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<b>Meeting Title:</b>	Community Liaison Group (CLG)		
<b>Meeting Objective:</b>	The role of the CLG is to facilitate communication and engagement between Morlais Menter Môn Limited, the community and key stakeholders.		
<b>Location:</b>	Microsoft Teams		
<b>Date:</b>	05/09/2023	<b>Time</b>	18:00
<b>Attendees:</b>			
<p><b>Menter Môn Morlais:</b> Oliver Wilson (OW), Andy Billcliff (AB), Hannah Thomas (HT), Guto Wyn Hughes (GWH), Gerallt Llewelyn Jones (GLJ), Clive McGregor (CMG), Clare Llywelyn (CL);</p> <p><b>IoACC:</b> Angharad Crump (AC);</p> <p><b>IoACC ward member for Parc a'r Mynydd:</b> Glyn Haynes (GH);</p> <p><b>Jones Brothers:</b> Brendan Fieldhouse (BF);</p> <p><b>Canoe Wales:</b> Alistair Pattullo (AP);</p> <p><b>Local Homeowner Representative:</b> Tom Roberts (TR);</p> <p><b>Holyhead Shipping:</b> Oliver Tull (OT)</p> <p>Neville Evans</p> <p><b>Head of Constituency Office to Virginia Crosbie MP:</b> Bethan Davies (BD);</p>			

### Summary of Discussions:

<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>
<p><i>During this meeting a power point presentation was displayed on screen.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Panel introduced by CMG:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ OW – Project Manager, Morlais</li> <li>○ AB – CEO, Morlais</li> <li>○ GLJ – Senior Responsible Officer, Morlais</li> <li>○ CL - Marine Characterisation Research Project Manager</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Meeting Format</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting format agreed.</li> </ul>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Review of actions</b>
<p><b>An update on the AR5 results to be sent to the CLG members.</b></p>	

**4. Morlais Update**

- Morlais update given by GLJ.
- Future infrastructure funding:
  - The growing project requires access to 180MW of export.
  - Next infrastructure project will proceed from Parc Cybi to the Anglesey Aluminium site to connect to the National Grid.
  - This will cost £14m - £9m of which will come from the North Wales Growth Deal.
  - We are exploring equity to raise the other £5m.
- Revenue funding position:
  - Menter Môn Ltd has established a company called Menter Môn Morlais Ltd (MMM) to operate the Morlais site.
  - MMM is currently exploring means of raising capital to assist with its early years operation prior to the break even point being achieved.
  - Work on securing a loan for this purpose is in its secondary stages.
- Turbine operators UK government subsidy:
  - UK Gov offers subsidy (CfD) to turbine operators on an annual basis called AR rounds.
  - It is a competitive process.
  - Under AR4 2022, Magallanes was awarded 6MW.
  - MMM have allowed 5 turbine companies to bid for 38MW under AR5 2023.
  - Results of AR5 released on September 8<sup>th</sup> 2023.

**5. Programme of Works – Construction**

- Programme of works update given by OW.
- Horizontal Direction Drilling (HDD)
- Undertaken by Stockton Drilling:
  - 2023 drilling work is now complete.
  - Two shorter length drills completed to limit exposure to difficult geology found in 2022.
- Onshore Work (substations and cable routes):
  - Undertaken by Jones Brothers.
  - Cable route completed some time ago.
  - Landfall substation buildings work is now advanced, and works will continue here to Autumn 2023.
  - Work to connect the onshore ducting to the subsea ducting has begun recently.
  - Parc Cybi substation also well advanced.
  - Electrical equipment install is progressing well.
  - Electrical testing will continue over the next 2 months.

**6. Marine Characterisation Research Project (MCRP)**

- MCRP update given by CL.

- The team from St Andrews deployed a sonar camera on the Magallanes turbine which is in the European Marine Energy Centre in Orkney. Magallanes are the first turbine developer going into the Morlais Demonstration Zone.
- The sonar will be a key bit of technology to view the rotor areas, even in dark and murky conditions, and monitor for wildlife. This sonar deployment allows the researchers to test out integrating with the turbine infrastructure and electronics, to make the technology more effective for the Morlais operational phase. Clip of sonar video shared.
- The data from the 15 static PAMs that have been set up on the seafloor of the MDZ were recently recovered for the second time to build a picture of marine mammals over the year.
- Our licensed seal tagging team has managed to tag 20 seals, with a range of male, female, adult and juvenile in the North Anglesey area, so we're looking forward to seeing their tracks and learning more about their movement in the area.
- A team from RSPB and Swansea University also successfully tagged Razorbill and Guillemot at South Stack and Puffin Island.

<b>7.</b>	<b>Skills &amp; Training Working Group</b>
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- Skills and training update given by AB.
- The team has visited 20 schools in the last 12 months around Anglesey.
- Skills and Training Project Officer role is out for advertisement.

<b>8.</b>	<b>Supply Chain Working Group</b>
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- Supply chain update given by CJ.
- A successful Meet the Buyer event for high voltage specialist on 22<sup>nd</sup> August
- Various developers have submitted their sealed bids for the current round of CfD - outcome to be announced later this week.

<b>9.</b>	<b>Questions</b>
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**Tom Roberts – Local Homeowner Representative**

- Is there data being collected from the monitoring buoy and is it giving good information?
- CL – The buoy has cameras installed on it, that's the extent of the monitoring equipment at this phase of the project. We have recently got the first set of data back but haven't got the data analysis from this yet.
- The buoy will be moored out there until the end of the year, after this the plan is for the buoy to be brought back in so that more sensors can be attached. We don't know when this will be just yet.

- CL confirmed that the buoy position has not shifted in the weather etc.
- TR requested that an update on the AR5 results to be sent out to the CLG members.

**ACTION: An update on the AR5 results to be sent to the CLG members.**

**Alistair Pattullo – Canoe Wales**

- AP asked if the drilling is completed?
- OW – the drilling is finished for this year.
- AB – undertaking a review of what will be done in the future. Three completed drills, two with liners.
- GLJ – We have three drills which are going to accommodate us for the first phase of the project.
- AP – did you need any marine operations while lining the drills?
- AB – No, but we will for the third hole because that has to be done from the seaside. This won't be done for another couple of years.

**Neville Evans**

- Do we know exactly the path of the cable to Anglesey Aluminium and the disruption to traffic?
- GLJ – No, it will go under the A55 not over it and then under the railway, the path will be the straightest path to the connection point.
- AB – It relatively minor in terms of effects on transport.

CM reminded attendees that they can email [info@morlaisenergy.com](mailto:info@morlaisenergy.com) with any queries.

<b>10.</b>	<b>AOB</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No AOB.</li> </ul>	

<b>11.</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dates of future meetings in 2023:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tuesday 5 December 2023 (to be held face-to-face).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	