## STRATEGIC NUCLEAR AND ENERGY BOARD

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5 JUNE 2014 AT 2:00PM

Present: Councillors Elaine Woodburn (Chair); Yvonne Clarkson; Peter Connolly; Lena Hogg; Allan Holliday and David Moore.

Apologies for absence were received from: Councillors Jon Downie.

Officers: John Groves, Strategic Planning and Nuclear Manager; Denice Gallen, Nuclear and Energy Officer and Denise James, Member Services Officer.

### SNEB 01/14 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16 April 2014 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

## SNEB 02/14 Appointment of Deputy Chairman

It was moved by Councillor Peter Connolly, duly seconded and

**RESOLVED** – that Councillor Allan Holliday be appointed Deputy Chairman of this Board for the current municipal year.

### SNEB 03/14 NDA Response to PAC recommendation 6

Consideration was given to a report providing a brief summary of the NDA response to recommendation 6 made by the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) following the Managing Risk Reduction at Sellafield report published by the National Audit Office (NAO).

During consideration of this item Member felt that all Members of the Council should be given the opportunity to feed into the Socio Economic Plan and that this could be done by workshops and briefings.

#### **RESOLVED** - That

- a) The response made by the NDA be noted: and
- b) a workshop/briefing be set up at a future date.

# SNEB 04/14 <u>Welsh Government review of Policy on the Disposal of Higher</u> <u>Activity Radioactive Waste</u>

Consideration was given to the Council's draft response to the Welsh Assembly's consultation on whether they should review their current policy on the disposal of higher activity radioactive waste.

**RESOLVED** - That subject to the rewording of paragraph 5 the response be approved and sent to the Welsh Assembly.

## SNEB 05/14 Key Projects Update

Members were updated on the following key projects relating to the Council's nuclear and energy activities:

## **Nuclear New Build**

 It was noted that NuGen were in the final legal and commercial stages of formalising their new partner, Toshiba who had acquired Iberdrola's 50% share holdings and 10% of GDF Suez earlier this year.

During discussion of this item Members requested a Member briefing be arranged to raise Member awareness.

## North West Coast Connections (NWCC) Project

- National Grid continuing to meet senior managers and directors form NuGen and parent companies to develop the programme for the Moorside Project.
- A briefing by the National Grid will take place on the 16<sup>th</sup> September on propsals

# Walney Extension Offshore Wind Farms

• It was agreed that a programme of works be considered at the next meeting

## **Geological Disposal Facility**

• No further update

## **RESOLVED** - That

- a) the updates be noted,
- **b)** a briefing to raise Member awareness on Nuclear New Build be arranged;
- c) Programme of works for Walney Extension Offshore Wind be considered at the next meeting of the Board

## SNEB 06/14 Any Other Business – SNEB Work Programme

**RESOLVED** – That the work programme be developed and updated for consideration at the next meeting of the Board.

The meeting closed at 3.05pm

Chairman .....

Date .....