



MINUTES FROM COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP MEETING

HELD ON

26 October 2023, 1pm –NDA Hub Office, Cockermouth & On-line Teams

Attendees:

Partnership members Mary Bradley (MB) - Chair  
 David Wilson DW  
 Adrian Davis Johnston (ADJ)  
 Roy Hobson (RH)  
 Deborah Naylor (DN)  
 Phil Davies (PD)  
 Gordon Grant (GG)  
 Tony Markley (TM)  
 Becky Wolstenholme (BW)  
 Barbara Cannon (BC)- joined via Teams.  
 Lucas Wirga (LW) -joined via Teams.

NWS Alison Beard (AB)- Partnership Operations Manager

NWS Ged Sojka- (GS)- Site Evaluation Manager  
 Support Neil Hyatt- (NH)- Chief Scientific Adviser

NWS Technical Support -online Fiona McEvoy  
 Iain Phimister  
 Sarah Vines  
 Robert McLaverty  
 Kurt Smith

Minutes: Katy Arnott (KA)

Apologies: Chris Gibson (CG)  
 John Coughlan (JC)

Item	Description	Action Lead	By when
1.	<p><b>WELCOME/APOLOGIES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.</li> <li>Apologies received from Chris Gibson, John Coughlan.</li> <li>NWS Technical Support introduced themselves.</li> <li>The Chair gave special thanks to Daniel Rigg (NWS Siting Support for the Partnership). Dan has started a new position in NWS.</li> </ul>	<p>MB</p> <p>To note</p>	



2.	<b>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Previous Minutes: Community Partnership Meeting (10.08.23) were approved. No Actions.</li></ul>	MB
3.	<b>NWS WITHDRAWAL FROM ALLERDALE - TECHNICAL FINDINGS</b> <p>Professor Neil Hyatt, NWS Chief Scientific Adviser - Presentation on Technical Information Supporting the NWS Decision to Withdraw from the Siting Process.</p>	MB To note
4.	<b>WORKSTREAMS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Post NWS decision to withdraw from Allerdale, the Allerdale GDF Community Partnership is expected to formally conclude business 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.</li><li>• <u>Visioning Workstream</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Workstream members will draft a Visioning Report to detail approach and conclude findings to date.</li><li>○ Visioning draft report to be finalised at next workstream meeting.</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Community Engagement Workstream</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A maildrop to all households in the Search Area is due to be released 13<sup>th</sup> November. This will detail the NWS decision to withdraw from Allerdale and advertise the public presentations.</li><li>○ Presentations on the Partnership's story and NWS withdrawal from Allerdale will take place, Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 3pm and 6pm, St Michael's Church Workington.</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Community Investment Funding Workstream</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Community Investment Funding Year 2 will close Jan 17<sup>th</sup> 2024. The Partnership are on course for awarding the full £1m by this date. Although NWS have made decision to withdraw, the Partnership has submitted a paper to NWS to request further funding as £600k of potential projects are the pipeline. The amount of funding available to the Partnership for future awards is currently under review by NWS.</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Youth Workstream</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Youth Workstream will fulfil its commitments and current plans made with students and continue to work on a Cumbrian Youth Strategy alongside the other Cumbrian Partnerships.</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Governance Workstream</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ All material will be archived and available to other Partnership's should they wish.</li></ul></li></ul>	MB To note



5.	<b>AOB</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Engagement Manager reiterated that all NWS staff supporting the Partnership have new roles in NWS post closure of the Partnership. The new roles will be phased in as the Partnership is concluded.</li><li>• Community Engagement Manager gave special thanks to all the Partnership Members. Special recognition was given to acknowledge those members who are volunteers.</li></ul>	ALL To note	
6.	<b>DATES OF UPCOMING MEETINGS – Review dates</b>  <b>Upcoming Community Engagement Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>31st October</u>: Green 2 Grow, Energus. Partnership have sponsored the event, organised by CALC &amp; Cumberland Council. Partnership members are welcome to come along.</li><li>• <u>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov</u>: Presentation-in public. The Story of Allerdale GDF Community Partnership &amp; Decision to Withdraw. Presentations – 3pm &amp; 6pm.</li><li>• <u>8<sup>th</sup> Jan</u> - Community Partnership Meeting- Teams 8.30am</li><li>• <u>March (Date TBC)</u>- Final Community Partnership Meeting &amp; Closure.</li></ul>	MB To note	

