

## Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum Annual Report to LGA Leadership Board

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**Aim** [*brief overview of SIG's main aim*]

NuLeAF's **Aims** are set out in the **Terms of Reference** document

"The Aims are:

- to seek to ensure that all nuclear, waste management and decommissioning activities operate to the highest safety, security and environmental standards
- to raise the profile of debate within local government on any issue with very significant implications for any area affected by future proposed radioactive waste development
- to increase and aid 'capacity building' within local government and enable informed responses to Government and the NDA from a broader based local government grouping
- to be an interface with government and the NDA on future strategic radioactive waste policy, decommissioning and liabilities management issues
- to confer greater democratic legitimacy on Government and NDA engagement processes in the decommissioning and legacy management sphere
- to add weight and credibility to the current local government input into the radioactive waste, decommissioning and liabilities engagement processes now in hand
- to effectively utilise the democratic legitimacy of local government and increase influence over policy and strategy proposals that will be critical to national progress on nuclear industry legacy issues
- to provide representatives on Government and NDA consultation, stakeholder and advisory bodies reporting back to local government through the SIG mechanism
- to lever resources, in addition to those conferred through the establishment of a SIG, to enable 'capacity building' within local government so that Government policy can develop with broad based democratic consent."

### **Key Activities / Outcomes of work undertaken**

#### **General**

- Held 4 Steering Group meetings including AGM and 4 meetings of the Radioactive Waste Planning Group. Meeting topics included: proposal for accelerated decommissioning of Magnox reactors; the work of CoRWM (Committee on Radioactive Waste Management); government review of radioactive waste policy and infrastructure; proposals for a single over-arching radioactive waste strategy for the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) estate, and the Geological Disposal Facility siting process.
- Published 5 newsletters for contributing member authorities and 4 e-bulletins issued to full mailing list.
- Responded to 4 consultations, circulating draft responses to members both for comment and as a resource for their own responses, and holding a workshop with BEIS and Radioactive Waste Management Ltd (RWM) in support of the Geological Disposal Facility consultations.
- Carried out a survey of NuLeAF members to review the delivery of our services.

#### **Geological Disposal Facility**

- Supported RWM at LGA Conference 2017 to raise awareness amongst local authorities of the Geological Disposal Facility siting process.
- Gave feedback to RWM on outputs from the national geological screening exercise.
- Provided briefing to LGA planning officer on the Geological Disposal Facility consultations.

#### **Nuclear Decommissioning Authority**

- Provided input to NDA on their work on an overarching radioactive waste strategy for the NDA estate. Publication of the proposed strategy is expected in 2018-19.
- Engaged with NDA on their proposals to accelerated decommissioning at Magnox reactor sites. Further engagement on this topic will take place in 2018-19.
- Assisted NDA in attracting a local authority audience to their Stakeholder Summit in West Cumbria in September 2017.
- Liaised with DCN, CCN, and ADEPT over the potential for the Geological Disposal Facility siting process to affect their members and the possibility for participation in the process.

#### *Attended and participated in the following meetings*

- 2 plenary meetings of the Committee of Radioactive Waste Management as observer.
- 4 liaison and 3 teleconference meetings with BEIS/NDA/RWM regarding the Geological Disposal Facility and other work streams; plus 4 meetings and 2 teleconferences with RWM to discuss specific issues. Also met with senior staff of RWM to discuss work proposals, and participated in BEIS consultations workshops.
- 8 NDA Theme Overview Group meetings on Site Restoration, Integrated Waste Management and Critical Enablers.
- 4 Low Level Waste Regulatory Group meetings.
- European Group of Municipalities with Nuclear Facilities at their AGM in Madrid, of which NuLeAF is now a member.
- In liaison with BEIS, represented UK at a conference organised by International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Vienna on experience of communities with radioactive waste facilities.
- 2 meetings of the Nuclear Industry Association Decommissioning Group including giving a presentation on NuLeAF and its work.

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