

Community Energy Fund....and beyond?

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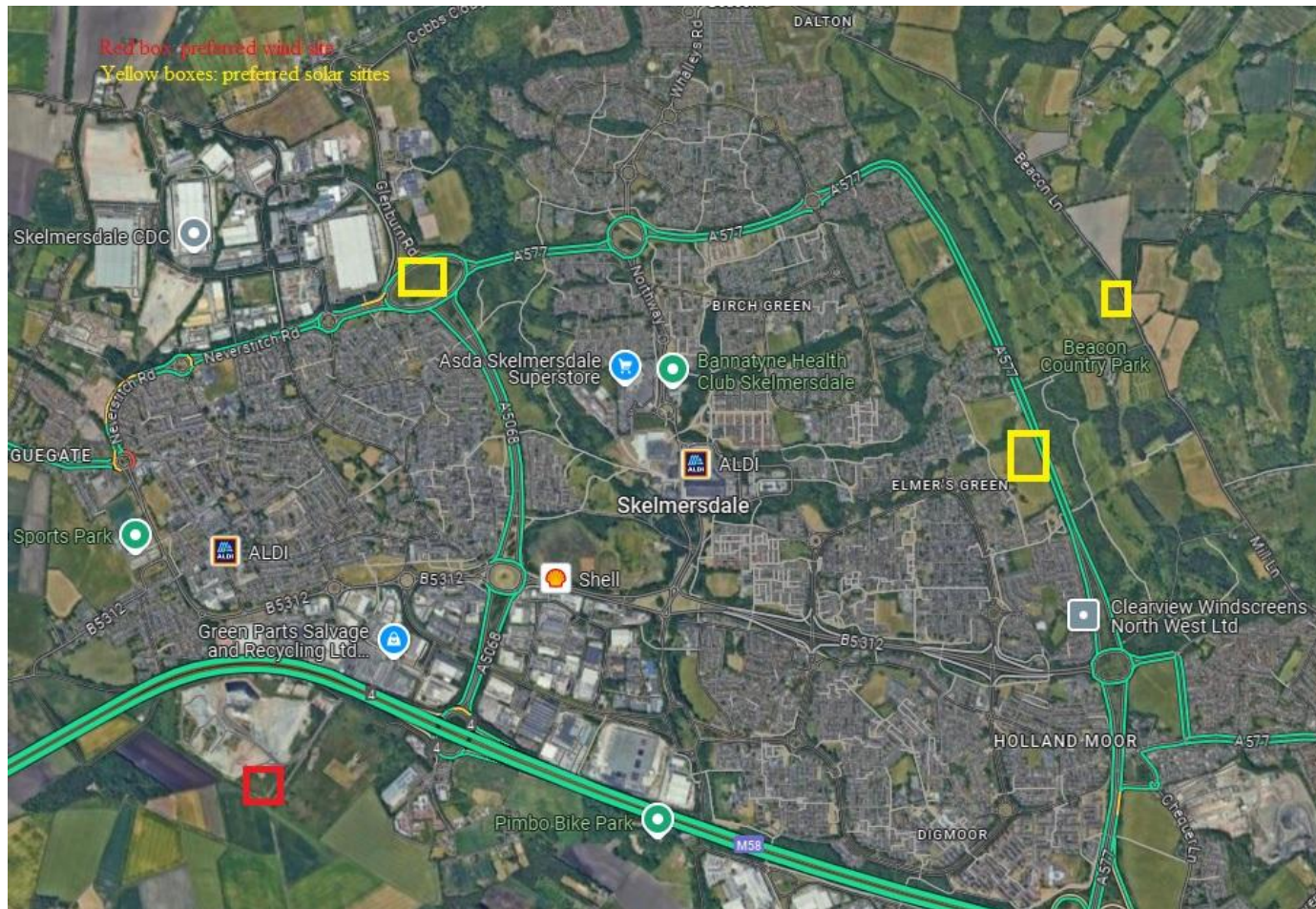
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What we're up to (and where)

- £97,000 secured (contracts pending) from Community Energy Fund (CEF) for stage two development study, following stage one in 2022/2003 under Rural CEF
- Two specialist firms (wind and solar/low carbon) retained to develop specifications and business plan
- Project managed by SWLICAN
- Formation of Community Benefit Society planned, with FCA approval to raise 'community shares'
- Mix of existing technologies and innovation esp related to a) ambient loop technology; b) household metering and billing
- And the sites.....

The sites (wind and solar)



Stuff we don't know yet

- Precise interface between stages 1 and 2 (incl. emerging Net Zero)
- Future geographies and land ownership
- Relatedly, the overall 'footprint'
- Mix of community shares and loan/equity
- Beyond or through SWLICAN?
- Will people like it?

The big opportunity (if we're quick)

- Climate Action Fund (Our Shared Future) stage one
- £1.5m over 3-5 years
- Due 'Spring 2025'
- 'Formal partnership' requirement

Some important bits in the guidance

- Prevention/mitigation but also resilience to the inevitable
- Focus on action in “regular lives”
- “Partners with expertise in engagement and communications” essential
- No electricity generation (but saving it is ok)

Some important bits for us to consider

- The lead organization
- The footprint
- Who has the power to include
- And, erm, exclude.....
- Getting a shift on because Spring is soon.