

Geological Disposal Programme Board (GDPB)

Thursday 29th November 2018

1 Victoria Street, London, SW1H 0ET

Board Members

Stephen Speed

Bruce McKirdy

Umran Nazir

Malcolm Morley

Welsh Government Official

Chair – Director

Nuclear Directorate, Business Energy and
Industrial Strategy (BEIS) & Geological

Disposal Facility SRO

Managing Director, RWM

GDF Programme Director, BEIS

Chair, RWM

WG (Deputising)

Attendees:

Ann McCall

John Corderoy

Head of BEIS GDF Team

GDPB Secretariat

Sir Nigel Thrift

RWM Siting and Engagement Director

RWM Programme Director

BEIS GDF Team

BEIS GDF Team

CoRWM Chair (Observing)

Presenting Items:

Head of GDF Communication

BEIS GDF Team

Apologies: Alan Cumming – Director of Nuclear Operations, NDA

Item 1 – Welcome and Chair’s Opening Remarks

1. Stephen Speed welcomed the members of GDPB for the November meeting. Stephen and Umran opened the meeting by giving an update on the launch of working with communities policy paper.

Item 2 – Minutes and Actions from Last Meeting

2. The minutes of the 24th September 2018 Board were agreed and will be published on the GDBP page.
3. The GDPB Secretariat updated the board on the current status of the actions on the Actions Log.

Item 3 – Update on Launch & Comms Plan

4. The GDF programme director informed the board of the comms plan in preparation for the launch of the working with communities policy paper. Head of GDF communication also gave details on what was planned for the launch.

Item 4 – Welsh Policy Update

5. The Welsh Government are ready to launch at the same time if not just after BEIS launch. They do however have a tighter timeframe than BEIS, due to earlier recess and change in ministers.

Item 5 – Site Evaluation Consultation – presentation

6. Ann McCall (RWM Siting and Engagement Director) asked the board if they have any questions or queries regarding the paper. Also asked the board whether, before the official

launch, that the regulators and CoRWM were able to see the document before. The board agreed to this.

Item 6 – Post Launch plans

7. Ann McCall (RWM Siting and Engagement Director) gave a presentation on RWM post launch plans.