

Meeting: Nuleaf Steering Group
Date: 15th June 2022
Item: 6
Subject: Update and look ahead on Nuleaf activities
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Introduction:

This report proposes some minor amendments to the draft Service Plan 2022-23 that was tabled at the March 2022 Steering Group meeting.

Recommendation: That the Steering Group approve the Nuleaf Service Plan 2022-23, subject to the amendments proposed in this paper and any other amendments agreed at the meeting.

Background information:

The draft Nuleaf Service Plan was tabled at the March Steering Group meeting. No amendments were proposed at that meeting.

Since then, the Plan has been shared with NDA, Nuclear Waste Services (NWS) and Magnox with the aim of identifying any additional areas for engagement over the coming year. Based on these discussions a number of amendments have been made to the draft Plan. These are set out below.

1. Proposed Changes to Service Plan 2022-23

Proposed changes to the draft Service Plan are as follows:

Objective 12: Work with NWS and the NDA Group to facilitate engagement on Integrated Waste Management as a whole and on Low Level Waste. Following discussion with NWS the text has been amended to include reference to potential work on in situ disposal and the management of metallic wastes and non-radioactive waste including asbestos.

Objective 13: Engage with NWS and the NDA on proposals for Near Surface Disposal (NSD). Following discussion with NWS this section has been amended to reflect an interest from NWS in engaging with Nuleaf on the

implementation of NSD in addition to engagement with NDA Corporate Centre on the policy and strategic aspects of this proposal.

Objective 15: Build awareness of the Geological Disposal Facility and the potential for local government to become involved in the new siting process. Following discussion with NWS this Objective has been amended to include the provision of support and advice to NWS in engaging with new unitary local authorities, particularly Cumberland Council.

Objective 23: Support Nuleaf meetings and other events. The planned annual meeting on Nuclear Emergency Planning has been added to the text of Objective 23. In the previous version this was only noted in the events calendar.

A presentation on the Service Plan and work over 2022-23 will be made to members at the meeting. This will highlight and explain the proposed changes and outline what are seen as key work areas for the year ahead. Members will be able to discuss and reflect on planned work.

Copies of the revised plan, incorporating the proposed amendments, can be sent to any member in advance of this meeting if requested.