

West Cumbria and North Lakes Friends of the Earth

Response

This submission was made in three parts:

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1) Letter

Preamble

There are many flaws in this process and consultation and this response does not address all of them in detail, in the knowledge that other responses have provided detail in certain important areas.

This response is divided into two – the first section is for the purposes of counting responses to the forced-choice questions, and the second provides some more detailed arguments.

Part One: Responses to the forced-choice consultation questions

Question 1.1: no
Question 2.1: no
Question 3.1: no
Question 4.1: no
Question 5.1: no
Question 6.1: no
Question 7.1: no
Question 8.1: no

Part Two: Reasoning behind these responses

Section One: Critique of the process

1. Legitimacy of the process

1.1. There being no legal underpinning to this process means that both the White Paper and the MRWS Partnership itself have problematic claims to legitimacy. To compound this problem, the MRWS Partnership's processes themselves depart significantly from the processes as set out in the White Paper.

The decisions to express an interest

1.2. The MRWS partnership was set up in March 2009 as a means to implement the MRWS White Paper published in June 2008 process' (Defra BERR & Devolved Administrations 2008). This White Paper called for 'Expressions of Interest' by 'communities' in 'discussions about potential involvement in the siting process' (op cit: 49).

1.3. By the end of that month on June 24th Copeland Borough Council had lodged such an expression, a move that for some expressed not so much voluntarism as positive enthusiasm.

1.4. The White Paper provides a table outlining the 'indicative steps' they would 'expect communities to take' prior to such a decision after publication:

- 'preliminary soundings. For example through existing Local Strategic Partnerships' etc. and to follow these up with discussions requiring
- 'clarification from Government / NDA', or
- 'further soundings from to be taken from potential partners' (op cit: 50)

1.5. It is not known how or whether Copeland Council was able to take such steps within a matter of days. But it seems most unlikely that all this activity could have occurred within such a short space of time, and so the very first sequence of steps in the White Paper appear to have been contravened.

1.6. Allerdale Council also took a decision later in 2008 to make an expression of interest. As far as we know, its initial 'soundings' took the form of a seminar in Workington on 21st October 2008 to which a wider constituency of 'partners' including environmental groups was invited. W Cumbria & N Lakes FoE attended this meeting but contrary to an undertaking made at the meeting was not invited to comment on the report that was presented to Allerdale Council following this meeting, and which informed their subsequent decision to express an interest. Once again we see a Council acting in haste, and without the appearance of having conducted the detailed discussions and meetings outlined in the White Paper.

1.7. Cumbria County Council invited a wide range of potential partners in August 2008 to provide it with written views prior to its decision to express an interest. West Cumbria & North Lakes FoE presented a petition containing 896 signatures, gathered in a 6 week period, against the idea to Tim Knowles on October 14th 2008. The Council held a full debate but made the decision in cabinet. The discussions and meetings recommended by the White Paper appear to have been substituted by a paper exercise and so were absent from these deliberations too.

1.8. All three Councils were represented at a 'Nuclear Influencing Strategy Workshop' held in Kendal on January 15th 2008, where the minutes show they agreed hosting a nuclear dump would be a 'trump card' in making the case for new reactors in West Cumbria

Note 22. No consensus on how/when to play trump card - that West Cumbria has a community willing to host high level (radioactive waste) repository, but perhaps only if we get new build and socio economic money follows to benefit community. This does of course assume (sic) that no other communities are equally willing!' (Appendix)

This makes abundantly clear that all three Councils thought that West Cumbria WOULD host a repository, even before any announcement had been made, or invitation offered, and that the willingness of the 'community' was (a) the only issue that mattered and (b) could be taken for granted.

It is hard to avoid the conclusion that these 3 Councils supported the idea of a repository in West Cumbria, were in great haste to express their interests, and in so doing, ignored the detailed discussions and meetings recommended by the White Paper.

The minutes of the Nuclear Influencing Strategy Workshop (Appendix) also indicate pre-determination of the issue, by some parties, of siting a repository West Cumbria. This calls into question the validity of 'voluntarism'.

The operation of the MRWS Partnership

1.9. The White Paper is, unfortunately, muddled with regard to expectations from 'communities' and 'decision-making bodies'. It defines the terms 'host community' ('the community in which any facility will be built') and 'decision-making body' (Local Government) but frequently uses the term 'community' without indicating which it means.

1.10. The White Paper's advice does not specifically recommend the setting up of a Partnership along the lines that subsequently developed. The Partnership does have draft Terms of Reference which state that its aim is to explore

whether they should participate or not in the Geological Disposal Facility siting process (Doc no 2 Draft 4)

But they have not implemented the conventional application of such an aim – namely to explore the pros and the cons of participation equally thoroughly. The deliberations have been biased in favour of promoting the process, with 'challenges' permitted from time to time. Where such challenges have produced arguments that are difficult – or perhaps impossible - to deal with (eg the Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates Issues Register, the papers put forward on Inventory by Pete Roche and the NDA's R & D Programme by Prof Stuart Haszeldine), these have been handed to the NDA who have produced plans, some quite vague, about how they will be dealt with later in the process. In this way, the 'cons' – ie the arguments against participation – have re-appeared in the 'pros' column as problems that will be solved at some time in the future. The 'pro' position has always had the last word on any dialogue that has taken place.

The Partnership has not followed its own draft Terms of reference in exploring 'whether OR NOT to participate'. The deliberations have favoured the 'pro' position with any positions 'against' framed as 'challenges'. The 'pro' position always gets the last word.

1.11. The role of the NDA in providing assistance for the process has not always been helpful. For example, a request was made to the Partnership to review practice overseas for involving environmental groups in similar projects, which the NDA undertook. Not only did the NDA produce a flawed review by neglecting the case of Canada where a very rigorous procedure operates, but it ignored its own knowledge base that had previously explored this very case as part of its work for the White Paper. The Partnership drew the conclusion that little was to be learned about how NGOs might be involved, on the basis of what can only be construed as a deliberately biased account provided by the NDA (www.westcumbriamrws.org.uk/documents/100, <http://www.nda.gov.uk/documents/upload/TN-17086>).

The NDA has taken an important role in undertaking research for the Partnership. Some of this has of course been necessary. But the NDA's clear interest in promoting the process should have led the Partnership to consider the allocation of work to the NDA more carefully in order to avoid bias to the work it undertook.

1.12. Because the Partnership embraces three Local Authorities, it has become unduly dominated by a single constituency - the decision-making bodies (DMBs). The White Paper clearly envisaged that there would be just one of these DMBs in these early discussions, but in this case we have 3 which multiplies greatly the number of representatives (officers and members) of DMBs. The membership of 4 Councillors and 1 Officer for each Council means that they collectively occupy 15 seats in the Partnership.

The dominance of the Local Authorities in the process undermines its legitimacy, since the MRWS Partnership will be reporting to the same authorities to take the next decision.

1.13. The Partnership has taken no steps to rectify this imbalance. Places have been offered generally on the basis of providing a single seat within the Partnership to a whole constituency. Environmental groups were offered one place at first when Copeland set up an initial Partnership. This was some time later increased to two. The flaws in the Partnership's constitution and operation meant these places were not attractive to those invited, and the work produced for the Partnership by the NDA (see

above) on models of involvement failed to make known to the Partnership the details of good practice that exists elsewhere, despite this information having already been researched by the NDA.

1.14 There is no reference in the White Paper to any need for the funding of Public Relations, but this in fact has been funded to a significant degree. Despite the large budget for this activity, there has been little coverage in the media over the period of the MRWS Partnership's operations. The messages that the media appear to have been receiving were that the various preliminary discussions were not significant and not worthy of publicity. Most publicity has been confined to the Letters pages of the local press.

1.15 A high profile was given to Public Relations within the process and this has resulted in an overlap between 'public engagement' and 'public relations' with the result that activities sponsored by the Partnership have been dominated by communicating positive messages about the Partnership's work, instead of seeking to create forums where open debate and deep scrutiny are rehearsed and analysed. Instead, there has been an appearance of welcome, but a reality in which opposing views have been granted a minority platform only.

There has been confusion between 'public relations' and 'communications' on the one hand and 'public engagement' on the other, resulting in Public Engagement Forums being dominated by Partnership members promoting 'messages' in favour of the process.

1.16. Credible opposing views have been dismissed by Partnership members as 'just one view among many' as though the number of people holding a view were all that is needed to testify to its validity. Clearly there are members who have not considered the case of Galileo. The views of Prof David Smythe and other geologists who consider the entire area geographically unsuitable are absolutely crucial for the Partnership to understand, yet Prof Smythe was offered just 15 minutes to present a summary. Such views, if correct, are 'show-stoppers' yet they have not been treated with the seriousness they merit.

1.17. The unwillingness of the MRWS Partnership to provide a proper platform for opposing views has meant that others have been obliged to do this – eg hosting of the lectures given by Prof David Smythe in February 2012 - without the benefit of the public funding that the White Paper promised.

1.18 There has been a category confusion within the Partnership about the meaning of the term 'representation'. It has consistently been used in the political sense of representing a constituency or 'community' of interest, and debates have been organised to represent a range of stakeholders (eg Consultation document P 31 – 32 Box 4). The alternative sense, of representing the different sides of an argument in order to analyse and test the logic of the arguments and get at the truth, has not been used – yet this is what is needed. This has also contributed to the failure of the Partnership properly to rehearse and scrutinise the evidence, especially with regard to geology, engineering and inventory.

1.19. The Partnership has also failed properly to understand the concept of 'peer review'. It has appointed an 'independent' geologist as 'peer reviewer' who coincidentally supports the idea favourable to the process proceeding, that somewhere in W Cumbria there might be a suitable place for a repository. The principles of peer review are acknowledged by the academic community as offering a good – though imperfect - way of judging the worthiness of claims to knowledge by testing such claims through the judgement of academic peers. This testing usually involves a number of reviewers who hold disparate views.

1.20. Many issues connected with engineering, inventory, containment, etc have been raised. The Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates identified 100+ issues in their 'Issues register' (www.nuclearwasteadvisory.co.uk), and the 'Rock Solid' report reviewed the literature on disposal of high level waste, concluding that 'the existence of road maps and the rejection of other options do not automatically mean that deep disposal is safe' (Wallace 2010 p 48). Both documents identify issues which are very serious indeed – for example the contradictory requirement for some gases to be vented while others should be contained. The NDA's response to these takes a procedural not a substantive form – ie not responding to these arguments now, but promising to put in place procedures that will lead to their solution later.

The MRWS Partnership's ability to deliver credible public engagement has been compromised by promoting the case for a repository in W Cumbria. Arguments against have been heard not for their substance, but rather for the purpose of fine-tuning its 'messages'. The process has more resembled a political debate with a premium on being 'right' than the provision of a forum for full scrutiny and open debate.

Its scrutiny of the geological arguments, engineering and inventory in particular have been partial to the case in favour of a site in West Cumbria.

1.21. The MRWS Partnership has never been able to agree its own Terms of Reference. This undermines its credibility and means that it cannot be understood as speaking with one voice. More seriously, it means there is a danger that ultimately the dominant interests – those of the DMBs - will prevail.

The absence of agreed Terms of Reference for the MRWS Partnership undermines its credibility. There is a danger that the dominant interests of the DMBs together will prevail.

1.22. All 3 of the Local Authorities support a new generation of nuclear reactors in England & Wales, and at Sellafield. They are thus committed to the need for a 'solution' to the problem not only of legacy waste but also of waste associated with new build reactors.

1.23. Not only do all 3 support a new generation of nuclear reactors and the waste they will create, but the minutes of the County-wide Nuclear Influencing Group which embraces all three, reveal a belief that a decision to host a GDF in W Cumbria will prove to be 'a trump card' in getting new reactors sited at Sellafield (Appendix One)

The DMBs are all in favour of new nuclear reactors, whose development is predicated on there being a solution in place for existing nuclear waste. More seriously, they all have supported the notion that there already is 'a willing community' for hosting a GDF and that this represents a 'trump card' in attracting new nuclear reactors to West Cumbria.

1.24. The section in the White Paper on 'Community Siting Partnerships' is – surprisingly, since this comes at a later stage – somewhat more detailed, and the implication is that a 'host community' – and hence an area where there is a potential specific site, will already have been identified (paras 6.28, 6.29 p 54). This has not happened – at least not in public, although there is a widespread view that the NDA wish to return to the site of the Nirex Inquiry, Longlands Farm.

1.25. The absence of a 'host community' having been identified for Stage 4 will mean that the decision-making body / ies would be the ones to set up a Community Siting Partnership. Once a site were identified then representatives of the 'host community' would be invited to join a process that was set up by the Local Authority / ies. This will replicate the current situation of undue political dominance.

Pro-nuclear Local Authorities who have already expressed support for the idea of a GDF in W Cumbria dominate the existing Partnership. Under the proposals for the next stage, the absence of a host community will enable this dominance to continue.

1.26. The principles for identifying and assessing potential candidate sites were not published in time to be incorporated into this consultation. Instead, a summary of what might be included in such a process has been offered.

Their publication in March indicates further confusion at DECC about 'community and what it signifies:

'In relation to consultation timing, the Government wanted to ensure that communities currently considering whether to make a Decision to Participate have sufficient information to be able to understand what would be involved in Stage 4 of the MRWS process. Government also wanted to ensure that the plans for Stage 4 were developed in some detail in preparation for a possible Decision to Participate.' (DECC 2012a p 25).

This means that once again, the DMBs are considered to be the 'communities' and have been privileged over wider community interests.

1.27. The confusion over what is a 'community' persists in the DECC guidance over identification and assessment of potential candidate sites. It states:

'Right of Withdrawal: up until the point at which underground construction of the facility is due to begin, a community can withdraw from the MRWS process. However, as outlined in the White Paper, all parties in a Community Siting Partnership would be expected to work together to avoid the need to exercise the Right of Withdrawal at a late stage.' (DECC 2012b p 9)

- yet in the White Paper the Right of Withdrawal is vested in the DMBs. If this is a policy change then the DECC paper should make this clear.

Section Two: Flaws in the consultation document

There are a number of ways in which the Consultation document is misleading, and therefore it is compromised as a way to collect the views of people about whether to go forward with a decision to participate. This is not meant to provide a full account of its flaws, just some of the most serious.

2.1. Throughout the consultation document the views of the Partnership on a Decision to Participate are put forward. Despite the Partnership's draft Terms of Reference embracing the notion that they should be exploring whether or not to volunteer, nowhere in the Consultation Document is the contrary view rehearsed or even so much as alluded to – namely a summary of the arguments against a Decision to Participate. This is standard practice in Option Appraisals that often accompany consultations: Option One = No Change / do nothing. The document is therefore biased in favour of promoting a position to take a decision to Participate. In fact it is only recently that the Partnership has changed the term 'Decision to Participate' (DtP) to 'Decision about Participating' (DaB).

By ignoring any analysis of the option NOT to participate the consultation document is biased in favour of participating.

This clearly contravenes the draft Terms of Reference which state that the Partnership's aim is to consider 'whether OR NOT to participate'.

2.2. 'A repository'

2.2.1. Throughout the document the project is referred to as 'a repository'. But it is not made clear that there could be more than one. This is due to the lack of clarity about several matters:

- whether this project would be confined to so-called 'legacy' waste, or whether waste from new reactors would need to be accommodated. The fact that Government has not yet reached agreements with the potential operators of new plants but is still in discussion with them over the question of waste allows the possibility that these operators and the Planning Authorities will expect waste from new build to be sent to Cumbria. This was the attitude of Essex County Council and Southend Borough Council until opposition groups pointed out their error (Essex County Council 2011);
- the difficulties inherent in co-disposal of high level waste and intermediate level waste, in particular the question of how to dispose of heat-generating waste alongside other wastes. The consultation document fails to make clear these difficulties, calling the waste 'higher activity' instead of using the usual terms with which people in West Cumbria are familiar. It also fails to make clear that this type of repository is a totally new type of project, not tried anywhere else in the world;

2.2.2. Furthermore, although the scale of the project has been characterised as being significantly large (equivalent to the size of the channel tunnel), the scale of the

associated infrastructure works, and impact of both removing and storing the spoil have not been mentioned. Yet these would be highly significant.

2.2.3. It is already evident that West Cumbrian infrastructure could not accommodate the traffic that a repository would need. But only the comings and goings of waste packages have been considered in any detail within the Partnership, and merit just a reference in the consultation document (Mrws document no 178). The question of construction is one of the many issues that the Partnership will not consider now because of its commitment to site-specific criteria rather than generic criteria, yet it is possible to estimate even at this stage that construction will require an industrial zone of several square kilometres which will remain for more than 100 years (<http://mrwsold.org.uk/more-information/safety-issues>).

2.2.4. The question of spoil has been completely glossed over in Document no 178 which states 'we have assumed that all of the excavated rock spoil could be stored on the surface and then either re-used in construction and backfilling or for landscaping and site restoration.' (Mrws no 178). Neither the nature nor the likely scale of the surface required for such storage have been estimated. Yet it is already clear that the requirements of a repository to deal with spoil would extend the project well beyond a single 'host community'.

2.2.5. In Kent, an entire new Country Park jutting out into the English Channel (Samphire Hoe) was built with just some of the spoil from the channel tunnel project. A repository in West Cumbria would not just require huge amounts of spoil to be removed, but also huge amounts to be retained for backfill some 150 years or so after emplacement. A place in West Cumbria would have to be found to accommodate the berms it would need to be kept in (<http://mrwsold.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/spoil-11oct11.pdf>, <http://mrwsold.org.uk/more-information/safety-issues/>).

Nowhere else in the world is undertaking co-disposal, and the Consultation document does not make clear the unique nature of the project in attempting to accommodate both high and intermediate level waste, probably along with spent fuel.

It is also different from the previous proposal by Nirex to site a Rock Characterisation Facility at Longlands Farm in Gosforth for intermediate level waste only. Instead the consultation document refers to 'higher activity wastes', a term unfamiliar to West Cumbrians. The unique nature of this project is hidden from view.

The size and scale of this project have not been properly depicted. The idea that it would just affect a single 'host community' with perhaps a neighbouring community affected too with some surface facilities does not stand up to scrutiny – in fact, the project would affect communities far beyond the place where any repository were to be located. It would affect much of West Cumbria and taken in its totality would be very significant and clearly visible over a very long period from many of the western fells of the Lake District National Park.

2.3. Geology

2.3.1. With regard to geology, the Consultation document claims that there is 'enough possibly suitable land to make progress worthwhile'. This makes a fundamental assumption that the basic criteria for geological suitability are host rock dependent, and that the overall regional geological setting is not important. However, the research, experience and recommendations for deep radioactive waste disposal both in the UK and abroad since the early 1990s have been summarised as follows:

1. Select regions for site search based on geographical, geological and hydrogeological attributes
2. The basic criteria for site selection are host rock independent
3. The regional geological setting of the site is of paramount importance
4. Low hydraulic gradients and a long-term groundwater return time are essential
5. Simple geology is preferable
6. Long-term geological stability is desirable – inasmuch as it can be predicted.

In contrast, the MRWS process has resulted in a single region based primarily on 'voluntarism', rather than on the geological criterion (1) above. The process also highlights a purely host rock approach, in contradiction to (2) above. Criterion (3) is simply ignored. West Cumbria meets neither criterion (4) nor (5). Nor can geological stability (6) be guaranteed if a site along the coastal region – which is near a major fault line - is selected. (<http://mrwsold.org.uk/more-information/international-perspective/>)

2.4. The waste

2.4.1. In the DVD which accompanies the consultation document, it is stated that 70% of the waste by volume that would go into a repository is already located at Sellafield. This 'fact' has been a major plank of the argument in favour of seeking a site for a repository in West Cumbria – indeed it has been framed as constituting a 'responsibility' to seek to locate it here.

However, while it is true that 70% of 'legacy' waste is already at Sellafield, there remains the possibility that this repository will also be asked to accept waste from new reactors. In this case, the situation would be very different. In the event of a 16 gigawatt new build programme, around half the waste, by volume, is not located at Sellafield.

In the event that waste from a 16 gigawatt new build programme would be included, around half the waste would come from outside Cumbria, contradicting that statement that '70% of the waste is already at Sellafield'

2.5. Principles of Voluntarism

2.5.1. According to the detail in the White Paper the principle of voluntarism does not really extend to local communities, despite impressions early on in the document that it might. Their views may be taken into account, but all the guidance ends with the Decision-making Bodies taking decisions on behalf of smaller areas where a site might be located – and indeed beyond, where surface facilities, spoil, new transport infrastructure etc will be located - and the DMBs exercising Rights of Withdrawal from the process.

The notion of a 'willing community' could ultimately be restricted to a very small number of politicians, acting in cabinet or executive.

2.5.2 By not providing any background information about the process of voluntarism to host nuclear waste in other countries, the consultation document fails to show just how far they are departing from accepted practice.

2.5.3. The logical way to find a site for a repository is to apply generic criteria to identify suitable settings and then to invite volunteers, but in West Cumbria it is the reverse. Members of the Blue Ribbon Commission on the America's Nuclear Future visited the MRWS Partnership to get an understanding of what was happening in the UK. They have not adopted our model, but instead followed the logical procedure:

'First the Environmental Protection Agency and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission should develop a generic disposal standard and supporting regulatory requirements early on in the siting process.

Generally-applicable regulations are more likely to earn public confidence than site-specific standards. In addition, having a generic standard will support the efficient consideration and examination of multiple sites.' (<http://brc.gov/>)

2.5.4. The repositories under construction in Sweden, Finland, France and Switzerland are all of interest to the case here. In all these countries a geological suitability search came before any attempt to get communities involved. It is true that at a late stage in the site search in both Sweden and Finland political considerations to some extent overrode the geology; but both these countries are unusual in having ancient hard crystalline rocks of a similar type at the surface over all of their low-lying

regions. This means that the choice of an actual site was less important, because the geology was already constrained – which is not the case in the UK.

Nowhere else in the world is pursuing a voluntarism approach to deep disposal that does not first identify settings with suitable geology / geography and then seek volunteers. This country is unique in seeking volunteers first.

2.5.6. The Blue Ribbon Commission favours the use of generic criteria for several reasons, including earning 'public confidence'. Once again, we note the contrast with the MRWS process where site-specific criteria are to be used. This avoids the inconvenient unsuitability of the geology & geography of West Cumbria, and posits the hope that some small area might eventually be found somewhere in the region. The difficulty here is that by the time sub-surface investigations are taking place, it may be too late to withdraw.

2.5.7. The Blue Ribbon Commission also states:

'these criteria will ensure that time is not wasted investigating sites that are clearly unsuitable or inappropriate' (<http://brc.gov/>)

The application of site-specific criteria carry a risk that time will be wasted investigating sites that prove not to be suitable. They also risk the possibility of reaching a point where withdrawal would be difficult.

2.6. Only one volunteer

2.6.1. The Blue Ribbon Commission also states:

'Encourage expressions of interest from a large variety of communities that have potentially suitable sites - as these communities become engaged in the process, the implementing organization must be flexible enough not to force the issue of consent while also being fully prepared to take advantage of promising opportunities when they arise.' (<http://brc.gov/>)

2.6.2. The invitation from the White Paper has produced expressions of interest from one area of the country only. This is a serious flaw to the idea of voluntarism, compromising as it does, the possibility of comparing alternative sites in order to find the most suitable. A volunteer of one is unsatisfactory.

2.6.3. Yet the White Paper does not address the question of how the relative merits of competing sites might be evaluated. Instead it only puts forward 'Criteria for assessing and evaluating candidate sites' (p 66). If it were genuinely wishing to create an open competition among volunteers, the rules for judging the winner have not been stated. The idea that siting a repository in West Cumbria has been a 'done deal' from the outset between government and Councils in West Cumbria is therefore not so far-fetched. If this is true, then the consultation has been prejudiced from the outset.

2.6.4. The fact that Copeland Council was so enthusiastic at the outset may well have engendered complacency among other Councils over the question. The evidence from Essex and Southend testifies to this (Essex County Council & Southend-on-Sea Borough Council 2011).

The existence of a single area volunteering early on in the process may have engendered complacency elsewhere in the country.

2.7. Incrementalism

2.7.1. The version of voluntarism that is being pursued here is an incremental one, where each step that is taken is not a huge one, there is an implication that each might be reversible - but there is a high risk that little by little they will add up to a fait accompli. This is strongly supported by the decision not to use generic criteria, and instead to use site-specific criteria. The result is that far too much cannot be decided at this early stage because a site has not been identified.

2.7.2. Compelling questions have been raised which are very serious indeed by Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Prof Stuart Haszeldine, Prof David Smythe, Pete Roche, and the Rock Solid Report. All challenge the NDA, whose response takes a procedural not a substantive form – ie not responding to these arguments now, but promising to put in place procedures that will lead to their solution later.

2.7.3. The use of a geological framework that emphasises host rock and dismisses overall regional geology as important also favours incrementalism. If regional geology had been used, then West Cumbria would be rejected. Making the host rock a criterion for site selection goes against international criteria, but allows for the theoretical possibility of a site.

The incremental approach allows following tendentious arguments on the basis that what is clear now may somehow perhaps be disproved some day. This brings a real risk that once the process has moved sufficiently far, the investment of time and money will be deemed too significant - and the research to find another solution to nuclear waste will not have taken place.

AND A DUMP IN AN UNSUITABLE PLACE WILL BE OUR LEGACY TO FUTURE GENERATIONS.

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2) Note to Appendix

APPENDIX - NOTE

This note is an introduction to the Appendix which consists of a series of minutes of meetings obtained under Freedom of Information which involved representatives from the following Cumbrian organisations over the time-period:

Councillors and Officials from the NDA,
Cumbria, Copeland and Allerdale Councils,
Cumbria Vision,
West Lakes Renaissance,
Sellafield Unions,
North West Development Agency,
Invest in Cumbria,
Sellafield Ltd,
Mercury Stone (Marketing company),
AMEC (nuclear service company),
Furness Enterprise,
a representative of Jamie Reed, Copeland MP, and
John Hetherington an independent consultant.

Also attached are true copies of slides (which are impossible to scan) of a presentation of the first meeting noted in the minutes.

These are submitted as they indicate pre-determination of the issue, by some parties, of siting a repository West Cumbria. This is absolutely fundamental to the issue of voluntarism.

They also raise many questions over the openness and transparency of the MRWS process on the part of a number of the organisations which have taken part in that process - including the three Councils which are Decision Making Bodies – which were a party to these meetings.

The attached information was only made public following protracted requests under Freedom of Information legislation. How much more remains hidden from the MRWS process is of course unknown.

There are also references to MRWS member organisations in the minutes e.g. the Lake District National Park Authority, but as these do not link to the MRWS issue directly they are not referenced below.

For ease of reference the following notes are made on the most relevant points of the minutes and slides. Page numbers refer to the pages in the printed documents.

References to key points in the document:

Links of repository to new build

Minutes 15th January 2008 (p 1-4) - the day after the Government launched the White Paper 'Our Energy Challenge' and six months before the MRWS White Paper was published.

Page 1, note 2

Government is 'salami slicing' nuclear renaissance by a) getting NDA up and running and 'dealing' with legacy (waste) b) now rehabilitating nuclear energy c) progress on waste management next, then d) re-examination of fuel cycle to follow (nuclear power WP leaves big door open to future reprocessing)

Nuclear dump as a 'trump card'

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The above ties in with the thinking behind Note 2 on page 1 (above) and the NDA dealing with legacy waste, as all being part of facilitating new build.

Further notes:

? 13/2/08 (p 7) mention is made of MRWS 4 months prior to its publication

? 13/3/08 (p 11) 'MRWS - SK completed a scoping paper'.
It is not known if this was made public

? 30/4/08 (p 21) 'Sellafield still in frame for second phase - indirect link with the repository
(NB, this refers presumably to the thinking at the time that the disadvantages associated with the Sellafield site might mean it would only reach a second-list of approved new reactor sites)

? 27/1/0/09 (p 91) 'need to draft what the Cumbria offer is to the market place'.

? 09/2/10 (p 115) - David Hayes - under New Missions - is 'running workshops on the 18th June to look at a strategy for Nuclear Fuel Management and Nuclear Waste.'

See also points in the same record re. NDA and reprocessing.

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slides 13-14 (p 5) of presentation: e.g. 'new build planning inquiry will expect to see a Repository siting and implementation process 'roadmap', with achievement of early

milestones and confidence in a forward programme' and:

'By 2010/2011, the MRWS programme can be expected to have invited volunteer communities and to have received responses.

slide 23 (p 8) of presentation document

The slides are white printing on black and so very difficult to scan. A hard copy can be sent if it is required.

3) Appendix – see below

Nuclear Influencing Strategy Workshop

Castle Green Hotel, Kendal

15th January, 2008

Representatives from:

WLR	Rosie Mathisen, Chair
AMEC	Sam Usher, Emmanuelle, Chardon, Richard Riley
Sellafield Unions	Peter Kane, Peter Clements
Bendalls	Norman Addison (representing West Cumbria Business Cluster)
Cumbria CC	Stewart Kemp
Copeland BC	Fergus McMorrow
Cumbria/Allerdale	Tony Markley
Jamie Reed MP Office	Carl Carter
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3. Strategic Siting Assessment (SSA) consultation expected in March 2008 SSA consultation will be sponsored by DBERR so Mark Higson is the key official to influence.
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5. Realisation that following Govt decision, there has to be sense of urgency in our work. This opportunity is "on our watch", (John Grainger) and is certainly one of the big transformational projects we must go all out to win – despite not being favoured.

Key Points – Issues

Siting

6. Government expects new build at or beside existing sites.
7. NDA has 2 sites that can develop new nuclear build – Wylfa and Sellafield. Its Scottish sites are not available because of Scottish Government policy. Workshop was informed that Wylfa is making the running at present and lobbying hard. Noted that the site operator (Energy Solutions) at Wylfa lobbying too – but this isn't (yet) happening at Sellafield. SLC has not been allowed by NDA to lobby for new build.

8. Need Cumbria Partners to issue statement urging NDA not to deal only with Wylfa on new build.
9. NDA will place invitation in OJ next month inviting bids for contractor to advise on maximizing land assets value.
10. BE has 4 sites in the frame – Hinkley (front runner), Sizewell, Dungeness and Bradwell (where NDA owns Magnox site but BE owns adjacent land where new build could take place). In order to bring forwards planning applications in 2010/2011 then preparatory site work will need to begin very soon (hence early announcement on sites expected).
11. So, basically competition is between NDA and BE – but between sites too.
12. Sellafield is not favoured option – even possibly within NDA (Wylfa).

Grid Connection

13. Biggest issue is lack of grid connection. 400kv needed. Big cost barrier for Utilities.
14. Grid connection being costed, but will mean 50m pylons (instead of current 30m) and possibly going across/near LDNP/SLDC. Possible undersea route to Heysham being costed, though this will still need new connector upgrade.
15. Pre-planning application is going to be investigated, i.e. IF an application for grid connection were to be made, how easy would the process be and how willing are the partners – including LDNPA and friends????
16. Cumbria is in the wrong place -energy demand is in the South, hence need for grid connection, though it also means higher transmission charges for utilities from grid. But, BE's Heysham and Hartlepool stations come off line in future and will not be replaced as too near centres of population so with no Scottish stations, the north will not be served. Issue of timing then – do we position Sellafield in second tranche?

Geology

17. Geography isn't ideal. Bedrock is too far down in most areas, but the area behind WAGR is ok if a little costly.

Local Demand

18. No local energy market need for new plant. It is assumed that hydrogen fuel cell production is some 50 years away to create market for transport. I'm not so sure and would like to investigate what is happening in Japan as they seem to be forging ahead. What if there were to be an announcement by Government that by 2030, all public road transport would run on hydrogen?

Key Points - Action

19. UKGov set precedent when asking Ofgem to instruct Utilities to install 400kv between Scotland and England – could we persuade to do same for us?
20. Synergie with Bridge Across the Bay and potential of carrying 400kv line. I had this idea after speaking with BAxB last week. Turns out that 2 years ago Hazel spoke with UU who were keen to progress 200kv line being carried to Heysham. NWDA to investigate.
21. Marketing engagement campaign needed. 3 separate but linked themes aimed at public, private & political spheres of influence. Needs mapping over a 3 – 18 month timeframe with increasing clamour across the combined press. Idea is to implant the notion that Sellafield, despite its acknowledged difficulties is 'better/easier to do business with'. Planning - identified need for landscape assessment; review of

landscape change policy; identification of 'pinchpoints' in process; options e.g. cabling via proposed Bay Bridge or seabed cabling (much more expensive but shorter distance?). Agreed that John Hetherington prepare scoping note for further work.

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23. Idea mooted to invite the BBC to create fly-on-the-wall documentary on our campaign as we work through it. Any ideas on who to speak to in commissioning, Roger?
24. Build relationships with utilities and investigate true costs of grid connection options.

Key Points – In our Favour

25. We have 36% of the current UK nuclear industry based here.
26. A willing and accepting community.
27. Nuclear site licence and land.
28. Significant amount of joined up Cumbrian thinking (see front page).
29. New Build lobbying and project development must be delivered in a coherent, collaborative way through the umbrella of the Energy Coast led by Jamie Reed because of the urgency and nature of the exercise. Skills, expertise and resource must be bent towards this project across the Cumbrian and NW organisations to ensure the best result. Briefing paper to be presented to Leaders' Group next Friday.
30. Significant work already undertaken through Nuclear New Build steering group led and chaired by WLR. Agreed that this will continue. Action plan to be developed urgently and further resource funded through LAs, WLR and NWDA will be provided to engage further work by Amec and probably services of project manager to oversee day to day activity.



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Wednesday 13 February

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Action

1. Review of Progress since Influencing Workshop

- Four part proposal was accepted from AMEC for work to be carried out and this has been completed:
 1. Consultation
 2. Response to the 'Meeting the Energy Challenge'
 3. Assessing the Business Case
 4. Influencing Strategy Workshop
- DD to contact Rex Strong to investigate possible Grid Connection/Irish Sea issues. DD
- Biggest opportunity for improving Sellafield's image will be through the new PBO.
- Uncertainty of when an improvement to the 400KV line will happen.
- Competition between sites and British Energy and the NDA.
- Job of the Steering Group is to present the best possible case for Sellafield.

2. Actions and Allocations of Responsibilities Arising from ad hoc Steering Group 15 January

Points raised after the workshop:

- Produce an influencing action plan – done
- Continue AMEC commission – further work: provide analysis and lobbying for strategic siting; mapping the decision making processes of utilities and government against our action plan, marketing and plan, follow-up workshop – proposal now in – timescale: March/April.
- Press release – done – a lot of coverage in the developer magazines. Property magazine looking at putting the Energy Coast and Nuclear New Build together. Picked up by nuclear magazines. National press coverage is now to be worked on through the communications strategy – a directed/controlled approach.

- Establish New Build in the Energy Coast – done.
- Critical need for 400kv line – tenderer's brief written. Scoping note done on strategic siting assessment. Project management funding being sought.
- Inviting Barrow to join in – interest has been shown.
- Someone with planning background needed on the Steering Group, ie Shaun Gorman.

3. Grid Connectivity Study

- The brief covers the key actions, some high level points will happen concurrently with other points. Emphasis needed on landscape, community, expectations of partners on joint policy – worth exploring.
- Application for work already done, further AMEC work (NWDA/EnviroLink), grid connection work and contingent amount for project management will go to WLR board in March 2008. Any monies availability from partners – please contact RM. Utilities funding for future technical work to be requested as match funding. All
RM
- Finalise the grid connection brief needed. Cumbria Vision will take a lead on this. Will include LDNP. FE has had conversations with National Park on upgrading the line for off-shore off Barrow – MS to link with Stuart Klosinski. MS

Agreement of the brief

- CCC – transport issues now needed from County. County will tender the brief. Agreement brief now awaited. SK
- CV – MS to report back. Agreement of brief now awaited. MS
- CBC – Agreement of brief now awaited. DD

Steering Group

- Agreement of a sub group and CV will take this forward: MS
 - CBC – John Hughes, Planning; supported by DD
 - ABC – David Martin
 - CCC – Shaun Gorman
 - SLDC – ?
 - LDNP – Steve Radcliffe – Director of Policy and Planning
 - FE – Stuart Klosinski
 - WLR – Rosie Mathisen
 - National Grid - ?
 - Sellafield – ?
 - NWDA – through Joe Flanagan
 - Luke Diccico

Tender Companies

- IDM DD
- EnviroS DD
- Others to be identified.

Further comments to be sent to RM. All

Next Steps

- New routes and options
- Engage with Stakeholders
- Engage with NDA – meeting being scheduled with Ian Roxburgh – others wanting to join the meeting, please let All

- RM know.
- Engage with government – top/down. Follow-up meeting needed with Mark Higson. DD/RM

Availability of Site

- Meeting with NDA will produce information on availability of sites on market.
- Timescales needed.
- Siting assessments being carried out by AMEC.

Technical and political impact on sea line issue – new words to be added.

Marketing and Promotion Plan

- Discussion with NDA needed to ensure 'good fit'. LD
- Supporting role would show a united front, gives a stronger message.
- Lobbying through PR working with NDA – attendance at same events – parallel messages. If NDA is happy with us doing marketing materials then we can.
 - Lobbying.
 - Information for utilities.
 - Working with others to change perception of Sellafield – to run along side the Energy Coast PR.
- Luke to rewrite Marketing and Promotion points on Plan after discussions with the NDA. LD

Policy

- Integrated Regional Strategy – revisit of NWDA strategy.
- Develop a cross link strategy – scoping paper done. Public consultation on the criteria of choosing the site was considered. The outcome needs to keep Sellafield without further disadvantages. The brief will be built upon and provide a joint response. JF
- Strategic siting assessment:
 - Nuclear materials policy – NDA
 - MRWS SK
 - PBOs – levels of employment LAs
 These key issues will be included in the project management plan. WLR

Public Acceptance

- PR to link this
- Evidence base needed?

Funding

- Funding is available for AMEC proposals.
- Grid study – funding to be sought.
- Further grid work - outside public sector responsibility
- Marketing and promotion – RM will negotiate this. RM

6. Costs and Sources of Funding

As above.

7. Update on any relevant meetings, conferences, etc

- Westminster Energy Forum – feedback from D Hayes RM
- NWDA – New Build Conference – to be fed into LD
Communications Strategy
- Phoenix conference – will feature Energy Coast and RM
reference to New Build at Sellafield will be represented.
- Communities in Transition event – date in May (Rick Wylie) MC
MC to investigate and inform others – Energy Coast
involvement needed.

8. Any Other Business

- Timescales:
 - RM to speak to LM re NON article. RM
 - AMEC to start work on a number of things. RM
 - LD to complete Communications Strategy. LD

9. Date and venue of next meeting

Next meeting – 10 am, 13 March 2008. Due to unavailability of meeting rooms at Westlakes, this meeting will be held at **The Regeneration Support Team offices, Unit 5a, Lakeland Business Park, Cockermouth. Link to location: <http://www.rstcumbria.org.uk/location.html>**

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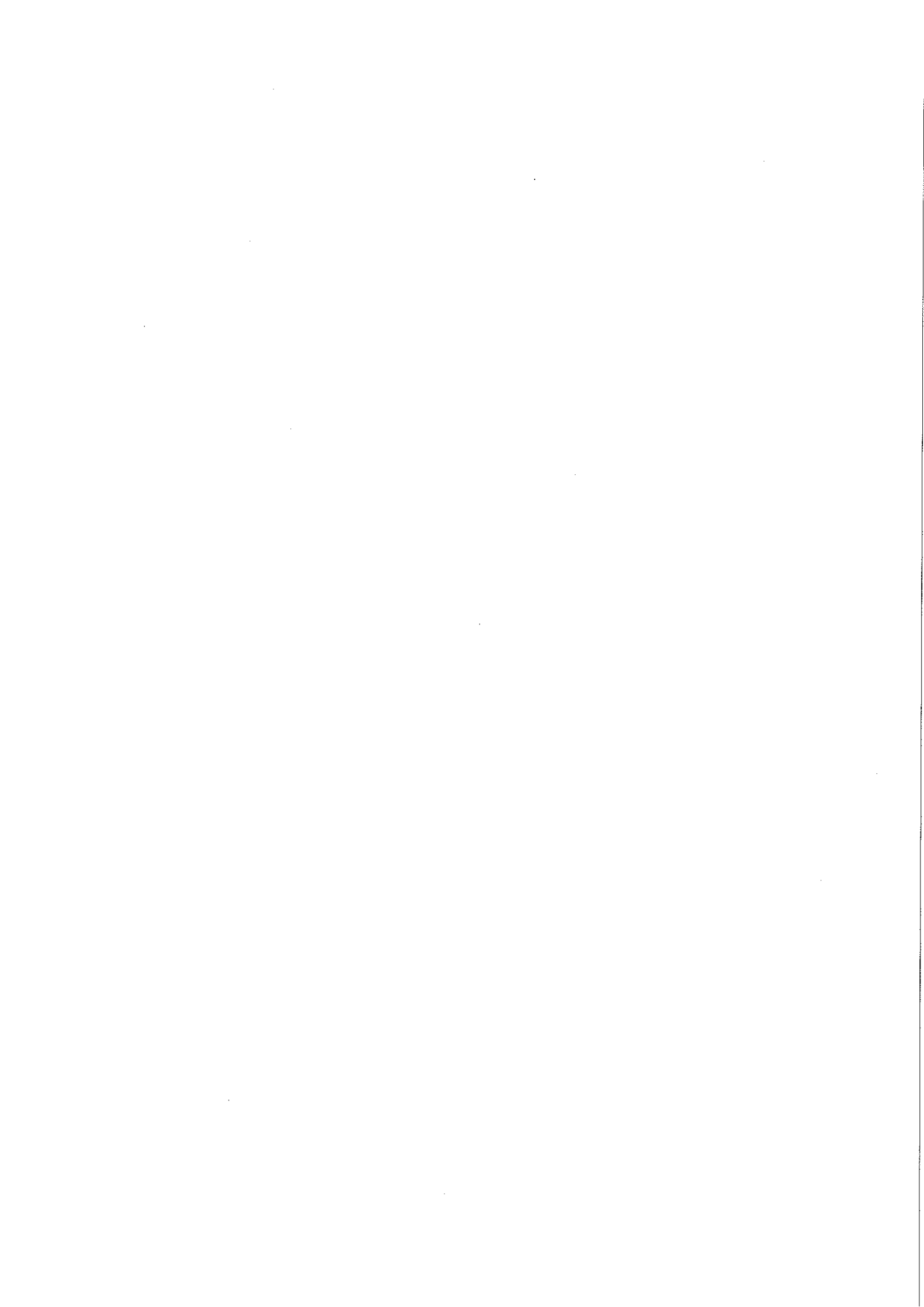
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Simon S, Cumbria Vision
Sian Beatty, Sellafield Limited
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Cleve Forty, AMEC

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| - DH met with National Grid – work to continue. Better understanding on undersea connectors is needed. | DH/RM |
| - WLR funding now in place for further Grid Connectivity work. KW to look from regional aspect at the proposal and report back to RM. No surprises needed: SS to speak to National Park. Lynn Thomas is the CCC link, JG to ask Shaun Gorman for input. | KW
SS
JG |
| - Bridge Across the Bay – SS to report on future meeting. | SS |
| - Renewables conference – SK to give feedback to Group. | SK |
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| 2. NDA Market Engagement Announcement | |
| - RM written to Utilities through Adrian Simper at NDA with a view to set up meetings with Utilities. Responses are awaited. | DH/RM |
| 3. SEA Scoping Report | |
| - First stage of consultation on Environmental Siting – background paper to be distributed. | RM |

4. Influencing Action Plan - Progress

- Briefing paper for Cumbria Partners - lobby plan for the Strategic Siting consultation which will be completed at the end of July with a draft at the end of June. Decision on where new nuclear power stations can be built in October 2009. DH
- Implications work in the areas of skills, resources, etc is needed on tier 1 and tier 2 decision for Sellafield. RM/RR
- White Paper activity page to be distributed to Group. MC
- Grid Connectivity – see above also, Cumbria Vision leading on this work. Broader Energy issues need to be fed into Energy Northwest via broader based group. Energy Northwest 5 year Business Plan will be agreed within 16 months. SS
- MP involvement needed for lobbying KV proposals. DH/RM

6. Marketing and Promotion Strategy

This will be an ongoing agenda item. LD presented the Communications Strategy and Action Plan. Ongoing feedback was encouraged in order to keep the Action Plan fresh.

- Audiences: Public in West Cumbria/Cumbria – need specific messages to wider Cumbria community. All
- AMEC presentation to be published on website. RR/LD
- Amendment to report needed before being published as a flyer. RR/LD
- Sellafield to assist with 'friendly' press contacts. SM
- Events: information to be given to LD of upcoming events. All

7. Updates on Meetings/Conferences

Nuclear New Build 2008 Conference

- Interaction between private and public sector, giving options for the supply chain.
- NWDA was the only RDA present.
- Keynote speech from John Hutton MP which was positive and momentum gathering, asking for the UK to take up the baton with a long term strategy. He asked for us to look beyond nuclear new build and to present a framework for the future. It was emphasised that a vibrant supply chain is needed.
- The Genecon report on Supply Chain capability to be revisited. RM
- Existing regional work on Supply Chain capability to be revisited. KW

Meetings with BERR

- DH met with Mark Higson. Discussion points: Grid route to south and sub-sea; Planning for reactors point reiterated.
- Colin Mitchell is lead contact at BERR for West Cumbria.
- Sellafield still in frame for second phase – indirect link with repository.
- Anglo/French – who is leading in BERR? Work on West Cumbria connection needed. JG

8. Any Other Business

- DH to liaise with Liz Meek – Keith Barnes' replacement. **DH**
- Sellafield Unions to be kept informed of developments. **RM**
- Composition of this Group to be revisited to ensure a joined-up campaign. **RM/DH**
- Carl Carter to be copied in on papers and a verbal update to be given regularly. **MC/DH**
- Speakers for future meetings: Adrian Bull – Westinghouse Stakeholder Relations. Arriva. **RM**

9. Date of Next Meeting

Possibly 9 June – TBC. **MC**

**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Steering Group**

Wednesday 11 June 2008 at 3.30 pm

To be held in the Cumberland Room, Cumbria Vision Offices
Gillan Way, Penrith 40 Business Park, Penrith

Attendees:	Rosie Mathisen	West Lakes Renaissance
	David Hayes	West Lakes Renaissance
	John Grainger	Invest in Cumbria
	Kevin Warren	Northwest Development Agency
	Shaun Balmer	Nuclear Decommissioning Authority
	Simon Sjenitzer	Cumbria Vision
	Sian Beaty	Sellafield Limited
	Barry Watkinson	Sellafield Limited
	Mark Dutton	AMEC
	Richard Riley	AMEC
	Stewart Kemp	Cumbria County Council
	Roger Denwood	Sellafield Unions – Attendance to be confirmed
Apologies:	Peter Kane	Sellafield Unions
	Richard Waite	Nuclear Decommissioning Authority
	David Davis	Copeland Borough Council

AGENDA

- 1 Welcome and introduction
- 2 Agree renewed purpose of Group
- 3 Revised Influencing Strategy and Action Plan
 - Agree lead and support organisation
 - Agree plan management
 - Feedback, progress and actions on issues
 - o Grid connection
 - o Availability of site
 - o Securing Sellafield for site for n build
 - o New Build at Sellafield – planning
 - o Marketing
 - o Public acceptance
 - o Hydrogen
 - o Energy markets
- 4 Gaps – issues and resources
- 5 Any other business
- 6 Date and venue of next meeting



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Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield

Steering Group

Wednesday 11 June

Notes of Meeting Held at Cumbria Vision Offices, Penrith

Present: Rosie Mathisen, Chair
David Hayes, WLR
John Grainger, liC
Simon Sjenitzer, Cumbria Vision
Barry Watkinson, Sellafield Limited
Kevin Warren, NWDA
Stewart Kemp, CCC
David Davis, Copeland Borough Council
Mark Dutton, Amec
Sean Balmer, NDA

Apologies: Richard Riley, AMEC
Sian Beaty Sellafield Ltd
Peter Kane/Roger Denwood GMB

- | | Action |
|---|---------------|
| 1. Notes of Last Meeting and Matters Arising | |
| Note agreed | |
| Changes – SK to give feedback on MRWS consultation | SK |

2. **Agree Purpose of Group**
- Declaration of interest by Sean Balmer, NDA – NDA is agnostic in terms of new build but is very willing to help out the group on the basis of its socio-economic commitment to the area. Declarations of interest would be invited at the beginning of each meeting.

Background and Energy Coast Programme

- Ministers have endorsed the Energy Coast Programme
- The Energy Coast Programme has 29 projects with 11 of those beacon or priority projects.
- New build has been secured as a beacon project.
- Partners consist of local MPs, Jamie Reid and Tony Cunningham, Chief Executives and Leaders of Cumbria County Council, Copeland and Allerdale Borough Councils, NWDA, WLR, CV, NDA, GONW. This Leaders' Group meets on a monthly basis.
- In addition to the Leaders' meeting, there are meetings with government officials across departments and led by BERR (Mark Higson) on a three monthly basis, which is an opportunity to identify areas where help is needed and to mark progress.
- A Delivery Group is led by CE of WLR, Bob Pointing and is being reconstituted to include all SROs for each of the 30 projects.
- The SRO for the Energy Coast new build project is Rosie Mathisen, Nuclear Opportunities Director of WLR.
- The remit of this New Build Working Group has been given broad endorsement by the Leaders' Group as the prime focus of new build strategy and activity.

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Terms of reference to be drawn up and agreed for the group and endorsed by Leaders' Group

RM

3. Influencing and Action Plan

Grid connection

Lead and support agreed

Utilities want as free as possible approach. Sellafield needs to be in same position as BE sites. Anyone/any organisation can make agreement with Grid other than utility – but has to be for specific plant (EPR, APR, in order to assess impact on grid)

Cost of grid application - £70k first year, then ramps up, £2m second year, £3m third year. When delays, applications are traded and sold on. Land worth a lot more with grid connection.

NDA team has met with Grid and sought to protect value of its sites south of Manchester through grid connectivity and purchase of ransom strips.

WC partners need to have discussion with BERR in regard to Sellafield. (meeting took place 17.06)

RM/DH

Meeting 16th June to discuss new build location with the National Grid. The Grid's approach to subsea is to be tested along with other options. (meeting took place – notes to follow)

SSJ/JG/DH

CV to report back on meeting.

SSJ

Crown agents have begun a process of a licensing auction for the supply of renewables of up to 25 Gwatts extra capacity by 2020. The auction will identify a winner who will have exclusive rights to each of at least 11 development zones. In addition up to 50% of the infrastructure costs would be borne by the Crown Estate. Link to Grid and sub sea connectors.

National Park has issued a framework strategy document that includes a more positive approach to nuclear new build and grid connection. (See attached extracts from strategy.) It would appear they are willing to engage at an early point CV to pursue.

SSJ

EdF already signed up with BE and already a significant amount of power available on paper should they all be approved. This may be enough for the market/government under phase 1.

DH/RM

Need to understand demand curve/capacity. Discuss with BERR on 17th June. (done)

Sellafield will need something to "buck market". Eg Beaulieu-Denny line bucked market in Scotland – political intervention to provide line from Scotland and into Cumbria to take account of renewables and offshore generation?

Need to come up with a strategy that keeps Sellafield on the agenda in Phase 1.....**Action Plan needed**

Further meetings on 17 and 18 June with Centrica and Eon.

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(Meetings took place) In the main these are the Utilities who haven't already sorted arrangements with BE. Need a capture plan with the interested parties?Action

Strategic assessment from those attending Grid and Utility meetings required by 27 June. (paper being prepared for Leaders' Group meeting 27 June) **SSJ/RM/DH/JG**

Provision of time line to show new build timetable against actions required by group members. **BW/Amec**

Energy North West – consultation on demand and supply for North West – 7 July – NWDA to attend and feedback **KW**

Availability of site

NDA to issue ITT for plutonium disposition requirements – how would market dispose of plutonium.

Link between new build at Sellafield and Mox is an artificial construct – eg Mellox provides fuel for all French reactors. But could be offset against liability if no other disposition route is found?

Can 2 x EPRs or 3 x AP1000s be built at Sellafield or ground north of fenced site? Sellafield Sites Ltd to check **BW**

Securing Sellafield as site for new build

BE endeavouring to keep all BE sites in – including Scottish sites, Hartlepool and Heysham and is trawling through environmental information on all sites.

Amec has info on Sellafield to address SEA. **MD**

Nuclear Power White Paper site assessment process refers to sites which cost significantly more than others – need to ensure this doesn't exclude Sellafield.

New Build at Sellafield – planning

MH made it clear at last Whitehall Liaison meeting that early work on planning would be helpful. To be confirmed on 17th June. Now need to check with LAs **CBC/CCC**

Issue of resources. Funding to be made available through WLR, CBC and CCC – all to be confirmed – to commission John Hetherington to scope the planning issues. To be taken forward following meeting with BERR **RM/SK**

Marketing (note from Luke following meeting)

1) The AMEC Report. Need to set up a meeting with Amec to discuss web-site version. Also excellent scope to get any document produced emblazoned with the Energy Coast branding, which is being firmed up and should be ready soon.

2) Working with the Sellafield press office on nuclear friendly contacts on the nationals. This again fits into a bigger piece of work I'm doing for CV and WLR on mapping out Cumbria/ regeneration friendly press

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3) Will do short pieces of work on how we talk to the different audiences in Cumbria

4) There was an action against all in the group to identify relevant exhibitions. I already have included ones I'm aware of on the plan but it really is up to members to let me know.

All

5) On exhibitions I recently attended the Think08 Conference in London to promote WLR and the Energy Coast. Lots of interest in the Energy Coast (gave out 100 exec summaries) and some interest in new build in general but not from the people we would want to build and deliver.

Public Acceptance

See above from Luke

Hydrogen

Long term and not a selling point at this stage

Energy Markets

Need to look at potential for high energy user although difficult commercial market. liC to feedback on whether this is a viable route to follow.

Feedback from Grid and BERR meetings needed on potential for sub-sea connectors going north and west.

SS/JG/RM/DH

4. Gaps – Issues and Resources

Part-time project manager requirement. Sellafeld/NDA to look into potential for loan of person or funding (WLR) to procure from local sources.

BW/SB/RM

5. AOB

None

6. Dates and venue for next meetings

All meetings to be held at WLR offices at Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science and Technology Park (EXCEPT 9 JULY – SEE BELOW). All meetings to commence at 1.30 pm.

Wednesday 9 July (VENUE: BOARD ROOM, INNOVATION CENTRE, WESTLAKES SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK), 6 August, 3 September, 1 October, 29 October, 26 November.

Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield

Steering/working Group

11th June 08 at Cumbria Visions offices Penrith

Present

Apologise

Issues

Energy Coast

- John Hutton has endorsed the Energy Coast strategy paper
- The Energy coast paper has some 30 projects with 11 beacon
- Of the 11 beacons three/four are reported regularly to the West Cumbria partners namely New Build, University, New Hospital and latterly the Nuclear Lab.
- Partners consist of local politicians, Jamie Reid and Tony Cunningham, members of the Cumbria County Council and local councils.
- In addition to the partners report there is meeting with BURR on a three monthly basis, which is an opportunity to identify areas where help is needed.
- The SRO for new build is Rosie Mathisen

New Build

- AMEC are still leading on the siting criteria
- NDA are agnostic in terms of new build but willing to help the team on the basis of the socio economics
- The NDA have in certain situations applied for grid connections.
- The Group needs terms of reference.....Action
- Crown agents are shortly to undertake a licensing auction for the supply of renewables of up to 25 Gwatts by 2020. The auction will identify a winner who will have exclusive rights. In addition up to 50% of the infrastructure costs would be born by government.
- National Parks have issued a framework strategy document. It would appear they are willing to engage at an early point but there is no feel as yet if this is a positive approach or a gesture.
- There is a meeting planned early next week to discuss new build location with the National Grid. The grids approach to subsea is to be tested along with other options.
- **The grid is likely to require funding in order to move forward with any assessment. There requirements need to be fed back to the working group.....Action**
- The group need to agree who is doing what ...Action
- A number of Utilities have already signed up with BE and already a significant amount of power available on paper should they all be approved. This may be enough for the government under phase 1.
- BE are keeping all of their twelve sites in the frame during the evaluation.
- BE are also concentrating on Strategic Environmental Issues for their sites.
- Sellafield could be considered for phase 2 but this may be subject to political will.

**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Steering Group**

Wednesday 6 July 2008 at 1.30 pm

To be held at WLR offices, Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science and Technology Park

AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
 2. Updates:
 - BE Board decision re EdF - implications AS
 - NDA – update on progress with BERR AS
- Position paper to NDA Board
 - Letter re SSA to Adam Dawson, Director New Build, BERR RM
 - Feedback from Leaders' Group – 18 July 2008 RM
 - Meeting with Westinghouse RM/KW
 3. Presentation on work in progress – SSA briefing paper AMEC
 - Project Plan against government timetable – actions, deadlines, responsibilities – who will take forward? RM
 4. Stakeholder Engagement Plan KW
- Influencing Strategy and Action Plan
- Grid connection – National Grid/Ofgem strategic investment, NDA consideration of initial application to Grid, initial work on grid options (technical and stakeholder issues)?, meeting with NG in September,
 - Availability of site – market engagement meetings
 - Securing Sellafield as site for new build – SSA process – agenda item 2
 - New Build at Sellafield (planning) – LDFs, new planning regime (CCC action)
 - Marketing – raising the profile of Sellafield
 - Public acceptance – evidence of community support and engagement – responsibility?
 - Supply Chain
 - Hydrogen
 - Energy markets

Resources, external support

Any other business

Date and venue of next meetings

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3 September, 1 October, 29 October, 26 November.

**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Steering Group**

Wednesday 09 July 2008 at 13.30 pm

To be held at WLR offices, Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science and Technology Park

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Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield

Steering Group

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David Hayes, WLR
John Grainger, IIC

Action

2. Updates

ABC/CBC

- ToR – LAs to provide updates before next meeting.
- BE Board decision re EdF – implications – NDA would not put land at Sellafield for sale unless clarity on forward planning is given. The situation regarding EdF does not have much implication for Sellafield site.
- Discussions between NDA and BERR and NDA's role on new build – NDA has an obligation to support the Government's position however, NDA cannot be active in new nuclear build. Where the local community has shown an interest in new nuclear to support the economy then the NDA will endeavour to support that community. NDA is in discussions with the Government regarding this.
- Letter re SSA to Adam Dawson – RM/DH met with Adam Dawson and reiterated some of the key issues in terms of any nomination – points in the BERR consultation. Strong indication from Government that they would like to work with Sellafield – work on the nomination to be continued which needs to be separated from the MOX issue. Future papers are to have indication of security. NDA could make nominations. In fact a range of organisations could consider this.
- Meeting with Westinghouse – lack of understanding around Sellafield – ruled out as potential for new build for Westinghouse. Keen for this group and the area to continue to gain support from the utility companies. Discussed the supply chain – Westinghouse would expect the construction partners to come from Shaw – but their capacity is reaching top limit now. Therefore other companies have been in discussions with Westinghouse. Interactions with Westinghouse and National Grid on connectivity.

West Cumbria has a long history of 'forging' – we must not lose sight of other opportunities – fabrication. Northern Centre of Excellence (Sheffield area) – discussions need to be set up. (NWDA).

KW

3. Work in Progress – SSA Briefing Paper

- NDA will give a response to the consultation. NDA would be interested in knowing others' intentions.
- Presentation from AMEC is attached to these notes.
 - General conclusions from stage three (nothing unexpected):
 - Insufficient Grid Connection
 - Associated Planning Risk
 - Electricity Transmission Costs
 - Land Preparation Costs
 - Access to suitable sources of cooling and access to transmission infrastructure are the more difficult challenges in the criteria but can be considered.
 - Expectation is that the nomination process will start in the first week in January 2009. Project management plan now needed to fit the structure of the process.
 - Criteria for the stages on assessment – some potential issues marked in red.
 - BE agreement with National Grid – what is covered by the agreement contract – Terms and Conditions should be available on the website.
 - Potential issues on slide 16:
 - Access to suitable cooling water.
 - Access to transmission infrastructure. – Clarity is needed on planning process – the Government will consider the process. ACTION: to explore this point with BERR. ACTION: remove access transmission infrastructure points as a disadvantage.
 - Discretionary criteria.
 - Nominations.
 - SEA – further work to be done.
- AMEC work will be completed by end September. Leaders' Group response is also needed. RDAs will be putting a response forward. This will possibly be a joint response from all RDAs. LAs have not decided on how the responses will be given.
- A point was made that it would be important that the Planning response should be a joint response. LAs would find this difficult to give a planning response but a corporate response would be given. Page 16 of the BERR consultation extract (distributed at the meeting) to be taken forward at the next meeting with Amec. Piece of work to support the nomination will discuss the planning issues.
- Discussions in LAs now needed.
- ACTION: Need to ask National Grid what they intend to do in terms of the consultation.

RM/DH

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4. AMEC – Influencing Action Plan

SSj

- Comments to RM between and the next meeting. The draft paper is the beginnings of an action plan.
- Now need to consider the options for a dedicated project manager to take this forward. All partners agreed this.
 - NDA position/approach: at the moment the focus

should be through WLR badged under EC and prepare the information packs to ensure that Sellafield is the site. If, in January, NDA requires to put Sellafield forward then NDA would look at WLR to put the package forward. NDA will supply support in way of advice through AS.

- o SLC support could sell out on 'not to interfere basis'.
- Options set out below:
 - o Project manager through partners – funded by NWDA outside WLR business plan. This commitment is now needed.
 - o David Hayes part time support.
 - o Project manager from another Government Department through NDA.
 - o Extending the contract with Amec or other consultants.
 - o ACTION: LAs to come back to RM with possibility of funding contribution.
 - o AS looking at possibility of fitting this into the SLC socio economic regeneration programme.
 - o BEC is a partnership programme – we must get commitment from partners.
- ACTION: Interaction of stakeholders – Richard Riley to speak to KW.

RR/KW

5. Influencing Strategy and Action Plan

- Grid Connectivity
 - o 90% of route is firm – Sellafield working with the Grid to obtain positive information.
 - o Grid Application: £70k filing fee and a place in the queue. NDA can do this only if there is an interested organisation in the site. This would take you no further forward except that you would receive an offer from the Grid. No value of achievement to put in a Grid application in for Sellafield. The issue is to get the Grid and a utility to agree on Sellafield. Biggest risk for Grid/Utilities is Planning. Need to keep talking to the Grid and RWE, EDF and EoN.
 - o Presentation from National Grid (copy available from Kevin Warren upon request). Looking at Renewables as well as Nuclear. Options of response until 2012. Offshore is shown as a better option for National Grid. ACTION: Discussion (in September - BW) on whether the National Grid Renewables option does not exclude the Nuclear option and the level of support for the Nuclear options. Up to £50k in WLR's business plan is available if further work is needed on Grid. KW contact for position paper on tidal.
 - o ACTION: BW - also need to carry out a piece of work with the designers on cooling water.
 - o Map needed for the September Grid meeting from LAs/LDNPA – implications of their roles in this and how this would impact on this exercise.
- Availability of site – confirmation of what we already know (interest in Sellafield) now needed as evidence. Up-to-date information needed to go forward to the Utilities. ACTION: In Project Management Plan.
- Planning for Site –
 - o LDFs – to ensure that new build is in the CBC/ABC's

BW/SSJ

BW

LDFs. Core strategy will keep all policy work together. Need to be clear about the LDF and planning in the short timescales we have. Is it relevant for September? Is it relevant for the nomination? Then looking at the application in a couple of years' time? ABC/CBC/CCC to prepare for September. LAs' negotiating programme for LDFs with GONW. Amec to add this into the timescales planning.

- CCC – will pick up the piece of work requested at Leaders' Group and will bring the briefing to the September meeting. Within CCC's response to Renewables – Grid point. Head of Community (CCC – to get in touch with RM) is willing to carry out canvassing in West Cumbria – produce evidence for support to new build in West Cumbria (three-way sharing of costs would be needed). CCC
- ACTION: BERR Renewable Strategy response – joint needed. RM/All
- Marketing – how do we get our progress over to the utilities on a regular basis? Direct constant contact – behind the scenes lobbying – keeping Sellafield in the forefront of their minds. Keep them up-to-date on the wider BEC – through re-draft of DVD. BEC stands at the annual political conferences – end of September.
- Copeland carrying out consultation on BEC and Whitehaven Regeneration. CBC will speak to CCC regarding further support for public acceptance to new nuclear build through Neighbourhood Forums. Link to NIA – Keith Parker. DD to speak to SK regarding external consultancy. KW to send Engagement Plan to DD. CBC/CCC
CBC/CCC
KW

6. Any Other Business

- 13 November – Nuclear New Build Forum – AIS Forum. David Hayes attended one earlier in the year. DH written to the Shadow Energy Secretary with information on Sellafield and BEC programme.
- CCC met with Alan Duncan – inviting them to West Cumbria and introduced BEC.

7. Dates and venue for next meetings

All meetings to be held at WLR offices at Fleswick Court,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park,

Wednesday 3 September, 1 October, 29 October, 26 November,
10 December

Nuclear New Build (at Sellafield) Steering Group

Terms of Reference

Members

David Davies	Copeland Borough Council
David Hayes	Government Relations Director, WLR
John Grainger	MD, Invest in Cumbria
Kevin Warren	NWDA
Luke Diccico	Cumbria Vision
Peter Kane	GMB, Sellafield Unions
Rosie Mathisen (Chair)	West Lakes Renaissance
Simon Sjenitzer	Cumbria Vision
Stewart Kemp	Cumbria County Council
Richard Evans	Allerdale Borough Council
Also to be approached - LDNPA	

Advisors

Adrian Simper	NDA	The NDA is represented as owner of the site, as client to the SLC, the owner of nuclear materials and with a valid interest in promoting socio-economic benefit to West Cumbria, through its obligations under the Energy Act. As such the NDA representative is available to make appropriate input and to give advice to the Group within the agreed framework of government policy and NDA vires.
Barry Watkinson Sian Beaty	Sellafield Sites Ltd	Sellafield Sites are represented as Managers and Operators of the site, with significant knowledge of the site and also with a valid interest in promoting socio-economic benefit to West Cumbria. As such the Sellafield representative is available to make appropriate input and to give advice to the Group.
Mark Dutton	For Amec	For period of consultancy up to end August 2008
Richard Riley	Amec	For period of consultancy up to end August 2008

Purpose of Group

To assess the business case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield and to develop and implement an Influencing and Action Plan to increase the attractiveness of Sellafield as a site for reactor development and a wider Energy Park.

Project EC9, "Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield" has been adopted by the West Cumbria Leaders' Group as a Beacon project within the Energy Coast Programme and the Leaders have endorsed the setting up of this Group to take forward the actions outlined below.

**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Steering Group**

Wednesday 3 September 2008 at 1:30pm

To be held at the Meeting Room at Kelton House, Westlakes Science and Technology Park

AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Updates on key points since last meeting RM
BW
Resources, external support
3. Presentation on work in progress – SSA AMEC
4. Project Management Plan RM/DH
5.
 - o Grid connection – National Grid/Ofgem strategic investment, initial work on grid options (technical and stakeholder issues), meeting with NG in September. SSj
 - o Availability of site – market engagement meetings.
 - o Securing Sellafield as site for new build – SSA process – agenda item 2.
 - o New Build at Sellafield (planning) – LDFs, new planning regime SK
 - o Marketing – raising the profile of Sellafield LD/JG
 - o Public acceptance – evidence of community support and engagement. SK
 - o Supply Chain KW
 - o Hydrogen
 - o Energy markets
6. Any other business
7. Date and venue of next meetings – *Please note additional meeting in December*

All meetings to be held at WLR offices at Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science and Technology Park.

All meetings to commence at 1.30 pm.

1 October 2008

29 October 2008

26 November 2008

10 December 2008 (to be confirmed if required)

Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield

Steering Group

Wednesday 3 September 2008

Notes of Meeting Held at Kelton House, Westlakes Science & Technology Park

Present: Rosie Mathisen, Chair
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Kevin Warren, NWDA
David Davis, CBC
Simon Sjenitzer, Cumbria Vision
Peter Kane, GMB
Mark Dutton, Amec
Sophie Smithdale, Amec
John Grainger, IIC
Sian Beatty,
Shaun Gorman, CCC
David Hayes, WLR (via telephone)

Apologies: Richard Riley, AMEC
Luke Dickey, WLR
Stewart Kemp, CCC
Richard Evans, ABC
Harry Knowles, Furness Enterprise

Action

2. Updates

- John Grainger has offered the Invest in Cumbria Marketing Suite at Kelton House for use as a 'Bid Room' for the project.
- Funding proposals have been submitted to NWDA and WCDF. Funding package will also pay for a part-time project manager (to be determined).
- Government favourite for BE sale is EDF. Incentives being offered rather than cash. No further news from last meeting. Centrica do not want to make an offer at the moment. There are talks about a deal over the next few weeks.

3. SSA Work in Progress

Sophie Smithdale of Amec gave presentation on SSA. Copies available upon request.

- Socio-economic and more positive criteria to be explored in terms of consultation response.
- The Energy Coast is very important to Cumbria and we need to emphasise this and local support to Nuclear New Build. We need to be able to prove this.
- Joint responses from LAs to be submitted in support of nuclear power. Support needed from senior politicians.
- Emphasis should be placed on the high levels of engagement that West Cumbria has with nuclear. Community engagement is a priority and it must be proven that this process has started.
- Ensure these points are captured in consultation response
- Cumbria Vision will support the response if it supports Sellafield and local

RM/DH

businesses.

- Joint submission could also show community engagement, it would be beneficial to show a unified group. Any additional comments that individual organisations wish to raise could be done using a covering letter.
- David Davies will take the suggestion of a joint submission back to CBC and advise response. **DD**
- Shaun Gorman to explore options for joint submission with senior politicians. **SG**
- LDNP has been approached, they want to engage. Meeting with Cumbria Vision taking place. Aim is to work with Cumbria Partners.
- Local unions will support the submission; however they cannot guarantee national backing. Each union has their own policies that they will have to adhere to. Rosie to contact Unite etc. **RM**
- Business Cluster response will look at the bigger picture.
- Tony Lawrence, chair of Business Cluster, to be approached regarding his involvement in Nuclear New Build. **RM**
- CBI – John Grainger to discuss with CBI chair. **JG**

4. Project Management Plans

- SSA document is in line with Amec proposal. However Amec will struggle to meet their end of September deadline as they are waiting for a new contract. Mitigation is needed for discretionary points. There will be a review period after SSA submission in which the nominator can respond to any queries. Rosie to arrange new contract. **RM**
 - Local issues need to be considered and need description for the nominator.
 - We should be separating the new site from Sellafield. The group should start thinking about a name for the new site which can then be marketed. **BW**
 - Wording of the site to be decided. The generator will decide on which site they want to build on. It does not have to be NDA land. This may cause difficulties as the SSA required a site boundary to be identified. A sufficiently broad choice for the site is needed in order for a generator to be interested.
 - Siting group to be set up to discuss and specify the site boundary Barry Watkinson, David Atkinson, David Davies & Shaun Gorman plus Amec representative. **BW**
 - Political support for the site is crucial, especially in terms of planning. **SG/DD**
 - A decision needs to be made as to whether 3 separate submissions will be made specifying 3 different sites or one submission covering all 3 sites. One option may be to circle all 3 sites and use this as a boundary for 1 whole site. Sub group to decide and report back advising what we need to be preparing for the nomination. **BW**
 - NDA cannot make any board decisions and cannot be shown as part of the group making such decisions.
 - NDA will make the site available only when it can be guaranteed that it will be used to its best value. It will only be appropriate to sell the land when the market is right and when high value development will be carried out on the site. At this point NDA will require a guarantee to this effect before they will release the land. Likewise the NNB Group would like confirmation from the NDA that they will make the land available at the appropriate time.
 - Clarification is required as to whether the NDA can make the nomination in the absence of a CNPO. **AS to advise**
- 5.
- Cumbria Vision has meeting with Grid. The aim of the meeting is to establish a commitment from them.
 - Discussions to be held with Grid to discuss infrastructure and the possible leads i.e. over land or under sea. **SSJ**

Barry Watkinson gave presentation that will be presented to Grid. Copies available

upon request.

- Agreement is needed from National Grid for application of extra lines, they need to be persuaded that it is beneficial for them to put in the new grid. The main problem is who will accept the liability.
- Mark Dutton advised that it would not be possible for the government to accept the liability by using taxpayers' money.
- Possibility of working with Anglesey Council to make a joint submission on subsea connection. Contact needed from NDA. AS
- Liability usually lies with the generator, but in the absence of one we need someone who is willing and able to take on this responsibility.
- Can the level of liability be reduced? Is HVDC suitable for nuclear? The plant needs to have enough power going into the site in the case of an emergency in order to run the emergency power. The existing line should be sufficient for this but this will be confirmed at the Grid meeting. SSJ
- RM advised that she is looking into the possibility of Hetherington Nuclear Consulting becoming involved on planning support. RM to update
- Need options of approach for subsea connector. SSJ/BW
- RM/DH to get reactions from Adam Dawson at BERR. RM/DH

6. AOB

- The nominator must deliver power by 2025. It would be difficult to promise this unless there are some positive developments with the grid issue. Progress on the Grid is key
- Project manager is still needed. RM/AMEC
- Need planning expert.
- Kevin suggested that we should be identifying possible CNPOs. EON, RWE & EDF should all be considered. RM/DH
- NBSC led by NIA – developing Nuclear Supply Chain. Meeting with RDA to see if they will support us. Issues to be resolved. KW
- NWDA role is to be aligned to NIA – needs to be seen as a national strategy that can then be filtered down regionally. RM/DH
- Timescales for project to be discussed at sub-group.
- Amec contract. Funding going to next project review group for approval. We have had a verbal agreement from the Chair and Executive.
- WCDF are meeting in 2 weeks. Funding proposal has been submitted.
- David would like to be involved on the follow up with sub-group and grid meeting. DH/BW/SSJ
- Agree agenda for meeting on 18/09/08 with Simon Sjenitzer. RM

7. Dates and venue for next meetings

All meetings to be held at WLR offices at Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science and Technology Park.

Wednesday 1 October, 29 October, 26 November, 10 December



**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Steering Group**

Wednesday 1 October 2008 at 13.30

To be held in the Boardroom, WLR offices, Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science and
Technology Park

AGENDA

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| 1. | Welcome and introductions | RM |
| 2. | Minutes of last meeting and matters arising | RM |
| 2. | Update on key points since last meeting | RM/DH |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resources, external support• Market - brief update | |
| 3. | SSA Consultation Response | AMEC/DH |
| 4. | Project Management Plans and nomination document structure (to follow) | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• update/confirmation of content re ownership/deadlines• confirmation of working groups and leads | RM/PF/DH |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ nomination process (Amec)➤ grid (SSj)➤ stakeholder engagement (tbc RM?)➤ site planning (DD) | |
| 5. | Nomination process | Amec |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Engagement with NDA;○ Meeting with RWE (26.09)○ Industry day for utilities/generators/Nuclear Operators | DH
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DH |
| 6 | Grid - update and strategy discussion. | SSj |
| 7 | Stakeholder engagement - report on where we are with SSG/what Councils are doing. Determine what further work/lobbying needs to be done. | RM |
| 8 | Site planning and footprint | DD |
| 9 | Any other business | |

Date and venue of next meetings – *Please note additional meeting in December*

All meetings to be held at WLR offices at Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science and Technology Park. All meetings to commence at 1.30 pm.

1 October 2008

29 October 2008

26 November 2008

10 December 2008 (to be confirmed if required)

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Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield

Steering Group

Wednesday 1 October 2008

Notes of Meeting Held at WLR Offices, Fleswick Court, West Lakes Science & Technology Park

Present:	Rosie Mathisen, Chair	Apologies:	Barry Watkinson, Sellafield Ltd
	Paul Fleming, Amec		Adrian Simper, NDA
	Kevin Warren, NWDA		David Davies, CBC
	Mark Dutton, Amec		Harry Knowles, Furness Enterprise
	John Grainger, IIC		Peter Kane, GMB
	Sian Beatty, Sellafield Ltd		Sophie Smithdale, Amec
	David Hayes, WLR		Sean Balmer, NDA
	Luke Diccico, WLR/CV		Simon Sjenitzer, Cumbria Vision
	John Hughes, CBC		
	Stuart Klosinski, Furness Enterprise		
	Richard Pealing, Cumbria Vision		
	Stuart Pate, CCC		
	Richard Evans, ABC		
	Stewart Kemp, CCC		

- Action**
2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters arising.**
Mark Dutton raised a couple of issues regarding the previous minutes.
- Section 4 – 6th bullet point should state; Political support for the site is crucial, especially in terms of planning and grid.
 - Liability issue – Mark will provide response.
- The minutes have been amended accordingly.
3. **Updates**
- JG had meeting with CBI. Next meeting due end of October/November. JG to provide an update. Invitation to speak to come. JG
 - Amec have received a 'Phase 1' contract for nomination works and the September deadline for SSA Briefing Paper was achieved.
 - Site Planning sub-group met. Current view is that the NDA are able to make the nomination, but this will be confirmed at a later date.
 - It may be beneficial for a joint nomination to be made by the NDA and a utility, if support is achieved.
 - Contact is being made with Anglesey Council.
 - John Hetherington being contracted to work on grid planning issues.
 - RM and DH are meeting with DBERR on 13th/14th October to discuss renewables, grid and nuclear new build.
 - Paul Fleming has been appointed as Project Manager for Amec.
 - Westinghouse report has confirmed £30bn investment for UK and will launch at Manchester on 9th October 2008 to promote UK capability.
 - KW to inform WCBC about the event. KW
- Funding**
- NWDA is looking very positive. Steve Broomhead has given verbal support. Proposal is going to review group on 13th October 2008 and hopefully will be approved. RM to update
 - WCDF requested more detailed information. This has been provided. Should have decision by 7th October 2008 (update – approved). RM to update
 - NWDA are happy with their level of information. A copy of the WCDF

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proposal will be forwarded to NWDA.

RM

Market Update

- Available land for new build owned by the NDA or BE. Need NDA to make their land available.
- Need to attract a private utility.
- NDA have confirmed that they have put land up for sale at Wylfa, Oldbury and Bradwell. They have concerns about the value of Sellafield land at the moment. This land will be held for at least 2 - 3 months.
- NDA are still debating with government about plutonium and uranium stock.
- BE has been sold to EDF with 25% possibly going to Centrica. EDF want to develop Sizewell and Hinkley but still need planning permission.
- EDF have agreed they will not use Wylfa or Oldbury and that they are interested in Bradwell. It is expected that NDA and EDF will work together to make a nomination for Bradwell.
- Bradwell, Dungeness and Heysham will be made available to other operators also and not only EDF.
- If planning at Sizewell and Hinkley is not granted there could be benefits for Sellafield as Sellafield does not have the issue of joint ownership of the land.
- EDF will make the land available if they get planning permission for Sizewell and Hinkley, but they won't know this until 2012.

4. SSA Consultation Response

- DBERR are currently consulting on SSA process after which Government will publish final criteria.
- We need the government to look more at the positive assets for Sellafield as much as the negatives. Eon and other private sector companies have also made similar comments.
- Document will be published at end of consultation on 11th November 2008. There will be 4 exclusionary factors and some discretionary criteria, cases need to be made for each discretionary criteria to support the nomination. Issues must also be addressed at a local level.
- At the end of the consultation, government will consider the responses and nominators will have period in which to respond to any queries. Government are expected to set their final criteria and invite nominations by December 2008/ January 2009. Nominators will then be given 8 weeks to submit their nomination. The proposed site will be announced Autumn 2009 with approval by early 2010.
- The initial decision that our group must make is whether to respond to the consultation?

5. Project Management Plans and Nomination Document

- It is vital that we attract a Private Sector utility to Sellafield.
- RM/DH in contract with utilities and will pursue.
- Do we know the capacity of alternative sites? MD/DH to calculate.
- Vatenfall and Iberdrola are potential utilities, initially it was thought that they would link up with other companies, but it looks as they will not be.
- The possibility of holding an Industry Day at the end of October was raised. The idea is to invite key utilities, Grid, Nuclear Supply Chain. The purpose of the day would be to make information available on our status of NNB and to attract interest to Sellafield. However this event cannot go ahead until further information is received from Grid towards the end of October, it may be beneficial of include LAS to highlight our positive position i.e. local support.
- It was highlighted that the Industry Day will not be a substitute for 1 to 1 meetings. Who will be the lead for the industry Day? Roger Liddle to be involved, Luke also to provide support.

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- Additional info on EDF and BE available from DBERR press release. (update – emailed 01/10/08) **SMcK to email link.**

6. Nomination Process

- Paul Fleming confirmed that structures are now set up to carry out the nomination process.
- Amec are on board and are working away.
- Sellafield are providing excellent support.
- Grid are very responsive. Progress meeting taking place week commencing 5th October 2008. BW to report back at next meeting. Notes have been circulated to Grid working group. **BW**
- PF advised they are aiming for a draft submission to be ready for the beginning of December. A couple of areas require additional specialist support. Therefore tenders have gone out, responses due 5th October 2008.
- Amec will take responsibility for production of the nomination pack.
- Site footprint. DD to lead with SG, Sellafield SLC and NDA to provide support. **DD/SG?**
- NDA will eventually pick up the costs of making the nomination, but at present time they cannot be seen as actively involved. If a submission is supported by NDA approval will be needed from Leaders.
- NDA are aware of the process and will continue to work informally with us.
- Sellafield is vulnerable to some of the discretionary points; sub-groups have been set up to tackle these issues.
- MD raised the point of site planning and that it is not just about the footprint it is also the specific design of the development. The footprint must be agreed with the NDA. Planning needs careful consideration both current and potential regulations need to be explored.
- John Hetherington has been monitoring the planning situation and the Bill that is going to House of Lords on 6th October 2008. JH to continue to monitor. **JH**
- SK to advise RM of who is responsible in CCC for planning and if it will be monitored there. **SK**
- Do not need planning permission for the nomination. Planning area of nomination pack needs to be consistent with what we expect the planning requirements to be.
- IPC will be responsible for reviewing planning applications.
- SG facilitating meeting on planning. This is a regular planning meeting where issues on nuclear new build can be raised and discussed. **SG**
- Planning sub-group to include : MD, JH, SG, RP with RP leading. **RP**
- Next CCC Nuclear Issues Group is on 13th October 2008. Information to be provided to CCC before the meeting. Same information is to be provided to CBC.
- DH advised that it is in the best interests of the group to wait until as close to 11th November 2008 as possible before issuing specific documentation on our proposal as this is when the consultation document will be issued and we will be able to provide more accurate information.
- We do however need to provide a broad outline for LAs before this date. The proposal that is submitted to the Leaders' Group will suffice for LAs. DH/RP top draft response with principles and processes. **DH/RP**
- A final version of the proposal will be made available electronically a few days before 11th November 2008.
- It is thought that National Park are going to respond to the consultation. RP will pick up with National Park and Friends of the Lake District and will report back at next meeting. **RP**
- It was advised that the grid element falls outside the nomination pack.
- Rosie Mathisen acknowledged that Envirolink had paid for the Briefing Paper produced by Amec.

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7. Grid

- Liability issue
 1. Central government will instruct upgrade of grid to support renewable and nuclear.
 2. Government may take on a proportion of the liability to bring all sites onto a level playing field. RM/DH to raise with DBERR at meeting on 13th/14th October. RM/DH
- Questions that could be raised with DBERR and grid are; - who financed Beaulieu Denney Line and the Yorkshire Ring. KW will investigate. KW
- SK advised that approval had already been given to increase capacity of pylons to 400kv in Cumbria. SK to locate document with approval and distribute. SK

8. Stakeholder engagement

- A clear message is needed that must be consistent. Are we going to announce that a nomination will be made?
- Are we going to push a message or ask opinions?
- Stakeholder Engagement Plan needed urgently. SP to provide draft week commencing 6th October 2008. SP
- Sub-group to include RM, SP, DD, FMc, CH, LD, PF, BW + Shirley Williams from Sellafield. Meeting to be held 8th October 2008. RM
- Evidence will be needed of Stakeholder Engagement for nomination pack.
- Most important groups should be engaged first. All
- CBC now leading on Stakeholder Engagement. DD
- We need to inform other enabling people and bodies of our status on NNB as they may be able to help with the process.

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- Is anyone providing input to the NDA consultation on plutonium that will be issued on 8th October 2008? John Hughes to confirm CBC position and Richard Evans for ABC. JH/RE
- RM to liaise with NDA to ensure information on Energy Coast is included in the consultation. RM
- CCC draft paper on plutonium to be circulated. DH to provide letter for JR to send to NDA. DH

13. Dates and venue for next meetings

All meetings to be held at WLR offices at Fleswick Court, West Lakes Science & Technology Park.

Wednesday 26 November, 10 December

**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Project Review Meeting**

Wednesday 10 December 2008 at 13.30

To be held in the War Room, Kelton House, Westlakes Science and Technology Park

AGENDA

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| 1 | Welcome and Introduction | RM |
| 2 | Actions of last meeting and Matters Arising | RM |
| 3 | Nomination Case Progress and Update | PF |
| | - ("traffic light" chart and timeline with key milestones) | |
| 4 | Update on discussions with Capable Nuclear Power Operators | RM |
| 5 | Energy Coast – implications of new build and wider Cumbria buy-in | RM/PF/BW |
| 6 | Update on Transmission/Grid issues | PF |
| 7 | Update on Political Lobbying Activities (DECC, Ofgem, OND, etc.) | RM |
| 8 | NDA Update (Land Sale, Progress with Other Sites and potential linkages) | MR |
| 9 | Stakeholder Programme | DD |
| 10 | AOB | |

Actions from Project Review Meeting

10 December 2008

No.	Action	Lead
1	Energy Consultant to draw up Political Contact "Traffic Light Plan"	RM/PF (task for new Energy Consultant)
2	MR to provide DECC/OND organisational structure	MR
3	Contact Scottish and Southern	RM
4	Arrange Project Office briefings for Copeland and Allerdale key councillors/officers	DD
5	BW/PF to encourage Allerdale councillors to attend 1:1s to facilitate previous actions (contact D Martin, J Milburn, M Jackson)	BW [PF]
6	Arrange 1:1 detailed Project Office briefing for Tim Knowles	SK
7	Provide the Project Team with latest stakeholder programme before end of Friday 12 December	DD
8	Provide updates on recent stakeholder engagement meetings to DD	PF
9	Engage Barrow Council (involve Bob Ponting etc.)	BW
10	BW to update DD on above Barrow discussions	BW
11	Check content/operation etc. of web site with LD before it goes live	PF [RM]
12	Review Terms of Reference for the Public Stakeholder Event in mid Feb (confirm Jamie Reed, time and date of meeting)	PF [DD, Shirley Williams and possibly Stuart Pate]
13	Develop wider Energy Coast promotional plan (buy-in across Cumbria, highlight possible planning gain, etc.)	SJ/RM/SK
14	Arrange Project Office briefings with Leaders and CEOs of South Lakes and Eden	SJ/SK?
15	Arrange Project Office briefings with LDNPA – Richard Leaf (and possibly Chairman – Bill Jefferson?)	SJ/SK?
16	Provide list of West Cumbria LDNPA members	SJ
17	Update Jamie Reed on Grid issues especially problem that utilities will need to carry liabilities on their accounts until connection achieved (may be a "showstopper" for the project (should no utility be willing to take the risk if there are uncertainties associated with grid connections for the West Cumbrian site.	RM

**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Project Review**

Monday 19 January 2009 12:00 noon

**To be held at the Meeting Room at WLR Offices,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park**

AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
2. General update on draft nomination case preparation PF
3. Stakeholder Engagement programme PF
 - Stakeholder meetings
 - Public/SSG meeting
 - Implementation of media plan
4. Update from NDA – land sale and feedback on utilities meeting in London MR
5. Planners Working Group – update and way forward JH
6. Report on LDNPA (Chief Exec/Chairman) meeting RM/PF
7. National Grid developments PF
8. Meeting with DECC/Wylfa this week in London RM
9. Progress in attracting utilities as CNPOs RM
10. CCC Cabinet Paper on NNB SK
11. London New Build Conference PF
12. Date and venue of next meeting

Actions from Project Review 19/01/09

Present:	Rosie Mathisen Barry Watkinson Samantha McKenzie Stewart Kemp Linda Shields John Hetherington Luke – (via telephone)	Paul Fleming Mark Robinson David Davies David Hayes Shirley Williams John Knox	Apologies:	Kevin Warren Sophie Smithdale
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| 1. | Meetings with key politicians to be pulled together. | <i>DD/SK</i> |
| 2. | DH/MR to compare notes on DECC structures. DH to advise MR of any changes. | <i>DH/MR</i> |
| 3. | DH to produce information for PF to create briefing paper for LAs and wider 'partners' (LDNP etc.) | <i>DH</i> |
| 4. | PF to produce general briefing paper. What is happening over next couple of weeks and months. Need to include timeline. 2 types of paper required, sensitive and non-sensitive version. | <i>PF</i> |
| 5. | Distribution list for additional briefing paper to be compiled. | <i>RM/SMcK</i> |
| 6. | JH/BW to work together on Barrow BC contacts. | <i>JH/BW</i> |
| 7. | DD to distribute list of West Cumbria Lake District members. Members to be invited to Kelton House for informal discussions. | <i>DD/PF</i> |
| 8. | DD to provide PF with a summary of achievements on SE programme by 30 th January. | <i>DD</i> |
| 9. | Meeting between SW/LS/SMcK/DD/MR to discuss Public/SSG meeting and website requirements. | <i>SMcK</i> |
| 10. | Programme to be produced on who is doing what on SE. Deadline end of January 09. | <i>DD</i> |
| 11. | Website to be updated. No. of hits to be logged. PF to provide relevant information. SW team to write info. SMcK to assist with uploading. | <i>SMcK/
SW/PF</i> |
| 12. | Holding page to be added to BEC/NNB to advise that work is being carried out. | <i>LD/SMcK</i> |
| 13. | Meeting with Vattenfall to be arranged. DH to pursue meeting to take place at Westlakes. | <i>DH</i> |
| 14. | RM/DH to liaise re: making contact with utilities. MR to be kept informed of discussions with utilities. | <i>RM/DH</i> |
| 15. | RM to explore forward planning. | <i>RM</i> |
| 16. | CCC Cabinet Paper - SK to send briefing to Peter Stybelski/Charles Green by 9am 20/01/09. | <i>SK</i> |
| 17. | NNB Conference London 20-21 Jan 09. DD to feedback to group. | <i>DD</i> |
| 18. | DH attending conference on 26/01/09. Information to be fed back to group. | <i>DH</i> |
| 19. | Date of next meeting: Wednesday 25 th February 2009 , 12pm
West Lakes Renaissance Offices, Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science Park | |

**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Project Review**

Wednesday 25 February 2009 12:00 noon

**To be held at the Meeting Room at WLR Offices,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park**

AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
2. General update on draft nomination case preparation PF
3. Stakeholder Engagement programme PF
 - Stakeholder meetings
 - Public/SSG meeting
 - Implementation of media plan
4. Update from NDA
 - land sale MR (tbc)
 - feedback on utilities meeting in London PF
5. Grid transmission update JH
6. Progress in attracting utilities PF
7. Look ahead - from 31 March onwards: DH
 - NDA sale of non-Cumbrian sites
 - publication of nomination
 - queries on nomination
 - public comment process/alternative sites
- Forward planning process RM
8. AOB
9. Date of next meeting

Nuclear New Build Project Review
25th February 2009

Actions

Present:	Rosie Mathisen (Chair), WLR Samantha McKenzie, WLR Paul Fleming, Amec John Knox, WLR Melanie Mackay, Mercury Stone Peter Kane, GMB Linda Shields, Sellafield Ltd John Hetherington, HNC David Hayes, CV	Apologies:	Kevin Warren, NWDA Sophie Smithdale, Amce Luke Diccico, WLR/CV Stewart Kemp, CCC Mark Robinson, NDA Adrian Simper, NDA Shirley Williams, Sellafield Ltd Barry Watkinson, Sellafield Ltd Harry Knowles , Furness Enterprise
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| 1. DH to send DECC/OND details to RM. | <i>DH</i> |
| 2. DD still to produce summary of achievements of Stakeholder Engagement Programme and submit to PF. | <i>PF</i> |
| 3. RM to chase Julie Beteridge regarding replacement for DD. | <i>RM</i> |
| 4. The NNB team would like to thank Stewart Kemp for his success with the CCC Cabinet Paper. | |
| 5. JK to send link re: Sustainable Energy (without hot air) to the group. | <i>JK</i> |
| 6. JH to provide summary for planning phase. (see attached) | <i>JH</i> |
| 7. Grid investment to be included in key messages at WCSF on 5 March 2009. | <i>RM/DH</i> |
| 8. Contact to be made with Scottish Power/Iberdrola re: RWE announcement | <i>RM/DH</i> |
| 9. PF to keep DH in the loop re: 2025 deployability. | <i>PF</i> |
| 10. Evidence needed of letters to residents and landowners (including tenants). PF to clarify with DD if this has been done. | <i>PF/DD</i> |
| 11. BW to monitor situation on the land between the sea and the proposed site that is owed by Lord Egremont. | <i>BW</i> |
| 12. Stakeholder Engagement discussions to take place with NDA. | <i>PF/RM</i> |
| 13. RM to contact RWE re: Stakeholder Engagement. Vattenfall/Scottish Power may want to be included – need to clarify this with NDA. | <i>RM</i> |
| 14. PF to arrange meeting with Scottish Power. | <i>PF</i> |
| 16. JH to produce general presentation to update on grid progress | <i>JH</i> |
| 17. Final nomination documents to be ready for 23 March 2009 for handover NDA. | <i>PF</i> |
| 19. Date of next meeting: Thursday 19 March 2009 at 9.30am
WLR Offices, Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science & Technology Park | |

**Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield
Project Review**

Thursday 19 March 2009 9:30am

**To be held at the Meeting Room at WLR Offices,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park**

AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
2. General update on draft nomination case preparation PF
3. Stakeholder Engagement programme PF
 - Public/SSG meeting - feedback
 - implementation of media plan
4. Update from NDA
 - land sale MR
 - feedback on utilities meeting in London – 12 March 09 PF
5. Grid transmission update JH
6. Progress in attracting utilities PF
7. Forward planning - 31 March onwards RM
 - publication of nomination
 - queries on nomination
 - public comment process
 - 3 year plan
 - resources
 - steering groupForward planning process
8. Clearing of Project Office RM
9. AOB
10. Date of next meetings
 - forward planning group
 - steering group

Building the Case for Nuclear New Build at Sellafield

Project Review

Thursday 19 March 2009

Notes of Meeting Held at WLR Offices, Fleswick Court, West Lakes Science & Technology Park

Present: Rosie Mathisen, WLR Kevin Warren, NWDA
Paul Fleming, Amec Stewart Kemp, CCC
Samantha McKenzie, WLR Simon Sjenitzer, CV
David Loudon, Sellafield Ltd David Hayes, CV
David Davies, CBC John Grainger, liC
Julie Betteridge, CBC Melanie Mackay, Mercury Stone (via telephone)

Apologies: Barry Watkinson, Sellafield Ltd
Mark Robinson, NDA
Sophie Smithdale, Amec
John Knox, WLR
John Hetherington, Hetherington Nuclear Consulting

Action

Actions from previous meeting still outstanding

- DD to produce summary of achievements of Stakeholder Engagement Programme and submit to PF by end of March 2009. DD
- Contact has been made with residents and landowners, copies of letters have been provided and have been included in the nomination document.
Thanks to Ann-Marie Cowperthwaite, WLR for her help on this.
- Continue to monitor the land owned by Lord Egremont which lies between the proposed site and the sea. This will continue in the forward planning stage. BW
- General presentation to be produced to update on grid process. Caution needed on what information is made public about the grid at this stage. JH
Forward planning meetings to be set up and the membership of the group will be refreshed. Information will be issued in due course. RM/
SMcK

Update on nomination document

- Nomination document is almost complete, just waiting for a couple of documents, including letters of support.
 - Confirmation needed on tenancy and footpath information
- Nomination document will be delivered to NDA by Monday 23rd March 2009 at the latest.
- PF to circulate draft document on 19/03/09 for specific comments. Any comments are to be made immediately and only exact words are to be included.
- Final version of the document will be issued to the group and must **not** be circulated electronically. Hard copies can be distributed on a close loop.
- Hard copies will also be available in the WLR Office.
- **It must be made clear to any recipients of the document that the information must not go into the public domain at this stage.**
- LD to confirm if NDA will be issuing a press release in relation to submitting the nomination. If so, WLR may need to produce one to coincide. LD to arrange. LD
- Utilities will be sent a copy of the draft nomination for **information only** and not for distribution. PF
- Final nomination document will be sent officially from NDA to Chief Executives of ABC, CBC and CCC. (To be sent after the official nomination has been submitted by the NDA). List to be produced of recipients. RM/MR

Stakeholder Engagement – Public Meeting in Whitehaven, 18 March

- General feedback is that there is good support of the NDA land, but the RWE sites at Braystones and Kirksanton received criticism from the community.
- It has been estimated that there were approximately 200 attendees in the afternoon and a further 100 in the evening.

Melanie's view from the audience:

- Presenters came across well and the structure was right for the day
- The community seemed pleased that they are able to get involved
- The majority of people were not opposed to the nomination and were seeking more clarification.
- Rosie would like to thank Melanie for her help and support.
- The group need to decide how to respond to any questions. Should we publish them on the Energy Coast website? Discussions to be held between Rosie, Paul & Luke. RM/PF/LD
- The meeting was well attended by the media, and feedback was quite positive.
- Good Q&A session with ample time afterwards for 1 to 1 sessions. Community seemed to appreciate this.
- May be beneficial for meeting to be arranged with Martin Forward, Jean McSorley and Ruth Perry. RM to follow up. RM
- Jamie's summary was very good. Can we get more information? RM to follow up. RM
- Main concerns from the public were infrastructure and skills. We need to address these issues now. This is a big supply chain issue. DH to capture key messages from meeting and send to Rosie. DH
- DH also to produce a number of key phrases that can be used in relation to the nomination. DH
- RWE events from 24-26 March will be attended by WLR and CBC. We must ensure that RWE are given support from an Energy Coast perspective.
- Meeting to be arranged with RWE to discuss our concerns on their stakeholder engagement. RM to action. RM
- New Build factsheet and DECC flyer to be included in Copeland Matters. JB to pursue. JB
- It was agreed that the presentations given at the public meeting will not be uploaded on the websites at this stage. May be made available at a later date. If the slides are uploaded, it would be useful to include a 'health warning' on the grid slides. SMck to monitor. SMck
- Letter of thanks to go to WCSSG (David Moore) and personal thanks go to utilities. RM

Post nomination

- As of 1st April 2009 the main role of the project team will be to support all nominations for West Cumbria, not just the NDA land. We need to take on the view of Britain's Energy Coast as Nuclear New Build is a key project in the West Cumbria Spatial Masterplan.

NDA Sites Update

- Bradwell, Wylfa and Oldbury land auction is in process and should be complete by the end of the month (NB unexpectedly, not finished as of 2/4). Clarification is needed as to whether sales figures will be disclosed. MR to confirm. MR
- All 3 sites have grid connection agreements and bids are currently going in on all 3 sites. Continue to press NDA to seek connection agreement for Sellafield, to increase land value. RM/PF

Grid Update

- Still need report from National Grid – PF to chase. PF
- Proposed route should be possible. Meeting will be held with Natural England regarding Harker.
- Morcambe Bay is a protected area. (There could be issues with cables in shifting sands, PF

but there should be a solution). PF to update.

- Discussions are ongoing with Grid and National Park to resolve issues with the area between Ravenglass and Millom.
- 2020 deployability is achievable if everything goes to plan.
- Subsea at Millom is a technical issue, not a financial one – is the railway line an option?
- Grid is still work in progress. We must help ensure that the future costs are within an acceptable limit for the utilities.
- Morcambe Bay Partnership (Bridge across the bay) – BW is in contact with – possible strategic link - we could get them involved in the planning group.
- Socio-economic support is an option that utilities should consider as part of their overall new build programme.
- We need to continue to lobby for a grid update in West Cumbria regardless of the New Build Project. CCC/CBC/ABC
- DH and John Knox are meeting with NG, Ofgem and DECC on 27 March. Update will be given to group. DH
- DH to produce letter to send out to MP's in relation to grid connectivity. DH
- DH to circulate Roger Liddle to Ed Miliband, so standard paragraphs in that can be used by the group to produce general correspondence relating to the grid issues. DH
- CBC and CCC to communicate with the NDA regarding the importance of an upgrade to the grid connection for Cumbria. CCC/CBC

Forward Planning

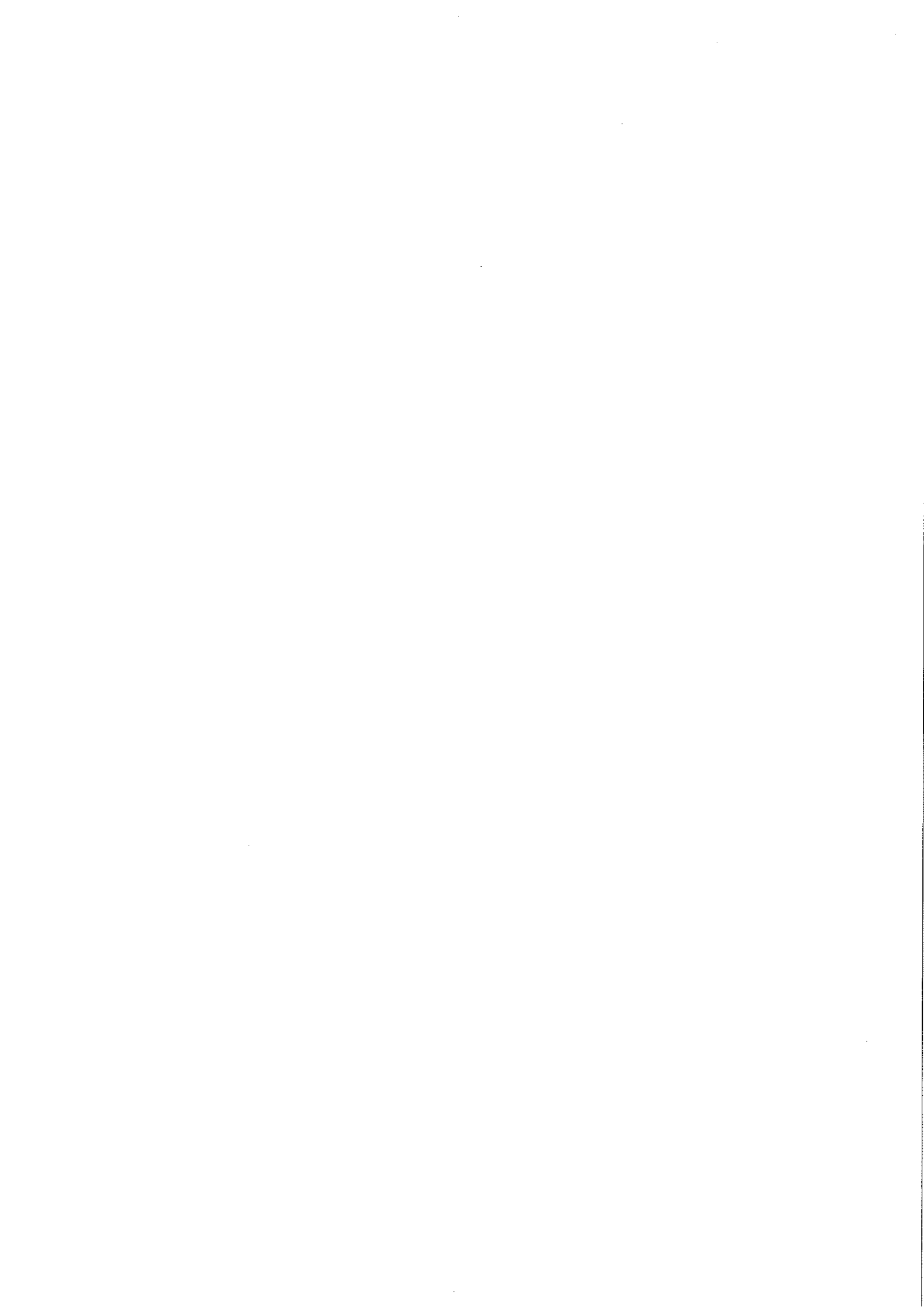
- First meeting will take place on 24/03/09. Further details will be distributed to the relevant people in due course.
- Project will be re-named to ***New Nuclear Build in West Cumbria***.
- Need to develop a name for NDA land (i.e. not Sellafield).
- Programme Management structure to be developed.
- Local Authorities will be included on planning issues.
- Look into the possibility of working in partnership with the utility.

Cleaning of Project Office

- Project Office needs to be cleaned up and put back to its original state.
- The room can still be used is needed, but needs to be booked in advance with Invest in Cumbria.

AOB

- Stewart Kemp took the opportunity to thank Rosie, on behalf of the nuclear new build group, for all her hard work on the project so far.



**Forward Planning - Nuclear New Build
Tuesday 24 March 2009
12:00 – 16:00**

**To be held at the Project Office, Kelton House,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park**

AGENDA

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| 1. | Update from first Forward Planning Meeting on 26 February
(Barry's notes attached) | RM/BW |
| 2. | Review of achievements – what has worked well and we want to retain? what has been problematic? how do we resolve? risks etc. | All |
| 3. | Phasing and Timeline | DH |
| 4. | Work scopes (identifying outline of what needs to be done, composition of working groups and lead, resource implications) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Government process▪ NDA – land sale and future involvement▪ Utilities – short term up to investment decision and longer term partnership▪ National Grid/Ofgem – Cumbria and national▪ Planning – grid, LDFs, IPC, planning gain etc▪ Stakeholder engagement – feedback from public meetings, forward planning▪ Supply Chain▪ Skills▪ Infrastructure (Barry's initial thoughts attached) | All |
| 5. | Resources <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ funding – costs so far, NDA funding, further applications▪ people/skills, contracts, organisational commitments | RM
All |
| 6. | Project management, programme management, steering group, communications etc | RM/PF/All |
| 7. | Forward Planning Brief and Programme Plan | RM/DH/BW |
| 8. | Work space | All |
| 9. | Learning from other sites - EdF and NDA | RM |
| 10. | AOB | All |
| 11. | Forward dates | |

**21 April, 19 May, 16 June, 14 July
(venue to be confirmed)**

**Forward Planning - Nuclear New Build
Tuesday 21 April 2009
11:00 – 14:00**

**To be held at WLR Offices, Fleswick Court,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park**

AGENDA

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|-----|--|-----------|
| 1. | Notes and update from last meeting | RM |
| 2. | Strategy Paper (latest version presented to West Cumbria Vision Board) | RM |
| 3. | Timeline | DH |
| 4. | Funding | RM |
| 5. | RWE nominations | RM |
| 5. | Programme Management Structure | RM/PF |
| 6. | Project Themes – work scopes, leads, working group membership, 12 month work programme, resource implications. | RM/PF/All |
| | ▪ Utilities | BW |
| | ▪ Government/National Process and NDA | DH |
| | ▪ Stakeholder Engagement | JB |
| | ▪ Infrastructure | RT |
| | ▪ Connectivity and Planning | PF |
| | ▪ Employment, Skills and R&D | TBC |
| | ▪ Supply Chain and Manufacturing | KW |
| 7. | Risks | PF |
| 8 | Work space | BW |
| 9. | Learning from other sites | RM |
| 10. | AOB | All |
| 11. | Dates of next meetings | |

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**Forward Planning - Nuclear New Build
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Action

Extend invitation for Mark Robinson (NDA), and Jean Llewellyn or Julie Maykels (National Skills Academy) to attend the forward planning meetings.	RM
Please feed back to BW if any changes need to be made to the timeline.	ALL
The time line needs to be extended from 2014 to 2018 up until grid connectivity.	BW
Time line needs to be competitive backed up by robust project streams.	BW/DH
A controls planner needs to be on board. BW to check on availability.	BW
NMP has socio economic money. RM to check with TK	RM
Funding agencies to be informed that money will be needed until 2013 to enable this project to continue	RM
1 Page business plan required for the utilities work stream. (and for all work streams – see further actions)	BW
An additional work stream needs to be added to the structure to cover initial preparations for the IPC document.	PF
Engage with planning, LAs and LDNP to agree constraints. PF to consider if he is able to do this and if not, who?	PF
Bring in John Hetherington or other appropriate person/consultant to understand the process of IPC application	PF/RM
1 page business plan required for connectivity and planning work stream.	PF
1 page business plan required for stakeholder engagement	JB
1 page business plan required for infrastructure	RT
KW to have a conversation with RDA to discuss help with resources	KW
The working group need to know figures and quantities of aggregate that will be moved on and off the site	BW/PF

**Forward Planning - Nuclear New Build
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11:00 – 17:00**

**WLR Offices, Fleswick Court,
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Notes

Present: Rosie Mathisen, David Hayes, Stewart Kemp, John Grainger, Paul Fleming, John Kitchen, Kevin Warren, Rosie Mathisen, Barry Watkinson, Shaun Gorman, Julie Hodgson

Apologies: Julie Betteridge

1. **Notes and update from last meeting**

Thanks to everyone for submitting the nomination on time for 31st for the Sellafield Site.

28 day initial comments period.

A further consultation will take place in the summer and we need to understand our role within that process.

There will be 2 further RWE public meetings, tonight at Millom and tomorrow at Calder Bridge.

RM was asked to attend but decided that it was not going to be within the best interest of NNB at Sellafield to attend.

Close touch to be kept with RWE, as they could end up being the utility company that buys the Sellafield site.

Post nomination phase. 6-12 months focus. Within 6 months the NDA land should have been put up for auction and more clarity regarding the utility company.

Collaborative process to get nomination to government. Competition process now.

It is likely that Sizewell, Hinkley and Wylfa will be the top 3 and important that Sellafield is within the top 5.

EDF grid connection will be ready for 2016 with plans to have sites on line by 2017/2018.

Structures and capabilities need to be in place to prove that NNB is feasible at Sellafield.

Extend invitation for Mark Robinson (NDA), and Jean Llewellyn or Julie Michaels (National Skills Academy) to attend the forward planning meetings.

RM

2. **Strategy Paper**

Document viewed in draft form. The paper was presented to West Cumbria Vision Board before Easter. Simon Sjenitza has taken a copy to the economic development meeting.

A copy is available for any member of the group who would like to show how the work with the group is still continuing.

3. **Timeline**

Good meeting was held with NG.

Mox reprocessing is part of the time line as high lighting as an asset.
The Mox burning solution is driving the government policy. There is no government view yet if the current Mox plant should close and a new one built.

Road and Rail links need to be in place prior to the build. 600,000 c Yards aggregate needed to build each reactor.

A skills meeting to be held with Energus.

Early commitment to apprenticeships so supply chain can be confident that the training will be utilised.

Please feed back to BW if any changes need to be made to the timeline.

ALL

The time line needs to be extended from 2014 to 2018 up until grid connectivity.

BW

National Grid is saying that progression is ahead in terms of planning but not in terms of connectivity.

Detailed discussions to take place in June with the planners and NG

Time line needs to be competitive backed up by robust project streams.

BW/DH

A controls planner needs to be on board. BW to check on availability.

BW

4. Funding

Although this is a key project for the area it is still a struggle to pull funding together.

Thank you to KW for all his help with the increase in the NWDA funding.

The sale of the document to the NDA is not going ahead as it is being seen as double funding.

The NDA has a moral obligation and will pay for any questions that need to be answered over the summer in relation to SSA. There is also a bid in for additional socio economic funds for just under £100k.

Further application for project funds will be submitted through the business plan and this process will take 2/3 months.

This project will have a benefit to the NW England, not just West Cumbria.

Funding is crucial to the project continuing and key consultants staying on board.

NMP has socio economic money.

RM

Funding agencies to be informed that money will be needed until 2013 to enable this project to continue

RM

Stage 1 – Create investor interest

Stage 2 – Looking at further investment

5. Programme Management Structure

The structure is still up for discussion. The leaders group is missing from the top and they have requested that they still have involvement.

Re-visit draft terms of reference that were originally drawn up by the group.

RM

New roads, rail links to quarries. Identify skills and training. Benefits for all of North West.

Also connecting into non-Nuclear and grid enhancements important for Energy Coast Programme.

2 stations would need subsea connection as well as 400Kv upgrade to NG.

World class private sector investor (utility) and jobs creation boost for the area.

NDA need to be back on the core team until the land sale.

Important that anyone joining the group is going to be of benefit and not just coming to gain information.

Each work stream needs a 12 month programme.

6. Project Themes – work scopes, leads, working group membership, 12 month work programme, resource implications.

Utilities

Encourage utility companies to bid for the site. If any issues help can be given by the group.

A meeting with Vatenfall has been arranged for the 28th April to try to sell a partnership idea.

Need to keep RWE on side as they end up being developer at Sellafield.

1 Page business plan required for the utilities work stream.

BW

IPC will be set up and running by April next year. The government has published guidelines on draft application. This will be similar to the SSA document format but in more detail.

In discussions with utilities is the IPC document being done by them or by this group? There is no time to wait for utility to come on board an **additional work stream needs to be added to the structure to cover initial preparations for the IPC document.**

PF

Scoping of work stream to be led by PF

Engage with planning, LA's and LDNP to agree constraints PF to consider if he is able to do this and if not, who?

PF

Bring in John Hetherington to understand the process of application.

PF/RM

Planning and Connectivity

John Hetherington work, grid work, lobbying utility companies.

1 page business plan required for connectivity and planning work stream.

PF

Stakeholder Engagement

Who should lead on this? Need to get to neighbourhood forums and going out to meet people. Including media and marketing

1 page business plan required for stakeholder engagement

RM/PF

Infrastructure

1 page business plan required for infrastructure

RM/PF/BW

Nothing planned and no funding arranged so far.

Transport working group needed.

There should be a dedicated person working on the infrastructure.

Colin Sharp from Port of Workington has been approached and has been helpful.

Network Rail has said that they will make someone available.

The network rail business plan is in place until 2014.

Need to include Port at Barrow.

Resources are very thin at CCC so they are not able to provide someone.

KW to have a conversation with RWE to discuss help with resources

KW

The working group would need to know figures and quantities of aggregate that will be moved on and off the site

PF

Estimate how much time and resources are needed to pull the masterplan

- together, linked into the Energy Coast as a whole. Speak to RT at CCC to discuss. JK
- Funding
 Contact Sellafield and NMP to see if they are able to offer support RM
 1 page business plan required for funding RM
- Employment Skills
 Resource requirement within the group.
 RM to make initial contact with Jean Llewellyn or Julie Michaels from Nuclear Skills RM
 Academy and pass onto PF
 1 page business plan required for employment skills PF
- Supply chain
 Series of regional events.
 Northern events probable held in Leeds as most central for the North of England.
 EBOC – Engaging with local supply chain.
 28% of decommissioning supply chain spend in West Cumbria and working hard to
 increase this figure. With NNB increase long term spend and inward investment.
 Positive legacy for West Cumbria, the biggest opportunity to enable this to happen.
 Is it a possibility that RM, KMck, PF, KW to attend Barrow Vision board while RM
 Steven Broomhead is still on the board?
 1 page business plan required for supply chain PF
7. Risks
 Infrastructure.
 IPC document proposals.
 Government risk is very low as even if there is a change of government prior to the
 IPC submission there should not be a difference to the policy.
 Greenpeace challenge.
 Local authority and CCC under impression that nomination has been submitted. Not
 yet aware of ongoing problems that may arise and on-going work streams to keep
 the project going.
 Get the message out there that work needs to continue
 Draw up a risk register PF
8. Work space
 An agreement has been made so that the project team can continue to invest in
 Cumbria room. It can be used 3 days per week. Invest in Cumbria will use the room
 for 2.
 The room will have a video conferencing facility.
 Ability to close off the room and put back office to ensure it can be used by Cumbria
 Vision.
 NNB will pay for the half the cost of the room.
9. Learning from other sites
10. AOB
 DH to draft a letter to go from Jamie Reed to the NDA and Brian Grey/Steven DH/KW
 Broomhead via KW

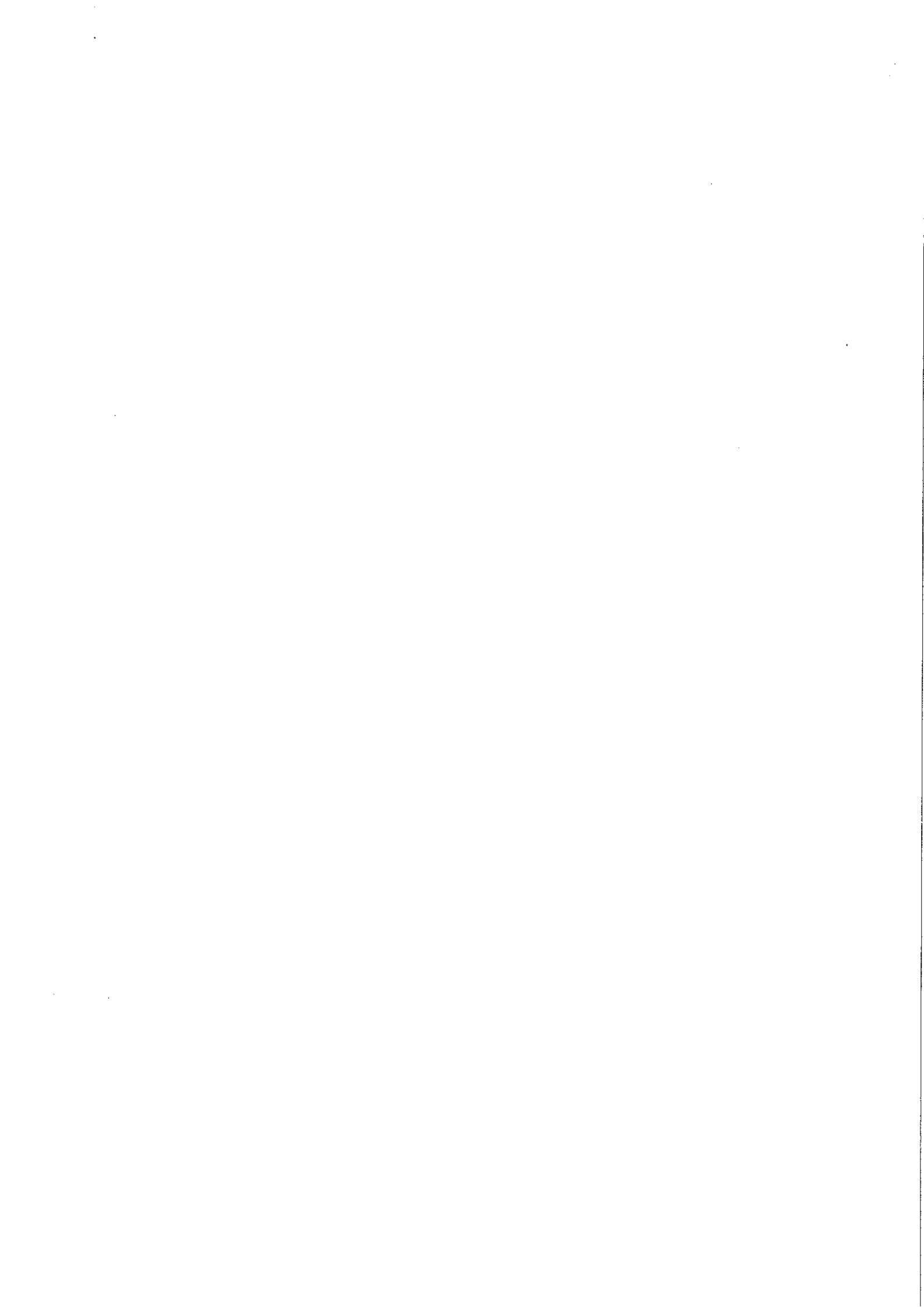
Luke Diccio will be able to assist with communications after the West Cumbria Vision Board launch next week.

Invite Brian Wilson to the next meeting.

RM

11. Dates of next meetings

**19 May, 16 June, 14 July
12:00 – 16:00
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**Nuclear New Build – Core Team Meeting
Tuesday 16 June 2009
12:00 – 15:00**

**WLR Offices, Fleswick Court,
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Actions

Outstanding from previous meeting

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| 1. | NMP has socio economic money. RM to check with TK | RM |
| 2. | KW to have a conversation with RDA to discuss help with resources | KW |
| 3. | Invite Brian Wilson to the next meeting. | RM |

New Actions

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| 4. | SK to follow up formation of a steering group to provide advice and key decisions – will probably be the appropriate cabinet member. SK to talk to Marie Fallon. This will only be a short-term measure. | SK |
| 5. | DH to produce a briefing note to be distributed to partner organisations advising them of the situation on the New Nuclear Project and what messages we should be distributing. | DH |
| 6. | JB to confirm if CBC are able to provide PR support for the New Build website pages. | JB |
| 7. | RT to send link to document relating to infrastructure funding allocations. | RT |
| 8. | JB to organise meeting to discuss welfare and support services relating to infrastructure. Needs to involve CCC. | JB |
| 9. | JB to liaise with Cath Giel & Tim Knowles with regards to setting up a Learning Group. | JB |
| 10. | PF to chase National Grid on a response to the queries from their report. | PF |
| 11. | SMcK/JB to arrange next meeting to incorporate Skills session. | SMcK/JB |
| 12. | PF/BW to meet with Kevin Warren regarding the Supply Chain | PF/BW |
| 12. | RM to pursue funding arrangements. | RM |
| 13. | SMcK to confirm when £238k is received from the NDA. | SMcK |
| 14. | Risk register to be updated. | BW |

Next Meetings

**14 July, 1 September, 6 October, 17 November
12:00 – 16:00**

**WLR Offices, Fleswick Court,
Westlakes Science & Technology Park**

**Core Team Meeting - Nuclear New Build
Tuesday 16 June 2009
12:00 – 15:00**

**To be held at WLR Offices, Fleswick Court,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park**

AGENDA

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| 1. | Introductions | PF |
| 2. | Actions from Last Meeting | PF |
| 3. | Brief Updates/Discussion: Work Streams | |
| | - Governance/Oversight | PF/DH |
| | - Utilities (including NDA update) | BW/NDA |
| | - National Process | DH |
| | - Stakeholder Engagement | PF/JB |
| | - Infrastructure (Transport) | RT |
| | - Infrastructure (Welfare and Support Services) | PF |
| | - Grid Connectivity | PF |
| | - Employment, Training and Skills | PF |
| | - Supply Chain | KW |
| | - IPC Submission | PF |
| 4. | Funding | PF |
| 5. | Dates of Next Meeting | All |
| | - 14 July 2009, 12:00 – 15:00
WLR Offices, Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science & Technology Park | |
| | - Further dates | |
| 6. | AOB | All |

**Nuclear New Build – Core Team Meeting
Tuesday 16 June 2009
12:00 – 15:00**

**WLR Offices, Fleswick Court,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park**

Notes

Present: Paul Fleming, Chair
Barry Watkinson, Sellafield Limited
Stewart Kemp, CCC
John Grainger, IIC
David Hayes, CV
Sam Hounslow, NDA
Julie Beteridge, CBC
Rob Terwey, CCC
Samantha McKenzie, WLR

Apologies: Rosie Mathisen, WLR
Kevin Warren, NWDA
Sean Balmer, NDA
Shaun Gorman, CCC
John Hetherington, Hetherington Nuclear Consulting

1.	<p><u>Actions from last meeting</u></p> <p>The following actions are outstanding and should be addressed in time for the next meeting on 14 July 2009.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NMP may have socio economic money available. RM to check with TK. - KW to have a conversation with RDA to discuss help with resources. - Invite Brian Wilson to the next meeting. 	<p><i>RM</i> <i>KW</i> <i>RM</i></p>
2.	<p><u>Brief updates/discussions : Workstreams</u></p> <p>Governance/Oversight</p> <p>A paper will be going to CCC cabinet on 21/07/09 on co-ordination of resources. SK to keep group updated.</p> <p>RM and PF have met with Allan Haile (CCC) and Paul Feehily (CCC finance) - discussions are continuing. Governance needs to be addressed as a priority.</p> <p>Possibility of forming an interim small governance oversight group which could include J Reed, R Liddle and CCC which could act as an advice group for the project. DH to pursue. JB will raise with CBC about their interest and involvement and will advise accordingly</p> <p>Utilities (including NDA update)</p>	<p><i>SK</i></p> <p><i>DH</i> <i>JB</i></p>

NDA has made an announcement on the commencement of the land sale at Sellafield.

Timeline for expressions of interest has not been specified. Consortiums are still being set up. NDA will make an announcement of when the process will close in due course – approx September 2009.

Utilities

RWE are still interested in Sellafield area but have not specified which of the 3 sites is their favourite. It is important that they make their timeframes known. JR, RL and DH meeting with RWE 17.06.09. DH to update group.

Grid is a key issue. RWE already have a grid offer for Braystones and Kirkstanton.

The Iberdrola consortium are also very interested.

Grid have advised that it will take seven years for them to complete the West Cumbria power line ring (this includes the planning period).

Choice of reactors are not being disclosed yet. RWE may favour Westinghouse and EON probably favours Areva. Wylfa is the competition for the Sellafield and other West Cumbrian sites.

National Process

DECC will be deciding which of the sites will go forward into the NPS in September 2009. Parliamentary approval by March 2010. Hopeful for Sellafield site but don't know about the other sites in Cumbria. DH to continue to update.

Stakeholder Engagement

Stakeholder engagement should get started again in August/September 2009 – timing issue – need something new to talk about – e.g. land sale complete, reactor design selected, nomination successful, etc. Further discussions need to be held. PF will discuss with JB and strategy and programme will be developed as required.

Need to demonstrate the attractiveness of Sellafield over Wylfa.

Website needs to be updated with more information – links to funding. Need someone to provide information for the website.

CCC again offered support and would be pleased to be involved in Stakeholder Engagement work stream activities.

Rob Terwey suggested that a briefing is needed on Nuclear New Build for partner organisations – need to discuss what should be said in public. [DH has since drafted and circulated a helpful summary of lines to take]

Infrastructure (Transport)

DH

DH

<p>Rail has been focussed on. Discussions have been held on the basic figures needed in order to identify transport options.</p>	
<p>Not much present investment will take place on highways – no funds available until at least 2017.</p>	
<p>Next meeting - notes on highways / sea or water. Colin Sharpe may be involved. Information/experience could be noted from Hinkley and Sizewell. Wylfa would also be an interesting site to look at.</p>	
<p>RT to send link on infrastructure funding to DH. Essential requirements need to be delivered whilst achieving the benefits from the project.</p>	<p><i>RT</i></p>
<p>Infrastructure (Welfare and Support Services)</p>	
<p>JB to organise a meeting to discuss. [This was actioned and a meeting hosted by Fergus McMorrow and project team members has been held]</p>	<p><i>JB</i></p>
<p>Has there been any post-mortem of the Thorp construction. This could be used as evidence to support the requirements of the project. May be beneficial to set up a learning group for the Nuclear New Build Project for the benefit of future generations. JB to pursue.</p>	<p><i>JB</i></p>
<p>Grid Connectivity</p>	
<p>Still facing a few challenges. Three task groups have been identified for the more sensitive areas and are trying to resolve issues. Everything will be fed back into the main Planners group.</p>	
<p>All emerging preferred routes are in the public domain.</p>	
<p>LDNPA are being helpful and are engaging.</p>	
<p>Report from the Grid has a couple of queries and a response is awaited. [Final report subsequently agreed and issued to us]</p>	
<p>Employment, Training and Skills</p>	
<p>Jean Llewelyn has been invited to the next meeting. RM and PF to hold a pre-meeting with Jean.</p>	<p><i>PF/RM</i></p>
<p>Need a utility on Board before we can commit to training etc. Also need to be aware of timeframes in relation to construction before firm decisions can be made.</p>	
<p>Presentations to be given to Heads of Cumbrian schools to get skills and training on their agenda. To be discussed at next meeting (see below).</p>	
<p>The next meeting on 14th July may take place over morning and afternoon to accommodate the Employment and Skills agenda item. Hopefully Jean will be able to attend both parts of the meeting. [Since agreed that a focused employment and skills workshop will be held and will follow on from the next core team meeting in the afternoon. Planning for this is already now underway.]</p>	

	<p>Supply Chain</p> <p>Not covered – Kevin Warren was unavailable for the meeting. To be discussed at next meeting.</p> <p>PF/BW to meet with Kevin as soon as possible. [Meeting has subsequently been held]</p> <p>IPC Submission</p> <p>Must be addressed urgently. Discussions need to be held.</p> <p>The government are saying IPC process may take three years. What do we see as a reasonable timeline? Need to breakdown the IPC requirements into work that needs to be done. Need a focused IPC strategy. Under ongoing review.</p> <p>The utility will have to submit a transport requirement document and the Transport Team will assess the document. We need to advise the utility on what the requirements are. Need realistic timelines.</p> <p>When can we have an IPC submission ready? - Utility may want to have an IPC submission ready by March 2010 – need further discussions.</p>	<i>KW</i>
3.	<p><u>Funding</u></p> <p>Work is progressing on securing funding and Rosie will continue to pursue. A purchase order for £238k from the NDA has been received, an invoice has been issued and payment is awaited. SMcK will confirm when received.</p>	<i>RM SMcK</i>
4.	<p><u>Dates of next meetings</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">14 July, 1 September, 6 October, 17 November 12:00 – 16:00 WLR Offices, Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science & Technology Park</p>	
5.	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p>The risk register was reviewed and will be updated.</p>	<i>BW</i>

**Core Team Meeting - Nuclear New Build
Tuesday 14 July 2009
10:00 – 12:00**

**To be held at WLR Offices, Fleswick Court,
Westlakes Science and Technology Park**

AGENDA

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| 1. Introductions | RM |
| 2. Actions from Last Meeting | RM |
| 3. Brief Updates/Discussion: Work Streams | |
| > NDA update | SH |
| > Governance/Oversight | RM |
| > Utilities | BW |
| > National Process | DH |
| > Stakeholder Engagement | PF |
| > Infrastructure (Transport) | RT |
| > Infrastructure (Welfare and Support Services) | JB |
| > Grid Connectivity | PF |
| > Employment, Training and Skills (and afternoon workshop) | PF |
| > Supply Chain (and planned future workshop) | KW |
| > IPC Submission | PF |
| 4. IPC strategy | PF |
| 5. AOB | All |
| 6. Dates of Next Meeting | All |

LUNCH

12.45 Afternoon: Employment and Skills Workshop

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Notes

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Stakeholder Engagement

In progress. The website and further work required in this area has been discussed. It sits more under the IPC workstream. This is in a quieter phase, as the nomination pack has been submitted. A presentation was provided to the Chamber of Commerce.

Infrastructure (Transport)

RT was not present to provide an update.

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A profile of construction workers has been requested. A build sequence DVD is available. The anticipated build period is 6 years. This is based on a pessimistic programme. In China they are looking at a 3 year build programme.

Project plans

2 project plans showing key dates and tasks were shown to the group. The plans show lots of activity before the IPC goes in. One plan shows the split/ staggered IPCs, the other shows them going in as a block. The Westinghouse build programme has been entered in the project plan. A possible target date for Sellafield to be 'on the bars' is 2019. This is based on a number of big assumptions, especially that the grid and the utilities are ready and in place. The IPC may not be ready until 2013.

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- It does assume that there are utilities that will take up the lease and that National Grid is ready.
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**Nuclear New Build Project Team
Employment and Skills Scoping and Strategy Workshop
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1300-15.30**

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AGENDA

A buffet lunch will be provided prior to the meeting at 12.30

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| 1. Introductions, Background and Objectives | Rosie Mathisen |
| 2. Nuclear New Build Presentation
<i>Programme Manager – New Build Adjacent to Sellafield</i> | Paul Fleming |
| 3. National Skills Academy Presentation | Jean Llewellyn |
| 4. Round Table Contributions from Attendees | All |
| 5. Facilitated Discussion on the Way Forward | Richard Watson |

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| 5. | RT to send link to document relating to infrastructure funding allocations. | RT |
| 6. | JB to liaise with Cath Giel & Tim Knowles with regards to setting up a Learning Group. | JB |

New Actions

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| 7. | SK to provide JB with a copy of the paper that was prepared for the CCC cabinet. | SK |
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| 10. | PF/ BW to speak to Harry Knowles and John Hutton regarding supply chain and BAEs involvement. | PF/
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| 11. | DH to speak to his contacts regarding the IPC submission process. | DH |

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1 September, 6 October, 17 November
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Nuclear New Build – Core team Meeting
Tuesday 15th September 2009
13:00 to 16:00

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Actions

Outstanding from previous meeting

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RM |
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New Actions

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| 2. | RM to invite RR to attend future core team meetings on behalf of Brian Wilson | RM |
| 3. | RM had received some information on Department of Transport funding streams from TH which may be useful for RT. TH to forward this information to RT. | TH |
| 4. | DH is happy to circulate details on the IPC timetable, process map and overview and the application form/ guidance form for applicants. Local planning authorities have received a toolkit and have been asked for feedback on it. | DH |
| 5. | RT reported that he still required funding support to progress the transport related infrastructure work stream. NB to have a discussion with RT. | NB/
RT |
| 6. | We are in a transition period now until a utility comes on board. RM to get legal advice on the role of WLR in relation to NNB and to have a discussion with Stuart Cowperthwaite. | RM |
| 7. | The terms of reference for this group should then be revised in light of the legal advice received. RM asked DH to provide some advice on the terms of reference for the group. | DH |
| 8. | Coordination of communications is now needed. RM suggested that MM may be able to provide assistance with this. RM to check if this is in the scope of MM's contract with WLR. | RM |
| 9. | JRG to send RT the distribution list for the NNB core team. RT will then forward the minutes of the Transport Working Group to members of the NNB core team. | JRG |
| 10. | DH to explore if any national funding can be leveraged for infrastructure developments through the West Cumbria Strategic Forum. DH and others are meeting on the 22 October meeting for the Whitehall Officials Group. TH to forward DH any information that may be useful for this meeting. | DH |
| 11. | Post- meeting note- CBC asked for the following to be included in the notes circulated to the group. This note could be considered by CCC for inclusion on their behalf also. | JRG |

"Copeland Borough Council (CBC) as Local Planning Authority, confirmed that their attendance at the meeting was on the understanding that it was in accordance with

**Nuclear New Build
Team Meeting
Tuesday 15 September 2009
13.00 – 16.00**

Please note the change to the start time

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| 2. Actions from Last Meeting | RM |
| 3. Report from West Cumbria Vision Board – Nuclear workshop | RM/DH |
| 4. “Vision” presentation | RM/DH |
| 5. Work Streams: updates | |
| ▪ NDA update | SH |
| ▪ Utilities | RM/DH |
| ▪ National Process | DH |
| ▪ Stakeholder Engagement | PF/JB |
| ▪ Infrastructure (Transport) | RT/CCC |
| ▪ Infrastructure and Impact Study | JB/CBC |
| ▪ Grid Connectivity | PF/JH |
| ▪ Employment, Training and Skills | PF/JG |
| ▪ Supply Chain (and planned future workshop/supplier event) | KW |
| ▪ Media and Marketing, Comms Plan | MMcK |
| 6. IPC strategy | JH |
| 7. Transition Arrangements and role of NNB Programme Manager | RM/PF |
| 8. AOB | All |
| 9. Dates of Next Meeting | |

**6 October, 17 November
13:00– 16:00**

Nuclear New Build – Core team Meeting
Tuesday 27 October 2009
13:00 to 16:00
WLR Offices, Fleswick Court,
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Actions

Outstanding from previous meeting

1. SC is speaking to NMP about the funding for a range of projects including NNB. This action is still in progress as it is part of a process that WCVB is going through to prioritise funding and projects within the EC programme. SC/
RM
2. The terms of reference for this group have been revised/ updated. RM will need to send these onto CBC and CCC for legal advice. RM

New actions

3. RM to ensure that the wider infrastructure is included in the wider business planning process that WCVB are undertaking in November. RM
4. RM to ensure that BW and DH are invited to the 9th November workshop.
5. A Skills, Training and Employment workshop in January was suggested. JRG to take forward with advice from BW, RM and DH. JRG
6. JRG to provide a report for the next meeting on the research done to date on this work stream. JRG
7. DECC is visiting the area in January 2010 to talk about the 3 nominated sites. They will be holding a series of events. It is anticipated that all 11 sites will be included in the consultation document. There is a requirement to pull together all the districts that surround the 3 sites. Who could co-ordinate this? Action: LA representative? LA rep
8. KW to send JRG a copy of the nuclear NWDA brochure to circulate to the group. KW
JRG
9. A facilitated workshop is required for the transport related infrastructure. JRG to work with NB to organise this. JRG/
NB
10. Transport related infrastructure- CCC has an issue with client side capacity. A transport co-ordinator is required. NB raised this as an issue. Options for addressing the capacity issue to be discussed. To be raised with Marie Fallon in the first instance. RT and Andrew Moss to be included in the discussion. NB/
RM
11. Resources are required for inward investment otherwise the maximum benefits for the area cannot be realised/ achieved. RM needs to feed this information into the business planning process. RM
12. There is a bid to establish Cumbria as a Low Carbon Economic Area for Nuclear. It is likely that this announcement will be made in January. KW offered to share info on the bid to members of the group. KW

Next Meetings

17 November, 15 December 13:00 – 16:00
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Team Meeting
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| 2. Update from Whitehall Liaison Group | DH |
| 3. Work streams: updates | |
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| ▪ Utilities | RM/DH |
| ▪ National Process | DH |
| ▪ Stakeholder Engagement | JB |
| ▪ Infrastructure (Transport) | NB |
| ▪ Infrastructure (wider) | TBC |
| ▪ Grid Connectivity | BW |
| ▪ Employment, Training and Skills | JG |
| ▪ Manufacturing and supply chain | DH/ BW |
| 4. Media and Marketing | MM |
| 5. Inward Investment Response Mechanism | JG |
| 6. Transition arrangements, update on the NNB Programme Manager replacement and resources. | RM |
| 7. AOB | All |
| 8. Dates of Next Meeting | |

**17 November, 15 December
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Jill Graham, WLR

Apologies

Julie Betteridge, CBC

Work stream updates

Whitehall Liaison Group

- The Whitehall Officials Group took place on the 22 October. DH provided a brief overview of the discussion that took place at the meeting.
- DH had been asked at the last meeting to explore if any national funding can be leveraged for infrastructure developments through the West Cumbria Strategic Forum. It was reported that there is no additional money for LAs.
- The LGA did not put forward the best case forward. It is understood that JB is putting information together to build a better case to put forward to Government.
- There was discussion about the Government's Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre and also the Centre of Research for Non-Proliferation.

Utilities

- An announcement is imminent on the NDAs land sale.
- An engagement plan is required with the successful utility once the successful bidder is known. Within this there is stakeholder engagement which the LAs are responsible for.
- Once the announcement has been made this group need to make contact with the successful bidder. It was suggested that RMs team should have initial contact with the utility.

National Processes

- The NPS publication is imminent. It is expected within the next 4-5 weeks. The 3 month consultation will follow once the document has been issued.
- The IPC has published a list of the major projects they'll be dealing with, these include 5 wind farm applications, Sizewell and Hinkley and the associated grid connections.
- DECC is visiting the area in January 2010 to talk about the 3 nominated sites. They will be holding a series of events.
- It is anticipated that all 11 sites will be included in the consultation document.

- There is a requirement to pull together all the districts that surround the 3 sites. Who could co-ordinate this? Action: Representative from the LAs to be nominated.

Stakeholder Engagement

- This group needs to plan for success on the NDA site sale announcement.
- LD and MM are working on a communications plan for the facilitation aspect of the work.
- The stakeholder engagement and facilitation work streams need to be kept separately.
- It is vital that the facilitation work conducted by this team does not compromise colleagues involved in the regulatory/planning aspects.
- Sean Gorman at CCC is leading from the County's perspective on the planning/ regulatory side.

Transport

- NB is progressing this work stream.
- A multi-modal model is required for West Cumbria. NB is looking at the funding available to move forward with this.
- There is also a requirement for a short-term traffic impact study for the construction phase of NNB. Capita has produced a proposal.
- A facilitated workshop is required to kick off the discussion on this short-term transport study. Action: JRG to work with NB to organise this.
- CCC has an issue with client side capacity. A transport co-ordinator is required. NB raised this as an issue. Would a secondment be possible? This needs to be handled sensitively and should be raised with Marie Fallon in the first instance. RT and Andrew Moss to be included in the discussion. Action: RM/ NB?

Wider infrastructure

- It is understood that Pat Graham is starting work on this from Copeland's perspective.
- The LA's need to be brought together to start the discussion on this area of work and identify who is doing what in-terms of impact studies.
- The wider infrastructure may overlap with the pre-application work that Copeland, Allerdale and CCC will be required to complete.
- Planners are required to be involved but also strategic people.
- **Action:** RM to ensure that the wider infrastructure is included in the wider business planning process that WCVB are undertaking in November.
- **Action:** RM to ensure that BW and DH are invited to the 9th November workshop.

Grid connectivity

- A series of GRO Task Group has and is taking place in October and November.
- The Duddon are workshop took place on the 8th October and the LDNP is taking place on the 28th October. The Duddon went very well.
- There will be a main group meeting that will bring together the findings from the Task Groups and will also include National Grid.
- Before then there is a meeting planned with National Grid on the 16th November.

Employment, training and skills

- **Action:** JRG to provide a report for the next meeting on the research done to date on this work stream.
- Need to draft what the Cumbria offer is to the market place.
- **Action:** A workshop in January was suggested. JRG to take forward with advice from BW, RM and DH.

Manufacturing

- An announcement is expected before the next meeting on the 17th November on the NMRC.
- There is a bid to establish Cumbria as a Low Carbon Economic Area for Nuclear. It is likely that this announcement will be made in January. KW offered to share info on the bid to members of the group.

Media and marketing

- Action: LD and MM to start mapping out roles and responsibilities and bring something to the next meeting.
- Action: KW to send JRG a copy of the nuclear NWDA brochure to circulate to the group.

Inward investment response mechanism

- Resources are required for inward investment otherwise the maximum benefits for the area cannot be realised/ achieved.
- Action: RM needs to feed this information into the business planning process.

Transition arrangements

- RM and NB are meeting with a replacement for the NNB programme manager on the 29th October .



Nuclear New Build Steering Group

Terms of Reference

October 2009

Members

Rosie Mathisen	West Lakes Renaissance
Jill Graham	West Lakes Renaissance
David Hayes	Government Relations Director, WLR
Julie Betteridge	Copeland Borough Council
Stewart Kemp	Cumbria County Council
	Allerdale Borough Council
John Grainger	MD, Invest in Cumbria
Kevin Warren	NWDA
Luke Diccico	Cumbria Vision
Peter Kane	GMB, Sellafield Unions
Simon Sjenitzer	Cumbria Vision
Programme Manager (tbc)	Amec

Advisors

Sean Balmer (tbc)	NDA	The NDA is represented as owner of the site, as client to the SLC, the owner of nuclear materials and with a valid interest in promoting socio-economic benefit to West Cumbria, through its obligations under the Energy Act. As such the NDA representative is available to make appropriate input and to give advice to the Group within the agreed framework of government policy and NDA vires.
Barry Watkinson	Sellafield Sites Ltd	Sellafield Sites are represented as Managers and Operators of the site, with significant knowledge of the site and also with a valid interest in promoting socio-economic benefit to West Cumbria. As such the Sellafield representative is available to make appropriate input and to give advice to the Group.
Richard Riley	Amec	Representing Brian Wilson, Chair WCVB

Role of Local Authorities

Copeland Borough Council (CBC), as local planning authority (CBC-LPA), confirmed that their membership of this group was on the understanding that attendance was in accord with preliminary discussions, facilitated by West Lakes Renaissance (WLR), that are taking place with regard to possible Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) planning applications that may be made to the Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC). Any views expressed by officers in attendance at the meeting are given 'without prejudice' and on this basis of understanding.

Purpose of Group

1. To coordinate and review progress on securing new nuclear power stations in West Cumbria, consistent with Energy Coast objectives
2. to discuss issues related directly and indirectly to the above, including nuclear manufacturing, skills, research and development etc
3. to report to and make recommendations as appropriate to other "guidance" bodies, including the West Cumbria Leaders Group and the Energy Coast Vision Board.
4. is to coordinate activity where that activity is properly the responsibility of West Cumbria Vision and its partners and will evolve over time.
5. to support the objectives of the Energy Coast programme.

The purpose is not to lead or intervene in matters which are properly the responsibility (statutory or otherwise) of others, such as the sale by the NDA of its local development land; or local planning and development consent applications to the IPC, and their related local process.

Team/Group members shall be responsible for ensuring appropriate feedback and reporting to others in their organisations.

Responsibilities

1. To work with public sector partners to increase the attractiveness of the Sellafield undesignated site area for reactor development and associated developments.
2. To determine the best use of resources in order to achieve this.
3. To engage with DECC and OND, NDA and Sellafield Sites Ltd, to better understand and influence nuclear policy framework as it develops.
4. To engage with Sellafield Sites, the private sector, utilities and reactor vendors and the National Grid to better understand and influence market decisions on new build.
5. To provide regular feedback into their respective organisations and back into the Group.

Activities based on Programme Management Workstreams

6. Help to reduce the planning risk for the National Grid and the utility to deliver the necessary grid connections by facilitating dialogue between National Grid, appropriate planning organisations and other interested parties.
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8. Support the appropriate local authorities in planning and IPC aspects of new build development in West Cumbria.
9. Produce a marketing and communications plan to support the development of new build in West Cumbria.

10. Maintain and enhance robust local and regional support for nuclear new build in West Cumbria in the light of potential developments
11. Identify and secure Manufacturing and Supply Chain Opportunities for locally based companies in the new build sector in UK, NW and internationally
12. Explore the potential of attracting high energy usage industry into West Cumbria and exporting energy offshore to Ireland/Scotland

Nuclear New Build Core Team

October 2009

**Nuclear New Build
Team Meeting
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13.00 – 16.00**

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**15 December
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New Actions

1. Actions from last Meeting

1. Cumbria Vision to be on the on agenda.
2. Dog Holden to be asked to present to the group in relation to supply chain development.
3. NPS response. Local authorities to discuss to ensure consistency. WCV (DH) to be invited. NWDA to liaise with us (WCV) on our response. Not due until 22 Feb 2010.
4. Board paper for 10/12 CV Board - DH to draft. Will need to address question of which Cumbrian sites to support (or not).
5. DH to liaise with DECC on local stakeholder events, after CBC has clarified its position.
6. RM to revise draft TOR/work streams.
7. DH to draft outline partnership/co-operation agreement with Iberdrola consortium, without prejudice to signatories.

Update- General

- Article in press re Iberdrolas intention to start work and the date last week. This was in the national press. Explained as an error in translation. Correction was circulated to the group.
- RT provided an update on emergency infrastructure response.
- Have completed a transport economic assessment. No one could provide the figures on the loss of trade/ impact on Workington.
 - Martin Heffer- co-ordinating the economic transport planning.
 - Temp road bridge will be done by May 2010.
 - Traffic management study RT has the go ahead.
 - Ministerial meeting on 27 January- need to link case for new transport infrastructure to case for helping to provide government with assistance on low carbon/ energy targets. BW, DH and RT need to work together on this.

2. Updates from key meetings

- NIA Annual Conference- update provided by BW and JG.
 - Update on West Cumbria Vision Board and Business Planning
 - David and Rosie provided a nuclear update to the WCVB. RM spoke about where we are with the Iberdrola consortia- they not quite ready to engage yet. WCVB and consortia keen/ recognise the need for collaborative working. Pre-cursor to PPA.
 - LAs need clarity on roles between utility and LAs.
 - Nuclear issues working group on 11 January. Pendragon working for Scottish Power have been invited to the group.
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- Joint working and agreement for LAs/ development framework. For infrastructure and also shared information. CV, Allerdale, Copeland, CCC agreement- have met. Taken on an interim project to scope it out. Steve Smith is doing this on behalf of Copeland.
 - PILOT- WCVB have asked for a presentation on this project. DH/ RM working up a presentation at next board meeting. Around maximising investment from the opportunities. A good eg of how investors/ companies can work together to do this.

3. Work streams: updates

Engagement and cooperation with Iberdrola consortium

- Already covered. Options for information on office locations- request from Tom Cassells- Scottish Power. Team from here IIC, NB and Ray Patterson planning to visit them in their own office to find out what their requirements are. Shortage of office accommodation was raised as an issue. Action: This team/ small group to make a presentation to our WCVB- bring the evidence to the board of the demand. Rob Guerne and John G to take this forward. JB to speak to Cath Giel for the meeting tomorrow- she sits on the WCDF Board. Need to feed into the next West Cumbria Development Fund Board. Need WCDF to put up speculative rents so that it encourages commercial development and
- Brian Wilson has had 2 meetings with the consortia one also included Roger Liddle- building on relationship.

National Government Process

Government has 3 consultations ongoing;

- DECC consultation process on NPS closes 22 Feb.
- House of Commons select committee on climate change- written evidence deadline
- New House of Commons select committee. Future of Nuclear industry in the NW. Closing on 5th January 2010.
- Advanced research and manufacturing centre announcement- Joint working between Universities of Sheffield and Manchester, located in Sheffield.
- WCVB- Message from last Board meeting- we should be site neutral.
- WCVB WILL BE RESPONDING TO ALL THREE CONSULTATIONS.

Key dates

WCVB- 11 February

CBC- date to be agreed.

DECC consultation on NPS closes on 22 Feb 2010.

27th Jan Officials Group

House of commons select committee on transport- looked at response to flooding. There is an opp for us to respond to this and also to make a link between this and energy coast opportunity.

RT is drafting something to feed into this committee- will share

Grid Connectivity

- 3 connection agreements in place for the sites in West Cumbria- 3.6gw
- Challenges- Lancashire new line to Munrpiceton and Curnmore required. Reliant on RM and BW meeting with Lancashire stakeholders in January.
- Grid have a very robust IPC programme.
- 3year consultation programme for grid infrastructure IPC submission.
- A good example of best practice.

Infrastructure (Transport)

Infrastructure meeting was cancelled at the start of the month.

The opps for NNB from floods are related to rail. Identified further paths- rail

Positive news NB- Transport person- project in the business plan and additional money for multi-modal study also now available (hoped to complete end of next year). Feed into 11 Feb board.

Have been asked for the multi-modal interchanges ALL of them are in the business plan.
Infrastructure legacy, impact study and planning gain.

Workshop for transport study- short term

- Workshop will look at basic assumptions on where people are going to live. Planners need to be involved in the workshop. To work out the planning scenarios on which this modelling will be based.
- Don't want a workshop that just look at requirements for nmb.
- Action: Speak to Jonathan- get a list of names/ organisation and a date for the workshop.
- Stakeholder Engagement and DECC consultation- Jan 2010

- Action: for next meeting- John Pearson to come and present/ explain what the multi-modal model is. What the shorter term study will cover and how they will link in together. JG to speak to RT and NB to organise.

- Wider infrastructure-We need to know where these people for new build will go- need the information off Copeland. Where do we expect them to be housed.

- Action: Wider infrastructure- can we start to capture some of the work/studies already ongoing- on economic impact and development?? DH to ask Marie Fallon this at the CV Board meeting.

- Action: RT to send me a sheet which shows where all the LDFs are up to.

- DECC consultation/ stakeholder engagement- now 3 meetings in January dates and details on the DECC website.

- There has also been a series of national stakeholder meetings- one additional meeting is arranged for 26 Jan in Man

Employment, Skills and Training

- Continuing workshop planning to go ahead for Jan 2010.
- Action: what's the education/ training offer for West Cumbria. Has the NDA done the review. What are the University of Cumbria's intentions for West Cumbria.

Manufacturing and supply chain

- BW is meeting chamber of commerce on opportunities in relation to supply chain opportunities.

Communications Plan, media and marketing

- Local carbon economic area has been announced.
- Action: people from group to add in dates/ events to communications plan to keep it up-to-date.
- Stakeholder engagement meetings- forward plan of future meetings to develop.
- DH- when we put in the response to the DECC consultation we will need to explain why we have taken the tac we have.
- Dh is meeting with NDA in new year about how we are promoting a positive image of Sellafield.
- MM and LD have developed a communications plan- in development.

4. Transition arrangements, securing specialist support and resources

5. Terms of Reference and Programme Management Structure

- TOR will be looked at the meeting tomorrow. Action: RM to see if NDa comms have any view on these.

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4. There has been some positive news regarding the Nuclear New Build Transport person. The project is in the business plan and additional money for a multi-modal study is also now available (it is hoped that this will be complete at the end of next year). A paper is being fed into the next WCVB meeting on the 11 February.
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Officials Group-	27 January 2010
DECC events-	
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New actions

1. Energy Coast Infrastructure workshop – a calling notice is to go out on behalf of Marie Fallon and the Nuclear Programme Board. Action: JRG to co-ordinate arrangements with IDM and TG.
2. Action: Rob Terwey is to go to the next planning session with IDM on 20th January at 1pm at NWDAs Offices, Warrington.
3. Action: Kevin Warren to forward the Regional Economic Strategy guidance onto DH.
4. Action: MM to distribute the letter from Roger Liddle to the group in which he explains that Cumbria Vision board has decided not to express any preference for a particular NNB site.
5. Action: KW to contact MM and RM about NiA event sponsorship.
6. Supply Chain Project- SC, D Holden, JRG, RM and KW to meet to discuss taking this forward. Action: RM to lead.
7. Action: MM to update email contact for Stewart Kemp.
8. Action: All to send any additional names to MM for the NNB weekly report distribution list and also to forward any items for the report by noon on Thursday.
9. Action: Communications Plan – MM to send out to the group once it has been finalised.
10. MM to send the group the article that has been written for the next edition of the Britain's Energy Coast supplement for comment.

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 - WCSF Ministerial Meeting 04 February 2010
 - Other

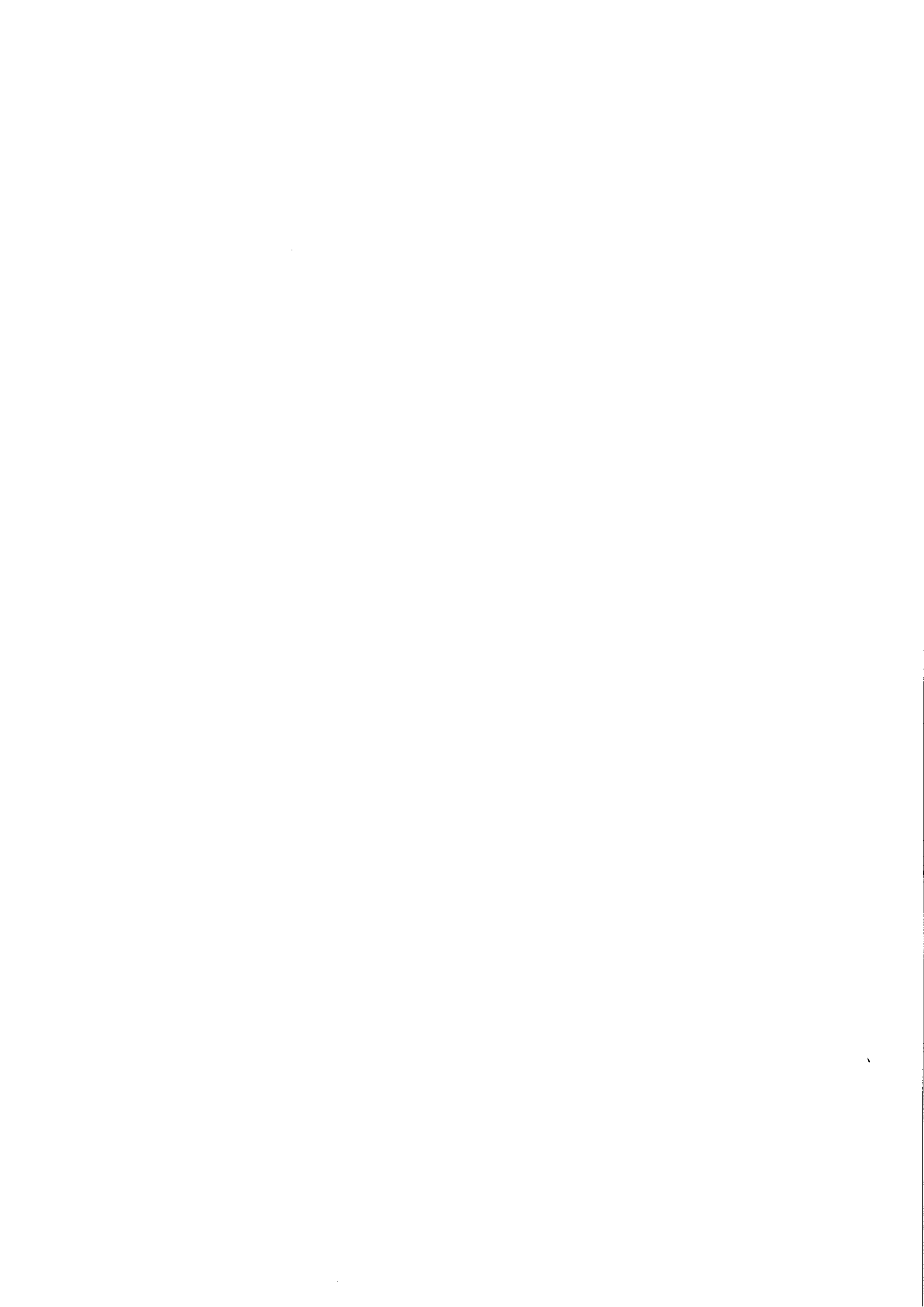
3. Work streams updates
 - Infrastructure Workshop TG
 - Infrastructure (Transport) RT
 - Presentation from Jonathan Smith, Cumbria County Council on the Multi Modal Transport Modelling Project
 - Communications Plan, media and marketing and weekly report LD
 - National Government Process DH
 - DECC consultation- Jan 2010
 - Engagement and cooperation with NNB consortium BW
 - Grid Connectivity BW
 - Employment, Skills and Training JG
 - Manufacturing and supply chain BW/KW

4. Programme Planning and Management RM/ TG

5. AOB All

6. Future Dates for 2010
 - 9 February
 - 9 March
 - 13 April
 - 11 May
 - 8 June
 - 6 July
 - 3 August (TBC nearer to the time)
 - 7 September
 - 5 October
 - 2 November
 - 30 November

All meetings 14:00 to 16: 30 BECWC Offices, Fleswick Court, Westlakes Science & Technology Park unless otherwise stated



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Date: 10th June 2010

Time: 9: 30 to 12: 00

Venue: Kelton House, Westlakes Science & Technology Park

Attendance: RM (Chair), TG, BW, DH, MM

Apologies:

		Key Points Discussed and Action Items				
No.	Topic	Action Item(s)	Owner	Date action created	Target date for completion of action	Comments/ status
1.	Programme Plan and Structure update	TG updated the group as to the progress of the plan – stating that the Construction and Commission phases were ambitious. TG to provide MM with bullet points re the progress and to distribute to the group. Weekly reporting of the Programme to recommence.	TG/MM	10/06/2010		
2.	Update on BECWC (to include any update on funding and resources)	RM informed the group that the next BECWC Board meeting is to be held on the 22 nd July 2010. Strengthening Innovation is currently going through procurement. Tenders are to be submitted by 23 rd June 2010 and will be scored and assessed with presentations being held on the 22 nd July 2010. DH requested to be on the panel. A report from the Renewables Workshop held on the 8 th June 2010 is to be sent to the BECWC Board (now Strategy Paper). RM informed the group that a spreadsheet has been produced for Nuclear Sector Development and that Consultant fees will not be funded through the project. TG briefed the group re the recent team away day stating that the day was a success and many actions arose which are to be distributed to the team at the next team meeting. BW and DH to be invited to future BECWC team meetings.	DH/RM DH/RM			
3.	Updates on Programme Work Streams: NNB	RM informed the group of the recent NB team dinner and meeting which she felt was very positive and helped to build good working relationships. RM to forward bullet points from DH to MM.	RM/DH/BW RM			

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<p>Grid</p>	<p>It was suggested that the launch be held at UCLan in September and a Workshop be held prior to this in July. The main theme is to assist in the roll out of the engagement process BECWC to work with the Grid to make the process more engaged and roll out earlier. It was highlighted that the risks associated with NGO's such as Greenpeace would have to be addressed. RM to meet with SC to discuss Grid progression. MM to look at Data Spine criteria IDM have produced. Freshwater to capture data from consultations – background research required into their capabilities.</p> <p>A workshop was held with all the local stakeholders for Duddon Estuary. Main issues highlighted were that BECWC is not the developer, how to market the report to the board and major issues relating to nature and National Trust were voiced. It was agreed that as further study is required it would be taken to the Board for approval as it has not reached a point where it can be marketed for developers. DH and BW to provide bullet points as to what is required and costs (approx 50k) to go to the Board.</p>	<p>RM MM</p>		
<p>Manufacturing</p>	<p>BW has a meeting next week with BAE.</p>	<p>DH/BW</p>		
<p>Supply Chain</p>	<p>WCDA supply chain event covering NNB and Renewables to be held early December. It was noted that the Sellafield Visitors Centre may not be the best venue – RM to speak with Evan. UCLan or Energus to be considered as alternative.</p>			
<p>New Missions</p>	<p>DH is running workshops on the 18th June to look at a strategy for Nuclear Fuel Management and Waste Management. The NDA needs a decision within the next 18 months re preprocessing timescales. There may be impact to potential opportunities for Sellafield. DH to investigate if there is a role for BECWC and to provide feedback re the way forward.</p>	<p>DH</p>		

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<p>Sellafield</p> <p>Planning and Development</p>	<p>BW is involved in discussions with Sellafield regarding Emergency Planning. There is to be a project rationale to identify BECCWC's continued involvement. BW to feed back to group. RM to seek Legal advice in general on BECCWC role and use of public funding. SC met with Mark Higson to discuss how to accelerate works. TG and BW to meet with Copeland on 23rd June 2010. AC to organise catering (Invest in Cumbria offices) RM to set up debrief on Oxide Fuel Workshop and Business Industry Group.</p>	<p>BW RM AC RM</p>			
<p>4.</p> <p>Cumbria Nuclear Opportunities Coordination – prep for next meeting</p>	<p>TG is collating responses from people re risk information – major ones then identified. Areas of concern regarding the programme are IPC application for Grid – to be brought forward and planning and infrastructure to be done together with BECCWC's help. DH to provide TG with contacts within Somerset Council. RM to set up meeting with Sasha at Wvifa.</p>	<p>DH RM</p>			
<p>5.</p> <p>Communications</p>	<p>MM has filed all the presentation slides into a library which will be accessible through the website with a password for security. It was felt that the new BEC website should be kept as BEC and not BECCWC this should be a stand alone entity. MM working with Luke re the website and will chase for progress. MM suggested that BECCWC may use Share Point software. MM to provide disks with options. MM has provided information for the website re the NNB team and what they do. She is writing a piece for the Fusion magazine and the BEC news – August editions. MM will approach individuals for their input and comments. Group to discuss activities over the next 3 months</p>	<p>MM MM MM ALL</p>			

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