

TRAWSFYNYDD SITE
MINUTES OF THE SEVENTEENTH MEETING OF THE SITE STAKEHOLDER GROUP
HELD AT THE CONFERENCE AND INDUCTION CENTRE
ON MONDAY 11 JUNE 2012

PRESENT

Cllr J Isgoed Williams Chairman

Trawsfynydd Site

Mr Dave R Wilson	Site Director
Mr Kevin Titley	Magnox
Mr Ian Edwards	Magnox
Ms Amanda Tucker	Magnox
Mr Rory Trappe	Magnox
Mr Chris Skarratt	Magnox
Mr Robin Phillips	Magnox
Mr Raymond Parry	Magnox
Mr Bryan Walley	Magnox
Mr Paul Richardson	Magnox
Mr Andy M ^c Ateer	Magnox

Horizon

Mr Richard Foxhall

Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

Mr Jonathan Jenkin
Ms Karen Dickens

Gwynedd Council

Cllr Thomas Ellis
Mr Dylan Griffiths

Town and Community Councils

Cllr Dafydd Watts	Llanfrothen Community Council
Cllr John Richards	Talsarnau Community Council
Cllr D Meredydd Williams	Maentwrog Community Council
Cllr Gareth Thomas	Penrhyndeudraeth Town Council

Community Groups and Organisations

Mr Idwal Williams	Traws-Newid
Dr Iolo ap Gwynn	Snowdonia National Park Authority
Mr Keith O'Brien	Snowdonia National Park Authority
Cllr E Caerwyn Roberts	Snowdonia National Park Authority

Observers

Ms Michelle Humphreys	Magnox
Ms Zoe Young	Magnox
Mr Eurwyn Jones	Farmers' Union of Wales
Mr John Morgan	North Wales Fire and Rescue Service

Mr Gwynfor Owen
Miss Elen Williams

Translation – Cymen
Minutes

1. Apologies for absence

Mr Aled Sturkey	Snowdonia National Park Authority
Mr Bryan Halsey	Magnox
Mr Dafydd Jarrett	NFU Cymru

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. He also welcomed Zoe Young, Magnox Communication Officer, and Jonathan Jenkin from the NDA, as well as Michelle Humphreys, Karen Dickens, Richard Foxhall and Amanda Tucker, as we would be hearing more from them later on. He also said that Chris Kemp was not present but had provided a report on behalf of the Nuclear Installation Inspectorate. Steve Howard was not present and there was no report from the Environment Agency.

In case there were new faces in the SSG group following the recent elections, the Chairman asked everyone in the room to introduce themselves.

2. Approve the minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2011

The minutes were approved and accepted as being a correct record of the proceedings subject to the following corrections:

- 2.1 Cllr Meredydd Williams expressed concern that he had not been listed as present in the minutes. As well as this, in the previous meeting, the group had said the names of individuals asking questions should be noted. However, his name had not been quoted on two occasions under the questions in 6.19.
- 2.2 The figures in 6.4 should be in millions and should therefore be:
Value of Work in Baseline – Circa £84 million
Value of Works Delivered Year to Date (Performance against Baseline) – £45.798 million
Actual Cost Year to Date – £45.397 million
- 2.3 In reference to the Food Standards Agency, it had also been reported that their representation on the SSG will cease to exist.

Having discussed these matters, the minutes were proposed as a true record by Mr Idwal Williams and seconded by Mr Keith O'Brien.

3. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2011

- 3.1 Dr Iolo ap Gwynn enquired about question 6.19f and data concerning where people come from to work at the site. He asked whether any work had been done or were there any updates. The Site Director replied that they had been putting information together and that work was being done on the matter, but even though it is possible to get an address it can be difficult to get the exact data and to get it completely accurate.
- 3.2 Cllr Meredydd Williams enquired whether there were any developments with regards to CORWM, to which the Chairman replied that there would be a statement during the morning.
- 3.3 Cllr J Richards asked whether it would be possible to review and hear more about PONDS in item 6.11.

4. Chairman's Address

- 4.1 Since the previous meeting, the Chairman had been busy attending various meetings and panels.
- 4.2 He had attended a meeting in Llandudno where Edwina Hart was unveiling funds for this area that will reskill nuclear workers for the future. He emphasised how important

it is to get funds for skills and was hoping it would be possible to get apprentices to continue with those skills in the future.

- 4.3 Mr Idwal Williams had been representing the Chairman in a Magnox conference in London, and was invited to say a word or two.
- 4.4 Mr Idwal Williams and Jonathan Jenkin had been present in the conference at the beginning of May, which included 15 people all in all. The Magnox Plan Summary had been discussed and was available to download from the internet, as well as Magnox' Achievement report for 11/12. The competition process had been discussed and it was noted that 13 companies had shown an interest to take over from EnergySolutions, but there were probably more. What is important is that these companies will be coming to the sites and each one would be treated equally. There are around 16 dates for the process, and these can be found on the internet.

5. Site Director's Report

- 5.1 Mr Dave R Wilson, the Site Director, gave a presentation regarding the safe and compliant delivery into Care and Maintenance state by December 2016.
- 5.2 With regards to safety, there had been 567 days since the last lost time incident. There had been no incidents in the past year. One person had cut his thumb, which explains why the Total Recordable Incidents figure for the last 12 months is 1.
- 5.3 The timescale for the Programme was outlined:
 - Scheduled Entry to Care and Maintenance – December 2016
 - Height Reduction Phase – 2020 to 2026
 - Final Site Clearance Phase – 2076 to 2085.
- 5.4 Funding for 2012/13 is as follows:
 - Value of Work in Baseline – Circa £80.7m
 - Value of Works Delivered Year to Date (Performance against Baseline) – £11.7m
 - Actual Cost Year to Date – £11.7m
- 5.5 Trawsfynydd has been awarded the President's Award from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA), in recognition of the site's safety record. The site has therefore received 13 awards in a row.
- 5.6 Slides were shown on how the site is likely to look in 2016 and 2026. By 2016 there would be ongoing surveillance, and it was noted that the administration building may be left as it is. There would be surveillance to some extent in 2026.
- 5.7 The work of capping roofs has been completed. This is key to enable height reduction, and all the work has been completed ahead of schedule. It has involved 850m³ of concrete, 500 tonnes of steel and 325,912 total man hours.
- 5.8 Looking at Deplant and Infrastructure, repair work has been done, especially on the stairwells and lifts. Work has also been done to strengthen the walls and the buildings, bracing the walls following cracking issues and so forth. There had been opportunities to place additional bracing as work went along.
- 5.9 Interestingly, following issues with the reliability of lifts, an innovative Alimak hoist is now being operated to support the Safestores programme. Trawsfynydd is the first Magnox site to successfully replace a lift in a reactor building.
- 5.10 As part of the external preparations, structural works and weatherproofing repairs to the western stairwells are now complete. All external repair work was carried out by a team of specialist abseilers who worked 4,320 hours without a lost time incident.
- 5.11 Work is progressing well in relation to Fuel Element Debris.
- 5.12 There are 1700 drums to move to store, and the deadline is for all of them to be in the main store by 2016.

- 5.13 In reference to the Clean Resin Drum Trials, full drums have been encapsulated and simple things have changed, such as paint on the drum. The last of the bolt resins have been retrieved.
- 5.14 Intermediate Level Waste (ILW) sand and gravel has been retrieved using an innovative vacuuming system. This is tricky work, dealing with the last 20% of waste.
- 5.15 Coring work has been completed successfully on Trawsfynydd's Ponds North Void slab in preparation to deploy a rotary deployment arm. This arm will retrieve a mixture of sludge and solid waste from the Ponds North Void (PNV) and this is one of the site's targets for 2012/13. A robotic arm would be coming on site soon.
- 5.16 Work is progressing with the scabbling. A lot of work needed to be done on the joints. A lot of initial data has been gathered and work being done to look at how clean is clean. The current plan is getting to clean levels in order to get to a flat piece of ground. Work was being done with regulators now, and the Office of Nuclear Regulation (ONR) and the Environment Agency are aware of everything.
- 5.17 A wall has been removed between the south corridor and the south acceptance bay, enabling decontamination work to be undertaken. The original gate has been removed allowing access for a Brokk, with the resulting rubble crushed and extracted via the waste vacuum system.
- 5.18 With regards to Active Waste Vaults, one or two bigger items were being dealt with.
- 5.19 The final and largest components of the dismantled fuelling machine have been removed and two steel fuelling machine bases, weighing 30 tonnes each, have been transferred to a waste disposal site at Whitemoss, Lancashire.
- 5.20 LLW shipments were continuing and the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle philosophy being used whenever possible.
- 5.21 With regards to the Intermediate Level Waste Store, there are 56 ILW packages in store and 1728 drums in temporary storage before transfer to the ILW Store.
- 5.22 Mr Dave Wilson stated that they were getting to the point of knocking things down and there had been demolition work.
- 5.23 With regards to Socio-Economic matters, the employment figures are as follows:
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| Total Employment | 821 |
| Staff | 203 |
| Agency/CSW | 139 |
| Contractors | 479 |
- (Not all contractors work full-time at the site and contractor numbers fluctuate as projects start and come to an end)
- 5.24 There are three Coleg Menai apprentices currently at the site and a further two will be starting in September. There will be two industrial placements and nine school experience placements during the summer. Magnox recruit graduates every year and two are placed at Trawsfynydd.
- 5.25 Shaping the Future is up and running. All members of staff will have an interview to think about the future.
- 5.26 In terms of site visits and stakeholder engagement, Welsh Government Minister John Griffiths (Environment and Sustainable Development) visited on 19th January 2012, the NDA Chairman Stephen Henwood and Lord Dafydd Elis-Thomas visited the site on 13th March 2012. The Snowdonia Enterprise Zone has been established and the board will be chaired by Mr John Idris Jones.
- 5.27 To summarise, the safety and environmental performance has been good, major projects are progressing well and there is ongoing engagement with a wide range of stakeholders.
- 5.28 With regards to competition, from a site point of view, Mr Dave Wilson stated that competition will not get in the way of his work, that he was not going to be doing the

application, and that he was focusing on delivering and giving priority to progressing with decommissioning work.

5.29 Questions

- a. Cllr John Richards – In December 2009, Fuel Element Debris (FED) work was already at a cost of £2 million. What is the latest with regards to that, as this has been going on for a while?
Mr Dave Wilson – By now, the plans are clear and have been settled, working on North and South at the same time. It has been a case of preparing in one financial year and trying to reach a mile stone in the next. They had been looking at the potential of transferring to Dungeness but Bradwell has taken priority.
- b. Cllr Meredydd Williams – In reference to the leaks, is the situation and continuation being monitored?
Mr Dave Wilson – This is historic stuff, but activity is being tracked and the next phase is to see if it is possible to drill through the Pond to get underneath and see how much material is there.
- c. Cllr Meredydd Williams – With regards to the 821 workforce, are all those workers based in Traws or are they located elsewhere?
Mr Dave Wilson – On an average day, there are around 600-620 workers in Traws, including shift workers. There are around 600 workers in Traws but there are 800 on the payroll, as there are workers working in other places such as Daresbury and doing testing work in Cumbria.
- d. Cllr John Richards – A member of the public has asked what was the situation with regards to water going into one of the cells.
Mr Dave Wilson – Following the terrible weather one weekend, it was found that a little water had gone in, but it was only a small amount. There was no need to pump water out or anything on that scale, and everything is fine. There has been water ingress in the past but a very small amount – it was just a case of getting caught out in extreme weather during that weekend.
- e. Mr Idwal Williams – You mentioned changing the polymore in the resin, was there a reason for this?
- f. Mr Dave Wilson – A lot of legislation has changed by now and you can't get hold of some things any more – it is not a matter of cost or anything, just availability.

6. Report for the Emergency Planning Consultative Committee

- 6.1 Amanda Tucker introduced herself as the new Emergency Preparedness Engineer following the retirement of Herbie Renfield. She had taken over this role on 1st April, but had been working on the site for over seven years.
- 6.2 The annual exercise review meeting with the ONR had been held and a date as well as aims and objectives for the 2012 Level 1 demonstration exercise had been agreed. The exercise will take place on 24th July 2012, which is quite soon. The Level 2 national emergency exercise for 2012 had been held in March based on an event at Trawsfynydd Site.
- 6.3 There have been no significant changes in the Site's emergency arrangements. The Site Emergency Handbook is being revised following the format of a new generic handbook developed by Magnox Emergency Planning Services. The Site Emergency Arrangements have not been activated since the Site Incident declared on 5th May 2011.
- 6.4 Herbie Renfield had retired from the role of Emergency Preparedness Engineer on 31st March 2012 and Amanda has taken over.
- 6.5 Significant support had been received by the three emergency services over the past six months to support staff training. This had included participation in site exercises, familiarisation visits and workshops.

- 6.6 With regards to exercises, the site security arrangements had been demonstrated on 14th March, and this had been a success. The annual Shift training exercises commenced in November 2011 and included a minor RADS SAFE exercise with full participation from North Wales Police and the Welsh Ambulance Service. Positive comments were received from a representative of the ONR, who witnessed the exercise. RADS SAFE is a scheme that gives support to organisations who transport radioactive material in the UK.
7. Report by the Nuclear Installation Inspectorate
Chris Kemp was not present but a report had been provided.
8. Report by the Environment Agency
Steve Howard was not present and no report had been provided.
9. Report by the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority
- 9.1 The Chairman welcomed Mr Jonathan Jenkin on behalf of the NDA.
- 9.2 Mr Jonathan Jenkin talked about the competition process to appoint a new Parent Body Organisation for Magnox and RSRL. The NDA had just completed a period of formal market engagement with interested parties. He explained the reasons for the competition, stating that this is a requirement under the Energy Act, that it is a useful way to demonstrate best value for money, and that the existing contract with Magnox was due to end and needed to go to tender.
- 9.3 A meeting had been held recently as mentioned by Mr Idwal Williams, which included an in depth presentation. The process will last approximately two years and there will be various key phases. There is a dedicated page on the website for this which includes key dates and so forth. He emphasised that the NDA would continue to engage with stakeholders and would be more than happy to give an in depth presentation on the matter. A Bidders' conference would be held on 19th July, and Mr Jonathan Jenkin said that the Chairman and Vice Chairman would be invited.
- 9.4 Mr Jonathan Jenkin recalled that Ms Amanda French had given this presentation in the previous meeting, and mentioned that she has since moved on and that Mr David Edwards has taken over. The Chair expressed his thanks to Amanda for her services.
- 9.5 Mr Tony Fountain had also stood down and Mr John Clarke had been appointed the new CEO. Having joined the NDA Board in 2008, he is no stranger.
- 9.6 The last few months had been busy. On 29th February, Oldbury nuclear power station near Bristol stopped generating electricity after 45 years of safe generation, and at the end of April, Wylfa Site's Reactor 2 finished generating electricity after 40 years of safe operation. These events have been quite emotional, and Mr Jonathan Jenkin was glad to see wide media coverage being given. Wylfa was now going to be focusing on optimising generation until 2014, and were awaiting decisions on transferring fuel to enable this.
- 9.7 Dounreay has now completed the destruction of the most hazardous legacies from the UK's early nuclear research. A purpose built plant processed the last liquid metal lifted from the primary cooling circuit of the experimental fast breeder reactor. The coolant – an alloy of sodium and potassium (NaK) was a major chemical and radiological hazard used in the Dounreay Fast Reactor, and its destruction was a key priority. Once again, it was good to see media coverage of this.
- 9.8 With regards to Socio-Economic issues, NDA has provided £350,000 towards Phase 2 of the Traws Decommissioning Programme, but this has not been announced on scale yet.
- 9.9 The 2012/2013 Engagement Plan has been published which highlights opportunities for stakeholders, and is available on the website.

Questions

- a. Cllr Meredydd Williams – Having had discussions regarding the idea of a Property Trust and so on, what is the latest with regards to that? Has that finished now?
Mr Jonathan Jenkin – The NDA has committed funds. There will be a new Enterprise Zone and that will be the focus now for going forward.
Cllr Meredydd Williams asked would it be possible for the group to be updated and to know what's going on, and Cllr John Richards emphasised that they are still waiting for certain answers.
- b. Cllr Meredydd Williams – There has been mention of a company being interested in Traws, can you give any information about that?
Mr Jonathan Jenkin – There have been no discussions as far as we know.

10. Presentation from Horizon Nuclear Power about Wylfa Site

- 10.1 The Chairman welcomed Mr Richard Foxhall, Stakeholder Relations Manager, back to Trawsfynydd. He had invited him to the meeting following the news about Wylfa B.
- 10.2 Mr Richard Foxhall thanked the Chairman for the welcome and started by saying he was hopeful a new buyer would be found, before going on to the presentation.
- 10.3 He looked at the history of Horizon, which was formed in January 2009 as a joint venture between E.ON UK and RWE Npower. Horizon has 130 members of skilled staff and has vast experience.
- 10.4 The news came unexpectedly by the Sun newspaper. Following Germany's decision to abandon nuclear energy by 2022, the two companies have lost a lot of funds and will need lots of funds for the decommissioning work. E.ON has recently recorded a loss of 2.2 billion euros.
- 10.5 It is widely recognized that Wylfa and Oldbury are the two best sites to invest in nuclear, and finding a buyer for Horizon is a priority. The Welsh Assembly Government and the UK Government have been working hard to promote this.
- 10.6 If everything had gone to plan we would be in the consultation stage now, but as it stands, companies have until 15th June to show an interest. There will hopefully be an announcement after that.
- 10.7 Looking at current activities, it won't be possible to take on apprentices at present, but Horizon Nuclear Power has confirmed the continuation of funding for the Cwmni Prentis Menai apprenticeship scheme. They were also holding local Surgeries and going out to communities to speak to people.
- 10.8 There is solid political support for a new development, especially in Anglesey. The majority of the Councillors have given their support, as well as the First Minister and the Government.
- 10.9 Why new nuclear? 60 GW of new capacity is needed by 2025; there is a 35,000 MW target for renewables and a 25,000 MW target for thermal. Nuclear would also offer jobs – around 800 permanent jobs while the site would be in operation.
- 10.10 Mr Richard Foxhall emphasised that the website is updated regularly in Welsh and English and that anyone is welcome to get in touch. He was hoping that he would be able to come back soon with more information.

Questions

- a. Mr Keith O'Brien – What is the situation with regards to planning permission?
Mr Richard Foxhall – The planning process will be 18 months, and two rounds of public consultation have to take place before that. During the course of a year, opinions will be considered and changes made if needed and if possible. Matters to be looked at may include road improvements, colours of buildings and so forth, to see what people are happy with. The second round would then show these changes and explain why changes have or have not been made.

- b. Cllr Meredydd Williams – Will there be any differences with regards to the pylons?
Mr Richard Foxhall – The Grid will be consulting on this matter, but because of the size of the development, new lines will be needed.
- c. Cllr Meredydd Williams – Will these affect the Carneddau?
Mr Richard Foxhall – I don't know, but there will be various options for the lines, such as underground, under water and so forth, it will be up to people to voice their opinions.
- d. Cllr Meredydd Williams – Is it likely to affect the National Park? Is the National Park aware of this?
Mr Keith O'Brien – Yes, it is aware.
- e. Mr Dave Wilson – Where is the base going to be?
Mr Richard Foxhall – Oldbury. There are Welsh speakers there as well.

11. Any other business

- 11.1 The Chairman introduced Zoe Young to the meeting, who was at the meeting as an observer. He also introduced Karen Dickens from the NDA's competition team. She explained that she was there to discuss competition if anyone had any questions, and that Jonathan Jenkin is the usual representative of the NDA.
Socio-Economic Update
- 11.2 Ms Michelle Humphreys was welcomed to give a presentation on Socio-Economic matters. The Chairman explained that there had been changes in the system, and that Michelle, who is based in Wylfa, was in charge.
- 11.3 Michelle explained that she worked with Mr John Idris Jones and had been doing this work for Wylfa. She ensured the group that she would give the same care and attention to Traws. She explained that the funding process and guidelines could be found at magnoxsocioeconomic.com, and that 123 applications had been submitted, which was a very good amount considering the change in the system. Out of those applications, 17 had been attributed to Traws, and she emphasised that they welcomed applications from the community. A local site funding review meeting had been held to make sure the local contact isn't lost by using a central system, and she noted that the Chairman had been very helpful.
- 11.4 Three applications had received funding: Cader Idris Fell Race (£150) – to provide bilingual signage for the route of the race; Trawsfynydd, Penrhyndeudraeth and Llan Ffestiniog Youth Clubs (£1,000); Ysgol Bro Hedd Wyn and Ysgol Cefn Coch, Penrhyndeudraeth (£1,000) – to provide an educational trip to Cardiff for 25 pupils. There are six applications to discuss in July.
- 11.5 Michelle Humphreys also announced that the NDA had provided £35,000 for the National Urdd Eisteddfod held in Glynllifon, which came from the last financial year, and the North Wales Outdoor Partnership had also been given a financial boost by the Socio-Economic scheme to help create 75 jobs for young people not in education, employment or training over the next three years.
- 11.6 The Chairman thanked Michelle Humphreys and said how glad he was that this new procedure had started off so well.
- 11.7 The Chairman went on to discuss the Welsh Government's intention to provide a statement on the industrial park in Trawsfynydd. Mr John Idris Jones has been appointed chairman of the body that will be dealing with this park. A meeting had already taken place, and was attended by Mr Dave Wilson and the Chairman. The Chairman emphasised that we should get one statement about the matter, not many

statements from different sources. Following on from that, Mr Dylan Griffiths was going to give a statement on behalf of Sioned Williams.

Presentation by Mr Dylan Griffiths

- 11.8 Mr Dylan Griffiths noted that this wasn't an official statement but more of an update.
- 11.9 A lot of work is being done, and this is just the beginning. He stressed that the community has been doing work for years – the Council, the NDA, Magnox, the Welsh Government and the National Park – and that this would be a continuation of this work.
- 11.10 The aim is to develop the site's resources and qualities, not a more traditional business or industrial park as such, and look at the opportunities of this site.
- 11.11 Last year, it was decided to establish Enterprise Zones in Wales, but unlike what happened in the 1980s, money will be spent wisely this time. Following the announcement of the five original zones, there was an opportunity to submit extra applications, and that had been done successfully, even though there was a lot of competition.
- 11.12 During last month, Edwina Hart has confirmed that this status will be coming to Traws, and a Project Group has been set up.
- 11.13 All the land won't be developed, only suitable spaces within this area.
- 11.14 Two priority fields have been suggested. The first is digital, which would attract digital companies – many companies have already shown an interest which is very reassuring. The second field is renewable energy, and again, interest has been shown without having to look for it.
- 11.15 The Enterprise Zone Board will be chaired by Mr John Idris Jones.
- 11.16 Work is being done at present to see what technical work needs to be addressed, for example, very strong broad band for the site. Work is being done with regards to leisure as well, extra resources have already been found – the Countryside Council has offered £180,000 for resources beside the lake. As mentioned previously, this is just the beginning.

Questions

- a. Cllr Meredydd Williams – Anything that is coming into the area is to be welcomed. How much land has the NDA got to offer at present, considering the needs of Magnox and the NDA over the next years? Is there a reason why Blaenau hasn't been included in the zone?
Mr Dylan Griffiths – The zones have to be small areas. We're looking at parts of the land at present and having constructive discussions looking at the short and long term. Even though the zone has been designated, it will be possible for businesses in Blaenau to benefit from Traws.
- b. Cllr Meredydd Williams – Is there a concern that the piece of land is small?
Dylan Griffiths – There is an emphasis on smaller pieces of land. We're not looking at building a large industrial estate, however dense use can be made of the land.
- c. Cllr Meredydd Williams – The last thing we want is a lot of publicity and nothing happening, the Assembly hasn't gone out to attract industries.
Mr Dylan Griffiths – There is going to be huge pressure on Edwina Hart to deliver. Chairman – The important thing is that work is being done, that is the point of this. The first aim of the panel was to ensure that matters were discussed and that there is one final decision to work on. The process has started off well and the Trawsfynydd Overview Panel will continue to work with the official Board.
- d. Cllr Caerwyn Roberts – Considering we are in a National Park, how much collaboration has there been?
Mr Dylan Griffiths – The work with the National Park has been very constructive. There was so little time to submit the application there wasn't that much of an

opportunity to do so at the beginning, but communication after that has been very good.

- 11.17 The Chairman invited Chris Skarratt from the Heritage Strategy Group to update the group.
- 11.18 Mr Chris Skarratt notified the meeting that four work streams had been established:
1. Photographic survey – Internal and external – that would be going on the website
 2. Recording of the cultural history of the site. A lady from Bangor University had taken video recordings and these have been placed on the People’s Collection on the internet. At the end of July an open day will be held for two days on the site in order to take digital recordings of history
 3. Activities – in collaboration with Aberystwyth and Dolgellau libraries, which gives an opportunity to look at documents of interest and store them in the best format
 4. A physical expedition, looking at the broader picture of generating electricity in North Wales.
- 11.19 This has been brought together by Linda Thomas of CyMal, and on 14th November there will be an evening conference to bring the four work streams to a close. At that time, CyMal’s work will come to an end.
- 11.20 The Chairman commented that various people had contributed, such as Joanna Wright from Bangor University, and Naomi Jones from the National Park, who had done an excellent job.
- 11.21 There will be an exhibition on Thursday 26th and Friday 27th July. This will provide an opportunity for the public and the SSG group to bring along photos and information, and there will be facilities to collect memoirs.
- 11.22 The Chairman asked whether there was any other business. Cllr John Richards asked if it would be possible to get the minutes sooner. The Chairman replied that he tends to keep hold of them and send them out a week or two before the next meeting to remind everyone that the meeting is taking place. It was asked whether it would be possible to put the minutes on the web, to which Mr Idwal Williams replied they had been put on the website but had then been withdrawn.
- 11.23 The Chairman explained that this was his decision and reminded everyone that the minutes had not been confirmed until today and that they have to be confirmed and checked before being made available to the public. Cllr Meredydd Williams also asked whether it would be possible for the minutes to come out sooner, commenting that people ask about them. The Chairman replied that they would be sent out sooner even though they had not been confirmed, but that he would not take responsibility if the members were not reminded about the meeting.
- 11.24 Mr Idwal Williams asked for a decision to be made regarding putting the minutes on the website. The Chairman stressed that the minutes weren’t approved as correct until today and it was discussed whether it would be possible to issue them as a draft, clearly stating that. Cllr Gareth Thomas suggested sending the minutes by e-mail instead of putting them on the website, that way members could see them sooner if they wanted to but they would also remain private.

12. Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 10th December 2012.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions.