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DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP BUSINESS MEETING

Minutes of DSG Business Meeting held on Tuesday 11th October 2022 at 0930 via Microsoft Teams.

Present:	Cllr Struan Mackie	DSG Chair
	Davie Alexander	DSG Vice-chair & Socio Economic sub group chair
	Peter Faccenda	DSG Socio Economic sub group deputy chair
	Roger Saxon	DSG Honorary member
	June Love	DSG Secretariat, DSRL
	Dawn Clasper	DSG Minute Secretary, DSRL

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Cllr Struan Mackie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

No apologies were received.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Cllr Struan noted that the minutes of the last meeting – DSG/BM(2022)M030, 27 September 2022 – had been endorsed by members via email. Members agreed this was a true reflection of the meeting. No issues from the minutes were raised. These would now be circulated to all DSG members for their information.

3. ACTION STATUS

June Love provided an update on the progress of actions. Discussion focused on:

- DSG(2022)M02/A07: June Love to ask about progress in identifying a new DSG secretariat with Mark Rouse MD and Josh George Organisation Excellence Director. **Action ongoing:** This is being progressed with discussions on split of current postholders role and finalising job vacancy notice. There is a delay with this recruitment due to a complete restructure of Communications. HR has given permission for the restructure of Communications.
- DSG(2022)M02/A14: Jamie Reed to report back on the extent that NDA uses fair trade across the NDA estate. **Action Ongoing:** This will be chased again.

Cllr Mackie noted that this was probably a difficult question to be answered but this would continue to be on the action list.

Roger Saxon asked if it would be worthwhile asking for a policy position on fare trade. Cllr Struan Mackie noted that his would have to be balanced as fare Trade tends to be for products procured overseas and if you want to have a robust local set of suppliers they should not be disadvantaged as they produced these things locally.

Gillian Coghill noted that fare trade is something that comes in from abroad and we should be encouraging NDA where their sustainable product is coming from.

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Peter Faccenda noted that sustainability solution it may be that something with additional shipping may be fare trade but its not the most ecological sensible thing.

- DSG/SESG(2022)M02/A004: June Love to ask Commander Ian Walker to provide information on the value of Vulcan as it currently stands. **Action ongoing.**
- DSG/SESG(2022)M02/A007: DSG Chair to write to NDA to request clarity on flights to/from Caithness in terms of NDA's sustainability policy. **Action ongoing:** Request made via Dave Wallace on 4th August.
- DSG/SRSG(2022)M002/A002: Craig Brown to provide the visit report of the recent visit to France. **Action ongoing:** This has been chased.

Cllr Struan Mackie noted that he attended the SSG forum last Friday he updated on DSRL/Vulcan and was noted that the secretariat support is required to carry out their roll.

4. UPDATE ON SUBGROUP MEETINGS

Cllr Struan Mackie noted that the subgroups were due to take place on 19 October. June Love noted that the meeting was in hand and the paper work would be distributed to member shortly.

David Alexander asked if there was a question regarding attendance due to school holidays. Dawn Clasper noted that there had been a good response of people who would be attending.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The following was raised:

- Cllr Struan Mackie noted that correspondence had been received from Maree Todd MSP regarding the REMA consultation. June Love noted that the closing date was 10 October, and this has been submitted. This will be circulated to members through the sub groups. A copy of the response has also been sent to Maree Todd MSP.
- Cllr Struan Mackie noted that we have written to Professor Skea (DSG(2022)C025) outlining that we are in support for the CNSRP letter inviting them to consider a proposal for our area. He noted if they do accept the invitation that we have a good representation at the meeting. There was further discussion around the wider Just Transition and about the energy transition and oil and gas transition that we are also a part of.
- June Love noted that she has compiled the comments of the Vulcan principles from the Working Group. This was agreed by the Business meeting members.

ACTION: DSG_BM(2022)M031/A001: June Love to issue the Vulcan principles letter.

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- June Love noted that she has compiled proposal for the Party political conferences. NDA will provide the information. This needs to be socialised with Chaplecross and Hunterston. She noted that there were no forward dates for 2023 as yet. She noted that constituent MSP's would need to be identified and they key messages and how to target the audience.
- June Love noted that Mark Rouse, MD has requested a meeting with Exco and the Business Meeting as the public meeting had been cancelled. This has been arranged for 24 October, June suggested that we meet with Exco and then hold the business meeting. Roger Saxon tendered his apologies for this meeting.
- June Love noted that Dave Wallace and John McNamara has asked to see a copy of the DSG Review. It was agreed by the Business meeting to share this with the NDA.

ACTION: DSG_BM(2022)M031/A002: June Love to share the DSG Review and actions.

- Cllr Struan Mackie noted that the attend the SSG Chairs and Vice Chairs meeting on Friday 7 October. He noted there was an updated on Fusion project in a non-nuclear community, there is concern in updates around the skills base and availability of nuclear workers. One of the areas of focus needs to be on the decommissioning pound is also nuclear/decommissioning skills as this is a big concern across all the sites.
- Cllr Struan Mackie noted that there were further job losses though the supply chain. There is worry about the short term outlook of work they have no expectation of winning working the medium term either. Cllr Struan noted that this will be raised with Exco and this should also be raised in parliament.

6. CLOSE

There being no further business, Cllr Struan Mackie thanked everyone their input and formally closed the meeting.

Cllr Struan Mackie
DSG Chair
14th October 2022

ACTIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING

DSG_BM(2022)M031/A001: Just love to issue the Vulcan principles letter.

DSG_BM(2022)M031/A002: June Love to share the DSG Review and actions.