

DSG CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2014/15

It has been, yet again, another busy year for members of the Dounreay Stakeholder Group. In addition to the four public meetings and the sub group meetings held during the year there has been a number of other activities undertaken by DSG representatives.

This year, key activities included the interaction on radioactive material movements, the safety performance of the Dounreay site and the more open approach by Ministry of Defence following disclosure of an occurrence in 2012 which was not publicly reported until 2014. In addition, DSG now inputs views into the funding of NDA/DSRL funding applications for socio economic funding.

It is useful to acknowledge the support DSG given throughout the year by site operators (Dounreay and Vulcan), the NDA site facing team and the regulators and to those who have contributed to sub group meetings as well as those who have provided presentations on various topics throughout the year.

A round-up of DSG activities are listed below:

RESPONDING TO CONSULTATIONS

- Scottish Hydro Electric transmission's proposed transmission project between Caithness & Moray
- DECC's consultation on the management of overseas origin nuclear fuels held in the UK.
- Consultation on New Enforcement Measures for the Scottish Environment Protection Agency and the Relevant Offences Order
- Response to consultation on ONR's strategy 2015-2020
- NDA Strategy III
- CoRWM review

DSG PRESENTATIONS

- DFR reactor decommissioning presentation
- Socio Economics
- Procurement presentation
- PFR Sodium Tank Farm
- ASFL (Annual Site Funding Limit) Decommissioning re-profiled programme

EXTERNAL VISITS/MEETINGS

- NDA National Event
- NDA SSG Chair's Forum
- Scottish Government Higher Activity Waste Implementation Strategy Project Board
- Scottish Government Scottish Nuclear Sites Meeting

DSG ad hoc meetings

- NDA Nuclear Archives pre-planning exhibition
- NDA Nuclear Archives project update
- NDA Fuels Strategy
- Caithness Conversation: windfarm funds
- NHS meeting
- Observed Dounreay Emergency Exercise
- CoRWM public meeting held in Thurso

- DRS Stakeholder event (Inverness)

DSG REPRESENTATION AT OTHER MEETINGS

- CNSRP Advisory Board
- Caithness transport Forum
- North Highland Regeneration Fund

As Chairman of DSG, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members who have supported DSG activities throughout the year. The DSG has an important role to play in oversight and scrutiny of both the site operator and NDA.

David Flear

Chairman, DSG

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