

**DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP
SITE RESTORATION SUB GROUP**

Minutes of the DSG Socio Economic sub group meeting held, via Teams, on Wednesday 21st July 2021 at 1900 hours.

Present:	Gillian Coghill	DSG Site Restoration sub group chair (Buldoe Residents Chair)
	Cllr Willie Mackay	Highland Council (sub group deputy chairman)
	Bob Earnshaw	DSG honorary member
	Alastair MacDonald	DSG honorary member
	Brian Mutch	SGRPID
	Roger Saxon	DSG honorary member
	Thelma Mackenzie	Thurso Community Council
	Cllr Struan Mackie	Highland Council (DSG Chair)
	Davie Alexander	Thurso and Wick Trade Union Council (DSG Vice-chair)
	Kirsty Strachan	Women in Nuclear
	David Craig	Caithness West Community Council
	David Broughton	DSG Co-opted Member of the Public
	Tor Justad	DSG Co-opted Member of the Public
	Debbie Murray	North Highland College, UHI
	Joanna Coghill	Association of Caithness Community Councils

In addition:	Dawn Clasper	DSG Minute Secretary
	June Love	Dounreay Community Relations Manager (DSG Secretariat)
	Sam Usher	DSRL Strategic Director
	Wendy Newton	SDA Programme Manager – Head of Vulcan (MOD)
	Cdr Mark Cleminson	MOD Vulcan
	Cdre Mark Prince	Director Nuclear Propulsion MOD
	Ian Rogers	ONR (Dounreay)
	Stewart Ballantine	SEPA
	James Bryson	DNSR (Vulcan)

MINUTES

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Gillian Coghill welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. She also welcomed Kirsty Strachan, Women in Nuclear and Commodore Mark Prince who was attending to provide a verbal update on Vulcan decommissioning.

Gillian Coghill reminded members to put their microphones on mute and use the 'hands up' button if they wished to speak.

Gillian Coghill noted that the deputy sub group chair was normally ratified at the first sub group meeting following the AGM. As there had been no April sub group meetings this was the first opportunity to do this. She stated that Cllr Willie Mackay had agreed to continue as sub group chair unless anyone else wished to take over the role. No other nominations were forthcoming and Gillian thanked Cllr Mackay for his continued support in this role.

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2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from:

- Sam Arden, CNC
- Vik Winspear Roberts, ONR for Vulcan
- Christian Nicholson, NHS
- Sand Owsnett, Dounreay Unions

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Gillian Coghill noted that the last meeting was held in January (DSG/SRSG(2021)M01 refers) and the April subgroup was cancelled due to the Scottish elections. Therefore the minutes circulated with paperwork had been endorsed at the March public meeting and therefore there was no need to endorse these.

She invited members to raise anything from the minutes.

David Craig noted that on Page 3 Gillian's name is misspelt and this would be rectified.

Tor Justad asked if there has been an update on the questions he had raised regarding the announcement of the NDA waste division and its impact on DSRL. Turning to page 7 he asked if the Rolls Royce apprentices were able to work on site during the current conditions. He also asked if the link from the Aarhus roundtable discussions had been circulated.

June Love responded that all these actions had been closed and this had been reflected in the action status circulated for the March public meeting. She noted that she would send Tor Justad the completed actions.

Action: DSG/SRSG(2021)M002/A001: June Love to send Tor Justad the DSG status of actions to reflect the responses to actions raised in January 2021.

4. ACTION STATUS

Gillian Coghill noted that the status of actions has been circulated to members in advance of the meeting. Of note:

- **DSG(2021)M02/A002:** Diane Hamilton, Scottish Government Radwaste Team, to provide a more detailed organisation chart to provide background of those involved. **Action ongoing**
- **DSG(2021)M02/A003:** Diane Hamilton, Scottish Government Radwaste Team, to ensure Ministers were aware of urgency to reach a decision on whether Fusion was new nuclear and would be part of the Energy policy. **Action ongoing**
- **DSG(2021)M02/A006:** With regards the recent announcement of EDF Energy's seven Advanced Gas-cooled reaction future decommissioning and appreciating it is early days and confirmation of where DSRL sits within the organisation structure is still to be announced can the NDA provide an explanation of how they envision the existing sites, such as Dounreay, will support this mission and whether these will be factored into the ongoing work on the site's Life Time Plan. **Action complete.**
- **DSG(2021)M02/A007:** Following on from the recent announcement on the NDA Review, can NDA/DSRL provide DSG with a one page diagram of what the current NDA plethora of Boards is to allow DSG to understand the oversight/sanctioning process. **Action ongoing:** Gillian Coghill stated a

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partial response had been provided but this action would be kept open until the diagram was received (expected to be around September).

She also noted that other ongoing actions sat with the Socio Economic sub group and was being progressed via that sub group.

She invited members to raise anything from the actions.

David Broughton noted that he had read the NDA annual account and financial accounts and in there they have a table of responsibilities for the board and financial sanctions and was coupled with NDA statements about an overarching operational board. He added that this had caused him some confusion and therefore receiving the one page diagram was important to ensure the sanction process did not have a direct bearing on the funding coming into Caithness.

June Love responded that David Wallace had provided a holding response and the action would be left open until the diagram had been received.

Gillian Coghill noted that NDA also had a GLT (NDA Group Leadership Team) and it was pleasing to see that Mark Rouse continued to sit on this Board.

5. VULCAN UPDATE

Gillian Coghill noted that following the DSG public meeting in March, the DSG Chair had written to the UK Government Minister of Defence outlining DSG's concerns regarding engagement with MOD Vulcan. A response to this letter was still awaited. She stated that Commodore Mark Prince was in attendance to provide a verbal update on where MOD was in terms of the Ministerial announcement on 17 June. It had also been agreed that MOD would provide a full presentation at the September DSG meeting.

Commodore Mark Prince confirmed that a full brief would be provided at the DSG public meeting in September and this would include the social value elements for procurement, their decision-making as they moved forward to the decommissioning of the Vulcan site and the operational programme for the site. He provided background on what had created some of the challenges to date and why they had been unable to engage with the DSG for a period of time and how the decommissioning work would be taken forward over the next 10-15 years.

As noted previously, MOD had been unable to go into great detail at the March public meeting as at that time the proposed way ahead was awaiting endorsement from the senior levels of the MoD. This change was the result of the MOD reviewing all aspects of the extensively inter-related nuclear propulsion programme, the result of which identified that the extension of the Vulcan fuel management programme was the optimum solution. Given the fundamental change to previous plans, and the need to amend the dates within the 2015 Written Ministerial Statement on the future of Vulcan, this had required senior management sign-offs in terms of outputs, programme and funding. This change is not isolated to the plans for Vulcan but also affects some of the wider areas of the MOD programme.

The Ministerial statement issued stated that they would extend the fuel handling activities for an additional 3 years (up to 2025) from the original date of 2022, amending the dates contained in a Ministerial Statement made in 2015. To attain this the optimum way ahead was to continue operating the site in conjunction with Rolls-Royce Submarines, meaning there would be no change in site operator or management arrangements and the current arrangements would sustain. This meant that it was necessary to withdraw the PIN for decommissioning.

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This announcement should be considered positive for Caithness as it will sustain jobs in both the short and medium term. It was emphasised that the intention remains to remove as much of the inventory from site as possible by the end of 2022 and only some very specific modules will remain behind to allow the additional activity to be undertaken.

Progress had been made on site both in terms of post operational clean out (POCO) in preparation for decommissioning and on the defuel of the reactor plant. It was anticipated that the physical movement of the fuel from the reactor would commence within the next couple of months. This will be a significant milestone for MOD because once they have done this neither of the reactors that they have on site will be able to be physically operate after this point.

The decommissioning PIN had been withdrawn last year after the extension to the fuel management programme had been identified. When procurement recommences for decommissioning it will be important to ensure all potential bidders received the relevant information at the same time and this will be done via the AWARD tool.

The intent is to publish an updated PIN in quarter 4 of this year. A letter of intent has been published in the AWARD system and articulates why there had been a change to the original PIN. The early stages of procurement activity are now available and prospective bidders will need to decide if they can comply with the ethical award agreement and if so they can provide an expression of interest. A further industry day will be organised after the PIN is issued so that MOD can gauge opinions. Following this, a pre-qualification questionnaire will be issued to allow MOD to down select the bidders, to issue the Invitation to Tender and seek bids from those who had pre-qualified. Although the site activities have been extended by 3 years the intention is to place a decommissioning contract in around 18-24 months' time to allow the winning bidder to conduct some pre-planning work and engage with Rolls Royce and MoD in advance of any change (this is based on the assumption that RR do not bid or win the contract).

Gillian Coghill thanked Commodore Mark Prince for his update and added that she was delighted that MOD would be extending their stay in Caithness which was always good news for the local staff and suppliers. She then invited questions from members. Of note:

- Tor Justad asked for further explanation of bringing social value into the procurement process and requested an indication on what value these contracts would be. He further asked how long the delay to decommissioning would be.

Commodore Mark Prince responded that as outlined previously the operational aspects for the site would extend from 2022 to 2025. By end of 2022 a small amount of fuel would be retained on site and at end of 2025 all fuel would be removed.

There would be a need to remove the remaining fuel to allow the eventual handover of the site lease to the NDA. He added that the end state had not yet been fully agreed by NDA and discussions were ongoing. The worst case scenario of the end state would be to take it to a brownfield site. He recognised that this may not be what the local authority or the NDA would want and MOD would build in some flexibility to hand the site back at an appropriate time that works for everybody.

Social value within UK Government procurements was now mandated and MOD were keen to engage with local stakeholders on this topic. He added that MOD did not have the same vires when it came to the NDA's remit for socio economic activity but that social value would be built into the decision making process when assessing bids for future contracts. MOD were keen to engage with members of DSG to enable them to consider what aspects of social value would be important for the

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local area and that could set some of the balancing in the selection questionnaire when the bids were assessed. As an example it may be that a priority would be to use local supply chain for certain activities, whether management team of preferred bidder would work locally, etc. Options, along these lines, could then be established and would be factored into the procurement process.

- Cllr Struan Mackie thanked Commodore Mark Prince for attending the meeting and for giving a full update. He noted that DSG had quite a lot to say at both public and sub group meetings about the importance of the Vulcan site to the community and that the community had been supportive of Vulcan activities. Therefore, he felt it was good from DSG's perspective that more clarity had been provided and the extension of operations was good news locally. He felt that while social value had been a recent topic of discussion the community needed to grasp how best to maximise these opportunities and felt that MOD's approach would provide the best outcome for the host community and was a good step in the right direction.

In respect to the extension of the contract with Rolls Royce Cllr Struan Mackie presumed that as this was an extension to the original contract then social value could not be considered within the extended contract?

He thanked Commodore Prince for his co-operation and making himself available to provide this update and had found the information provided at this meeting to have been positive.

Commodore Mark Prince confirmed, on the decommissioning procurement, social value and engagement would be the responsibility of Wendy Newton who was working with the Bristol based team on a plan of engagement and this would be circulated in due course.

In terms of the contract extension to 2025 he would argue that social value was built into the current contract with Rolls Royce as they are significant employers of sub-contractors and of direct local employees. He added that Cllr Mackie was correct that it would effectively be an extension of the existing contract and because of this social value elements are already built in through Rolls-Royces use of local sub-contractors and employment of the local population..

- Roger Saxon thanked Commodore Mark Prince for his update and noted that DSG members had learned a lot during this meeting. He asked whether a new facility was being built elsewhere and whether that meant they would be building a new facility at Vulcan. He assumed that the fuel that would be left on site after 2022 for further exploration was fuel that was originally going to be transported to Sellafield.

Commodore Mark Prince responded that he was correct and that MOD was looking to build a facility elsewhere to conduct a small element of work that is currently conducted at the Vulcan Site. The work to be carried out at Vulcan until 2025, in addition to the fuel handling activities, is minor in scale and involves the refurbishment of some components. This was currently done at Vulcan and MOD would be looking to re-establish this where they have similar facilities elsewhere in the country. It was not something that would have been raised as a long term opportunity for Vulcan.

There being no further questions, Gillian Coghill thanked Commodore Prince for his update and looked forward to hearing more information at the public meeting in September. Commodore Prince thanked everyone for their time and understanding and left the meeting.

Gillian Coghill stated that she would continue with the Vulcan updates and noted that the following written updates had been provided.

- DSG(2021)P015: Vulcan update

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- DSG(2021)P019: Rolls Royce update
- DSG(2021)P013: SEPA
- DSG(2021)P016: DNSR
- DSG(2021)P017: ONR (Vulcan)

Gillian Coghill invited the following to provide high level updates.

MOD Vulcan: (DSG(2021)P015 refers)

Cdr Mark Cleminson highlighted the following:

- There had been two minor injuries reported in June.
- A safety stand down had been held to refocus the site's approach to safety. This had been led by Rolls Royce.
- There had been two confirmed cases as positive (asymptomatic) by PCR test.
- The on-site canteen had reopened having been shut since the first lockdown in March 2020.
- Radioactive waste disposal was consistent with recent site reports in terms of percentages.
- The Shore Test facility programme was moving forward with preparations for defueling. A significant hold point had been cleared and this had allowed the installation of the final pre-defuel structural elements above the reactor pressure vessel.
- A report had been provided to DNSR regarding a health physics monitor who had received low levels of skin contamination which had been detected on their hand. The source of contamination was understood and contained. An investigation was ongoing to prevent recurrence.

No questions were raised.

Rolls Royce Update: (DSG(2021)P019 refers)

Gillian Coghill noted that there was no Rolls Royce attendance at the meeting but noted that if any questions were raised from the report these would be actioned through and a written response requested. No issues were raised.

SEPA: (DSG(2020)P013 refers)

Stewart Ballantine noted there were no issues. No questions were raised.

DNSR: (DSG(2021)P016 refers) James Bryson highlighted the following:

- DNSR were informed of the radiological skin contamination.
- He informed the group that there was a small error in the report in that on the 18th May the planned remote Authorisation Condition inspection should read Condition 9 and not 26.
- DNSR reported that the site was in good hands and well controlled and he looked forward to visiting site the following week to hold formal regulatory meetings.

Gillian Coghill thanked James Bryson for his update and invited questions from member.

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- Tor Justad noted that DNSR were planning to visit site and asked what this visit would entail that could not be covered remotely.

James Bryson responded that he had an intervention plan and an element of this was to visit site. This would be the first visit since prior to the first COVID lockdown, so it was a good opportunity to speak with RR senior management, the Authorisee, visit facilities and sit down with Health & Safety and auditing teams to get a feel of the situation now that the pandemic situation has improved. The second day was for a formal regulatory meeting to go through an agenda of safety and radiological aspects, as well as emergency response. There would be no formal inspection during these two days.

- Tor asked if there would be publicly available reports published with his findings of the site visit.

James Bryson stated that given the meetings/discussions would cover 'Official Sensitive and beyond' information there would be no publicly available information provided.

ONR: (DSG(2021)P017 refers):

Ian Rogers, on behalf of Vik Winspear Roberts, noted there had been no formal inspections during the reporting period. No questions were raised.

6. DOUNREAY UPDATE

Gillian Coghill stated she was aware that the roles for NDA and DSRL have been clarified and as DSRL now sits within the NDA group, NDA would not attend this meeting. The DSRL representative would provide the operational update and noted that NDA corporate information would continue to be provided in written form and if any questions were raised from that report these could be actioned through and a written response requested.

- Dave Craig asked if there was an update from the meeting the NDA S4S Team had with the Leader of the Highland Council. June Love responded that the NDA were currently developing a Scottish Strategy that would link Dounreay, Chapelcross and Hunterston to see where the synergies were and link into Scottish Government and the local authority areas. The meeting NDA had with Highland Council Leader Margaret Davidson was a part of this early engagement and had followed on from early discussions with a number of stakeholders within DSG and CNSRP. Dave Wallace (NDA) had reported that the meeting with Highland Council had gone well. June Love noted that there was still a need to discuss with the Caithness (and North Sutherland) councillors together in a ward meeting to get their thoughts and this would happen later in the year.
- Gillian Coghill noted that she had read NDA Departmental Review and noted that NDA had been advised not to get involved with new nuclear. In addition NDA were being encouraged to be more commercialised to maximise value for money, efficiencies and eradicate duplications and inefficiencies. There was also a need to work with ONR to ensure there was no compromise on safety and regulatory obligations. There were 23 recommendations including streamlining the business, cleaning up safely without compromising the environment at a safer and faster and reduced cost. It had been good to read that appropriate LLW waste was being diverted and recycled where possible.
- Tor Justad noted Gillian's comment that the NDA had been advised not to be involved with new nuclear. Gillian Coghill clarified this was one of the recommendations from the UK Government review of NDA.

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- Gillian Coghill stated she had read the DSRL report and had noted that Sam Usher's replacement would be Frederic Stalin who would take up post at the beginning of September with Sam handing over during the month. She thanked Sam Usher for his contribution to the DSG and wished him every success for the future. She stated that it would be useful to set up a meeting between the DSG Business Meeting, and Frederic Stalin to allow introductions to be made prior to him taking over for the October sub group. She added that it would also be useful to discuss with Buldoo Residents meeting also and at an appropriate time he should be introduced to the Buldoo residents.

Action: DSG/SRSG(2021)M02/A002: Sam Usher to liaise with June Love re setting up meetings with Frederic Stalin to allow introductions to DSG and Buldoo residents.

At this point, she handed over to Sam Usher to provide an update on DSRL activities.

Dounreay: (DSG(2021)P001 refers)

Sam Usher, Strategic Programme Director, Dounreay provided the following update:

Sam Usher thanked Gillian Coghill for her kind words and would ensure that Frederic Stalin had a handover and stated he believed Frederic would be an asset to DSRL.

- TRIR remained low and over the last month there had been a focus on slips, trips and falls.
- There was a RIDDOR reportable incident in May in relation to Hand/Arm Vibration Syndrome.
- DSRL was now in full compliance with the Environmental Authorisations (Scotland) Regulations (EASE) permit issued by SEPA. (This followed variations to the permit because of the impact of Covid).
- The annual security exercise had taken place in June 2021 and ONR deemed the exercise as adequate.
- DSRL had attended the NDA Safety & Wellbeing Excellence awards (virtually) and DSRL had won the Safety Team of the Year Award for the COVID Community Support Team. This was in recognition of the outstanding work the Dounreay workforce did to support the community during the pandemic.
- DSRL had transitioned successfully to the NDA Group from 1 April 2021.
- Lawrie Haynes had been announced as the new chair of the DSRL Board. Gwen Parry-Jones CEO of Magnox and Paul Vallance NDA would also be joining this board.
- Fredric Stalin has been appointed as Strategic Programme Director and would take over this role in September.
- Dave Hubbard left site on 16 July and had joined Hinkley Point supporting new builds, his replacement William Lindsay would take over the role of Delivery Project Director in September. Mac MacGill would cover this post in the interim.
- DSRL were still actively monitoring any cases of COVID, with one case identified in July.

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- There were around 750-850 people now attending site and those who could work from home were continuing to do so. These arrangements, including mask wearing, social distancing and car sharing, would stay in place until August 2021 when it would be further reviewed.
- DSRL were in the process of engaging with the workforce on re-imagining the future of the work place post Covid pandemic. This was being led by Josh George, Organisational Excellence Director.
- The removal of the alkaline metal hazard from the PFR heel pool had been completed. This project had been running for the last 4 years from design to operation of the sodium pump where 1810kg of alkaline metal hazard from the reactor had been removed, which was the bulk of the material now processed. This allowed preparations for the next phase of the project.
- Airline suit work had restarted in D1200 labs after more than a year.
- The D3100 team has submitted an update to the Environmental Safety Case for the LLW disposal facilities. The new authorisation would reflect the disposal of the waste that will arise from the site and DSRL continue to work with SEPA on this application.

Gillian Coghill thanked Sam Usher for his input and invited questions from members.

- Gillian Coghill asked what BROKK stood for. Sam Usher responded that this was a proprietary name for powerful robotics to allow remote handling for decommissioning activities and were made by a Swedish company.
- Tor Justad asked what percentage of workforce onsite and offsite at present and when would this revert back to pre-Covid. Sam Usher responded that he did not have the exact figures, but there are between 750-850 people on site and between 500-600 working from home. The site was looking at what the future working arrangements might be, and the result of this may be that not everyone would return to the site. Engagement with the workforce on re-imagining what the future of work place might be had commenced and department heads were talking to their teams, alongside staff and union engagement. He added there was a number of advantages for many people in working within a hybrid model and early indications were that those working from home would prefer to see a blended approach where work could be done at home with site visits to allow for face to face meetings at appropriate times. He stated he was not sure at this stage that site was aiming to get everyone back on site.

Gillian Coghill noted that blended working was good for the local communities as this provided the opportunity for more footfall the local towns.

- David Broughton said that he did not understand the reference to the grouting trials and questioned whether this was a specific plan for the LLW disposal facility and grouting in the new vaults. Sam Usher responded that it was quite innovative. Red ISO containers were filled with waste and placed into the D3100 disposal vaults where they are stored until such times were stacked. Once stacked the containers required to be encapsulated in ground or concrete and then at final closure the whole vault would be capped, covered and sealed off. It had been originally planned to fill the vault with containers and then grout around it at the end of the process or to do this in two lots. Following completion of technical studies it was now believed that it would be better to grout the containers as they are placed into the vault (and stacked) so that grouting would be done in smaller batches. Trials with 16 containers will commence this year. Shuttering will be built around the container and then grouted to seal the containers in-

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situ. This was a significant step as these containers would be disposed as they are encapsulated in the vault.

There being no further questions, Gillian Coghill thanked Sam Usher for his input.

SEPA: (DSG(2021)P013 refers) Stewart Ballantine, SEPA provided the following report:

- DSRL was in full compliance with the requirements of its EASR permits for LLW facilities and the Dounreay Site. SEPA had been happy throughout COVID with the approach DSRL had taken to prepare contingency plans.
- DSRL had submitted a LLW Facilities variation application that had involved significant periods of pre-application engagement. The determination progress would take some time and DSG would be kept informed as matters progress.
- SEPA had received DSRL's Waste Management Plan and Site Wide Environmental Safety Case, these are terms that came into regular use when the GRR was published and talked about end states. The plans were the first iteration and would evolve between now and when the end state was reached. In summary this was a document that signposted areas of work that is required to be carried out and is a significant step forward in terms of how the programme of work was taken forward.

Gillian Coghill thanked Stewart Ballantine for his input and invited questions from members.

- Gillian Coghill noted there had been a scheduled visit due to take place on 12 July. Stewart Ballantine responded that Linda Buchan had visited site and had been very complementary regarding the COVID arrangements in place.
- Tor Justad said there had been a lot of publicity on the cyber-attack which affected SEPA and asked if SEPA could provide a rough estimate of the long term implications and what mitigations were being put in place to ensure protection from other potential attacks. Stewart Ballantine responded that he could not provide these answers as this was an ongoing criminal investigation, however, there were updates on SEPA's website which provided the current position on where the organisation was going in terms of recovery and rebuilding following the cyber-attack.
- Tor Justad asked if the normal inspection work at Dounreay had been directly affected by the cyber-attack. Stewart Ballantine responded that COVID had impacted the site inspection work and the cyber-attack had not impacted SEPA's ability to visit the site and they would be returning to much more normal site visit regimes but ensuring it was respectful in terms of the Covid situation.

ONR: (DSG(2021)P003 refers) Ian Rogers, ONR provided the following report:

- DSRL were required to report weekly on certain issues associated with Covid to ONR and BEIS and as of today 55% of people had returned to work representing 100% of the operational and operational support staff.
- In the period reported there had been five inspection visits to site, areas looked at were Safety Case informed inspection of the Irradiated Fuel Caves, Management of Operational Records,

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Training and the provision of Suitably Qualified and Experienced Personnel, Fire Safety and Emergency Arrangements.

- Assessment work in support of the shaft & silo project continued and ONR were hopeful that the hold point would be released to allow commencement of construction activities later this year.
- ONR continues to monitor DSRL's progress against progress on former regulatory issues raised from previous inspections and DSRL had made good progress with two long-standing regulatory issues closed out during this period.
- ONR were notified of the loss of electrical supply to site on 7 June 2021, the backup systems worked as intended and the site was closed to all but essential staff. ONR were satisfied there were no nuclear, radiological, and industrial safety consequences due to this and no further regulatory action was required.
- ONR regularly visits the Dounreay site and DSRL continues to provide adequate arrangements for the protection of personnel for Covid 19 and have a robust and systematic approach to the restart of operations activities.
- In other areas of ONR regulation:
 - In April, EDF complied with the Direction served in December 2020 in relation to the Pressure Systems Safety Regulations Act.
 - ONR agreed to extend an improvement notice served on EDF in September 2020, recognising the progress made so far to address issues to do with reactor instrumentation.
 - ONR announced that Rolls-Royce Submarines Ltd (RRSL) had complied with an improvement notice served on 29 May 2020 associated with control of nuclear material on site.
 - ONR published an article introducing their newest board member Jean Llewellyn, who joined in October 2021.
 - Mark Foy had been appointed as the Chief Executive and Chief Nuclear Inspector. He will be supported by Sarah High, Deputy Chief Executive, and Donald Urquhart, Executive Director of Operations.
 - ONR published its' Corporate Plan for 2021/22 in June 2021 and this was available on the website.
 - In June, the State System of Accounting for and Control of Nuclear Material (SSAC) project, which saw ONR become the UK's national nuclear safeguards regulator had been awarded a prize from the Institute of Project Management Public Sector category.

Gillian Coghill thanked Ian Rogers for his input and invited questions from members.

- Gillian Coghill noted that she was happy to see 100% of the workforce back to work that need to be there for operational purposes.

Gillian Coghill thanked Ian Rogers for his update and invited questions.

- Roger Saxon asked about the power supply failure and if there had been a single point of failure for the site. Ian Rogers noted there had been an issue with 2 transformers that belonged to SSE who were carrying out an investigation and were in consultation with DSRL. In turn, DSRL would

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inform ONR of the outcome of the investigation. ONR were content that there was no further regulatory action required against Dounreay, the emergency arrangements operated as claimed in the safety justifications.

- Tor Justad asked if there was an update on the crack in the reactor core at Hunterston and enquired what the current situation was. Ian Rogers responded that the Hunterston inspector would be the best person to answer this. Ian Rogers noted that if this was about the cracks in the graphite there had been a long programme of work with EDF. ONR were carrying out a range of technical assessment to underpin the justification for continued operation of the reactor. Both EDF and ONR were providing sufficient confidence to enable operations over short periods and then reviewing these to form the basis of justification for any further periods of operations.

CNC: (DSG(2021)P007 refers)

Gillian Coghill stated that there was no CNC representative in attendance but noted that if any questions were raised from the CNC correspondence these would be actioned through with a written response requested.

- Gillian Coghill noted that there was a new training facility Griffin Park Tactical Training Centre and would be interested to know whether local CNC officers had used this facility. She questioned whether officers were compromised with sickness absence due to Covid.
- Gillian Coghill noted that under the new regulations CNC were now required to wear video cameras for public and personal safety.
- Gillian Coghill also noted that the development and learning programme now allow officers to transition into different aspects of policing.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Gillian Coghill noted that the correspondence since the last meeting had been circulated to members in advance of the meeting. These were:

- DSG(2021)C018: DSG early discussion with MOD re social value
- DSG(2021)C027: Follow up letter to Ministerial MOD announcement
- DSG(2021)C032: MOD community engagement

She stated that as earlier discussions had covered the majority of MOD topics the correspondence listed was for noting only.

- DSG(2021)C028: DSG update for Scot Gov Scottish Sites meeting.

Gillian Coghill said that the Scottish Government Radwaste Team had seen a number of staff changes to the team. Cllr Struan Mackie and David Alexander had virtually met with Dan Couldridge who now heads up this team to discuss SSG views of both the Scottish Government sites meeting as well as local issues and concerns. This had been a good meeting with lots of discussion around joining up with Scottish Government policies and an invitation to meet with DSG when Dan visits the site.

- David Broughton noted there was an outstanding action where he asked for some background details on the new members. June Love responded she had progressed the response and these

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were still forthcoming.

- Tor Justad asked if there was there a reply from the Minister of Defence Ben Wallace. June Love noted that a response had not yet been received.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Before opening up to other members, Gillian Coghill noted the following:

- Gillian Coghill, Cllr Struan Mackie and David Alexander had met with members of NDA who provided an outline of a proposed NDA Scottish Strategy. They are looking to join the three Scottish sites, Scottish Government and local authorities alongside other agencies. The strategy was at early stage and would become a standing agenda item on the DSG Socio Economic sub group agenda and at the appropriate time an update would be requested for the public meeting. NDA would also be speaking with Chapelcross and Hunterston and DSG members would be kept updated as this developed further.
- Gillian Coghill noted that DSG Review scope had now been agreed. The NDA were reviewing the SSG Guidance and while it was not expected to significantly change the business meeting had discussed the timing of the DSG review. It had been agreed that the view was to commence the DSG review as soon as possible.

Tor Justad noted that he, alongside other members, had commented on the draft DSG review scope. June Love noted that all comments had been considered with the majority being included within the final scope. She said she would circulate the final scope to all members for their information.

Action: DSG/SRSG(2021)M02/A003: June Love to circulate final DSG review scope to all DSG members for information.

9. CLOSE

- Gillian Coghill reminded everyone that the next public meeting will be held on Wednesday 22 September with a presentation from MOD. This meeting will be held virtually via Teams. The DSG business meeting continued to explore blended meetings and it was hoped to trial this at the Socio Economic sub group in October in terms of the equipment required to make this a positive experience. This would take place at DSRL's temporary hub as equipment there would allow for a blended meeting to take place.
- Cllr Struan Mackie noted that there will be a significant update from the MOD at the September meeting and reiterated that if members could not attend it would be useful to send a substitute as it was important that information could be provided via organisations to the community.

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

Gillian Coghill
DSG Site Restoration sub group chair
5 August 2021

Endorsed on 22 September 201

ACTIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING

DSG/SRSG(2021)M002/A001: June Love to send Tor Justad the DSG status of actions to reflect the responses to actions raised in January 2021.

DSG/SRSG(2021)M02/A002: Sam Usher to liaise with June Love re setting up meetings with Frederic Stalin to allow introductions to DSG and Buldoo residents.

DSG/SRSG(2021)M02/A003: June Love to circulate final DSG review scope to all DSG members for information.