DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP BUSINESS MEETING

Minutes of DSG Business Meeting held on Tuesday 29 August 2023 at 0930 on MS Teams Thurso.

Present: Cllr Struan Mackie DSG Chair

Davie Alexander DSG Vice-chair & Socio Economic sub group chair

Gillian Coghill DSG Site Restoration 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.

No apologies have been received.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Davie Alexander noted that the minutes of the last meeting – DSG/BM(2023)M012, 15 August 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/SRSG(2023)M02/A001: Neil Cook to provide more information DSG(2023)C027 on how additional pressures will impact the community and how this will impact on spend. Action ongoing.

The Business meeting has requested to keep this action ongoing to be reviewed.

- DSG/SESG(2023)M002/A003: DSG to ask Dounreay how they evaluate the effectiveness of staff working from home. **Action closed.**
- DSG/BM(2023)M007/A001: Peter Faccenda to explore with Jacobs how to progress the apprenticeship issue. **Action Ongoing.**

Peter Faccenda noted Nicola Sinclair has been working on a model for shared apprenticeships, there are concerns on overhead levels on this. Focus North are working with the Caithness Chamber of Commerce to investigate what the needs are locally. There is a concern that the shared apprenticeship may be too expensive to make it sustainable.

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

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The following was raised:

 Davie Alexander noted he meets regularly with Magnus Davidson Socio Economic Manager, and they discussed social value and how this impacts the area.
 Magnus Davidson noted he has been working with Donna Stewart Commercial Manager, to build this in to commercial contracts. He thought it would be a good idea to invite Donna Stewart to the next Socio Economic sub group meeting.

This was agreed by the Business Meeting members.

Action: DSG/BM(2023)M013/A001: Davie Alexander to write to Magnus Davidson to ask Donna Stewart Commercial Manager to give a presentation on social value.

- Davie Alexander and Cllr Struan Mackie met with Lawrie Haynes and Paul vallance on 16 August.
- Davie Alexander, Cllr Struan Mackie and Gillian Coghill met with Mark Rouse on 28 August 2023.
- Dawn Clasper noted that Highland Council and Dounreay would like to table a
 paper at the public meeting on the Detailed Emergency Planning Zone. It was
 agreed that this would be taken under any other business.
- Davie Alexander noted that he and Cllr Struan had discussed meeting in person before the public and subgroup meetings.

ACTION: DSG(2032)M013/A002: Dawn Clasper to arrange in person meetings before the public and sub group meetings.

 Peter Faccenda noted there will be Focus North Executive Board workshop being held next week.

5. CLOSE

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

Cllr Struan Mackie
DSG Chair
31 August 2023

ACTIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING

DSG/BM(2023)M013/A001: Davie Alexander to write to Magnus Davidson to ask Donna Stewart Commercial Manager to give a presentation on social value at the Socio Economic sub group.

DSG(2032)M013/A002: Dawn Clasper to arrange face to face meetings before the public and sub group meetings.