

Supporting community events

We were pleased to make a donation towards the Aldbrough Village show held on 28th July 2012. Site Manager, Michael Gillatt, was honoured to be asked by the show organiser, Martin Senior, to present some awards including for the winners of the Scarecrow competition and various garden categories.

SSE employee, Owen Senior, also used one of his community days to help with the setting up of the show. This is part of SSE's project called "Community at Heart" and involves all SSE colleagues being given the opportunity to spend one working day each year to support a community volunteering project that is close to their heart. If you are interested in finding out how we can help you, please do get in touch.



Site Manager, Michael Gillatt presenting an award at Aldbrough Village Show

Community Liaison Group

If you have any questions or queries regarding Aldbrough Gas Storage please do get in contact with Jayne Williams, who will respond to any issues raised. A Community Liaison Group (CLG) is established which is made up of nominated local representatives. Members of the public are also free to observe meetings. The CLG currently meets every six weeks to ensure that during construction and subsequent operation of the Aldbrough Gas Storage facility, the developer/operator and the community work together to minimise the impact of the facility on its neighbours. Fundamental to this role, the CLG needs to promote open and honest communication between all parties".

Members of the CLG include:

- Michael Gillatt** – SSE – Site Manager
- Jayne Williams** – SSE – Community Liaison Officer
- Andy Wainwright** – East Riding of Yorkshire Council (Planning officer)
- Cllr Matthew Grove** – East Riding of Yorkshire Council (Ward Councillor)
- Kevin Blackwell** – Aldbrough Parish Council
- Mick Robinson** – Aldbrough Parish Council and Sports Hall
- Avril Crowthorpe** – East Garton Parish Council
- Steve Mattinson** – East Garton Parish Council
- Derek Harris** – Parochial Church Council Aldbrough Primary School (TBC)
- Bail Wood Scout Camp (TBC)
- Billie-Jean Henry** – Temporary member representing local horse users

The minutes from future CLG meetings will be added to the website which can be found at www.sse.com/aldbrough

Contact us

Further information is available at www.sse.com/aldbrough

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Site Security: Should you have an urgent query outside of normal working hours, please call site security on 01964 529451 (24 hours)

We are committed to using local services wherever possible. If you would be interested in delivering future issues of this newsletter to approximately 700 households in the Aldbrough, Garton, Grimston and Fitting area then please contact Jayne Williams using the contact details above.

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Aerial photo of site taken in April 2011

Aldbrough Gas Storage

Community Newsletter – Summer 2012

Welcome to the first Aldbrough Gas Storage Facility newsletter for local residents living in Aldbrough, Garton and the surrounding area. The aim of this newsletter is to keep you, the community, up to date with operations at the Gas Storage facility (owned by SSE and Statoil), informed about our plans for the future and to promote our commitment to invest in the local community.

INVITATION TO PUBLIC "DROP-IN" SESSION

Friday 5 October
(2pm–7pm), Aldbrough Sports Hall, Aldbrough, HU11 4QA.
Saturday 6 October
(10am–3pm), East Village Meadows, Garton, HU11 4QB.

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Here to listen

The Aldbrough facility already represents a major strategic contributor to the national storage of gas within the UK and it is important that the local community stands to benefit as part of that. As part of our planning consent back in 2006, we made a commitment to hold a regular Community Liaison Group (CLG) made up of local representatives, which members of the public are welcome to observe. We would like to continue holding CLG meetings (even after construction) for as long as residents believe that these are of benefit. Further information is available as part of this newsletter.



In response to feedback earlier this year, we have extended our communications more widely to ensure that any member of the public can contact us directly at any time. The position of Community Liaison Officer for the Aldbrough

project has now been taken on by Jayne Williams (pictured). She will ensure that local residents are kept up-to-date with progress on the site and is also available to speak to about any issues or questions relating to construction or operation. Jayne will be regularly at site and in the local community and is also available to contact on the details overleaf.

Invitation to public "drop-in" session

We held a public "drop-in" session in April – we felt this was a very useful way for us to communicate our plans for the facility face-to-face as well as providing an opportunity for local residents to speak to members of the project team.

We would like to invite you to another session to update you on progress as well as to consult you on our latest plans to provide a local woodland and divert a bridleway as part of our Phase Two project. These will take place on:

Friday 5 October
(2pm–7pm), Aldbrough Sports Hall

Saturday 6 October
(10am–3pm), East Village Meadows, Garton

Should you be unable to attend, the information will be available on our website (www.sse.com/aldbrough) or by post (on request).

In the meantime, please see a brief summary of our latest news below.

Update on Phase One progress

Significant progress has now been made on Phase One of the Aldbrough facility with eight of the nine caverns in operational use. The one remaining cavern is about to enter commercial operation shortly – this will mean that all nine caverns will be completed and we will update the community once this has happened.

As part of completion of Phase One, over the next few months, we will be completing removal of coastal protection, removing some site equipment and constructing a centralised store.



On site at Aldbrough Phase One

Approval of amendment to Phase Two

An amendment to the already consented Aldbrough Gas Storage (Phase Two) project has been approved by the East Riding of Yorkshire Council Planning Committee, subject to the satisfactory completion of a Section 106 Agreement.

What is a Section 106 agreement?

We have committed to completing a Section 106 (or S106) Agreement with planning officers at East Riding of Yorkshire Council, which is the local planning authority. This will allow us to agree a way of delivering or addressing matters that are necessary to make a development acceptable in planning terms. In this instance the Agreement will include bridleway diversion to the existing S106.



Construction work on Aldbrough Phase One

The amendment included the relocation of the Wellhead platform to ensure that the quickening rate of coastal erosion in the area will have less impact on the design life of the development. Construction of Phase Two is now subject to a final investment decision from both partners and we will write to you ahead of any planned construction. Before we can begin, we will need to satisfy conditions set out within the S106 agreement.

Were the project to progress, we believe that Phase Two of the Aldbrough Gas Storage facility will create much needed employment opportunities in a rural area and will also help to increase much needed security of energy supply for the UK.

Consulting local residents

As part of the S106 agreement, we have begun informally consulting with, and will continue to consult with, local residents and representatives regarding the diversion of a bridleway.

We have also offered to bring forward our plans to invest in planting around the site rather than waiting until the commencement of Phase Two. This will mean that residents will be able to see the benefits earlier on.

We will be outlining our proposals for bridleway diversion and for tree planting at the drop-in session on 5th and 6th October and look forward to receiving feedback. If you are unable to attend or would like further information, please see our project website or contact Jayne Williams (overleaf).

We will then present our feedback at the next meeting of the Community Liaison Group scheduled to take place on 18th October before implementing the final proposals.