# DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP BUSINESS MEETING

DSG/BM(2015)M004

Minutes of the DSG Business Meeting held on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 1315 hours in Dounreay.com, Thurso.

Present: David Flear DSG Chairman

Derrick Milnes DSG Vice-chair (Socio economic sub group chairman)

Bob Earnshaw DSG Site Restoration sub group chairman

June Love DSG Secretariat, DSRL

## **MINUTES**

#### 1. WELCOME

David Flear welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that the meeting had been brought forward a week as travel commitments were such that it was no longer viable to hold the meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> November.

#### 2. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

#### 3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting – DSG/BM(2015)M003 – 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. Progress would continue on those actions still ongoing.

### 5. ISSUES ARISING FROM THE SUB GROUP MINUTES

David Flear noted the announcement by Nigel Lowe, NDA Head of Programme who would be relocating from Caithness to take on an expanded role within NDA to manage both Dounreay and the Magnox contracts. It was agreed that it would be useful to understand how the NDA would be represented at future DSG meetings.

## 6. DECEMBER 2015 MEETING

June Love noted that a presentation by Alan Farquhar had been suggested for the December meeting. Alan had recently completed his apprenticeship and his career path is being further developed at site. Unfortunately Alan had indicated he was not available for the December meeting. Members agreed that given the time of the year it would be useful not to include a presentation. This would ensure that the meeting was finished at a reasonable time to allow people to travel home.

#### 7. MEMBERSHIP

Bob Earnshaw noted that he had now stood down from chairman of Thurso Community Council. As per the Terms of Reference, office bearers can continue up to the AGM even if they have stood down from the group that they have originally represented. It was noted that Thurso Community Council would need to put forward a new representative for the DSG.

A number of membership issues were discussed and it was agreed that these would be progressed in time for the next AGM in March 2016.

### 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

David Flear noted the following:

• The latest correspondence from various groups/individuals regarding the siting of the Community Sports Hub at the Viewfirth site. Given that DSG had supported the first attempt at setting up a community

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facility at this site and the support provided to the CSH in funding for planning that DSG should write to the Community Sports Hub supporting this project. He suggested that following the DSG letter, other organisations represented by DSG could also provide supportive letters where appropriate.

Action: DSG/BM(2015)M004/A001: June Love to draft letter from DSG in support of Community Sports Hub and circulate to all members encouraging them to support facility if appropriate.

• It was noted that an article had been written in the P&J re Berriedale Braes and it was suggested that given the discussion at the DSG Socio Economic sub group meeting that article be passed to the Chamber of Commerce for information.

Action: DSG/BM(2015)M004/A002: June Love to send recent P&J article on Berriedale Braes to the Chamber for information.

- DSG attendance at the Scottish Government's Scottish Nuclear Sites meeting in November.
- DSG representation at forthcoming events, including
  - o Radwaste conference, Brussels
  - o Engineering Policy Group briefing, Edinburgh
  - o NIA conference, London
- There was also an invitation for the chair/vice-chair to meet with David Batters, NDA Chief Financial Officer on the 1<sup>st</sup> December when he was at Dounreay.

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

David Flear DSG Chairman 16<sup>th</sup> November 2015

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