added that some new information had been provided to JG by a neighbour gleaned from discussions with UU representatives. This confirmed that the works were not associated with Cuadrilla or its exploration site proposals.

It was agreed that the Secretariat would get confirmation from JG that the response could be shared with CLG members.

Following a question from SHa, JA confirmed that the erection of small posts with A4 signs marking out the potential well pad on the PNR site had been requested by LCC in advance of the site visit by Councillors.

PD observed that the UU works had been scheduled to start in February 2015 and that FBC did not know why they had been brought forward by 3 months. She added that UU's communications with the local community had been poorly handled. JB added that the works had been undertaken under permitted development rights which meant that FBC had not been involved in any planning permissions.

ES and EA monitoring requirements: JB raised the issue of monitoring requirements in the recently passed Infrastructure Act and NM confirmed that the detail of the new requirements was not yet clear but that if permission was granted, there could be a 12 month monitoring period.

Property prices: MK confirmed that the link to the JLL report about house prices in relation to Preese Hall and Elswick from the NWETF website had been circulated with the agenda.

SHo commented that the data related to a 3 mile radius which was too far and diluted the impact on the closest houses. She suggested a 1 km radius was more appropriate.

It was agreed that the Secretariat would ask JLL if data was available for a 1 km radius.

LC commented that two houses in the village had been taken off the market recently and that others had reduced their asking prices and SHo added that houses were simply not selling.

4.0 Programme update

LCC determination timetable: JA confirmed that the end January LCC Development Control Committee had deferred decisions on the PNR and RW planning applications. He added that LCC would be making a list of additional information requirements to Cuadrilla (relating to night time noise for PNR) which LCC would need to consult on under Regulation 22 requirements. When this had been completed new Committee dates would be set.

In response to a question from SHo, JA confirmed that LCC was looking for detail about the additional sound reduction measures Cuadrilla was proposing to reduce noise levels to 39 db.

Secretariat to circulate JG's information

Secretariat to explore additional information with JLL

In relation to a further Reg. 22 exercise, JA confirmed that whilst it was an LCC consultation process, it was likely that Cuadrilla would write to residents alerting them to the process as it had done in the past.

Preese Hall restoration: JA confirmed that the stone had been removed ready for soil reinstatement when the weather allowed.

Seismic monitoring: LJ added that seven low profile seismic monitors had been located at various points around the site with the relevant landowners' permission. He confirmed the monitors were in shallow underground locations having been buried by shovel rather than mechanical equipment and that the monitors would provide data following quarterly readings. He added that technicians would be downloading data next week (w/c 16 February).

5.0 Community update

Insurance cover : Following a brief discussion it was agreed that the Secretariat would circulate the NFU's statement clarifying the cover it provided in relation to fracking.

6.0 AOB

No matters were raised.

7.0 Date of next meeting

7.00 pm Wednesday 15th April 2015 at the Wrea Green Institute, Station Road, Rea Green, PR4 2PH.

The meeting ended at 8.00 pm.

Secretariat to circulate the NFU statement