

**HUNTERSTON SITE STAKEHOLDER GROUP
SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS FROM THE FORTY NINTH MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 7 DECEMBER 2017 AT THE WATERSIDE HOTEL, WEST KILBRIDE**

Further detail is available in the full Minutes of the meeting.

Chairman's Opening Remarks

Mrs Rita Holmes, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and in particular, Mr Paul Dale from SEPA; Mr Paul Forrest, EDF's Acting Site Director for Hunterston B; Mr Allan Rice from Saltcoats Community Council and Mr Andy McDade, Trade Union Representative for Hunterston A, who has replaced Mr Gareth Dew, whom she thanked for his work and input to Site Stakeholder Group meetings.

Chair and Vice Chair Updates and Correspondence

Mrs Holmes gave a brief update on meetings attended by herself and the Vice Chair on behalf of the Site Stakeholder Group since the last meeting in September 2017, including the NDA Stakeholder Summit.

Actions and Approval of Previous Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of 7 September 2017 were approved.

Hunterston B Station Reports

Hunterston B Report – Dr Roddy Angus

The statutory outage of R 4/TG8 was successfully completed after nine weeks of maintenance and the unit was back to full power on 13 November 2017. This outage involved almost 700k hours of work by a large number of people, completed with only two minor first aid injuries. Five new apprentices have been recruited with one older apprentice being awarded Apprentice of the Year. The Visitor Centre has welcomed 14,500 visitors since 2013 and is proud to have retained its five star rating from VisitScotland.

ONR Report – Mr Stuart Fannin

Mr Fannin described the inspections undertaken during the period, which focussed on the statutory outage. A detailed project assessment of graphite and integrity of the core will be undertaken in the next few weeks and results made available on the ONR website.

SEPA Report – Mr Keith Hammond

Mr Hammond reported on the joint SEPA/ONR inspection on 21 November 2017. The latest edition of RIFE 22 (Radioactivity in Food and the Environment) covering 2016 is available and the results are very similar to previous years and give no particular concerns. The Scottish Pollutant Release Inventory (SPRI) has also been updated for 2016 and can be viewed on SEPA's website.

Hunterston A Site Reports

Hunterston A Report – Mr John Grierson

'Target Zero' campaign topics included Radiological Safety, Fire Safety, Mental Health Awareness and Slips Trips and Falls. Mental Health First Aid training courses have been undertaken by 100 individuals to raise awareness of mental health issues and provide pathways for support. Mandatory training sessions on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion are now being delivered by a professional company. Consultation with Trade Union and employees continues with regard to proposed changes in shift operations. Working conditions in the ponds are very difficult in the final phases, involving shaving and ultra-high pressure washing, draining and stabilisation. The planning application for the Hunterston Reactor Cladding project has now been determined and granted, conditional upon written approval from North Ayrshire Council on the colour and material of the cladding.

ONR Report and SEPA Report

Mr Eales (ONR) and Mr Stone (SEPA) were not present at the meeting but their reports were circulated with the meeting papers.

Update from Scottish Government – Mr Ewan Young

Mr Young's report included information on the European (Withdrawal) Bill; Euratom; Nuclear Safeguards Bill; Basic Safety Standards Directive; Public Exposure; Emergency Preparedness and Response Consultation and Proportionate Regulatory Control. SCCORS has two new joint Convenors from Renfrew and Inverclyde from January 2018.

NDA Report – Mr Bill Hamilton

The new NDA digital newsletter *#Decomm* was launched in November 2017. Sellafield's 60 year old tallest chimney, measuring 61 metres, is being taken down by means of a self-climbing platform, at a rate of one metre per week. New appointments have been made to the NDA Executive Team. The draft Business Plan will be published in December 2017. The National Audit Office and Public Accounts Committee have carried out investigations into the procurement of the Magnox Competition and the Holliday Inquiry report is expected in the first half of 2018.

Next Meeting – Thursday 1 March 2018 at 1.00 pm for 1.30 pm at The Waterside Hotel, Ardrossan.