

Keuper Gas Storage Project Local Liaison Group Minutes of Meeting

Item	Summary	Actions
Meeting	Keuper Gas Storage Project (KGSP) Local Liaison Group (LLG)	
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Details	Tuesday 31 January 2023, 6pm – 7pm, via MS Teams	
Attendees	Richard Stevenson, INOVYN Steven Holmes (Cheshire West and Chester Council) John Beecroft (Byley Parish Meeting) Mark Powell (Davenham Parish Council) Lewis Jones, Font Comms (Chair) Apologies: Janet Ward, INOVYN Paul Spare (Davenham Parish Council) Julia Wilson (Allostock Parish Council)	
Item 1	Welcome and introductions	
	Chair Lewis Jones (LJ) welcomed attendees to the meeting and provided introductions.	
Item 2	Review and agreement of minutes	
	No comments were raised on the minutes from the previous meetings.	
Item 3	KGSP Construction Progress Update	
	Richard Stevenson (RS) provided an update on the progress of construction of the consented KGSP. He explained that work at Yatehouse Lane and Brownheyes Drive is now complete. The team will monitor the newly planted hedgerow and seeded grass. Previously, it was reported that work on Drakelow Lane had been delayed. Following engagement with the landowner, this was completed in December, with re-tarmacking and changes made to the entranceways. All that remains to be completed is installation of the Cheshire railings, due to delays with the supplier. This is likely to happen in early March. This will then complete the first phase of construction.	
Item 4	Submission of non-material change application	
	RS explained that, following pre-application consultation with a drop-in event in Byley, the non-material change application for the KGSP was submitted in November 2022, followed by a period of statutory consultation. He provided an overview of the responses from the statutory consultees, with no objections or issues raised ahead of the 6 January 2023 deadline. He explained that a Consultation Summary document had been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate and that this would be made available on the KGSP website. SH asked for confirmation about next steps and likely timescales. RS	LJ
	outlined how, given no indication was given whether the desired changes were non-material, the application has been submitted as a non-material	



	change and the team is now waiting for a decision from BEIS. Other applications have taken up to 6 months for a final decision from the Secretary of State, but the timeline is currently not confirmed. RS will engage with BEIS to understand the likely decision timeline.	RS
Item 5	Date of next meeting	
	The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 25 April 2023.	LJ
Item 7	Any other business	
	N/A	

