

**DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP
BUSINESS MEETING**

DSG/BM(2015)M003

**Minutes of the DSG Business Meeting held on Friday 24th July 2015 at 1330 hours in
Dounreay.com, Thurso.**

Present: David Flear DSG Chairman
Derrick Milnes DSG Vice-Chairman (Socio economic sub group chairman)
Bob Earnshaw DSG Site Restoration sub group chairman
June Love DSG Secretariat, DSRL

In addition: Ken Nicol DSRL Socio Economic Manager (agenda item 1 only).

MINUTES

1. WELCOME

David Flear welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Ken Nicol, DSRL Socio Economic Manager attended the meeting to provide an update on the socio economic funding for this year which was now all committed with approval to fund Wick Harbour site investigations for a high water gate (£110K) and Cost Comparison studies for inward investment activity (£50K).

He also outlined the requests received for next years' funding and sought views on a potential application coming forward from Wick John O'Groats airport for £25K to part fund an extension to the car park. This project would be jointly funded by HIAL, NDA and DSRL. Ken Nicol also noted that other funding requests were being considered for next years' budget and if all these were to go ahead all funding would be committed for 2016/17.

Following a discussion it was agreed that it would be useful to support the Wick John O'Groats car park project as it aligned to CNSRP programme and it allowed other funding to be levered to ensure this project went ahead.

Ken Nicol thanked those attending for their input and left the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting – DSG/BM(2015)M002 – had been circulated to members in advance of the meeting. These were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting.

4. STATUS OF ACTIONS

It was noted that the majority of actions had been closed out in a timely manner. The outstanding ones related mainly to membership and Terms of Reference. June Love noted that she would be looking to close these out in the next month.

5. ISSUES ARISING FROM SUB GROUP MEETINGS

The minutes of the main DSG (June 2015), Socio Economic Sub Group (July 2015) and Site Restoration Sub Group (July 2015) were reviewed. No issues were raised at this time and following discussion the topics for reporting through the September meeting were identified.

6. SEPTEMBER DSG MEETING

David Flear noted that the date (scheduled for 23rd September) would need to be changed as it now clashed with the NDA National Event. June Love noted that she was currently checking available of the venue for alternative dates. [Post note: the meeting was now confirmed for Monday 21st September 2015).

The agenda for this meeting was discussed and it was noted that Mike Brown, NDA Strategy Implementation Manager, along with Sara Johnston would provide a presentation on NDA's Strategy III. It was noted that this would likely be the subject of the NDA National Event later that week.

Discussion then centred on the recent MOD correspondence and questions raised about the timing of options study in 2016. It was unclear as to whether the options assessment would take place early in 2016 or in the later part of the year and clarification had been sought. This would be raised at the September DSG if a response was not forthcoming before then.

It was also noted that this would be Mark Rouse's last meeting as Dounreay Managing Director.

7. MEMBERSHIP

The attendance of members was reviewed and previous actions (as per status of actions) were discussed.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

David Flear noted the draft DSG response to the Scottish Government's Higher Activity Waste Implementation consultation which had been provided by DSG member, David Broughton. June Love noted she would be circulating to all members for comments before finalising the response which was due to be submitted before the 8th August 2015.

The forward diary was also considered. Derrick Milnes noted that he would not be available for the NDA National Event. David Flear confirmed he was available to attend.

There being no further business, David Flear thanked everyone for their input and formally closed the meeting.

David Flear
DSG Chairman
29th July 2015