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## DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP BUSINESS MEETING

### Minutes of DSG Business Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 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.

#### 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Cllr Struan noted that the minutes of the last meeting – DSG/BM(2022)M033, 22 November 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/A031: DSG to ask Dounreay what their costs are before any decommissioning work is carried out. **Action ongoing:** Emailed Neil Cook DSRL Finance Director on 28 November.
- DSG(2022)M003/A032: Frederic Stalin to find out if GDF would accept the 6m<sup>3</sup> concrete box. **Action complete:** The 6m<sup>3</sup> Concrete box is an approved Higher Activity Waste (HAW) package and part of the inventory for disposal in a GDF in England and Wales. The 6m<sup>3</sup> Concrete box has been utilised at Sellafield (Windscale) and now in wider use in Magnox.

The suitability is assessed through Nuclear Waste Services Disposability Assessment process to determine the acceptability of the Package and the waste inside.

Dounreay has in the past fortnight, received a final Letter of Compliance (LoC) for the packaging of the DMTR Higher activity Waste in a 6m<sup>3</sup> Concrete Box

However, Scottish HAW will be disposed of to a Near Site Near Surface Disposal facility. At this time, following the LoC assessment process indicates that 6m<sup>3</sup> Concrete boxes would be suitable for disposal in such a facility.

- DSG(2022)M003/A033: Frederic Stalin to share the Gate B paper with DSG members. **Action complete:** This has been received and will be issued to DSG Members as See Correspondence DSG(2022)M03/C031.

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- DSG(2022)M003/A035: DSG to request a meeting with SEPA, DSRL and independent expert to provide information on the higher number of particles found. **Action ongoing:** Independent expert identified from ERI, Dawn Clasper emailed SEPA on 25 November.

Gillian Coghill asked if a meeting has been arranged. Davie Alexander noted that we have identified an expert from ERI and this was still ongoing. Dawn Clasper noted that we are still waiting for a response from SEPA.

- DSG(2022)M003/A037: Cllr Struan Mackie to write to Josh George for a definition of what is a critical role. **Action ongoing.**

#### 4. PUBLIC MEETING

Cllr Struan Mackie noted that the DSG Public Meeting has been moved to a virtual meeting due to the yellow weather warning for the area. Dawn Clasper noted this would be updated on the DSG website and would ask the Communications department to put this on social media. She noted that we had two requests for the link so far.

Cllr Struan Mackie noted that we have received papers from observers, and stressed we need to have these at least 1 week in advance of the meeting to be distributed for members to be able to read in a timely manner.

**ACTION: DSG\_BM(2022)M034/A001: DSG to write to observers to ask them to provide written papers in a timely manner.**

#### 5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The following was raised:

- Cllr Struan Mackie noted that we have an action plan for the DSG Review. Dawn Clasper provided an update on the actions. Action 2 has been completed. This has been added the public meeting agenda for the public meeting.

Action 4 DSG to look at attendance at meeting over the last year. Dawn Clasper to provide BM a list of attendance over the past year.

Action 14 DSG should request the NDA provide a regular update on 'horizon' scanning to identify Radwaste management, implement and policy issues from a UK and Scottish perspective. DSG will write to NDA to provide an update.

Dawn Clasper noted that Jeremy Gilmour NDA, Head of Community & Economic Development was in Thurso and would like to meet Cllr Struan Mackie and Davie Alexander.

**Action: DSG\_BM(2022)M034/A002: Dawn Clasper to set up a meeting with Jeremy Gilmour and Cllr Struan Mackie and Davie Alexander.**

- Peter Faccenda noted the Focus North launch event was being held on 8 February 2023 and asked if there was someone from DSG could attend. Roger Saxon was nominated to attend.

#### 6. CLOSE

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

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**Cllr Struan Mackie**  
**DSG Chair**  
**9<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

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