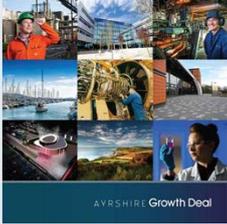


## North Ayrshire NDA Funding Priorities

September 2019

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## Hunterston Employment

- Current employment of:
  - 300 at Hunterston A
  - 500 at Hunterston B (impact to NA 1036 jobs)
- Highly skilled and paid employment
- 72% of workforce resident in North Ayrshire (HNB)
- HNB decommissioning 2023
- HNA Care & Maintenance 2025

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## NDA Funding

- To mitigate the impact of decommissioning on the communities in which we operate through socio-economic support
- Funding available to improve education and skills provision or support local employment, economic diversification or social infrastructure
- Local/community funding, and funding for investment in economic structure of area
- Around £15M distributed annually, although around half of this provided to Sellafield on basis of its scale and impact on local area

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## Past NDA Funding

- Hunterston a high priority site within socio economic strategy further to NAC promotion of case for area
- Previous funding awards in 2015 for:
  - Millport Field Centre £300,000
  - Ardrossan Quayside Offices £375,000
  - Youth Employment Scheme £250,000
- Advice at time to defer further applications



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## Future NDA Funding

- Need for applications to fit with economic strategy for area
- NDA want to contribute to strategic projects with other funding partners
- Projects that deliver transformational change
- Suggested future priorities fit with agreed Council priorities as part of the Ayrshire Growth Deal, the Local Development Plan and emerging regeneration plans.
- Mix of economic, social and environmental regeneration that deliver on job creation and placemaking projects
- Mix of sectors through business, academic partnerships, commercial, leisure, tourism, etc

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## AGD Overview

- Heads of Terms signed March 2019 – Scotland's first non-city Deal
- Under development since 2015
- Commitment to £103m from both UK Government and Scottish Government
- Local authorities will match this up to up to £45.5m
- **Total deal £251m, over 15 years**
- Believe that these interventions will unlock **private investment of around £300 million** and deliver around **7,000 new jobs** across a wide range of sectors



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## Themes

Vision for Ayrshire to be vibrant, outward looking, confident, attractive to investors and visitors, and for it to make a major contribution to Scotland and the wider UK's growth.



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**North Ayrshire Strategic Economic Locations**  
Key Themes & Focus

- Marine Tourism
- Advanced Technology & Digital Automation
- Environmental Sustainability & Circular Economy
- Tourism & Creative Arts

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## Hunterston - Environmental sustainability and circular economy

- £18m
- NDA funding sought for 2022-23
- Partners incl Strathclyde University, Scottish Enterprise, Peelports
- Focusing on 2 aspects:
  - C-NOW - Centre for Next-generation Offshore Wind
  - C-REED - Centre for Research in Ecology and Economic Development



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## Ardrossan Coastal Regeneration

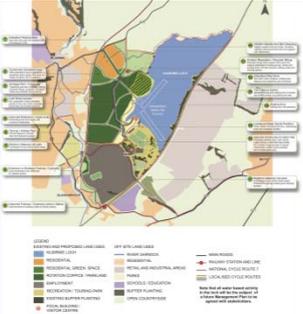
- £120m+ investment programme
- National scale regeneration project within deprived area
- Large number of nuclear industry staff resident within area
- Main components:
  - Harbour investment
  - Extended marina, Scotland's biggest
  - New campus developing on North Shore site comprising secondary, primary schools, swimming pool, library
  - Marine Sciences centre of excellence
  - Commercial leisure development
  - Coastal path
  - Hotel operator interest
- NDA Funding sought in 2021-22



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## Lochshore

- Former steelworks with associated loss of employment
- Site remains largely derelict
- Ownership of Scottish Enterprise and NAC
- Proposals for major tourism and placemaking project in Garnock Valley including:
  - £3.5M Garnock Visitor and Community Hub
  - Pathworks including links to Kilbirnie, Garnock Campus, employment areas and Glengarnock station
  - Kilbirnie Loch circular route
  - First phase would unlock longer term £7-8M investment and housing development
- NDA Funding sought in 2020



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**Next Steps**

Ayrshire college proposal	NDA Socio Economic Strategy	Progress Lochshore bid for September 2020 start
Formalise a socio economic partnership with NDA	Identify specific NDA funding opps at Ardrossan and Hunterston	Monitor the economic impact of changes at HNA and HNB

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