

PEAK CLUSTER

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# ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION ON UPDATED PROJECT BOUNDARY NEWSLETTER

November/December 2026

## LISTENING TO COMMUNITIES AND REFINING OUR PLANS

**Peak Cluster has launched a new consultation, inviting feedback from communities and stakeholders on updated proposals for the project.**

**The consultation runs from 12 November to 18 December 2026** and seeks to gather local feedback on refinements to the project's proposed boundary, updated pipeline route, and the locations of above ground installations (AGIs), block valve stations (BVSs), and temporary construction areas and access roads in most locations.

### Why we're consulting now

Large nationally significant infrastructure projects, like Peak Cluster, are designed through an ongoing process of assessment, engagement and refinement. As more information becomes available – from technical studies, engineering assessments, environmental surveys and feedback from communities, landowners and stakeholders – the design is reviewed and amended in response, until we finalise our plans ahead of applying for a development consent order to build the project from government.

As we've made a number of changes to the project since our phase 1 consultation earlier this year, we're holding this additional consultation to hear from those who know their area best, and help us further refine our plans ahead of our more detailed phase 2 consultation in summer 2027.



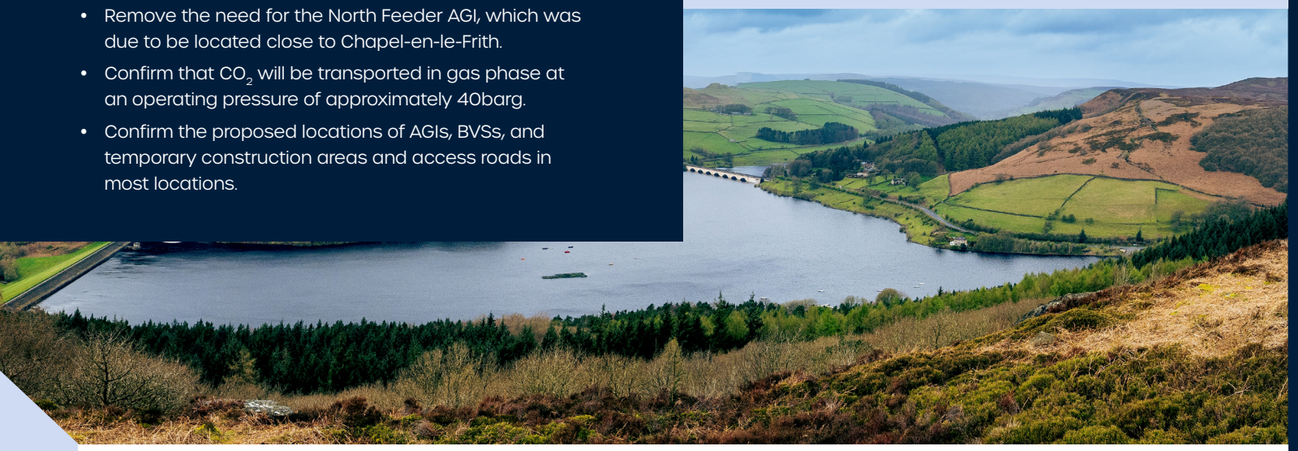
# HOW YOUR FEEDBACK HAS HELPED SHAPE THE PROJECT SO FAR

**Earlier this year, more than 5,500 people and organisations provided valuable feedback during the first phase of consultation.**

Alongside the results of our ongoing technical studies and environmental surveys, this feedback helped us to:

- Reduce the pipeline corridor from 300m to 100m in most areas.
- Revise around 15% of the proposed pipeline route.
- Remove the need for compression facilities in the Wirral, originally part of the Coastal AGI.
- Remove the need for the North Feeder AGI, which was due to be located close to Chapel-en-le-Frith.
- Confirm that $CO_2$ will be transported in gas phase at an operating pressure of approximately 40barg.
- Confirm the proposed locations of AGIs, BVSs, and temporary construction areas and access roads in most locations.

These changes have, in many cases, reduced the potential impact of the project on local communities. You can find out more about the changes we've made and our updated plans in your area on our consultation hub.



# CONSULTATION FOCUS

### What are we currently seeking feedback on?

This consultation provides local communities and stakeholders across Derbyshire, Staffordshire, Cheshire and the Wirral with an opportunity to review and comment on:

- Updates to the project boundary—the area within which we propose to build permanent infrastructure including the buried pipeline
- The proposed locations of AGIs
- The proposed locations of (BVSs
- The proposed locations of temporary construction compounds and access roads in most areas.



The feedback we receive from this consultation and our ongoing technical studies and environmental assessments will inform the next iteration of our project design consultation in summer 2027 including:

- further updates to locations for infrastructure, the pipeline and construction areas
- the designs of AGIs and BVSs
- the outcomes of preliminary environmental assessments, and how these have helped us develop the project
- how we'd build the project, including construction controls and traffic management
- project safety
- land required for the project, including land used temporarily during construction.



# UPDATE ON PROPOSALS IN THE WIRRAL

As Peak Cluster has continued to develop, ongoing technical studies have enabled our project team to identify an alternative solution for transporting carbon dioxide through the network in the Wirral, removing the need for compression infrastructure on the Wirral originally proposed as part of the Coastal Above Ground Installation (AGI).

Our proposals now include a smaller AGI, which will cover an area around 80m x 80m, and a BVS which would be around 25m x 25m located in the Wirral. Combined, the area required in the Wirral for this infrastructure is a reduction of over 85 percent from the originally planned compressor station. The proposed vent stack has also been reduced to a maximum height of 10m, from the originally proposed 50m. The AGI and BVS will not be permanently lit and will only require lighting during periodic maintenance.

They will generate very minimal noise—likely to be no louder than that created by a small air conditioning unit. This change also means that only one, smaller 36" pipeline from this AGI offshore will be required, where previously two pipelines of up to 42" were proposed.

We'd originally expected to consult on revised proposals for the Wirral in January 2027. However, as we have made significant updates to our plans the project has decided to bring forward consultation for Wirral communities to begin on 12 November 2026. We'll refine the locations of the AGI, BVS and the pipeline in the Wirral using the feedback we receive as part of this additional consultation and the outcomes of our ongoing studies. This will also help us to assess potential locations for temporary construction infrastructure, which we'll share and invite feedback on as part of the phase 2 consultation.

# GET INVOLVED

### Consultation events and webinars

Throughout the consultation period, the project team will host local events and online webinars, giving people the opportunity to learn more about the proposals, ask questions and find out how to provide feedback. Events will take place in locations where we've made significant changes to the proposed project boundary or infrastructure.

**Register for an event:**

- **Gawsworth Scout Hut**
  20 November | register here
- **Huxley Village Hall**
  24 November | register here
- **St Anne's Community Centre, Buxton**
  26 November | register here
- **Hulme Hall, Port Sunlight, Wirral**
  3 December | register here
- **Holmes Chapel Community Centre**
  5 December | register here
- **Leek Town Football Club**
  7 December | register here

**Register for a webinar:**

- **Staffordshire public webinar**
  17 November, 6:30pm | register here
- **Wirral public webinar**
  23 November, 6:30pm | register here
- **Cheshire public webinar**
  30 November, 6:30pm | register here
- **Derbyshire public webinar**
  1 December, 6:30pm | register here

**We'll hold several sessions in each location. Click the link for timings.**



## FIND OUT MORE AND HAVE YOUR SAY

To find out more about the consultation and the project, view our specific plans on our interactive map, register for an event or webinar, and share your feedback visit: **www.peakcluster-consultation.co.uk**

**Consultation runs from 12 November to 18 December 2026**

# GET IN TOUCH

If you'd like to talk to a team member about the project or consultation you can get in touch in the following ways:

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