

Note of Meeting
Auchterawe Community Liaison Group
Wednesday 14 November 2018
The Lovat Hotel, Fort Augustus 1900-2100

Attendees:

Lorraine Doolan	Resident
Clare Chapman (CC)	Resident
Sam Cornelius (SC)	Resident
Stan Barnes (SB)	Resident
Maura Barnes (MB)	Resident
Archie Munro (AM)	Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks
Johannes Smit (JS)	Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks
Lisa Marchi-Grey (LMG)	Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks
Jeff Dymond (JD)	Chair (Community Council)
Margaret Davidson	Leader of The Highland Council

Note and Actions:

		Action
1	Apologies: Carol Pritchard/ /Val Mc/Keith Black	
2	Approval of previous minutes	
	September's minutes by Clare Chapman and seconded by Lorraine Doolan	Note only
	GDPR and confirming that participants agree to SSEN recording their details and contacting them in the future.	Note only
3	Matters arising from minutes	
	None	
4	Safety Moment	
	Low sun and driving was talked about and to remember to keep a pair of sunglasses in the car.	Note only
5	Active projects Update	
	AM provided a presentation covering all current projects. NOTE - CLG does not require the hand out to be gone through in detail, only report by exception from now on.	Note only
	Key exceptions were: N/A AM – Confirmed Skye T works will now be completed in June 2019.	Note only
6	Community Queries for SSEN	
	The number of signs along the Auchterawe Road. JS did explain that he could not ask the contractors to remove signs relating to traffic. If an accident was to happen and signs had been removed the contractor could	JS

	<p>hold SSEN responsible.</p> <p>JS explained that going forward he would look to have all temporary sign for the duration of the project semi-permanent, i.e. no more “sand bag” signs.</p> <p>CC asked that if the signs cannot be removed then can we please make sure they are upright and clear of vegetation. JS is to instruct the contractor to do this.</p> <p>JS talked about the possibility of flashing speed sign for the duration of Substation redevelopment project, but again this has to be agreed with the roads department, also a pedestrian crossing.</p> <p>The group discussed the possibility of Permanent signs at the junction of the A82 and Three Bridges, JS said this could be done if agreed by the roads department.</p> <p>CC raised concerns about one Balfour Beatty crew van not using the access track (Track 14) and using the road, part reg MP3, JS will keep a look out for the vehicle and reiterate the need to use the tracks.</p> <p>CC raised the issue with lights being left on all night at the substation. With the removal of the tress which used to screen their property they are now being affected and have asked that we investigate this.</p> <p>SC asked why work being carried out on Sunday within the substation and not on Saturday, Sunday is normally the local residents break from construction noise from the substation. AM explained that the crew would have been working on Saturday but in a different location.</p> <p>LD highlighted the poor state of repair of the track at Netherby and asked that SSEN and FC work together to reinstate the track – AM to look into this</p> <p>LD raised the location of the connection for Corie Glass and disappointment that SSEN did not know the route and location if the project was to go ahead.</p> <p>All requested that the outages programme be shared with the CLG. AM/JS to share this when available.</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>Note only</p> <p>AM</p> <p>Note only</p> <p>AM</p>
10	Forestry Enterprise	
	The Forestry Enterprise is to review the access tracks which are used by the public; Sam Cornelius is to assist, once a cost is established funds may be available to progress with improvements.	Note only
	Community Queries for Forestry Enterprise	
	N/A	

11	Current planning applications	
	Only one currently – for the Fort Augustus Substation Redevelopment project. Post meeting note: Consent now granted (with conditions).	
	Margaret Davidson	
	MD talked about the possibilities and difficulties with electric car charging points being install in Fort Augustus, this will be ongoing.	Note only
	MD is to speak to Ken McCorquodale about the substation planning application - conditions still to be finalised.	Note only
	MD said that the council will be looking at possible screen of the substation from individual properties.	Note only
	MD shared that only one representation was received to make the Auchterawe road twin carriageway.	Note only
	Pot-holes in the road were raised to MD as a concern, MD asked that they be reported to the Council Service Point in the village where they would be recorded and put on a programme to assessed/repair.	Note only
	MD talked about the successful planning application for Corie Glass but highlighted that the transport plan was still to be agreed. There are concerns about the volume of material to be removed from site and the method.	Note only
	Speed of traffic through the Village of Fort Augustus was raised, current speed limit 30mph, could this be reduced to 20mph MD felt that as this is a trunk road it would be unlikely.	Note only
12	AOB Information Pod – AM raised the idea about an information pod in the community that could be used to share project and community information – no real decision reached. JD to invite AM to attend Community Council to discuss this further. 28 November 2018 7.30pm It was agreed that we would have some large laminated maps and aerial photos for the next meeting as it would make it easier when trying to explain locations. Work being carried out by SW in the area is having an impact on the residents and it was proposed that we invite again to the meeting. LMG is send an invite along with 2019 meeting dates. An agreement was reached that a collective litter pick will be arranged Working hours for redevelopment of sub station are: 07:00 – 19:00 Monday – Friday 07:00 – 13:00 Saturday	JD/AM LMG LMG LMG Note only

	<p>No Sunday working if at all possible and unless agreed with THC in advance or due to a fault/emergency.</p> <p>2019 Meetings – Going forward it was decided that meetings would take place bi-monthly. 16 January 13 March 15 May 17 July 11 September 13 November</p>	<p>Note only</p> <p>Note only</p>
13	Date of next meeting	
	<p>16 January 2019 19:00 The Lovat Hotel</p>	<p>LMG</p>

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