

Cyfarfod gyda Qualitas Energy ynghylch Parc Solar arfaethedig Heol Ddu Neuadd Gymuned Llandyfaelog

5ed Mawrth 2025 – 7.30yh

Yn bresennol: Y Cyng Nicola Jones (Chairman), Meinir James, Shan Rees, Rheinallt Jones, Eifion Jones, Elfyn Williams, Janet Knott, Jenny Jones ac Arfon Davies (Clerc).

Rachel Ness, Isabelle Holmes (Qualitas Energy), Bethan Wiliams, Holly Symonds (347 Communications)

Ymddiheuriadau: Y Cyng Carys Jones, Viv Davies a Cyngorydd Sir Tyssul Evans

1. Heol Ddu Solar Park

Nododd y Clerc ei ddiddordeb / gwrthdaro buddiannau yn y mater a hysbysodd aelodau'r Cyngor na allai felly roi unrhyw gyngor ar y mater i aelodau. Ni allai ond darparu'r weinyddiaeth fel sy'n ofynnol gan y Cyngor ar ei gyfarwyddiadau yn ymwneud â'r mater.

Croesawodd y Cadeirydd bawb i'r cyfarfod a diolchodd i gynrychiolwyr Qualitas Energy am ddod i'r cyfarfod i ddarparu manylion y cynigion yn ymwneud â pharc Solar Heol Ddu sydd wedi'i leoli'n rhannol yn Ardal Gymunedol Llandyfaelog.

Nododd Qualitas Energy eu bod yn y camau cynnar o ddatblygu'r prosiect arfaethedig a'u bod ar hyn o bryd yn ymgynghori ar y mater gyda sesiwn ymgynghori cyhoeddus i'w gynnal yng Nghalon y Fferi, Glanyfferi ar 5ed Mawrth.

Nodwyd bod y prosiect wedi'i gynnig ar gyfer Parc Solar 40MW, gan ddarparu ar gyfer anghenion ynni tua 11,000 o eiddo. Roedd trafodaethau'n cael eu cynnal gyda Chyngor Sir Caerfyrddin a PEDW (Arolygiaeth Cynllunio Cymru), sef yr asiantaeth benderfynu.

Nodwyd bod y prosiect ar raddfa i'w ystyried yn Ddatblygiad o Arwyddocâd Cenedlaethol.

Roedd yr amserlen bosibl a awgrymwyd fel a ganlyn:

- 2025 – Ymgynghori a datblygu cynnig y prosiect
- Diwedd 2025 – Cyflwyno Cais Cynllunio
- 2026 – Cymeradwyo Caniatâd Cynllunio
- Cyfnod adeiladu (8-12 mis) – 2027
- Comisiwn y Parc – 2027 – 2028

Roedd y eitemau a drafodwyd yn cynnwys:

- Pwynt cysylltu â'r Grid Cenedlaethol – Rhagwelir ar gyfer y peilonau yn ardal Cilfeithy o safle'r prosiect, gyda chysylltiadau posibl â'r prosiect ls-orsaf yn

Llandyfaelog (fodd bynnag, gyda'r prosiect ddim yn dibynnu ar hyn ar gyfer dilyniant);

- Peilonau – Dim peilonau newydd fel rhan o'r prosiect;
- Darparu is-orsaf yn ardal Cilfeithy o'r safle'r prosiect – tua 50 x 25 metr o faint;
- Gofynion goleuo'r is-orsaf – I'w gadarnhau;
- Budd Cymunedol – Polisi drafft yn ei le gyda'r cynllun Budd Cymunedol llawn yn cael ei ddatblygu;
- Perchnogaeth Gymunedol ar gyfer rhan o'r safle;
- Gweliannau bioamrywiaeth – trafodwyd cynlluniau gyda gwybodaeth bellach i'w datblygu;
- Materion fflachiadau a llacharedd – Gwybodaeth bellach i'w darparu;
- Arolwg topograffig – i'w ddosbarthu i'r Cyngor;
- Effaith Weledol a lliniaru – yn cael ei asesu ar hyn o bryd gyda gwybodaeth bellach i ddilyn;
- Pryderon eraill o ran safbwyt – gwybodaeth a dderbyniwyd i'w hystyried gan Qualitas Energy;
- Proses adeiladu – Ystyried defnydd o ddeunyddiau lleol, cyflogaeth, cyflenwyr ac ati;
- Rhaglen adeiladu;
- Edrychir i mewn i wybodaeth am y gyfran o ofynion Ynni Cymru a ddarperir gan y prosiect;
- Cylch oes y paneli a'r prosesau ailgylchu – gwybodaeth bellach i'w darparu;
- Gwybodaeth am rifau paneli a gwrthdroyddion - gwybodaeth bellach i'w darparu;
- Gwybodaeth am safleoedd cymaradwywyd eraill y gellid eu cymharu o ran maint - gwybodaeth bellach i'w darparu;
- Storio batri – Dim wedi'i gynnwys yn y prosiect hwn.
- Lefelau sŵn / desibel a awgrymir - gwybodaeth bellach i'w darparu;
- Trafodwyd colli tir amaethyddol;
- Beth oedd ystyr pori gyda effaith isel / dwysedd isel (e.e. gan ddefaid).
- Darperir gwybodaeth am yr ymgynghoreion statudol yr ymgysylltir â hwy.

3. Camau nesaf

Bydd gwybodaeth am y cyfarfod yn cael ei gyflwyno i'r Cyngor Cymuned yn ei gyfarfod ar 6ed Mawrth 2025.

Bydd cyfarfodydd pellach gyda Qualitas Energy yn cael eu hystyried pan fo'n briodol.

Diolchodd y Cadeirydd i bawb am fynychu'r cyfarfod.

Meeting with Qualitas Energy regarding the proposed Heol Ddu Solar Park Llandyfaelog Community Hall

5th March 2025 – 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Nicola Jones (Chairman), Meinir James, Shan Rees, Rheinallt Jones, Eifion Jones, Elfyn Williams, Janet Knott, Jenny Jones and Arfon Davies (Clerk).

Rachel Ness, Isabelle Holmes (Qualitas Energy), Bethan Wiliams, Holly Symonds (347 Communications)

Apologies: Cllrs Carys Jones, Viv Davies and County Councillor Tyssul Evans

2. Heol Ddu Solar Park

The Clerk noted his interest / conflict of interest in the matter and informed Council members that he could therefore not provide any advice on the issue to members. He could only provide the administration as required by the Council on its instructions relating to the matter.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the representatives of Qualitas Energy for attending the meeting to provide details of the proposals relating to the Heol Ddu Solar park which was partly located in the Llandyfaelog Community Area.

Qualitas energy noted that they were at the early stages of developing the proposed project and were currently consulting on the matter with a public consultation session to be held at Calon y Fferi, Ferryside on the 5th March.

It was noted that the project was proposed for a 40MW Solar Park, providing for the energy needs for around 11,000 properties. Discussions were being carried out with Carmarthenshire County Council and the PEDW (Planning Inspectorate Wales), who would be the determining agency.

It was noted that the project was of a scale to be considered a Development of National Significance.

The suggested possible timescale was as follows:

- 2025 – Consultation and development of the project proposal
- Late 2025 – Submission of Planning Application
- 2026 – Approval of Planning Permission
- Construction period (8-12 months) – 2027
- Commission of the Park – 2027 – 2028

Areas discussed included:

- Connection point to the National Grid – Anticipated for the pylons at the Cilfeithy area of the project site, with possible linkages to the Substation project in Llandyfaelog (however, with the project not dependent on this for progression);
- Pylons – No new pylons as part of the project;
- Provision of a substation in the Cilfeithy area of the project site – Around 50 x 25 meters in size;
- Substation lighting requirements – To be confirmed;
- Community Benefit – Draft policy in place with the full Community Benefit scheme being developed;
- Community Ownership for part of the site;
- Biodiversity improvements – Plans were discussed with further information to be developed;
- Glint and glare issues – Further information to be provided;
- Topographical survey – to be circulated to the Council;
- Visual Impact and mitigations – Currently being assessed with further information to follow;
- Other viewpoint concerns – information received to be considered by Qualitas Energy;
- Construction process – Use of local materials, employment, suppliers etc to be considered;
- Construction programme;
- Information on the proportion of Welsh Energy demands delivered by the project will be looked into;
- Life cycle of the panels and recycling processes – further information to be provided;
- Information on panel numbers and inverters - further information to be provided;
- Information on other comparable sites that could be compared for scale - further information to be provided;
- Battery storage – None included in this project.
- Suggested noise / decibel levels - further information to be provided;
- Loss of agricultural land was discussed;
- What was meant by low impact / low intensity grazing (e.g. by sheep).
- Information will be provided on the statutory consultees being engaged with.

3. Next steps

Information on the meeting to be presented to the Community Council at its meeting on the 6th March 2025.

Further meetings with Qualitas Energy will be considered when appropriate.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting.