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Meeting	Knocknagael – Tomatin Overhead Line Community Liaison Group (OHL CLG)
Date	27th June 2018
Time	6.30pm – 8.00pm

OHL CLG Attendees and Apologies:

Attendees	Position
Joanne Seath (JS)	SSEN - OHL Project Manager
Louise Anderson (LA)	SSEN – Project Co-ordinator
Mr James Murray (JM)	Chair of Strathnairn CC
Mr Peter Christie (PC)	Secretary of Stratnairn CC
Ms Janice Tapley (JT)	Local resident
Cllr Macpherson (DMac)	Inverness South
Colin Kelly (CK)	Morgan Sindall Vinci Energies (MSVE) – Construction Manager
Apologies	Position
Simon Robertson (SR)	SSEN - Lead Project Manager
Kenneth Reid (KR)	SSEN - Environmental Project Manager
Cllr Gowans (KG)	Inverness South
Cllr Jarvie (AJ)	Inverness South
Cllr Margaret Davidson	Leader of the Highland Council
Cllr Caddick (CC)	Inverness South
Colin Ross (CR)	The Highland Council
Andrew Mclver (AMc)	The Highland Council

Minutes

1. Introductions and apologies	Attendees were Joanne Seath, Louise Anderson, James Murray, Peter Christie, Janice Tapley, Colin Kelly and Cllr MacPherson.
2. Approval of previous minutes	Minutes of the meeting held on 16th May 2018 were approved.
3. Matter arising from previous minutes	There were no matters arising from previous minutes.
4. Project Overview and update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OHL haul road has progressed up to T54. Still 2 osprey nests in situ at sites within close proximity of each other, one nest has failed but the other has 2 chicks, still concerns nest could be disturbed by works so we will remain out of these sites and will not carry out works until confirmed by Raptor experts it is safe to do so. Private Water Supply (PWS): One homeowner at Blairbuie not happy and has contacted Cllr Davidson of THC advising of issues they have with the works being undertaken and raising their concerns about the effect on their PWS. The catchment for the PWS is above the proposed new permanent access road so we feel it is unlikely we will contaminate their supply. However, we are aiming to address the homeowners concerns. We just wanted the CLG to be aware there is an issue. One of the homeowners has requested we arrange

for them to be connected to the Scottish water supply. We have said we do not feel this is required as our works will not detrimentally affect the supply. Water samples have been taken and these will be tested prior to works starting on site, further samples will be taken during and after the works are completed.

- Most tree felling now complete by Scottish Woodlands, all felling will be complete within 2 weeks and Scottish Woodlands out of the area.
- Wood removal at T30 to start by the end of this week; 29th June 2018 and will be removed via the haul road.
- Public Road Improvements are all complete except the footpath through Farr village, white lining and signing is progressing.
- MSVE sub-contractor Edward MacKays are expected to be finished the access track installations and be out of the area by mid August which will reduce the number of people on the roads through the village.
- Tower foundation works continue in multiple locations – 22.5 completed to date out of 62. Foundation piling has also started. Another 15 SIs are still to be carried out which will allow final designs to be completed.
- SSEN gave a general update on community engagement – Farr primary school had an open afternoon on 30th May. The garden was completed for the opening where a tape cutting ceremony took place. The garden works carried out by MSVE included the removal of the stone chips, lowering the flower baskets to allow even the youngest in the school to water them and looking at ways to attract more wildlife; particularly birds and bees. In addition to the visual improvement, the changes will provide a sensory space and better outdoor environment for everyone at the school.
- Tower assembly at Towers 36-40 has commenced and Towers one and 2 at Knocknagael are now fully erected.
- Outage for the diversion of the existing 132kV OHL in Farr will commence Saturday 4th August 2018 for approximately 2 weeks, this will be for the first circuit with the outage for the second circuit expected the following week. 5th July 2018 tree felling to begin, this will hopefully only be one tree on Mr Jamieson's boundary as SSEN are trying to minimise the number of trees being felled. However, the Operations team will have the final say regarding operational safety clearances. Worst case scenario is 4 trees on boundary and as further 4 trees at the road crossing. There will be stop/go boards in use for these works to be carried out but no road closures.
- More diversions to the existing OHL expected to allow construction of the new towers and OHL. However no definite date has been provided from Distribution for these works.
- MSVE are in process of applying for a revised extraction licence from SEPA. Current licence is for 10,000 litres and they wish to increase this to 50,000. This is due to the extreme dry weather recently which has caused problems with dust from the traffic on the site roads. MSVE need additional water from the existing water courses to facilitate dust suppression.

5. Next Meeting	Wednesday 26th September – 6.30pm at Farr Community Hall
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Actions/Outcomes

Number	Action / Update	Owner	Open/Closed
1	<p>SSEN will also provide an Advert for the Newsletter. Newsletter is bi-monthly. Deadlines for submissions are 24th of March, May, July, September, and November 2018.</p> <p>SSEN's sub-contractor Edward MacKay has now paid to sponsor the newsletter for one year; deadline for August's newsletter is 25th July.</p>	JS	On-going

2	SSEN can also offer their services to help with maintenance (gardening, painting etc.) under their BE THE DIFFERENCE scheme.	JS	On-going
3	MSVE to check TM compliant with Red Book – concerns raised by Community Council. MSVE have been granted permits to provide 7 passing places on the B851, just waiting on surfacing contractor to confirm dates. PC to be informed once dates confirmed to can update community Facebook page.	JS	Closed
4	MSVE to ensure advance warning signs are placed ahead of works on various affected roads.	JS	Closed
5	SSEN/THC/MSVE to look at options for completing footpath link from school to Cathy View. Discussion is ongoing between THC and SHE Transmission about diverting works from B861 to the public footpath from the shop to the school. All drawings for footpath received from Colin Ross at THC, just awaiting costs.	JS	On-going
6	MSVE are part of the Considerate Contractors scheme and will look at how this can be developed to provide long-term betterment for the Community. Audit carried out today; 27th June, score awaited. Auditor happy with MSVE's approach to ecology, safety and the wellbeing of their workforce.	JS	On-going
7	AP 7 – A risk assessment is required here by the Open Reach exchange – people are parking here and it obstructs access.	CK	On-going
8	Weekend Working – Any works to be carried out on a Sunday will be light duty works only with the exception of when there is an outage.	CK	Note
9	Speeding tubes were installed in Farr village before Christmas but there was some damage to a few so those damaged have been re-installed and the amount increased. It was raised at a recent Community Council Meeting that the number of vehicles going through Farr village at speed is increased when the site closes on a Friday afternoon. CK and JS will report this back to the site and reinforce the importance of adhering to the speed limit on the road.	JS/CK	26.09.18