

HyNet North West Hydrogen Pipeline consultation - public events commence on 1st October

Re-scheduled consultation events for the HyNet North West Hydrogen Pipeline will commence on 1st October. The events were postponed in acknowledgement of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. The consultation will now run until 10th November and include 9 in-person consultation events across the project area and 2 online [events](#) throughout October.

The proposals being consulted are for the UK's first 100 per cent hydrogen pipeline at scale and comprise the construction, operation and maintenance of up to 125km of new pipelines that would distribute hydrogen from Vertex Hydrogen based at Essar's Stanlow Manufacturing Complex to several industrial gas customers across the North West. The pipeline itself will be underground, with approximately 10 'Hydrogen Above Ground Installations' (HAGIs) required along the pipeline route. Cadent, who is bringing forward the proposals, is looking to understand any views or information that can help it develop and finalise its proposals.

Rob Donovan, Project Director, Cadent's HyNet North West Hydrogen Pipeline said:

"We look forward to hosting events to meet and talk with the public and gather more views from local people to help us develop the best possible pipeline route.

"This is a really important project – both for the local area and nationally. The North West Hydrogen Pipeline and wider HyNet North West programme have a key role to play in helping the UK achieve net zero by 2050, as well as to home-grow energy security. It will also unlock numerous opportunities for the North West, including the attraction of new business to the area due to low carbon energy being available."

The consultation hub is available at the project website (www.hynethydrogenpipeline.co.uk) where you can find out more about the project and provide feedback.

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Notes to editors

About Cadent

Cadent Gas Limited (Cadent) owns and operates the UK's largest gas distribution network, managing a network of more than 80,000 miles of pipes that transport gas to 11 million homes and businesses across West Midlands, North West England, East of England, and North London.

Cadent is involved in developing several hydrogen projects and has published our hydrogen Ten Point Plan that outlines our ambition to make hydrogen a fair and reliable choice for consumers. It can be read here: www.cadentgas.com/tenpointplan.

About the consultation

Cadent is applying to Government for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to obtain permission to deliver the pipeline. As part of the DCO process, it will carry out two stages of consultation. A non-statutory consultation was held between 26th January to 11th March 2022 and this is the second consultation.

The public can find out more by:

- Emailing info@hynethydrogenpipeline.co.uk
- Visiting <https://www.hynethydrogenpipeline.co.uk/>

About HyNet North West

HyNet North West is an innovative low carbon and hydrogen energy programme that will unlock a low carbon economy for the North West and North Wales and put the region at the forefront of the UK's drive to net zero.

HyNet will produce, store, and distribute hydrogen as well as capture and store carbon from industry in the North West. The infrastructure has been designed to help the region and the UK to meet its net-zero targets by 2050, as well as supporting domestic energy security.

In October 2021, the government confirmed that HyNet North West was a Track 1 Carbon Capture and Utilisation (CCUS) Cluster – one of two projects selected to lead the way in developing hydrogen and CCUS infrastructure. This project is at the forefront of the energy

revolution and will be decarbonising the region from 2025. For more information, please visit <https://hynet.co.uk/>

Attachment

- Pipeline route map

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