

Response from the Rathlin Field UK team received 7th April 2015

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Email from Rathlin Energy

From Field UK

Dear Mr Mager,

In response to your letter of the 31st March 2015, addressed to our Chairman Mr Montagu-Smith, here is the company's position.

As a general principle everything you need to know about Rathlin's operations is to be found on the company's website. You have raised a number of specific questions. As a matter of courtesy we set out below the company's response to these (in your number order):

1. This is an exploration project. The final outcomes are, by definition, dependant on the results of exploration. With each encouraging exploratory well we could envisage an appraisal well. Any additional development drilling would be based on the results of the appraisal drilling and the size of the prospect.
2. We are in the process of addressing the Environment Agency's (EA) pre-conditions. We will start work when these are addressed and we are ready to do so.
3. We have held five public meetings so far (Bishop Burton, Walkington, Watton and two at West Newton). More than 500 people attended these meetings which were publicised through leaflets and the local media. We have also held 30 community liaison meetings between Crawberry Hill and West Newton. Our programme at Crawberry Hill has not changed – we intend to test the well within the planning authority's/EA's rules. In view of this we have nothing new to report at this time. As and when we anticipate announcing any new potential well sites, we will arrange further public meetings as appropriate.

We suggest you follow future developments by referring to the minutes of the liaison committees. These are the means by which we communicate with our local communities. We are sure you will understand that the company cannot enter into detailed bilateral conversations with all the private individuals who may have a personal interest in our work but do not live locally.

Yours sincerely,

The Rathlin Energy (UK) Team