# DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP BUSINESS MEETING

Minutes of DSG Business Meeting held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 at 0930 via Microsoft Teams.

Present: 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 Site Restoration sub group deputy chair

Dawn Clasper DSG Minute Secretary

#### 1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

In the absence of the chair (for part of the meeting) Davie Alexander, DSG Vice-chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Davie Alexander noted that the minutes of the last meeting – DSG/BM(2023)M007, 16 May 2023 – these were endorsed by members. Members agreed this was a true reflection of the meeting. These would now be circulated to all DSG members for their information.

### 3. ACTION STATUS

Davie Alexander provided an update on the progress of actions. Discussion focused on:

• DSG/BM(2023)M007/A001: Peter Faccenda to explore with Jacobs how to progress the apprenticeship issue.

Peter noted he has had a meeting with Jacobs and other stakeholders, and our area will be less impacted than others there are no final decisions made. It looks like pressure on apprenticeship won't be able to meet regional needs. He noted that the process would be to write a proposal of how this would work and then go round and sell it to them and get them to sign up to this. He noted that a community apprenticeship approach is something they have been discussion for a number of years.

Gillian Coghill noted this was a good idea and build into the new oncoming windfarms that they buy into this, as a way of sustaining our area. She noted that as part of their condition this could be written in to support local apprentices.

Davie Alexander agreed this was a good idea and noted when windfarms are looking for support this is something that is written in to the conditions.

Cllr Struan Mackie joined the meeting and Davie Alexander handed over to the chair.

• DSG(2023)M01/A03: Setup a Gate B paper review meeting with Gillian and the site restoration subgroup team and invite all members. Stewart Ballantine asked to be present in person. David Craig asked for one of the authors to be present if

possible (or Adreain Gill/Colin Munro). It was agreed to wait a while until the route map can be better explained

Gillian Coghill noted she has a very good Buldoo Liaison Group meeting, and they discussed the Gate B Paper. She noted that the Buldoo residents are happy to wait to get information once the meeting has taken place. She noted that Frederic Stalin and Jason Park were upbeat about the work going forward and it gave the Buldoo residents comfort.

• DSG(2023)M01/A05: Cllr Struan Mackie to investigate what was discussed re nuclear isotopes in return for the US fuel shipments.

Cllr Struan Mackie noted he has received a response from David Wallace, NDA stating they are collating the information and a response will be sent in due course. Cllr Struan Mackie noted that he expects this would be a complex response that comes back.

# 4. DSG PUBLIC MEETING

Cllr Struan Mackie noted that the Public Meeting will be held on 7 June. The agenda has been updated to have the high-level updates at the beginning. The agenda was approved by the Business Meeting. Dawn Clasper noted that the paperwork was in hand and would be issued in a timely manner.

Davie Alexander noted that we should look at the attendance of the membership after the public meeting and who has contributed.

ACTION: DSG/BM(2023)M008/A001: DSG Business meeting to review the attendance of DSG members following the public meeting. Due date 20 June

### 5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The following was raised:

- Cllr Struan Macke and Davie Alexander have been invited to the SSG chair & vice-chair meeting.
- Cllr Struan Mackie noted the Scottish Nuclear Sites Stakeholder Group meeting will be taking place the date is to be confirmed.
- Cllr Struan Mackie and Davie Alexander have been invited to an Innovation themed stakeholder event at the University of Strathclyde on 28<sup>th</sup> June. Cllr Struan Mackie has been asked to participate on the panel.
- Davie Alexander met with Magnus Davidson on Friday 19 May, and he asked if there was any feedback from the rebranding.

Cllr Struan Mackie noted that he thinks there is a problem around the identity, and we should raise this with Lawrie Haynes. Dounreay had a board meeting after we met in London, he is happy to write to the MD to see what the mood is on site.

Emma Reynolds noted that the there are differences in opinions on the branding name. DA noted that we are still interested.

ACTION: DSG/BM(2023)M008/A002: Cllr Struan Mackie to write to Emma Reynolds to ask for an update on the branding.

 Peter Faccenda noted that the Highland Council's Local Transport Strategy -Case for Change consultation was due to close on Monday 29 May. He asked if the DSG would be responding as a group or individually.

Cllr Struan Mackie noted he would contact members to ask if they have submitted a response through the portal and ask what themes they identified. He noted the DSG my write a letter of support as members have made representation through the portal.

### 6. CLOSE

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

Cllr Struan Mackie DSG Chair 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023

# **ACTIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING**

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