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Project	Wheelabrator Parc Adfer
Meeting Name and Number	Community Liaison Group (CLG) Meeting No. 003
Date	20/09/2017
Time	17:30 – 19:30
Location	Wheelabrator Parc Adfer construction site, Weighbridge Road, Deeside Industrial Park
Attendees (alphabetically by organisation):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donald Howell (DH), Burton Residents' Association • Lisa Fearn (LF), Town Manager, Connah's Quay • Eric Faulkner (EF), Connah's Quay Town Council • Colin Everett (CE), Chief Executive, Flintshire County Council (and Lead Chief Officer, North Wales Residual Waste Treatment Project) • Paul Wright (PW), Industry Regulation Team Leader for North and Mid Wales, Natural Resources Wales • Gary Nancarrow (GN), Manager, North Wales Minerals & Waste Planning Service • Robin Wynne-Williams (RWW), Senior Minerals and Waste Planning Officer, North Wales Minerals & Waste Planning Service • Steffan Owen (SO), Regional Contracts Manager, North Wales Residual Waste Treatment Project • Cathrina Moore (CM), Puddington & District Parish Council • Alex Lewis (AL), Chairman, Sealand Community Council • Gary Cooper (GC), Shotton Town Council • Ian Zachary (IZ), Business Development Manager, Welsh Government • Julian Harrison (JH), Project Director, Wheelabrator Parc Adfer (and Chairman of the Parc Adfer Community Liaison Group) • David Spencer (DS), Communications Manager, Wheelabrator Technologies • Toby Barker (TB), Communications Consultant, Wheelabrator Parc Adfer
Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Tami MP

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carl Sargeant AM • Carolyn Thomas (CT), Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Countryside, Flintshire County Council • Kevin Jones (KJ), Local resident • Andrew Bronnert (AB), Head of Energy & Operational Support , UPM Shotton
Attachments	None
Distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All present plus apologies

Draft	Date	Changes	Author	Checked	Approved
A	13/10/2017	First revision	TB		

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1	Welcome and introductions		
1.1	JH welcomed members to the Wheelabrator Parc Adfer site office. He said the construction of the facility was now in month ten of 34 and that members could see for themselves the significant progress being made.		
1.2	JH also noted that members of the senior management team from Wheelabrator's head office in the United States were currently visiting the site and would join the CLG meeting later.		
2	Agreement of minutes		
2.1	The minutes of the June 2017 meeting were agreed as an accurate record by members.		
2.2	JH reviewed the actions arising from the last meeting and it was agreed all the actions had been satisfactorily completed.		
3	Project progress and community update		
3.1	DS gave a presentation to members, outlining the key project milestones achieved since the last CLG meeting and looked ahead to some forthcoming points of interest.		
3.2	DS announced that a new Wheelabrator Parc Adfer website had been created and would be launched in the coming weeks.		
3.3	DS said a new Community Update newsletter had also been produced and would be distributed at around the same time the new website was launched.		
3.4	DS distributed application forms for the new Community Benefit Fund that has been launched by Wheelabrator to provide funding to local organisations during the project's construction phase.		
3.5	The new funding will focus on supporting initiatives that benefit the Deeside Partnership area. This consists of the Flintshire County Council wards of Connah's Quay, Shotton, Garden City, Queensferry and Aston. The application form contains the criteria for applicants and can be downloaded from the new Wheelabrator Parc Adfer website.		

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	JH said conversations were ongoing with third parties who would help Wheelabrator to manage / reprocess by-products from the facility when it enters operation. This would include bottom ash and residue from the thermal treatment process		
	<p>Q: LF asked whether any waste from Wheelabrator Parc Adfer (when it was operational) could end up going to landfill?</p> <p>A: JH said the only material that would go to landfill would be material picked out of the waste on arrival, if it was considered unsuitable for treatment by Parc Adfer. In reality, this would be very little as the collection and segregation processes would ensure unsuitable materials – and those that can be recycled – would be removed from the waste before arriving at the facility. JH added that the recycling performance of local authorities in Wales made it one of the best performing countries in Europe.</p>		
4	Ferrybridge Multifuel 1 site visit update		
4.1	As agreed at the last meeting, DS has arranged for CLG members to attend a site visit to Wheelabrator’s operational FM1 facility. The visit will take place on October 25 and will enable the group to see the entire energy-from-waste process in action.		
4.2	CE asked if photos from the visit could be shown at the next CLG meeting for the benefit of members not able to attend. DS agreed to ensure this was the case.	DS	October 25
5	The permitting and regulation of energy from waste facilities		
5.1	A presentation was given by RWW detailing the role of the North Wales Minerals and Waste Planning Service in the planning consent process for Wheelabrator Parc Adfer.		
5.2	RWW explained that the planning process for the facility had taken around nine months. This was considered to be efficient timing for this type of facility.		
5.3	The consenting process ensured a number of conditions - 39 in total - were placed on Wheelabrator Technologies as the applicant. A number of these conditions needed to be completed (or ‘discharged’) before construction could start and others needed to be discharged before operations can start. There are also conditions relating to the day-to-day running of the facility when it becomes		

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	operational.		
5.4	One example of a planning condition is the formation of the Community Liaison Group, which RWW said was one of the best ways for the planning authority and local stakeholders monitor and regulate activity on the project.		
5.5	After receiving consent, the applicant is able to apply for Non-Material Amendments (NMAs) which enables 'fine tuning' of the development as construction progresses.		
5.6	<p>Q: DH asked if NMAs are published, so the public are aware of changes being made?</p> <p>A: RWW confirmed they are a matter of public record. JH added that one NMA being considered currently related to the specific shade of grey that would be used for the cladding on the facility.</p>		
5.7	A presentation was then given by PW, explaining the role of NRW as the regulator for environmental matters.		
5.8	<p>PW explained that Wheelabrator Parc Adfer needed an environmental permit, awarded by NRW, to be able to operate. The permit is only awarded if NRW is convinced the facility in question can and will be operated safely. NRW had refused permits for other facilities in the local area on two occasions. The permit for Wheelabrator Parc Adfer is 41 pages long and publically available.</p> <p>JH said Wheelabrator Technologies takes its environmental permitting very seriously and recognises the importance of proper monitoring in this area.</p>		
5.9	<p>Q: LF asked how far afield NRW looked in order to calculate the cumulative effect of facilities on the environment, would the hazardous waste facility at Ellesmere Port be taken into account?</p> <p>A: PW said the zone under consideration would not stretch as far as Ellesmere Port.</p>		
5.10	<p>Q: CE asked PW to explain the process of 'improvement conditions' used by NRW in its environmental permitting?</p> <p>A: PW explained that these were requirements placed on the applicant with the award of the permit. For example, Wheelabrator would need to submit a written report to NRW ahead of starting its</p>		

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	commissioning, explaining how the process would be approached.		
6	North Wales Residual Waste Treatment Project (NWRWTP) update		
6.1	SO updated members on the progress being made by NWRWTP. This included continuing close liaison with Wheelabrator Technologies, and the five local authority partners.		
	SO explained work was progressing to access Welsh Government funding for a feasibility study into the potential of district heating networks. There is the potential for the NWRWTP and the Wheelabrator Parc Adfer project to be seen as innovators in this area. It was agreed that Welsh Government could play an important role in helping to bring together users and providers of heat / steam.		
7.	Addendum		
	<p>Bill Roberts (senior vice president of operations at Wheelabrator Technologies), Artie Cole (VP Technical Services at Wheelabrator Technologies) and Mark Santella (VP Engineering & Advanced Metal Recovery at Wheelabrator Technologies) joined the meeting. JH explained they were part of a senior management delegation that was visiting the Wheelabrator Parc Adfer site from the US.</p> <p>The visitors introduced themselves to CLG members and explained they had nearly 100 years of experience between them in building and operating energy-from-waste facilities. Their priority was always to ensure Wheelabrator's facilities - such as Parc Adfer - were built, operated and maintained to the highest order.</p>		
7	Agreement of actions and date of next meeting		
7.1	It was agreed the next meeting of the CLG would take place on Wednesday 24 January, 2018.		
7.2	Action: There would be an update of the CLG visit to Ferrybridge Multifuel 1 (FM1) at the next meeting, including photography.	DS	
7.3	Action: Wheelabrator will notify the CLG members when the new project website goes live and the Community Benefit Fund application forms can be downloaded from the site	DS	

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8	Meeting Close		
8.1	The meeting closed at 7.10pm		