

Hi Everyone,

Just a few lines to keep everyone up to date with progress etc.

Well, the big news is that the project paperwork plus the financial data has been logged with Lancashire County Council 10 day ago. We don't expect to hear very much for about 2 months, unless they wish to discuss elements of the paperwork.

As we stated at the last public meeting, we have gained a lot of very useful information from other pools and we have built some of this into our plans. And we have deliberately built some elements of the plans such that negotiations should take place between the parties to determine which route is most acceptable to the Council. Time will tell!

When we start the negotiations with the Council, we also need to start to compile the Share Offer, and the Rules and Regulations by which LVCS will have to operate and register the company with both the Financial Services Authority and the Charities Commission.

This next stage will be fairly time consuming and require more volunteers. We have been contact by a number of people offering help etc.; we have noted these offers and will return to these people for input when this stage is started, hopefully in the near future.

In the meantime Dave Collins will continue to collect share pledges – everyone is needed! Roger Carter will continue to feed the media machine; we are doing well with the amount of coverage in both Lancaster and the Westmoreland Gazette.

Talk again soon!