

| Minutes of Energy from Waste Stakeholder Group Meeting | | | |
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| Date | 23.02.2016 | | |
| Location | SEPA, Inverdee House, Baxter Road, Aberdeen | | |
| Chairperson | Pete Lawrence (PL), Aberdeen City Council, Waste Management | | |
| Minutes | Hannah Lynch (HL), Aberdeen City Council, Waste Management | | |
| Attendees | Alan Strachan (AS), Nigg CC Andrew Giblin (AG), United Fish Industries Catherine Cowie (CC), Kincorth and Leggart CC Cllr Andrew Finlayson (AF), Aberdeen City Council David Fryer (DF), Torry Community Council Donald Raymond (DR), Aberdeenshire Council, Waste Management Gary Mitchell (GM), Kincorth and Leggart CC George Smith (GS), SEPA Joanna Mackie (JM), Aberdeen City Council, Communities & Partnerships Linda Ovens (LO), Amec FW Lynn Smith (LS), Richard Irvine Pam Walker (PW), Aberdeen City Council, Waste Management Prof Rob Jackson (RJ), Jackson Associates Ray Grant (RG), John Lawrie Group Simon McLean (SM), Torry Community Council M Strachan (MS) Nigg CC | | |
| Apologies | David Dunne, Aberdeen City Council, Gregor McAbery, FOE, Kevin Christie, Aberdeen City Council, Ian Booth, Aberdeen Heat and Power, Alan Donnelly, Aberdeen City Council, Hazel Stevenson, Aberdeen City Council | | |
| | | Action | Responsible |
| Item 1 | Previous Minutes | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Numbering requires amending Initials KC not shown in full in minutes SM asked that "he thought" be removed from the first line of his comment in Item 6. <p>Otherwise the minute was agreed as a true reflection of the last meeting.</p> | | |
| | Actions | | |
| | Identification of Chairperson (PL). PL will chair tonight's meeting and discussions ongoing regarding chair. PL asked for suggestions from the group. Work in progress | Identify potential suitable chairperson(s) | ALL |
| | Approach AHP for example costs re district heating. IB has supplied some information; this will be further considered in relation to heat and power. | Further work on potential financial benefits. | PW/ JM |
| | Investigate options for visits to EfW facilities. To be discussed in meeting under item 5 | | PW |
| | Investigate Options for Community Trust. DF mentioned there was already a Torry Development Trust and he was the contact. Ongoing. | Investigate options for Community Trust | |
| Consider further options for sharing/explain application content with community Ongoing and update next meeting | Ongoing | PL/ RJ | |
| Identify some case studies of regulation activity Ongoing and update next meeting | Ongoing | GS | |

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| | <p>Circulate public consultation feedback report Complete</p> <p>Check with CC's regarding timing of next meeting Complete</p> | <p>Complete</p> <p>Complete</p> | |
| Item 2 | How key concerns are addressed within the Environmental Statement (Linda Ovens- Amec- Foster- Wheeler) | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LO provided a presentation focusing on key concerns highlighted at the last public consultation which were: air quality, noise and traffic • This included an update on the Environmental Statement (ES) which will become public next week in conjunction with submission of the planning application. • The presentation will be circulated to the group following the meeting. <p>Questions:</p> <p>1. Air quality- key concerns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AG asked if the effects are cumulative and LO confirmed they are • DF mentioned he received the leaflet through the door which he was pleased to see but unhappy at not receiving planning application supporting documents prior to the planning application going in next week. He asked to ensure good quality information to be made available prior to PA going in and provide information before public consultation. PL explained that the documents were not yet finalised. • DF added that the community want to see the scale of the development and a good model to understand. • DF asked if there will be concise summaries • DF feels the development is in the wrong location as will have a major impact on Torry and south of Dee. • SM asked about seeing the business case and PL said he would supply it to him. PW added it's available on the website • DF asked if the links can be republished • RJ asked about Planning Service's response to the scoping report. LO confirmed that there has not been an overall response from the Planning Service but they have had all of the comments from the consultees. • RJ enquired about dispersion model and assumed the River Dee formed barrier to odour nuisance. LO responded that they followed guidance provided by SEPA and ran two models. • GS added that the River Dee was not considered in the model • PL asked about the source of meteorological data. LO confirmed the model used meteorological data taken over last 10 years and the nearest weather station is based at airport in Dyce. The modelling considers many different meteorological scenarios including coastal effects such as the haar. <p>2. Key concern 2: Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AF commented that one of the problems is dust and asked how bottom ash dust will be controlled in area. LO confirmed the ash will be stored internally with shutter doors and there will be no handling of it when door is open • RJ commented that one mitigation measure of one he'd been in Fife was to double the stack height. • GS said there is no additional benefit of increasing stack above a certain height. | <p>Circulate presentation to group.</p> <p>Supply copy of business case</p> <p>Republish links</p> | <p>HL</p> <p>HL</p> <p>HL</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LO commented that flue gas is computer controlled and treatment of gases varies depending on the composition of material input • PL added that the plant will be designed to deal with municipal waste and the variances within that type of waste. • AF is concerned over fail safe of preventing toxic material going in. GS replied that incinerator can be stopped if it is approaching any of the output limits. • PL added if conditions move towards the limits it automatically shuts down. GS confirmed that interlocking guards are a regulatory requirement which is automated by plant and operator can also manually shut it down • PL said that's why it is worth seeing in practice when we visit the EfW plant at Lincoln to see the level of control. • AF asked who would check the gas coming out of the stack. GS answered that it's continually monitored by the plant then SEPA do annual checks to check that the results all match in and SEPA have authority to check at any time with spot checks. • RJ asked if there would be permanent monitoring in the community. LO answered that the monitoring requirement is only to the boundary of the plant but there is an option to monitor further however there is already Air Quality monitoring in that area. • PL added information will be made available as quickly and clearly as possible to community and may be real time data. | | |
| Item 3 | <p>Planning Application update and public consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PW informed the group that the planning application is going in shortly and we will circulate links to the group to the planning pages and add links to the application from all 3 councils' webpages • In regards to the engagement plan she asked the group where and who we should engage with over the next couple of months • PW listed the information sources being used such as the exhibitions on Monday 29th February, Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd of March; posters distributed to public places, leaflets sent to all local properties; radio adverts, local press; ABZRE website and social media. PW asked group to let us know if anything missed out. • PW also mentioned summarised versions of banners will be produced that will be portable to be used in smaller venues e.g. libraries, dr practice, shops etc. • RJ asked what format the events are in and PW confirmed they are in a similar format as last time with display boards and staff to answer any questions • It was suggested they were put into reception of Marischal College but PL replied that there is a lot of competition for space but we could find out if possible • JM suggested putting boards into local businesses if they are agreeable to this idea. PL added it is worth contacting Wood Group, Shell etc. to see if possible. JM also suggested putting them into schools • PL said that if any other venue ideas to let him know • AF suggested using the Waste Aware bus or something that can be left on display in a car park plus more things to be organised out of work hours • PW answered that team attends events at weekends and that using the bus is a good idea | <p>Provide links to the planning application for group</p> <p>Stakeholder group to provide suggestions</p> <p>Contact someone in MC reception about displaying boards</p> <p>Contact local businesses in East Tullos Ind estate</p> | <p>HL</p> <p>Stakeholder group</p> <p>HL</p> <p>PW</p> |

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| | <p>representatives in Lincoln along to the lunch session to answer any questions the stakeholder group might have.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PL mentioned that group members were interested in seeing an EfW plant that has had issues as well as one that hasn't. PL said this would be considered. The facility at Dundee is an older plant and has had some operational issues and a visit there may be appropriate. | <p>Stakeholder group to send any questions</p> <p>Stakeholder group to inform if interested</p> | <p>HL</p> <p>PL</p> |
| Item 6 | AOB | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RJ commented on the likely operation of the plant and whether it would be run by the Council or a contractor • PL replied that the EfW plant is directly financed by the 3 local authorities and the decision whether it would be operated by the local authorities or a contractor was yet to be made • AG added that regardless of who runs it, the running of it is also down to a good management team which is crucial • LO said that there will be performance management criteria for whomever operates it • RJ added that communities like to be alerted to KPIs and have a contribution to these • SM asked again if he can receive a copy of the business case on a memory stick | <p>SM to be provided with memory stick</p> | <p>PW</p> |
| Item 7 | Date of next meeting | | |
| | Wednesday 16th March from 4-6pm at SEPA, Inverdee house | | |