

Community Development Fund

Calling **Allstock, Byley, Lach Dennis, Lostock Gralam and Rudheath** communities!

After discussion with Cheshire Community Action, we have adapted the previously named Storengy UK Environmental Fund to widen the scope of projects that can apply for funding. The fund will now be known as the:

Storengy UK Community Development Fund

We have a broad definition of the term 'community'. This could be communities of interest or place, for example, a village hall, a local community group, a local youth club, a school, a housing estate or a whole neighbourhood. It may be a group of people with a common interest, for example, people with a disability, a group of older people or younger people, a not for profit organisation, a sports club or society, a musical band or dance group. The list is not exhaustive.

Examples of projects that we will consider include; renovation works, children's play areas, disabled ramps at community centres, lighting schemes, provision of equipment for clubs and societies. We guarantee to review all applications received, no matter the size or scope of the project.

The Storengy UK Community Development Fund will provide funding from £100 to £10,000. Storengy UK Limited contributes £20,000 to the fund each year. If your project costs are greater than £10,000 you can still apply for funding to cover part of your project. You will need to provide evidence that you have secured funding from other sources to cover the total cost of the project. Remember that your project must:

- Benefit the **local community** and have a **long-term** positive effect
- Be **sustainable** beyond the support of Storengy UK
- Have the **agreement** of the local community in the application and plan if necessary
- Be **time specific**, indicating at application stage that they can be completed within a reasonable time frame (typically no more than 12 months)
- Applicants must provide **governing documentation** and the latest accounts/financial statements where possible

If you live in one of the 5 afore mentioned Parishes and have a project in mind for funding, please complete an application form and send it to Cheshire Community Action:

**Unit 3, Royal Mews,
Gadbrook Park,
Northwich,
Cheshire,
CW9 7UD**

Forms are available on: www.storengy.co.uk or www.cheshireaction.org.uk Or call: **01606 350 042** and one can be sent to you by post.

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Bruno Leray
Managing Director

Editorial

I'm pleased to write this editorial at a milestone of our Natural Gas Storage Project at Stublach.

We have just finished the drilling of ten additional wells, and our focus is on the creation of the cavities. Since leaching began eighteen months ago, the total volume

established is equivalent to one full cavern. Completion of the first set of caverns is anticipated at the end of 2012. We've started construction of the gas installations. The focus of the works is now moving from design and engineering to site construction and

this is where we will see most of the activity. There is still nothing visible above ground, because we will first lay down the underground pipeline networks. At the end of the year, the administration and control building will be built. This building has been designed to blend with the landscape.

I am particularly proud of the trophy we obtained during Storengy's Project Safety Award last month. It is testament to our team and their constant commitment to guarantee safety, and it sets the bar for future expectations. It is with the same commitment that we want to respect the environment. To date we have planted 57,000 shrubs and trees.

Kind regards:
Managing Director *Bruno Leray*

Safety Excellence Award

In May, Storengy UK site personnel traveled to the GDF SUEZ Philibert Delorme Auditorium in Paris for the inaugural Storengy Safety Excellence Award for the Project with the "Best Safety Approach". A total of 11 storage sites from the UK, France and Germany participated in the award ceremony. Each storage site had to complete an evaluation form detailing their safe systems at work. This was then followed up with a site visit by an audit team. Storengy UK were commended for their safety performance and received the Safety Excellence Trophy in recognition of their impressive record.

Storengy believes that each employee and contractor has to be committed to his/her own safety and that of other's. This is reinforced within the UK subsidiary where safety is very much part of our organisational culture. To date, the project has reached

1.2 million man hours with only one lost time accident in 2008 for a trapped thumb injury.

We are extremely proud of our safety achievements and continue to remain vigilant and proactive.



Far right to left; Jean-Marc Guyot, Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Joe Askew, HSE Coordinator, John O'Donnell, Site Manager & Mike Newall, Shift Operator

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A New Phase for the SGSP

The Stublach Project is progressing well; on programme and in budget. 2011 is another important year with significant developments happening in both the leaching and gas processing areas.

The leaching of the first 10 cavities by leaching the salt strata is ongoing. So far we have produced over 1,500,000 m³ of brine for use in the local chemical industry. We have carried out sonar surveys of a number of the cavities and are pleased with the way they are developing.

As mentioned, we have just completed the drilling of the next 10 cavities which are undergoing pressure testing to prove the integrity of the concrete seal between the salt strata and the equipment located at the surface. In the second half of this year we intend to begin leaching of new cavities.

The most exciting development in 2011 is the start of the gas plant construction. After over a year of detailed design, planning and procurement we are now ready to begin on-site. Our focus this year will be to install all the underground cables and pipe. We are also constructing a new Electrical Sub-Station near Lostock to provide the additional electrical power we will require for the Gas Plant.



We understand the farming and local community sensitivity to installing cables and pipeline in the area and are working closely with our chosen contractors to agree ways to minimise any disruption this work may cause. We are also carefully planning our deliveries of equipment and materials to the site to ensure there is no disruption to traffic in the area.

Whilst all this is happening on site, our equipment suppliers are manufacturing the compressors and dehydration system ready for deliver in early 2012.



Meet the Jacobs Team

Bernie Geraghty (Construction Manager)

Bernie arrived on site in May 2011 after being recruited by Jacobs to work on the Stublach Gas Storage Project (SGSP) in January. In this issue we quiz Bernie to learn more about his role on the SGSP and his career history.



What does your role of Construction Manager entail?

I have overall responsibility for construction. My duty is to ensure that works are programmed and coordinated accurately and that the construction team manage the sub-contractors effectively. Myself and other members of the construction team were actively involved at the design stage of this project and assisted with the pre-selection of contractors ensuring that the construction methods to be adopted are in accordance with the CDM regulations. The Jacobs construction team have set several key objectives for the project, not least to respect the local environment and communities, ensure compliance with planning conditions and noise monitoring, to deliver the project on schedule and within budget, all as per the agreed design specifications and quality requirements. We at Jacobs have a strong safety ethic this is reflected by our "beyond zero culture". This means that our most important objective is to protect the environment and people. It is a culture of caring, and a commitment to achieving and delivering an exemplar safety and environmental project. Our objectives are to construct the project in the safest possible way. This is reinforced in the Jacobs inductions and "beyond zero" training given to all sub-contractors that work on the site.

What projects have you worked on previously?

I have been involved in construction and engineering roles for 42 years. I have worked in various industries including oil and gas, chemical, gas storage, power generation, pharmaceutical and nuclear. The past 12 years of my career have mainly been focused on gas storage projects. During this period I have worked on 4 major gas storage projects similar to the Stublach project; The Hole House Gas Storage Project owned by EDF (formerly Aquila Energy) in Warrington, Cheshire. I was the Project manager responsible for the FEED, engineering, procurement, installation, commissioning and handover of the plant, and subsequent maintenance support. I was Deputy Project Manager for the Humby Grove Gas Storage Project for Star Energy in Basingstoke Hampshire, which was very similar to the above Aquila project. I subsequently moved onto project manage the Albrough Gas Storage Project in Humberside which was a Scottish & Southern Energy project, there I was responsible for completion of construction and commissioning through to handover. Prior to joining Jacobs I was engaged as the project manager for a new gas storage facility for EDF (Project Revolution) on the Warrington site which is an extension to the first project above.

How do these projects differ from the SGSP?

Generally, the projects do not differ in terms of their design, construction and rural environment other than the gas storage facilities operate at different pressures and have differing storage capacity depending on the depth and size of the salt strata, and of course the clients commercial model.

I must applaud Storengy UK on how they have set up the SGSP – the welfare facilities, roads, signage, waste management, safety commitment and housekeeping are of a high standard. Storengy UK have set the bar high and given us very clear expectations of what we must deliver. We must complete the second phase of the project and hand over to Storengy UK at the end of 2012. There are certainly some challenges ahead but together as a team we can be successful. It is the Jacobs Engineering project team's firm objective to leave the project with all parties satisfied using our best endeavours.