



**STUBLACH GAS STORAGE PROJECT**  
**MINUTES OF LOCAL LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING (LLC)**  
**HELD WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2010 AT**  
**LACH DENNIS VILLAGE HALL**

Chairperson:

Alan Leadbetter

Storengy UK Ltd

Attendees:

Tamara Bainbridge (Part Time)  
John Beecroft  
Rod Brookfield  
Ray Dodd (Part Time)  
John Hardman  
Bob Robinson  
Julia Wilson

Cheshire Community Action  
Byley Council  
Cheshire West & Chester Council  
Cheshire Community Action  
Lach Dennis Parish Council  
Northwich Town Council  
Allostock Parish Council

Jacques Badet  
John O'Donnell  
Rachel Jackson

Storengy UK Ltd  
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Apologies/ Non attendees:

Ian Appleyard  
Graham Aveyard  
Mike Boag-Munroe  
Theresa Cash  
Tom Davies  
David Rouse  
John Whieldon

Allostock Parish Council  
Cheshire West & Chester Council  
Cranage Parish Council  
Lach Dennis Parish Council  
Northwich Parish Council  
Lostock Parish Council  
Ineos Enterprises

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## 1. INTRODUCTIONS AND ADMINISTRATION

Introductions were made to welcome Tamara Bainbridge to the Committee. Tamara will manage the Storengy UK Environmental Fund due to the retirement of Ray Dodd. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ray for his assistance with the fund and we wish him all the best for his retirement. Apologies were read out to members of the LLC.

## 2. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

B Robinson had spoken with parish councillors from Lostock and Rudheath to encourage their participation in the Local Liaison Committee Meetings. There was no representation at the meeting from either parish.

R Dodd has not produced the paperwork to sign off the application of Byley Village Hall for the donation of £2,850 for the car park and toilet lighting schemes. The work has not commenced due to re-design of the car park lighting to allow for more low level lighting.

J Beecroft confirmed that he will send the quote to R Dodd imminently; however the project cost remains unchanged.

R Dodd confirmed that he will prepare the paperwork to have this officially signed off at the next meeting.

## 3. ENVIROMENTAL FUND

R Dodd presented 1 application to the fund:

### Lach Dennis Village Hall – Ref 013

Lach Dennis Village Hall has requested a donation of £10,000 to replace the old timber frontage at the front of the hall with a brick structure to match the construction of the building and be capable of supporting a tiled roof.

Lach Dennis Village Hall requires £55,250 and applications for funding have also been made to e-on and Wren.

After discussion, it was decided that £10,000 would be pledged to the application from Storengy UK subject to contributions from e-on and Wren.

Votes were carried in favour of this application.

## 4. STUBLACH SITE PROGRESS REPORT

J O'Donnell provided an overview of the project to date:

There have been no accidents, incidents or complaints since the last meeting. An emergency exercise drill was carried out to maintain staff training and safety awareness.

Brine and Water - Phase 1 (10 well-sites)  
Leaching of the first 10 cavities is progressing well.

Brine and Water - Phase 2 (9 additional well-sites)  
The civil contractor has constructed 6 of the 9 well sites. The remaining three well

R Dodd/ T Bainbridge to sign off application for Byley Lighting Project at the next meeting.

sites should be completed by August. The drilling contract for the 9 well-sites will begin in August and last approximately 9 months. The same drilling contractor will be used for the Phase 2 works. The Drilling team understand the noise and lighting issues associated with drilling 24/7 and will endeavour to avoid any complaints in these areas.

The contractor installing the underground pipe between the Solution Mining Compound and the new well-sites has started work stripping soil and stringing out all the pipework which has been delivered to the Stublach site through the first quarter of 2010.

The landscaping season has recently finished for 2009/10 and over 40000 shrubs have now been planted.

#### **5. COMPLAINTS REVIEW**

Storengy has received no complaints. Cheshire West and Chester Council have received no complaints related to the Stublach Project.

#### **6. OPEN FORUM**

R Brookfield informed committee members that there is a general landscaping plan in implementation for both Storengy UK and e-on. As the areas overlap, it has been decided to coincide the planting for both projects. The use of evergreens shrubs was debated (to provide all year round screening). It was stated that evergreens have not been specified by the council's landscaping expert as they are not in keeping with the makeup of the existing hedgerows.

R Brookfield has received planning applications for the relocation of 3 well heads and the expansion of the pipe works. These applications are nearing completion.

R Brookfield commented on the transparency of Storengy UK with regard to their planning applications and spoke of the positive relationship between Storengy UK and Cheshire West & Chester Council.

R Brookfield has received the application for the Hazardous Substances Consent, due to the change in location it has to be referred to the HSE. Standard response time for the HSE is 6 months and R Brookfield cannot issue consent until then. R Brookfield is currently in talks with the HSE and is hoping to speed up the process so that the HSE respond by July.

A bat survey has been carried out on the farmhouse and woodland – the report will be released shortly.

J Beecroft asked what the timescale is for leaching?  
J O'Donnell replied that the EPCM contractor is managing the gas plant and the programme should be finalised by early January. Commissioning is expected at the end of 2012 with the first gas injections in 2013.

J Badet presented committee members with proofs of the Storengy UK 4<sup>th</sup> Local Newsletter.

R Jackson will distribute by post, copies of the 4<sup>th</sup> newsletter once it has been printed.



***Date of next LLC meeting:***

***Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 4pm, Lach Dennis Village Hall***

***Dates for 2010:***

***Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Decermber 4pm***

***Circulation:***

***Attendees/apologies plus Northwich and Middlewich libraries***

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