

Meeting:	NuLeAF Annual General Meeting, 12 Oct 06
Agenda Item:	3
Subject:	Annual Report
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Purpose:	To provide an overview of organisational developments and activities since the AGM in 2005

Introduction

This report provides an overview of organisational developments and activities since the AGM in 2005.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the AGM agree that the report presents a true picture of NuLeAF developments and activities.

Overview of Organisational Developments and Activities

The period since October 05 has seen major organisational developments and activities.

These include:

Staffing

An Executive Director (ED) and PA have been appointed. Fred Barker took up the ED post on a part-time basis in February, becoming full-time in September. A work programme and targets has been established. Christine del Corral took up the PA post in May. A Project Officer post has been advertised, with interviews on 24 October.

Steering Group

Four meetings of the SG have been held, in Newbury, Irvine, London and Kendal. Guest speakers were: Phil Richardson and Bill Miller, Enviro (Implementation of Long-Term Radioactive Waste Management Policy); Elizabeth Gray, Scottish Executive (LLW Review); Adam Meehan and Barnaby Beere, Magnox Electric (Options for LLW and ILW management); and James McKinney, NDA (review of options for ILW storage).

Member Authorities

NuLeAF now has 97 Members (93 local authorities, 3 National Park authorities and 1 fire service). During the course of the year 12 authorities have joined NuLeAF, and 1 authority has indicated that they no longer wish to be members. The list of member authorities is attached. The database of contacts has been updated and developed. A questionnaire survey of member authorities with nuclear sites has been undertaken.

Liaison re the Setting up of a Scottish Group

Contact has been maintained with Dundee City Council that is leading the setting up of the Scottish group of authorities on nuclear legacy management. The ED attended a liaison meeting in Dundee in August.

Services to Member Authorities

The level of service to member authorities has been increased significantly. This includes a website, e-bulletins, standardised briefing papers, the regional seminars and offer of liaison meetings. Meetings have so far been held with representatives from Allerdale BC, Barrow BC, Copeland DC and Cumbria CC. Meetings have been arranged with Manchester CC and member authorities in Norfolk.

Research

The research by Enviros on the implementation of policy on long-term radioactive waste management has been reviewed, published and presented to Government. The research informs on-going work on the issue.

Policy Statements

A policy statement on implementing policy on long-term radioactive waste management has been adopted. A statement on implementing institutions is being considered at the Oct 06 SG.

Responses to Consultation

During the course of the year responses have been submitted on the Nuclear Industry Security Regulations, draft NDA strategy, CoRWM's draft recommendations and the LLW review. Following the AGM it is anticipated that responses will be submitted on the draft NDA Annual Plan and on the proposed framework for new nuclear build.

Events and Representation at Meetings

A fringe meeting at the LGA conference was organised. Meetings have been held with CoRWM, DEFRA, LGA, NDA, Nirex and the Waste Advisory Group of the Planning Officers Society. NuLeAF has also been represented at CoRWM's National Stakeholder Forum, the NDA's National Stakeholder Group (and the Waste Issues Group), the MoD's ISOLUS Steering Group and CIRIA projects (SD:SPUR and SAFEGROUNDS). A presentation was made at the IBC Conference on radioactive waste management.

Media

Press releases and statements have been issued on the implementation research, ED appointment, and CoRWM recommendations. Articles have been written for Public Servant and the Journal of the Institute for Economic Development.

European Initiatives

Input to COWAM 2 and CARL projects has been maintained. Discussions have progressed about NuLeAF's role in COWAM 3 and the Eurocli initiative. A presentation was made to the Dunkirk conference on risk governance.

Local Government Association for England & Wales

Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum

**(Special Interest Group on Radioactive Waste Management
& Nuclear Decommissioning)**

Support @ 5 October 2006

(Members who have joined since the last AGM are in **bold**)

Allerdale District Council – contributing
Ashford District Council - corresponding
Barrow Borough Council – corresponding
Blackpool Borough Council - corresponding
Braintree Borough Council – corresponding
Breckland District Council - corresponding
Broadland District Council – corresponding
Bromsgrove District Council - corresponding
Bury Metropolitan Borough Council - contributing
Caerphilly County Borough Council – corresponding
Caradon District Council – corresponding
Carlisle City Council - corresponding
Chester City Council - corresponding
Chesterfield Borough Council – corresponding
Copeland Borough Council - contributing
Cumbria County Council - contributing
Dacorum District Council – corresponding
Denbighshire County Council - corresponding
Dorset County Council - contributing
Durham City Council - corresponding

Durham County Council – corresponding

Eden District Council - corresponding

Essex County Council – corresponding

Flintshire County Council – corresponding

Forest of Dean District Council – corresponding

Forest Heath District Council - corresponding

Fylde Borough Council - corresponding

Gosport Borough Council - corresponding

Great Yarmouth Borough Council – corresponding

Greater London Authority - corresponding

Gwynedd County Council - corresponding

Hackney London Borough Council – corresponding

Halton Borough Council – corresponding

Hampshire County Council - contributing

Harlow District Council - corresponding

Harrogate Borough Council - corresponding

Harrow London Borough Council - corresponding

Hartlepool Borough Council – contributing

Hyndburn Borough Council - corresponding

Kent County Council - corresponding

Kerrier District Council – corresponding

Kings Lynn & West Norfolk District Council – corresponding

Lancashire County Council - corresponding

Lancaster City Council - corresponding

Leeds City Council – corresponding

Lewes District Council – corresponding

Maldon District Council - corresponding

Manchester City Council – contributing

Melton Borough Council - corresponding

Newcastle-u-Lyme Borough Council – corresponding

Newham London Borough Council - corresponding

Norfolk County Council - corresponding

Northumberland County Council – corresponding

North Norfolk District Council - corresponding

Norwich City Council - corresponding

Nottinghamshire County Council – corresponding

Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council – corresponding

Oxfordshire County Council - corresponding

Pembrokeshire County Council – corresponding

Penwith District Council - corresponding

Plymouth City Council – contributing

Preston City Council – corresponding

Purbeck District Council - corresponding

Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council – contributing

Rutland County Council - corresponding

Scarborough District Council – corresponding

Sedgefield Borough Council - corresponding

Shepway District Council – corresponding

Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council - corresponding

Somerset County Council – corresponding

Southampton City Council - corresponding

South Gloucestershire Council - contributing

South Norfolk District Council - corresponding

Spelthorne Borough Council - corresponding

Staffordshire County Council - corresponding

Suffolk County Council – contributing

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council – contributing

Taunton Deane Borough Council - corresponding

Tendring District Council - corresponding

Tower Hamlets London Borough Council - corresponding

Tunbridge Wells District Council – corresponding

Vale of the White Horse District Council - corresponding

Wansbeck District Council - corresponding

Waveney District Council - corresponding

West Berkshire District Council – contributing

West Lancashire District Council - corresponding

West Lindsey District Council – corresponding

Ynys Mon County Council - corresponding

National Parks Authorities

Lake District National Park Authority – corresponding

North Yorkshire Moors National Park Authority – corresponding

Snowdonia National Park Authority - corresponding

Scottish Associates

Argyll & Bute Council – contributing

Dundee City - contributing

East Lothian Council – corresponding

North Ayrshire Council – corresponding

Shetland Islands Council - corresponding

Fire Services

Dorset Fire & Rescue Service – corresponding

Total = 97 (93 local authorities; 3 national park authorities; 1 fire service)

Liaison

Convention of Scottish Local Authorities represented by Fife Council