

Dear June

Members of the Dounreay Stakeholder Group and Caithness & North Sutherland Regeneration Partnership recently took part in learning journey to Cumbria to hear about partnership working to deliver economic development in that area. One of the issues discussed was the delivery of the Sellafield competition and the processes that were set up during and after competition. Some questions arose in relation to Dounreay competition and the socio economic and stakeholder engagement element of the process. This, and a recent letter from Bob Earnshaw to Tony Fountain has demonstrated that there are a number of questions still outstanding. It has been agreed that I will collect and collate the outstanding questions, via the respective organisations and individuals where appropriate, before passing these to the Competition Team. Adrian Simper, Strategy Director, is scheduled to attend the DSG meeting in September to discuss the NDA Strategy and will provide an update on the socio economic element of Dounreay Competition. In addition the Competition Team is due to visit the area later in September and we will endeavour to arrange meetings at that time where they can discuss those questions with DSG representatives face-to-face and outline proposals for the next stage of the competition process including arrangements for facilitated discussion with the bidders. Could you please provide me with any outstanding questions by **11th September** and I will ensure those are passed on to the NDA Competition Team. I will in due course arrange meeting times/venues depending on your availability in the latter part of September.

Therefore the near-term timetable for NDA stakeholder engagement specific to Dounreay PBO competition is as follows:

11 September Questions returned to Anna for NDA Competition Team

15 September Adrian Simper, NDA Strategy Director and Stuart Chalmers attend DSG

21-30 September Competition Team meetings (dates to be confirmed) to present final version of socio economic requirements, answer any outstanding questions and detail the next stage of the competition process - NDA facilitated discussion between bidders and stakeholder team

Could you please circulate this email to the DSG members seeking any current questions about the socio economic element of the Dounreay competition process I'd really appreciate that you return these to me by 11 September so they can be provided to the Competition Team in order that Adrian and Stuart may be briefed in advance of the DSG meeting. Also, as mentioned above the Competition Team are keen to meet with DSG representatives when they are in the area towards the end of September and I'll call you very soon to make arrangements for that.

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