



NDA Update

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Stakeholder Relations

**Harwell SSG meeting
6 October 2022**

NDA Update

New ministers

- Following the appointment of a new Prime Minister, there have been a number of changes in Government.
- Our sponsoring department, BEIS, has a new Secretary of State, the Rt Hon Jacob Rees-Mogg. He replaces Kwasi Kwarteng who has become Chancellor of the Exchequer.
- A number of new junior ministers have been appointed to the department, including one with responsibility for nuclear decommissioning.

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NDA working

- NDA will continue to operate on a hybrid working model with a mix of home-working and office-based work. Many people have joined the business during the pandemic and greater office working will enable people to meet and get to know others in their teams.
- Currently, personnel are working on an average of 2-3 days a week in the office.
- We will also continue to meet stakeholders in the ways they wish. So some may wish to have in-person meetings while others will continue with virtual meetings via Zoom and Teams.

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Annual Report and Accounts 2021-2022

- The ARAC notes some of the highlights of the past year's activity
- Completion of the process of moving all operating companies from the Parent Body Organisation (PBO) model to direct subsidiaries and the adoption of a new Group Operating Framework of four pillars.
- Major skyline change at Sellafield with removal of diffuser on top of the 125m Windscale Pile Chimney
- Dounreay has retrieved 1800 tonnes of radioactive sodium from its Prototype Fast Reactor
- Confirms that Dounreay will join Magnox in 2023

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AGR transfer

- Hunterston B stopped generating on 7 January and defuelling has now commenced. This will take several years. Once the station is certified as fuel-free, ownership will transfer to NDA and Magnox will begin the process of decommissioning.
- Hinkley Point B stopped generating on 1 August and will shortly begin defuelling.
- All the fuel will be transferred to Sellafield for storage until a GDF is ready.
- The cost of defuelling and decommissioning the seven AGR reactors is due to be met from the Nuclear Liabilities Fund

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GDF Siting process

- There are now four Community Partnerships, three in West Cumbria and one in Lincolnshire. Community Partnerships are a further step in an exploratory, fact-finding and discussion process with the local community about hosting a GDF.
- Discussions are continuing with other communities about whether or not to join the process.
- Geophysical surveys have been completed off the Cumbrian coast. This exercise is to map the geology under the sea in the inshore coastal zone.

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NDA - “Keeping the conversation going”

- Held in central Edinburgh on 7-8 September.
- Nearly 170 people participated from across Britain
- First in-person event for three years. A great deal has happened in that time and the event provided an opportunity to update on the new group structure and plans



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NDA - “Keeping the conversation going”

- All the SSGs, and LCLCs, were represented.
- Made a special point of including stakeholders on the discussion panels following formal presentations.
- Each of the operating companies gave presentations on their plans
- Current group-wide programmes on social value, sustainability and skills were featured





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