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Meeting	Inveraray to Crossaig Community Liaison Group
Date	02/12/2021
Time	11am-12noon

Inveraray to Crossaig CLG Attendees and Apologies:

Attendees	Position
David Auld (DA)	Project Manager – SSEN Transmission
Caitlin Quinn (CQ)	Community Liaison Manager SSEN Transmission
David Niven (DN)	Project Manager Balfour Beatty
Ian Brodie (IB)	East Kintyre Community Council
Margaret Pratt (MP)	West Kintyre Community Council
CLlr Dougie Philand (DP)	Argyll and Bute Council
Apologies	Position
CLlr Anne Horn	Argyll and Bute Council
Tim James	Skipness Community Council

Minutes

1.0	Introductions and apologies
1.1	DA opened the meeting and advised we would be giving a general update on the progress and then provide everyone with details of the Christmas shut down and then the plans post-Christmas
2.0	General update
2.1	DA gave an update on the physical works that are ongoing at Freasdail, the new access tracks that are going in, the development of another borrow pit and that these works will be ongoing.
3.0	HA HA Wall
3.1	DN and DA advised about the discovery of a historic wall, and that Balfour Beatty's past experience in this has enabled them to take a proactive approach. In order to preserve this during construction an access track will be put in to allow for livestock to pass and the Ha Ha Wall will be fenced. From discussions in this meeting it was thought that this Ha Ha Wall would have served an old estate house.
4.0	Blasting, Forestry and Access Tracks
4.1	Update given on blasting – currently all borrow pits in operation. DN advised that Jim Harris from Balfour Beatty will be in touch to confirm dates of blasting due to take place by the end of the year. DA advised that the project is 85% of the way through forestry works, all the felling at Neilmhor and Escart farm are completed and next week going to Crossaig to do a strip of trees next to the line. Remobilise next year to undertake management felling, and selective felling – retention of broad life - we will be looking to complete all forestry in 2022. DA advised that access tracks are underway, three foundations completed, one piled for the metal rods to go straight into the ground to support the tower.
5.0	Christmas Shut down + Post Christmas

5.1	DA stated that shut down is the 17/12. SSEN Transmission to reconvene with FLS and BB in January. Work to ramp up after Christmas, tower assembly and erection will happen post-Christmas. DN advised that the excavation needed for each tower will be 4 meters by 4 meters – 4-6 meter cube for each tower in depth.
6.0	AOB
6.1	Signage at Freasdail is needed. MP advised drivers from outwith the area are relying on Sat NAVS taking the wrong turn near her property and if not dealt with it could result in damage.
	IB request B800 Kirby signage can come down.
	DN stated that the Belmouth has been moved at Inverneil farm due to peat. This was in response to a question from MP.
	DP commended DA on his communication with the community to date and how he has dealt with matters that have arisen to date. MP agreed with this and they then thanked DA and DN for this.
7.0	Date of next CLG
7.1	Proposed date of the 27/01/22

Actions.

Number	Action / Update	Owner	Open/Closed
1.	Minutes and slides to be distributed to the CLG group	Caitlin SSEN	Closed
2.	Community to be aware of blasting dates in advance	Jim Harris BB	Open
3.	Signage to be put up at Freasdail	David Nevin BB	Open
4.	Signage to be taken down at Kirby	David Nevin BB	Open
5.	DN to speak to Inverneill cottage about Belmouth	David Nevin BB	Open