

From: Diana Reader [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 February 2016 11:10
To: Brechfa Connection
Cc: Iwan (BJP)
Subject: WPD: Brechfa Forest Connection

FAO: Ms Katherine King

Your Ref: ENO20016
Our Ref: BFC-AFP033

Good Morning Katherine

Please see below an update for the Inspector of our current status of negotiations towards a voluntary agreement.

We received an e-mail from Bruton Knowles last Friday evening offering to meet with us. The e-mail and our reply are in the email-trail below.

We are very pleased with this development after over four months of requesting this engagement from WPD.

We have made what we consider to be a reasonable request that the meeting offer is also extended to our neighbours as we are both equally affected by the design of the connection and we want a solution which is acceptable to all parties. We are also determined not to allow our requests to be played off one against another.

I am also copying this correspondence to our AM, Mr Thomas, who as asked us to keep him informed of developments.

Kind regards
Diana & Kevin Reader

From: Diana Reader [REDACTED]
Date: 1 February 2016 08:29:39 GMT
To: Nick Buxton <Nick.Buxton@brutonknowles.co.uk>
Cc: "Iwan (BJP)" <iwan@bjpco.com>, Brechfa Forest Connection <info@brechfaforestconnection.co.uk>
Subject: Re: WPD: Brechfa Forest Connection

Please ensure this response is forwarded to Mr A Hubbard, for his information.

Dear Mr Buxton

Further to your e-mail of Friday evening.

We are pleased that Western Power Distribution (WPD) have responded to our requests for engagement regarding the submitted design, but it is regrettable that it has taken over four months from our initial request to get to this point.

As we have outlined in our previous correspondence we are not prepared to have the wishes of neighbours played off one against another. As has been outlined in the various responses by WDP the design along this section has a bearing on ourselves and our neighbours, the Davies. As such it is appropriate that we are both equally consulted so any outcome is mutually acceptable. We have never sought to adversely affect others, in fact our objectives are fully aligned. This section of the line has been identified as having one of the greatest visual impacts on properties and we have sought from the outset to reduce the visual impact by using the lowest part of the valley and to use existing mature tree lines to maximise visual screening.

Accordingly, a meeting with our neighbours must be held on the same day following a meeting with ourselves so all options can be explored with the opportunity to refer to all parties.

Additionally, we require our Land Agent to be present in Observer status. Once the date is finalised if we request any other representatives to be present we will advise you prior to the meeting.

With regard to a possible date, my diary is very full w/c 8th February as I have kept 10th/11th February free for the second round of Inspector's hearings. I have meetings scheduled in Cardiff which I cannot re-schedule for the 9th /12th February. The 8th February, first thing in the morning, would be suitable for us but you will need to coordinate with our Land Agent and the Davies.

Alternative dates currently suitable for us -

Saturday 13th Feb

Monday 15th Feb

Wednesday 17th Feb

Friday 18th Feb

Saturday 20th Feb

Evenings are drawing out so an early evening meeting, from 4pm, could also be possible on other dates, subject to availability of all parties.

We look forward to hearing from you to confirm a meeting date at the earliest possible opportunity.

Yours sincerely

Diana & Kevin Reader

Sent from my iPad

On 29 Jan 2016, at 17:07, Nick Buxton <Nick.Buxton@brutonknowles.co.uk> wrote:

Dear Mrs Reader,

Thank you for you email of 28th January.

We would like to meet with you to discuss the content of your email and to see if further progress can be made towards resolving the issues raised.

Geraint Griffiths of WPD, Jason Pacey of Copper Consultancy and I can make a meeting on 8th or 9th February, would either of these dates be of any use to you?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Nick Buxton

Bruton Knowles