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## **DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP BUSINESS MEETING**

### **Minutes of DSG Business Meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 0930 via Microsoft Teams.**

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr Struan Mackie	DSG Chair
	Davie Alexander	DSG Vice-chair & Socio Economic sub group chair
	Gillian Coghill	DSG Site Restoration sub group chair
	Peter Faccenda	DSG Socio Economic sub group deputy chair
	Roger Saxon	DSG Honorary member
	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)M031, 11 October 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**

Dawn Clasper provided an update on the progress of actions. Discussion focused on:

- DSG(2022)M03/A025: Cllr Struan Mackie to clarify with Cllr Karl Rosie and Cllr Andrew Jarvie which sub group both will attend. **Action Ongoing**
- DSG(2022)M03/A030: Jeremy Gilmour to provide a response to when the Nucleus contract was due to be renewed. **Action Ongoing**
- DSG(2022)M003/A031: Frederic Stalin to find out if GDF would accept the 6m<sup>2</sup> concrete box. **Action Ongoing**
- DSG(2022)M003/A032: Frederic Stalin to share the Gate B paper with DSG members. **Action Ongoing**

#### **4. DOUNREAY PARTICLES**

Cllr Struan Mackie noted that there has been a higher number of particles found on the foreshore at Dounreay. This was picked up by the national and local press. Cllr Struan Mackie noted that he had made a statement to the local press that the DSG would engage with the site and SEPA to get answers. There was further discussion around this, it was agreed by the Business Meeting members to ask for an independent expert to provide advice.

**ACTION: DSG/BM(2022)M032/A001: DSG to request a meeting with SEPA, DSRL and independent expert to provide information on the higher number of particles found.**

#### **5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

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The following was raised:

- Cllr Struan Mackie noted that he spoke with Gail Ross Head of Communications, and she advised that Dounreay are putting in place a 3 month freeze on recruitment. He asked if it could be reported to the DSG the impact of the policy. Cllr Struan Mackie noted that at the meeting with Exco on 27 October Josh George noted that during the previous 3 month pause they were recruiting only critical roles for the site. This will be raised at the follow up meeting with Mark Rouse, MD.

**ACTION: DSG/BM(2022)M032/A002: Cllr Struan Mackie to ask for a follow up meeting with the Business Meeting and Mark Rouse.**

**ACTION: DSG/BM(2022)M032/A003: Cllr Struan Mackie to write to Josh George what is a critical role.**

- Peter Faccenda noted that he had been approached by Liverpool University regarding research on community interest towards molten salt research being undertaken at Dounreay. Liverpool University would like to do speak to individual stakeholder or groups and potentially some workshops/public meetings to discuss and answer question on what the reactor may look like.
- Cllr Struan Mackie noted they received a document on the DSG Responsibilities which shows the responsibilities for Socio Economics and Stakeholder Relations manager.
- Dawn Clasper noted that there was a Japanese visit on the 21-22 November, they have asked to meet with the DSG to ask what influence the DSG has on decommissioning and disclosure to the public. The meeting will take place on 22 November in the Dounreay.com office. It was agreed to have a in person meeting on that day and then meet the visitors.
- Davie Alexander noted he attended the SSG Chairs Forum meeting of note Gwen Parry-Jones noted that the organisation would grow from 3000 to 6000 staff, funding had been committed for this year and that she hoped the Life Time Plan (LTP) would be included in the December NDA Business plan. They are also looking at simplifying the process and systems in the Magnox group. It was also mentioned that the Magnox group have an aging workforce and that recruitment of graduates and apprentices is still ongoing throughout the organisation.

## **6. CLOSE**

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

**Cllr Struan Mackie  
DSG Chair  
11<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

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**ACTIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING**

DSG/BM(2022)M032/A001: DSG to request a meeting with SEPA, DSRL and independent expert to provide information on the higher number of particles found.

DSG/BM(2022)M032/A002: Cllr Struan Mackie to ask for a follow up meeting with the Business Meeting and Mark Rouse.

DSG/BM(2022)M032/A003: Cllr Struan Mackie to write to Josh George for a definition of what is a critical role.