

Report on meetings with residents in 2023

I Description

In 2023, 4 meetings were held with residents of neighbouring districts of the Baltic Hub - Stogi and Przeróbka, including one meeting with the Polish Ecological Club, 2 meetings with District Councils and an open door for residents "Maritime End of Summer with the Baltic Hub".

II Purpose of meetings

The purpose of the meetings with residents was to collect opinions and proposals on the expansion of the Baltic Hub container terminal - investment T3.

III Meeting notes

1. Polish Ecological Club, meeting on 03.03.2023
- Stogi and Przeróbka District Council, meeting of 17.04.2023 3.
3. residents of Stogi and Przeróbka districts 03.09.2023
4. Stogi and Przeróbka District Council 27.10.2023

ATT. 1 Note from meeting with Polish Ecological Club (PKE) dated 03.03.2023r.

Present at the meeting of 03.03.2023r:

PKE:

1. Andrzej Rutka
2. Joanna Lepczak-Michalska

Baltic Hub:

3. Dominika Milion
4. Dominik Wróblewski
5. Magdalena Jagła
6. Marta Kaczorowska

Proceedings of the meeting:

1. thanks for organizing the meeting.
2. PKE raised 3 areas for discussion:
 - Issues contained in the letter of 25.11
 - Joint environmental projects
 - Establishment of committees to monitor negative environmental impacts of T3 investments

Issues raised at the meeting:**1. Limiting the construction of the terminal to the east to the height of the existing fence on the shoreline separating the public beach from the Port:**

PKE was informed that the consultation process for the T3 investment has been completed with a valid building permit, we have an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and we have prepared an Action Plan (ESAP), previously agreed with the project funding bodies, therefore any changes to the investment at this stage are no longer possible.

2. The distance from the coastline should not be 300m but 400m - as above.**3. Relocation of the ship docking area from the east to the north - idem.**

*PKE requested a map with a projection of the investment with distances from the beach to the terminal, from the fence to the edge of the terminal, from the end of the berth to the container storage area.

4 Relocation of the location of the so-called turntable behind the breakwater (looking from the beach side)

PKE was informed that breakwaters as well as approach fairways are the subject of investment by the Maritime Office, while access to the port is the responsibility of the Maritime Port Authority in Gdańsk. The concept of a turning basin was further clarified, and it was pointed out that it is not a separate infrastructure, but only a place where ships turn around.

5. Securing adequate funds for monitoring and removing negative effects that may arise during the operation of the investment.

PKE was informed that we are carrying out monitoring in accordance with the requirements of the environmental decision, the construction permit and the EBRD requirements.

6. In addition to the public consultations made public on the website, were discussions held with the local community?

PKE was informed about meetings with representatives of district councils.

7. Participation of local community and representatives of PKE in monitoring teams of the terminal's impact on the local environment and planned local environmental projects.

Monitoring as in pt. 5;

PKE representative proposed to create a plan for joint pro-ecological and pro-environmental activities, e.g. beach clean-up with involvement of BH staff, creation of a common list of good neighbourhood activities.

BHCT also suggested submitting environmental projects for the next edition of the Busole District Grant.

8. Excessive noise from construction

PKE asked for clarification on noise monitoring in relation to the construction, indicating that on the nights of 01 to 2.03 and 02 to 03.03 excessive noise could be heard in neighborhoods, largely disrupting residents' night-time quiet. BH reported that we are monitoring the noise, are in constant contact with the contractor and will reduce the noise generating works. We also offered an apology for the situation.

ATT. 2 Note of meeting with Stogi and Przeróbka district councils on 17.04.2023

Date of meeting: 17 April, Monday, 10:00-11:45 a.m.

Place: Baltic Hub, conference room (presentation and discussion) / container terminal (tour)

Participants:

Stogi District Council

1. Sabina Mirska - Chair of the District Board
2. Patrycja Gawinkowska - Deputy Chairwoman of the District Board
3. Sylwia Marcinkowska - Chairwoman of the Audit Committee

Przeróbka District Council

4. Elżbieta Żmijewska - Chairwoman of the District Council
5. Dorota Kałuża - Councillor
6. Grzegorz Durczak - Councillor
7. Sylwia Brzeska - Councillor

Port of Gdańsk:

8. Anna Drozd - Spokesperson

Baltic Hub:

9. Dominika Milion
10. Dominik Wróblewski
11. Magdalena Jagła
12. Marta Kaczorowska

Proceedings of the meeting:

- 10:00 - Start of the meeting
10:00 - 10:15 Presentation of the T3 construction schedule
10:15 - 11:00 Discussion
11:00 - 11:45 Tour of the terminal
11:45 - Closing of the visit

Issues raised at the meeting:**1. Schedule of works on T3 (presentation)**

BHCT presented the work schedule for the construction of T3, explained what the silting and piling works consist of;

2. Noise generated by construction

BHCT reported that it conducts continuous noise monitoring, explained in detail about sound wave propagation, pointed out that sound propagation to further distances is mainly affected by atmospheric conditions, i.e. humidity and temperature;

In addition, BHCT reported that it is negotiating with the Contractor regarding the reorganisation of the works so that the most noise-generating works are not carried out at night;

It was also reported that an additional noise measurement will be carried out by a certified forensic expert on 17.04. The results of the measurement will be communicated to the District Council; At the meeting, it was proposed to the Councillors to place a sensor on the indicated buildings in the Stogi district to permanently monitor the noise.

3. Turbidity of water during the summer season

BHCT explained that from mid-July onwards piling would only be carried out on land so would not generate turbidity in the water;

4. Mooring of vessels from the north

BHCT explained that due to the investment plans and further expansion of the Baltic Hub, the current terminal will be extended on the north side, so it is not possible to build a quay on the north side at the current stage; besides, the direction of the port development is determined by the port infrastructure (breakwaters and turntables);

- ZMPG mentioned that both the plan for the construction of breakwaters and the delimitation of turntables was conceived in the 1970s in connection with the expansion of the northern port, the construction of Naftoport and is currently being implemented;

5. The planting carried out by ZMPG / Gazsystem / Coal deposited in the port / Beach at Westerplatte / construction of a pier and wooden footbridges on Stogi beach

Topics addressed / discussed by ZMPG

6. Terminal Tour

After the official part, a tour of the terminal took place in the Conference Room, during which the councilors learned about how operations at the Baltic Hub looks like, how the warehouse and railway siding work, and saw the T3 investment area;

ATT.3 Note of the meeting "Maritime end of summer"

Date of the meeting: September 3, Sunday, 12:00-15:00 pm

Place: 9 Container Street, veterinary area adjacent to the Baltic Hub terminal

Participants: more than 1,000 people, including

1. residents of the districts of Stogi, Przeróbka, Krakowiec Górki-Zachodni
2. employees of Baltic Hub from the surrounding districts

Course of the meeting:

Baltic Hub organized an event for residents of the surrounding neighborhoods. "Maritime End of Summer with Baltic Hub", which brought together nearly 1,000 people at the terminal. During the event, the winners of the recently decided Busole grant were symbolically recognized.

Participants had the opportunity to enjoy numerous free attractions, including inflatables for children, trampolines, Twister XXL and various sports activities. Children participated in shell painting, learned how to make sailor's knots, played ship and wooden arcade games. They could also get tattoos and colorful braids, as well as watch an ambulance demonstration and see a first aid station, where teddy bear dressing took place. A fire truck also awaited the little ones, where the children could get in, put on a helmet, press the fireman's signal and take pictures.

There were also food trucks serving snacks. There was also an opportunity to take photos in the popular 360 photo booth and take part in contests with attractive prizes.

In addition, participants were able to test an overhead crane simulator, Alko goggles, or try out VR goggles, where the task was to get out of a fire. Part of the event also included a bus tour of the terminal area, which was very popular. The event also featured a demonstration of terminal equipment including reachstacker machines and an IMV terminal truck. There was also a spectacular surprise for participants, which was the crushing of a passenger car by a container from an overhead crane.

During the event, residents could head to the Baltic Hub information desk (a dedicated tent), where employees provided information about the company, recruitment, development, construction of T3 and answered questions that residents had.

The event also included guided tours of the terminal for adult, interested participants. There were 5 tours by 20-passenger buses for a total of 100 people.

ATT.4 Note from meeting with Stogi and Przeróbka district councils on 27.10.2023

Date of the meeting: October 27, Friday, 10:15-12:00 am

Place: Kapitanat Port Północny Gdansk, conference room (presentation and discussion)

Participants:

Stogi District Council

3. Sabina Mirska - Chairwoman of the District Council

Przeróbka District Council

2. Elżbieta Żmijewska - Chairwoman of the District Council

3. Dorota Kałuża - Councilor

4. Grzegorz Durczak - Councilman

Port of Gdansk:

5. Piotr Bura, Marketing Director

6. Sylwia Futrzyńska, Marketing Projects Manager

7. Maksymilian Czapiewski, Client Manager

Baltic Hub:

8. Charles Baker

9. Michal Biernacki

10. Dominika Milion

11. Magdalena Jagła

12. Marta Kaczorowska

Course of the meeting:

10:15 - Start of the meeting/welcome to the guests

10:20 - 10:30 - Greeting of guests by the General Director of Baltic Hub and discussion of the current situation at the terminal

10:35 - 10:40 - Brief discussion of the Gdansk Port's performance and statistics

10:40 - Presentation of the current status of work on T3

10:40-10:45 - Short film on the status of the T3 works

10:45- 12:00 - questions and answers

Issues discussed at the meeting:**1. Current situation at Baltic Hub**

The current situation at the terminal was discussed, the increase in Ukrainian cargo, increased traffic at the gates, on the railway siding, increasing the number of employees, development.

2. Results of ZMPG for H1 2023 in the form of presentations and statistics.**3. Status of current works and schedule of works on T3**

The schedule of works was presented, and it was conveyed to the councilors that there will be a change in the method of piling (from piles to columns) which will significantly contribute to reducing noise. The issue of the additional gate and traffic due to the construction of T3 was also raised.

4. Complaint form

BHCT reminded of ways/opportunities to submit complaints/applications in connection with the T3 expansion.

5. Issues addressed to ZMPG

Rail transportation at Przeróbka / containers in neighborhoods / GazSystem / Port expansion / Central Port / buffer parking lots.

6. Water monitoring

BHCT reported that the water at T3 is constantly monitored (siltation, oxygen levels, etc.).

7. Actions in case of traffic blockage at the terminal

BHCT reported that in cooperation with ZMPG and the tunnel operation headquarters, we have prepared several measures that we will implement in such situations, e.g. announcements on Sucharskiego and announcements in the tunnel for drivers to redirect drivers in advance in case of some kind of blockade, announcements on the radio, etc.

8. BUSOLE

The councilors expressed their expectation to continue such activities, projects especially on environmental issues in cooperation with the Polish Ecological Club.