

Cross-Party Group on Civil Nuclear Industry

Thursday 9th November 1pm

Minute of Initial Meeting

Present

MSPs

Oliver Mundell MSP
Emma Harper MSP
Colin Smyth MSP
Jamie Halcro-Johnson MSP

Non-MSP Group Members

David Wallace - NDA

Apologies

Paul Sweeney MSP
Douglas Lumsden MSP
Craig Hoy MSP
Finlay Carson MSP

Agenda item 1

It was agreed that a CPG on the Civil Nuclear Industry was of interest to the MSPs present and a number of other colleagues who sent apologies and that an application should therefore be lodged.

The following purpose wording was discussed and agreed:

The CPG will be the forum for Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs), stakeholders and interested parties to engage directly with each other in order to raise awareness of the opportunities and challenges facing nuclear decommissioning and the existing associated civil nuclear footprint, workforce, and supply chain in Scotland and to better inform the development of policy in this important area.

It was agreed the group would plan to discuss the following topics over the next year:

- Nuclear decommissioning work in Scotland

- Activity at existing nuclear sites
- Skill shortages, training opportunities and career paths
- Opportunities for the supply chain in Scotland
- Socio-economic and environmental benefits/impacts

It was agreed Oliver Mundell MSP and Coin Smyth MSP would Co-convene the group and that Emma Harper MSP would be Deputy Convener. The Nuclear Decommissioning Authority agreed to act as secretary to the Group.

It was agreed Oliver Mundell MSP would take forward the application process on behalf of the proposed Group.

A wide range of potential stakeholders were discussed and it was agreed efforts to contact those with an interest and share the plans for the group should be pursued further once approval for the group has been granted.