

**Residents and Business Liaison Group**  
**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 6.30pm to 8.30pm**  
**Grace Baptist Church Hall, 48-50 Park Ridings, N8 0LD**

**Attendees**

Keith Johnston (KJ) National Grid  
Phil Harrison (PH) Atkins  
Ashley Spearing (AS) St. William  
Steve Murdoch (SM) VHE  
Felix Shaw (FS) Local Dialogue  
Chris Cooper-Davies (CCD) Local Dialogue

Marcus Ballard (MB)  
Ryan King (RK)  
Cllr Stephen Mann (SMn)

**Apologies**

Dan Taylor, tRIIO  
Emma Williamson, Haringey Council  
John Miles

**1. Introductions and apologies**

Introductions were made.

**2. Site remediation update**

**PH** gave an update on work at the site over the last month. He reminded the group that at the last meeting work had stopped while the team decided how to deal with the asbestos contaminated material found in Gasholder No. 2 (GH2).

Since then, Mick George, a licenced asbestos remover, had begun work to remove the contaminated stockpile off site. The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and Haringey Council had been informed.

In line with regulation, all the relevant control measures are in place. The contractors are wearing facemasks and full body protective clothing and the tyres of the lorries carrying material in and out of the site are washed before they enter the high way.

Removing the contaminated material will take approximately 2-3 weeks. He mentioned that the level of GH2 would be reduced from 3 to 4 metres depth to prevent St William's workers coming into contact with contaminated material.

**MB** asked whether St William would need to carry out piling in the area over GH2.

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**AS** said he would like to avoid this because piling causes dust. However, he added that there were alternative piling methods that might be possible.

**SM** described the process by which the asbestos contaminated material was removed from the site. It was wetted down before being loaded into lorries, where it was wetted again and covered.

**PH** mentioned that it was impossible to see asbestos material in the stockpile, but that asbestos fibres were laced into the soil.

He noted that once the material has been removed and GH2 has been capped with non-contaminated material, all the major remediation work on the site would be complete. This should be by mid July.

He added that there would still need to be investigation work carried out in the Electoral Reform Service (ERS) car park. This was planned to begin on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June. While work is being carried out, staff at the ERS will use VHE's car park.

### 3. tRIIO works on Mary Neuner Road

**PH** updated the group on tRIIO's work in the area. He said that tRIIO would move into VHE's cabins when they moved out at the end of July. tRIIO would be returning to the area in two weeks for more trial hole digging. One of these would be dug at the Mercedes garage to the north of Mary Neuner Road. tRIIO anticipate that work at the garage will last for approximately two weeks.

The work would result in more road works and potentially road closures but tRIIO are hoping to avoid closures by implementing a contraflow system.

**KJ** said that work on the new PRS would be finished by next March. After that, National Grid will need to demolish the old PRS and carry out some final remediation work, meaning that all work on site would be complete by September or October 2018. He said efforts would be made to reduce the overall timetable by carrying out some work ahead of schedule.

### 4. Communications update

**FS** said a letter had been sent to nearby residents about the asbestos at the end of May but that no one had contacted Local Dialogue about the issue since then. He said he would send copy of the letter to **SMn**, who had not received it.

**FS** said that one person had been in contact to request a general update about work on the site. The next letter would be sent out when remediation work was

finished and the site was transferred from VHE to tRIIO. He mentioned that photos of GH2 were being taken throughout the demolition and would be shared on the website at a later date.

Roger Kemp, a resident who had contacted **SMn** about Japanese Knotweed near the site, had also been in contact with **FS**, who is dealing with the query.

## **8. Any other business**

**MB** asked about security on site going forward.

**KJ** said that he was not sure how the site would be secured while the PRS is being built.

**MB** said he would prefer a long-term hoarding for aesthetic reasons. He asked about the future of the bund.

**AS** said that until the completion of remediation work at the end of next year, the bund would remain in its current condition.

**ENDS**