

**TASK GROUP 3 GEOLOGICAL DISPOSAL: VOLUNTARISM MEETING 26
AUGUST 2009, MANCHESTER****Task Group 3****CoRWM Attendance**

Lynda Warren - LW	Mark Dutton - MD (Chair)
John Rennilson - JR	Les Netherton - LN
Simon Mussett - SM (Secretariat)	

Summary

- The meeting had two purposes:
 - To form a view on the scrutiny role of CoRWM in relation to the minutes of the West Cumbria MRWS Steering Group meeting.
 - To decide which Task Group Members will be present at future West Cumbria MRWS Partnership Meetings.

Discussion

- The Task Group discussed the minutes of the West Cumbria MRWS Steering Group meeting held on the 29th July, which stated that *"the overall Partnership process will be scrutinised and evaluated by a mixture of CoRWM and an independent contractor looking in particular at the PSE work. It is currently unclear as to how extensively CoRWM will scrutinise the Partnership's process"*.
- The Task Group were concerned about this statement and it was agreed that CoRWM's role is to scrutinize the support that Government and the NDA give to the Partnership and advise Government accordingly. CoRWM should not formally advise the Partnership directly.
- Rhuari Bennett was to discuss with CoRWM what their approach to scrutiny will be. It was agreed that he will be sent a copy of this meeting note.
- The second purpose of the meeting was to decide which of the Task Group Members will be attending future West Cumbria MRWS Partnership Meetings. The agenda for the next meeting and the list of topics to be discussed at future meetings was discussed. Members highlighted which meetings they would like to attend and it was agreed that the following will be in attendance at the following meetings:

Dates of West Cumbria MRWS Partnership meetings	Observers	Member(s) of public
4 th September 2009	Mark Dutton Brian Clark	John Rennilson
14 th October 2009	Brian Clark Les Netherton	
24 th November 2009	Mark Dutton Brian Clark	Rebecca Lunn
13 th January 2010	Mark Dutton Brian Clark	Margaret Burns Lynda Warren
23 rd February 2010	Mark Dutton Brian Clark	Lynda Warren

6. JR is able to attend the CARL Conference in replace of LN. The workshop is being held at Energus in West Cumbria on 20-21 October 2009, where there will be a mixture of presentations, plenary panel sessions and discussion groups. The formal agenda is focusing on four themes: updates on international programmes; regeneration and development opportunities; how to make technical issues open and accessible; and opportunities for promoting interactions between local stakeholders from different countries. The task Group were informed that the first day of this conference clashes with the second day of CoRWM's plenary meeting in London and subsequently, JR will not be able to attend the second day of the plenary.
7. The Task Group was informed that the date of the next Geological Disposal Implementation Board (GDIB) meeting has provisionally been changed from the 14 to 15 October 2009.
8. It was highlighted that all Task Group Members should continue to respond to Local bodies requesting CoRWM to provide presentations at meetings.
9. LN was thanked for producing the Work Programme and if any Task Group Member had any changes to make to provide them directly to him.

Actions

10. SM to inform Sharon Walker (Copeland Borough Council) on attendance at the future West Cumbria MRWS Partnership meetings.
11. All Members to provide any changes on the Task Group Work Programme to LN.
12. SM to liaise with Fred Baker (NuLeAF) to organize his attendance at either the October or December Plenary meetings in London.