



Meeting notes

Meeting Title:	Local Nature Partnership Board Meeting
Date:	16 th April 2020
Time:	09:00 – 11.00
Location:	via Skype link
Board Members Present:	Kevin Gaston (KG) Co-Chair, Robin Teverson (RT) Co-Chair, Cllr Rob Nolan (RN), Wesley Smyth (WS), Carolyn Cadman (CC), Tom Hooper (TH), Karen Burrows (KB), Steve Marks (SM), Oliver Baines (OB), Sarah Mason (SM), Cllr Jonathan Smith (JS), Sophie Hosking (SH) from 10am
In attendance:	Philippa Hoskins (PH), Lorna Gaunt (Minutes)
Guests:	Mark Duddridge (Chair of the CloS Local Enterprise Partnership Board) and Steve Jermy (Wave Hub)
Apologies	Nick Bruce-White and Steve Ford

PLEASE NOTE: due to current Covid-19 related restrictions this meeting took place virtually and was shorter than usual Board Meetings

Item	
1	Offshore Wind
	<p>Mark Duddridge introduced the item explaining that the project was a key part of the Local Industrial Strategy (LIS) to benefit economic development for parts of the country. Essential to this was the recognition of the environmental impacts. He explained it was critical to ensure carbon targets were met in the future.</p> <p>Steve Jermy gave a presentation to the Board, the main points were: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the wind turbines would be on floating platforms • they have recently presented to the Leadership Board • currently only about 10% of our energy comes from renewables • to meet with CC and LEP goals there will be a single strategy for energy transition • there are 4 options of floating technologies the preferred being Barge • the technology has the potential for 58% capacity factor and levelised cost of energy of £40-50 MWH-1 • probable location - Celtic Sea, Pembrokeshire as a demonstration zone and North and West of the Isles of Scilly

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has had engagement with the then Energy Minister Claire Perry • they are working with Catapult to provide support to industry • there is a consultation seeking views on proposed changes to Contracts for Difference scheme – there is focus on floating offshore wind • aims by 2020 - 1 gigawatt and for 2030 - 2.5 gigawatts • the business plan has been agreed and endorsed by CC (CC owns Wave Hub) • economic benefits - there is a long term maintenance opportunity and it is investible – oil companies are investing in the technology • it is felt the impact on the environment would be net positive • RSPB are supportive of the scheme • no negative impact on fisheries <p>The main points to come out of the following question and answer session were:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the floating platforms would be prefabricated in Wales and assembled at Falmouth Docks • SJ would provide a link to the Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult report on the supply value to Cornwall, the South West and Wales of the floating offshore wind opportunity • the ‘anchors’ could encourage sea-life rather than all the concrete foundations of conventional offshore wind • there’s less noise generation than conventional systems • the Crown Estates are on board • Government need persuading to make an upgrade to the grid • a regional business plan is to be developed with Wales <p>OUTCOME: the LNP would like to keep communication links open and are keen to be involved in the strategic approach regarding environmental impact assessments. Mark Duddridge and Steve Jermy to come back to the LNP as the business plan develops.</p> <p>ACTION: communications link between SJ & MD and the LNP Board</p> <p>ACTION: SJ & MD to come back to the LNP as the business plan develops</p> <p>ACTION: KG to feed into the Leadership Board any environmental implications of the Floating Wind Turbine scheme - KG</p> <p>ACTION: Write to the LEP with recommendations, welcoming the development and listing concerns such as birds, noise, marine floor and transmission to land – Co-chairs to lead</p>
2	<p>2.1. Apologies, items for AOB, Declarations of Interest</p> <p>Apologies were received from Nick Bruce-White and Steve Ford</p> <p>2.2. Minutes of previous Board Meeting</p> <p>The minutes were approved</p> <p>2.3. Board Member Update</p>

	Board Members gave individual updates
3	AOB It was agreed to hold Board Meetings in the second half of the year on a 6- weekly cycle, and to get the dates in diaries ACTION: LG to get dates of future Board Meetings in diaries
	Dates of Next Meetings – 14 th May 2020 – virtual meeting 11 th June 2020 – EA Offices, Bodmin