

Sizewell Parishes Liaison Group

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15th September 2010

At the Village Hall Theberton

Present: Malcolm Blakeney (Chairman), Alan Mackley (Blythburgh), Kevin Webster (Aldeburgh), Marian Andrews (Saxmundham & SCDC), Paul Brett (Friston), G R Gilbert (Stratford St. Andrews & Farnham), Geoff Abell (Dunwich Parish Meeting), Mandy Aldridge (Walberswick), Eric Atkinson (Aldringham) and Barry Slater (SCDC).

1. Apologies: Trevor Tate (Secretary), Jon Swallow (Theberton), Terry Hodgson (Leiston)

2. Welcome & Introductions. Eric Atkinson (Aldringham) & Kevin Webster (Aldeburgh)

3. The Minutes of the meeting held on 28th April 2010 were confirmed, approved & signed.

4. Report of Steering Group and Community Fund proposal. The meeting considered the Fund to be too ambition especially involvement of the wind farm company and the ethics requiring a percentage of each contractors budget.
 - The meeting decided to focus sharply upon EDF to establish the principle of a Community Fund, quoting the illustrative figures drawn from Copeland BC. The Chairman to redraft the Paper and forward to members for their comments.
 - That Planning Consent for EDF is from Central Government and SCDC is required to input local infrastructure needs and community benefit (regulation 106).

- That research into other examples of community benefit should be undertaken by a visit to France and correspondence with Hinckley Point.
- That Bob Chamberlain (SCDC) is requested to discover if there is an EU community benefit planning policy for the electricity industry, which requires conformity across member states. Further, that SPLG requests representation of the SCDC Task Group, due to meet on 18th November 2010.

5. SPLG Website. Now activated at: www.sizewellparishes.org.uk

6. Finance. The next round of subscriptions due in next council financial year.

7. Date of next meeting. 17th November 2010, possibly at Blythburgh VH.
To be confirmed.