New plans for Wressle oil site



The Wressle site, at Lodge Farm near Broughton, was developed for oil production in 2020 and production began from the single well (Wressle-1) onsite in January 2021. Since then, the site has been safely and successfully producing oil with very little impact on neighbours or the local community, and oil production has exceeded initial expectations.

Egdon Resources and its partners are hoping to drill up to two additional wells from the same site to reach different areas of the underlying oil reservoirs. An additional well may also be required to return any water which is produced from the reservoir during production operations. It is expected that both producing wells would be subject to a proppant squeeze operation, which would repeat the process applied to the existing Wressle-1 well undertaken in August 2021. The proppant squeeze operation remediated the near-wellbore formation damage and increased the permeability of the near wellbore oil-bearing formation, enabling the high oil production rates since that date.

The new wells would require planning permission from North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) and a bespoke Environmental Permit from the Environment Agency. The Egdon team is in the process of preparing both applications.

As part of this process, Egdon is launching a public consultation to give local people the opportunity to view the proposals.

We would welcome feedback from the local and wider communities and there are two ways to do this:-

- At our public event
 Please join us at the Broughton Village
 Hall (59 High Street, Broughton, DN20 0JX)
 on Tuesday 28th November where there
 will be a drop-in session from 2pm until
 7pm. You will be able to find out more about the plans and meet the team.
- Online
 Please go to egdon-community.com/ wressle-consultation where you can see copies of the consultation materials and complete an online feedback form.

Feedback forms and copies of the display boards are also available by emailing rachel@egdon-community.com

The pre-submission consultation runs from **Monday 27th November to Sunday 24th December**. We hope to then submit the planning application to NLC in January 2024. There will also be a formal consultation period following submission during which there will be further opportunities to provide feedback directly to NLC.

Keeping our promises

When we last consulted you about plans for the site, we said we would keep local communities informed about developments and how they would share in the success of the oil production site. We have kept those promises and we are working with two groups to help us deliver them.

We have initiated and established the local Wressle Community Liaison Group, (CLG) made up of representatives from the local community who kindly offered to help us share information about the Wressle development. The CLG provides a platform for local people to raise any concerns and ask questions of the Egdon senior management team. The CLG also includes regulatory representatives from the Environment Agency and NLC. Initially, regular meetings (virtual) were convened, but as the site became established during production, Egdon demonstrated that the site was not causing any issues with the local community and was being managed and operated to very high standards. The CLG gained confidence from this and has since opted to meet selectively, as and when required i.e. if the group feels that an update is needed from Egdon, or when there are new development plans or significant changes in how the site operates.

In addition, we have set up the *Wressle Oil Community Fund*. Managed by the Broughton Community and Sports Association (BCSA), the fund makes donations to local charity groups in the area. Since its launch in September 2022, the fund has awarded **more than £92,500 to local community groups** and expects **grants totalling £100,000** to be awarded in the current year.