



Hunterston Site Stakeholder Group - notes

MEETING OF RECRUITMENT SUB-GROUP OF THE SITE STAKEHOLDER GROUP – Hunterston A SSG

Tuesday 27th February 2007 in Conference Room 3, Hunterston A, West Kilbride

PRESENT

North Ayrshire Council

Councillor Richard Wilkinson (Chair)

National Farmers Union

Mrs Eleanor Lamont (Deputy Chair)

Mr Daniel Reed

Community Councillors

Mr Peter Macfarlane – Largs

Mrs Rita Holmes – Fairlie

British Nuclear Group

Mr Peter Roach

Mrs Jennifer Gillie

Members of the public were not in attendance.

Apologies were received from Mr I Frame, Mr T Bale, Mr J Lamb, Mrs A Russell-Stevenson, Mr A Cochran Patrick and Councillor J Moffat

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

Councillor Wilkinson welcomed the members of the sub group of the Hunterston Site Stakeholder Group (SSG). He explained this was to discuss the information pack that would be sent out to members of the public that responded to the advert in the paper looking for 5 new members to join the SSG. The meeting would also decide how to handle consideration of constitutional changes by the SSG.

2. INFORMATION PACK

Councillor Wilkinson and the SSG members went through the information pack that had been distributed to SSG Members and it was amended and the changes were agreed. Please see Appendix 1 for the Final Information Pack.

3. CONSTITUTION

The group then moved on to the constitution, they looked over the proposal from John Lamb for the amendments to the constitution and it was decided that the present constitution, code of conduct, SSG Guidelines, John Lamb's proposed constitution and the 2 comments received from members of the SSG, would be circulated again asking for suggestions or amendments for the 9th March. This is so that at the next SSG sub-group meeting being held on the 14th

March, the ideas could be discussed and developed ready for the AGM of the SSG on the 22nd March. With this mailing it was also asked by Councillor Wilkinson that the nomination forms for Chair and Deputy Chair be sent out for voting members to fill out and return by the 16th March.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Wilkinson asked the group if there was any other business. Mr Roach mentioned to the group that he participated on a teleconference with 3 NDA Sites – Dounreay, Chapelcross and Hunterston regarding Site End State with Region 4 NDA and Richard Mrowicki from Herdes House.

Mr Roach informed the group of the feedback received from the meeting.

The NDA commented that the feedback was similar for all the sites and they were all praised for their robust approach. There was some local variations between the three sites, which the NDA liked as it showed independence.

All the sites used an independent consultant. The sites said they felt this was very important with the amount of work that was required. Mr Mrowicki had pointed out that this was not always the case from all over the UK.

They liked the fact that the SSG had used the independent consultant on behalf of the SSG and not as a contractor for the site. The NDA were very impressed with the 42,000 leaflet drop that Hunterston SSG had done, and pointed out that Hunterston had the biggest response out of the 3 sites with 400 replies and Chapelcross only getting around 50 and Dounreay about 20.

Mr Roach pointed out that the NDA were very pleased that the SSG were on schedule to make the deadline for the submission to the NDA.

Mr Roach pointed out that all three sites went for the Fully Delicensed Option. All three sites however want some flexibility and if there is a possibility of a Socio Economic aspect that would be significant, they would want that looked at.

There was one action that came out of the conference call. The NDA are keen to make sure that the SSG's have not cut across any other statutory bodies that may have long term plans for the land. The NDA would like the SSG's to check with the statutory bodies that the decision to go with the Fully Delicensed Option does not affect any of the long term plans for the area.

The group pointed out to Mr Roach that before they started the process of public consultation the first thing that the group did was to contact the following bodies to check that there was no long term plans for the land that would affect the Site End State options - Scottish Executive, NII, SEPA, Local Authorities, Site, Greenpeace, and Friends of the Earth. The group then informed Mr Roach that they had only received 2 responses and that there was no issue.



The group agreed that they would inform Nuclear Technologies of this and have the responses and the original letters put into the final report to the NDA.

Mr Roach added that the NDA thought that the consultation process should possibly be reviewed in 5 years time not 3 years. Mr Roach also pointed out to the group that due to affordability the strategy review on the Site End State has been put back and will be in the 2008/09 Life Time Plan.

5. CLOSE OF MEETING

Councillor Wilkinson closed the meeting and thanked everyone for coming.

Councillor Richard Wilkinson
SSG Chair