

REPORT TO DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP

DOUNREAY SOCIO ECONOMIC ALLIANCE UPDATE, NOVEMBER 2017

NDA Direct Support

- **Scrabster Harbour Trust:** Funding from NDA (£143K) and European funding has ensured that Scrabster maintains its position among the UK top fish landing ports following the investment into a new ice plant. The funding allowed the purchasing and installation of a new £1.1M quayside ice plant, capable of producing 60t of plate ice of a quality required by modern fisheries.

NDA funding: £143,000
Impact: 3rd largest fish port in UK

- **Wick Harbour Authority:** Funding has been committed by NDA to support infrastructure at the Wick harbour which will support the sustainable jobs that would be created from the offshore wind farm(s). In addition, Dounreay agreed to fund the design of a high water gate. The design element has just been completed and currently an invoice is awaited to release Dounreay funding. NDA has carried out the due diligence on behalf of NDA and Dounreay.

NDA funding: £1M committed for infrastructure
Dounreay funding: £125,000 (design of high water gate)
Impact: Supports business case to attract proportion of Moray East jobs (~300) as well as 90 SSE jobs.

Regular meetings with NDA and HIE have taken place with Wick Harbour Authority. Wick Harbour Authority is currently updating their business plan. HIE are expected to make their funding decision around the end of this calendar year.

- **Nucleus, the Nuclear and Caithness Archives:** Nucleus has continued to attract interest from people seeking to examine the local records. The Caithness Archive is fully functioning and a growing number of people are visiting to carry out personal research. The new facility has allowed many donations of records and the archive will soon take delivery of a historically important collection of local records from Sir Richard Dunbar. The entire Hempriggs Estate records will be consigned to Nucleus in November.

NDA funding: £21M
Highland Council: provided land for build
Impact: 25 fte jobs

- A community outreach programme is ongoing and an artist is soon to be appointed as part of the arts strategy that will develop a community arts programme. The building has received visits from individuals and organisations both locally and around the world including hosting an international waste management conference during the summer.
- The nuclear records will be relocated to the building from across the UK in a programme that runs for several years. The Dounreay photographic collection was among the first nuclear records to be relocated.
- The building has been short-listed for several awards including the RIBA award for best public buildings and the Scottish Awards for Quality in Planning (SAQP awards are one of the Scottish Government's most prestigious events to acknowledge achievements in

planning). Restore, the company that manages Nucleus on behalf of the NDA has been shortlisted in the Go-Awards for best practice in organisations who work with government.

- The NDA’s donations policy has been updated so that records may be given or bequeathed to Nucleus. In such cases, the NDA will ensure that offers will be directed to the most suitable collection. This includes local or specialist archives. These will not be classed as “public Records” under the Public Records Act (PRA) 1958. Several historically significant archive collections are currently being prepared for relocation to Nucleus including the records of the Hempriggs Estate and a private collection of historic Caithness records currently held in Liverpool. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nda-archive-donations-policy>.

- **Caithness and North Sutherland Fund:** The CNSF was established by the NDA and Dounreay to distribute funding to community organisations for projects that increase the attractiveness of Caithness and North Sutherland as a place to live, work and invest with particular emphasis on achieving environment, social, culture and infrastructure improvements. The £4 million funding package was agreed as part of the new disposal facility for low level waste. In 2017 an important milestone has been reached as it is half way through the Fund’s lifetime plan. The CNS Fund’s fifth AGM was held on 26 October 2017 and celebrated the Fund’s significant achievements to date.

NDA funding:	£4M in total
Impact:	1.5 fte jobs created
	£1,673,669 provided to date
	130 projects supported
	£7M total value estimate

- **North Highland Regeneration Fund:** The NHRF established by the NDA provides loan funding complementing other existing sources of funding for small businesses. On 30th June a new initiative was announced offering support, up to a total of £200,000, to accommodation providers in the North Highlands who are serving the North Coast 500 route. Twenty-three potential new businesses have registered an expression of interest with one formal application received. The NHRF will continue to help other sectors and has the sum of £600,00 available to invest.

NDA funding:	£1.85M in total
Impact:	Supported 200 people into employment

- **NDA Stakeholder Summit:** The NDA held a national stakeholder event on 18/19th September in Cumbria. Representatives from Caithness included, DSRL, Caithness Chamber of Commerce, CNSRP, HIE, Nucleus, CNS Fund, North Sutherland Councillor, Scrabster Harbour and Dounreay Stakeholder Group. The exhibition focussed on socio economic successes and there was a strong presence from Caithness. Tom Pottinger, Chairman Scrabster Harbour Trust provided a presentation on the development of Scrabster with Roger Saxon providing a DSG view on the local impact of investments by partners in the area. Trudy Morris sat on an all women panel providing details of partnership working and the CNSRP programme.



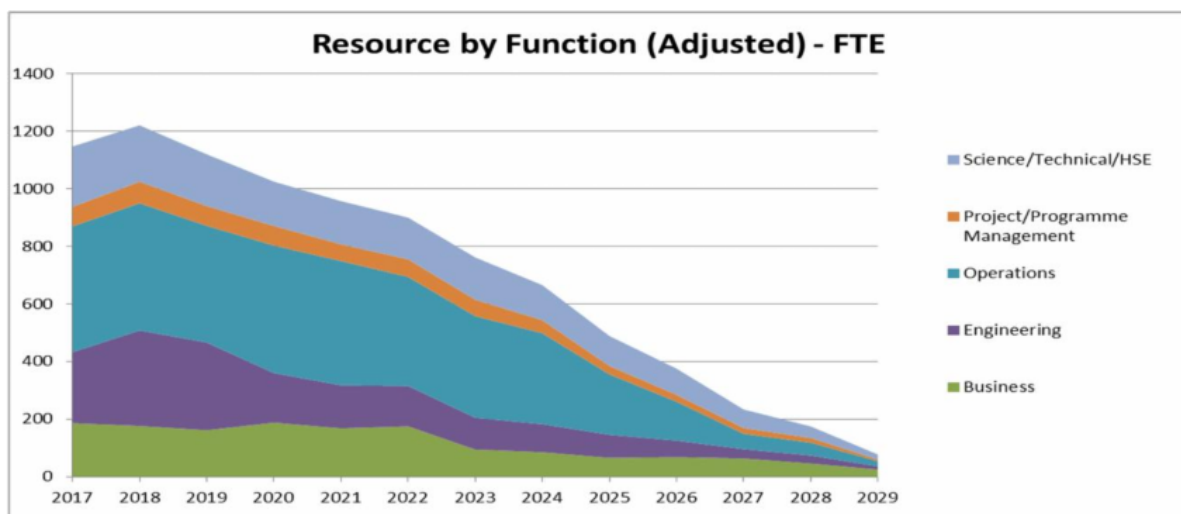
- NDA hosted a Japanese Government and business representatives visit to Caithness in support of UK DiT aims to promote the UK and Scottish supply chain mechanisms and capability. Senior representation from Hitachi GE Nuclear, Toshiba and Mitsubishi Heavy Industries alongside JAEA, Japanese Government officials and UK Department for Trade joined together to carry out a learning journey to Caithness and Dounreay where they met with NDA, HIE, Scottish Government and local businesses.

Dounreay Activities

- **Dounreay Socio Economic Budget for 2017/18:** The table below shows progress against committed spend.

Activity	2017/18	Comments
Delivery of Socio Economic Plan	£51,000	Staff time to manage socio economic projects. Forecast spend to end of year is around £22K
Business Development	£11,000	£5K spend - £6K in Q4.
Support to CNSRP		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programme Manager Funding 	£33,500	On target
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIE secondment (0.5FTE) 	£33,500	On target (expect slight increase)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Report (Part Funding) 	£4,000	On target (payment in Q4)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CNSRP Review 	£20,000	Did not happen – change of funding use to support revamp of CNSRP website – awaiting invoice.
DSRL Direct Funding		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caithness Horizons (Operational) 	£90,000	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caithness Transport Forum 	£10,000	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support to project management services (UKVL) 	£50,000	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Mentoring project 	£15,000	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wick Harbour high water gate (design) 	£125,000	Payment expected Q4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uncommitted funding 	£135,500	subject to discussions with CNSRP (see information in paper below)
Skills		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHC School Liaison Secondment (0.4 FTE) 	£18,000	Ongoing costs – forecast £18K
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STEM (Coordinator Secondment (0.1FTE) 	£10,000	Ongoing costs – forecast £10K
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STEM Ambassador support 	£10,000	Ongoing costs – Q4 costs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ready Steady Work 	£1,500	Complete
Dounreay Stakeholder Group		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dounreay Communities Fund 	£20,000	Final payment in Q4
Carry over funding for 2016/17	£138,000	
TOTAL	£638,000	

- Dounreay staffing profile:** The updated staffing profile was provided to CNSRP on 10 October. A number of assumptions were noted and it was agreed that the best available information (subject to approval of the updated programme) would be made available early April 2018.



Notes:

1. Information from Dounreay Target FY17/18 Sept-17 baseline
2. Breakdown of resource by function aligns with NDA reporting requirements for SLCs
3. Excludes CNC and Civilian Guard Force
4. Excludes Special Items for Unirradiated Fuels programme
5. Excludes Exotics Site-wide impact BCP.
6. Resources profile will be subject to change as a result of projects not yet on stream

- Cavendish Nuclear Project:** Work on any potential future Cavendish Nuclear business based in the Caithness region has progressed little in the last few months due to numerous issues including the extension of the Dounreay decommissioning programme. Activities are progressing alongside other work that is essential for any transition of staff to non Dounreay activities to be successful in the future such as personnel mobility and utilisation on site. Discussions have begun with DSRL and are beginning at Board level, but are still some way off being sufficiently advanced to commit to any agreement in principle or timescales. As previously mentioned, it is essential that before any activity takes place, discussions and then desk top work is conducted to gain agreement of all key stakeholders, ie. the PBO, DSRL, NDA and the regulators.

- Scrabster Harbour Trust:** Dounreay provided funding to Scrabster Harbour Trust to update an earlier socio economic impact assessment study on harbour activities. The report has been provided to Dounreay and CNSRP partners. Scrabster Harbour published a press release on the outcome of the assessment study.

Funding:	£12.5K
Outcome:	Supports 403 FTEs direct/indirect/induced
	£25M Gross value added
	£48M output
	£10M (wages/salaries within Caithness)

- **Summary of Scrabster Harbour on Caithness**

(numbers in brackets depict 2009 assessment)

Category	Direct	Indirect	Induced	Total
Employment (total number of jobs that Scrabster Harbour supports)				
Operational	62 (60)	21 (19)	12 (13)	95 (92)
Harbour dependent	109 (72)	102 (73)	29 (23)	240 (168)
Sub total	171 (132)	123 (98)	41 (36)	335 (260)
Catalytic/Wider	55 (67)	6 (6)	7 (6)	68 (79)
TOTAL	226 (199)	129 (98)	48 (42)	403 (339)
GVA (£M) (the difference between the output produced and cost of the raw materials and other outputs. Estimate of how much the economic activities attributable to SHT generates on gross value added within Caithness.				
Operational	5.9 (3.1)	1.9 (1.1)	1.4 (0.8)	9.2 (5.0)
Harbour Dependent	6.7 (5.3)	5.3 (1.2)	1.6 (0.8)	13.6 (7.3)
Sub total	12.6 (10.2)	7.2 (2.3)	3.0 (1.6)	22.8 (12.3)
Catalytic/Wider	1.5 (1.8)	0.2 (0.2)	0.3 (0.3)	2.0 (2.3)
TOTAL	14.1 (10.2)	7.4 (2.5)	3.3 (1.9)	24.8 (14.6)
Income (£M) (Gross wages and salaries associated with the activities supported by SHT.				
Operational	2.4 (1.6)	0.7 (0.5)	0.3 (0.3)	3.4 (2.4)
Harbour Dependent	2.2 (1.4)	3.2 (0.8)	0.6 (0.3)	6.0 (2.4)
Sub total	4.6 (3.0)	3.9 (1.3)	0.9 (0.6)	9.4 (1.4)
Catalytic/Wider	0.7 (1.0)	0.1 (0.2)	0.1 (0.2)	0.9 (1.4)
TOTAL	5.3 (4.0)	4.0 (1.5)	1.0 (0.8)	10.3 (6.2)
Output (£M) associated with activities supported by SHT.				
Operational	9.6 (8.4)	2.8 (2.6)	1.6 (1.4)	14.0 (12.4)
Harbour Dependent	18.5 (15.8)	10.3 (3.8)	2.2 (2.4)	31.0 (22.0)
Sub total	28.1 (24.2)	13.1 (6.4)	3.8 (3.8)	45.0 (34.4)
Catalytic/Wider	2.5 (3.5)	0.4 (0.5)	0.3 (0.4)	3.2 (4.4)
TOTAL	30.6 (27.7)	13.5 (6.9)	4.1 (4.2)	48.2 (38.8)

- **Caithness Horizons:** The historical funding commitment from UKAEA has now ceased with the last payment of £90K provided for financial year 2017/18. Numerous discussions regarding ongoing funding support with Caithness Horizons has resulted in a conditional offer of potential funding for next financial year. However, at the Dounreay Socio Economic Board, Caithness Horizons has indicated that the funding projections as discussed previously will not be sufficient to allow CH to continue to trade. The Dounreay Socio Economic Board has indicated they would be willing to reconsider the ongoing funding support but has set a number of caveats including the requirement for Highland Council to continue their funding support also. A meeting has been organised for December to get to a position where a funding offer is provided to allow Caithness Horizons to plan for the new financial year (2018/19).
- **Heritage:** The Heritage strategy continues to be progressed by the Site Heritage Officer with members of the public plus past and present employees interviewed by BBC Radio Scotland for a social history programme called "Our Story". It covered current impressions and past memories of the impact that Dounreay had on Caithness. The 30 minute programme was broadcast on 15 August.

- Four heritage objects continues to be collected including:
 - Haggis magazine (written and published by Dounreay staff) dated January 1960
 - Two hand held radiation monitors (RO2 ion chambers) used by the Fire Brigade.
 - Desktop embossing press used by Commercial Department for received Invitation to Tender documents. The stamp is; “UKAEA Dounreay Tender Board”.
 - Slide rule embossed with “UKAEA”



- Two leavers completed a Dounreay Memories form.
- Twenty four oral history recordings and transcripts were handed over to the Caithness Archive at Nucleus. These were recorded by James Gunn, Heritage Officer, over the last 6 years and featured former Dounreay employees and members of the public. All have recording agreement forms signed by each interviewee.

SKILLS

- **Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM):** Co-ordination of all Dounreay STEM ambassadors is now carried out by the Community Relations Department. A number of STEM activities have been progressing since the beginning of the financial year with early discussions with the new intake of graduates and apprentices with some already registering to take part. While some of the graduates are employed outwith STEM activities they have been encouraged to join the non-STEM disciplines or the DYW Business Ambassadors.

Funding: £20,000
Impact: 18 new STEM ambassadors (since Apr 2017)
 74 Dounreay STEM ambassadors (to date)

A new page on the intranet relating to STEM is currently waiting to be published and a new STEM leaflet has been produced and circulated to ambassadors, teachers, schools etc for information.

- A Dounreay Graduate Chemical Engineer from Caithness recently visited Thurso Highland School to provide an insight about his time at university, his experience of moving from Thurso to Edinburgh, ICAS applications, etc. This was well received with pupils coming to follow up discussions with him. This will be repeated next year at both Thurso and Wick High Schools for S6 pupils.
- The Graduate’s Environmental Remediation Workshop is being rolled out to North Highland College students at the end of November. Following this the graduates will assess how well it has been received with a view to rolling out to secondary schools later next year.
- The Key Ambassador programme is progressing well with arrangements in hand to roll out projects to schools during the October break:

Resource: 1 Graduate
Impact: 105 S6 pupils received information

- Delivered by Dounreay Apprentices:
 - CREST SuperStar Award at Miller Academy
 - CREST Star Award at Dunbeath Primary
 - CREST Star Award at Lybster Primary

- Supported or delivered by STEM Ambassadors:
 - Goblin Car project at Miller Academy, Pennyland Primary & Halkirk Primary (school on east side still to be identified)
 - Natural disaster project with P5-P7 at Newton Park
 - K'Nex workshops at Mount Pleasant Primary
 - Space project with P5 at Pennyland Primary School commencing January 2018
 - Planet Pioneers project being delivered to P7 pupils in country schools feeding Thurso High School.



- Two female apprentices attended networking event for female Modern Apprentices working in science, engineering, tech, construction and the built environment in July.

- Two Dounreay Apprentice STEM Ambassadors from the design office getting involved in the Scottish Design Relay - a series of workshops throughout November.

- DSRL will be supporting the Caithness Science Festival Family Fun Day on Saturday 17 March 2018.

- Aberdeen Science Centre is offering a two-hour training course on Friday 24 November to STEM Ambassadors in Caithness on “People Like Me” - a project aimed at inspiring and supporting girls into STEM subjects, particularly girls who typically do not choose to study physics and engineering.

- **North Highland College/Dounreay Working Group:** The first meeting was held on 4 October 2017 where the Terms of Reference were agreed and the following topics discussed:
 - Safety Case Writer course
 - Radiation Protection Apprenticeship
 - DSRL Workforce Development Plan
 - An update of UHI HE Engineering
 - A community fund approach to support local training initiatives
 - Flexible Working Development Fund

- **Developing the Young Workforce:** Support continues with this project with a Dounreay senior representative sitting on the Board. Project manager, Marcus Mennie presented to the Dounreay Women’s Network Education and Engagement focus group on 29 August. NDA funding support for the project concludes this financial year.

- **Dounreay Business Ambassadors:** Interest has been registered for DYW Business Ambassadors including two of the new graduate intakes. Inductions are due to take place in early December including PVG clearance.

Resource: 6 Dounreay staff registered as DYW business ambassadors

The Business Ambassadors will support mock interviews at Farr, Thurso and Wick High Schools during November.

- **Engineering Industry Day:** Co-ordination of the 2017 event is underway. The event will be held at ETEC, North Highland College week beginning 6 December (tbc).
- **Voluntary redundancies:** In April Dounreay announced a voluntary redundancy programme for up to 150 DSRL jobs and around 50 contractor positions. This was to allow the site to plan ahead for the conclusion of some big projects and it was believed that the fairest way to deal with this situation would be to offer this opportunity to everyone on the site. The scheme was oversubscribed and numbers broadly similar to those announced have accepted offers and will be leaving Dounreay as part of a phased programme aligned to individual transition plans and the conclusion of projects. Work is ongoing to identify information which can be provided to leavers for consideration as to what they would wish to do after Dounreay.
- **New recruits:** The site welcomed eleven new graduates and eight new apprentices this month. The apprentice scheme was originally due to end two years ago (as per original decommissioning programme). This has been extended to allow recruitment to continue this year. The site's challenge is to ensure that there is the right mix of skills to support upcoming decommissioning projects and our new recruits will help to support this.

- **Dounreay apprentices:** The site celebrated the indentures of 11 of Dounreay's apprentices in September who have now completed their four year programme. Ten of them have secured employment at the site, while the 11th apprentice had already decided to pursue a career in Glasgow. Jamie Stone, MP attended this event and presented them with certificates. It was a good celebration of the hard work the apprentices had completed during their training.



- **Approved Apprentice status:** Dounreay was successful in gaining approved apprentice status from the Institution of Engineering and Technology for our Engineering competency based (NVQ) apprenticeship programmes.
- **Women in Nuclear:** Dounreay (in line with an EDI initiative being promoted across the NDA estate) has a women's network which followed the signing of a Women in Nuclear UK charter last year - a key part of Dounreay's focus on equality, diversity and inclusion. The network aims to improve the number of women working in the nuclear industry to create a more diverse and inclusive workplace. Around 30% of Dounreay's workforce is female which is higher than the industry average, but there is much more to do. The network will be doing all it can to improve that and have set an ambitious goal to be recognised as the leading NDA site for women in leadership roles. The site participated in National Inclusion Week starting on 25 September, as part of our EDI policy.

PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES

- **Nuclear Directory and supply chain capability:** Dounreay continues to utilise the nuclear directory and video of the local supply chain capability which the Chamber of Commerce produced for various conferences and events. The latest event was the NDA Supply Chain event held last week where JGC Engineering and Technical Services Ltd were highly commended for being recognised for their wider contribution to the nuclear industry.
- The Commercial department launched a new Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) innovation scheme, LINC with Dounreay. To date more than 100 companies have registered an interest within the first three months of its launch. Engineering consultancies, film makers and soil remediation experts are among the companies with different skills and capabilities that have signalled their interest in supporting Scotland's largest, and one of Europe's most complex, decommissioning project by signing up to LINC - liaise, innovate, network and collaborate - with Dounreay. Two of those registered were among five companies that recently took part in a workshop to assess options for size-reducing components in the Prototype Fast Reactor. IKM Consulting and AJ Engineering were given the opportunity to contribute innovative ideas and work alongside existing suppliers in the first project launched as part of the scheme.



Following the success at Dounreay, Sellafield has recently launched 'LINC with Sellafield'. The two sites are hoping to work together in the future to offer increased opportunities for the supply chain.

DSRL requires bidders for all contract opportunities to include a socioeconomic benefit statement. For all procurements in excess of £500k, the commitments made are assessed and scored as part of the contract award process.

In DSG Paper 15 (issued at the last sub group) an outline of all the contracts with socio economic benefits was listed. The procurement process has commenced for a new Framework Agreement for Scaffolding Services. In addition, tenders have just been received for the Design (Minor) Services which has a 15% socio economic weighting and are currently being assessed. Ansaldo NES has been awarded a contract for the manufacture, testing, installation and commissioning of an immobilisation line for the process of ADU floc. The contract is worth £3.7M and has a duration of three years with a significant local sub-contractor contribution (JGC Engineering & Technical Services) valued at over £1M.

CAITHNESS AND NORTH SUTHERLAND REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP (CNSRP) PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES

- **Dounreay Socio Economic committed spend for 2017/18:** The activities listed below is the Dounreay Socio Economic Alliance's support provided to the Caithness and North Sutherland Regeneration Partnership.

Activity / Spend (17/18)	Deliverables	Due date	Status
CNSRP Programme Manager funding £33,500.00	Job description reviewed and agreed.	28 Apr 2017	Complete
	Annual objectives agreed	28 Apr 2017	Complete
	Bi-monthly articles for site in-house magazine on CNSRP related activities.	May 2017 Aug 2017 Oct 17 Dec 17	CNSRP activities Newton rooms
	Quarterly updates via CNSRP delivery group on progress	Jul 2017 Oct 2017 Dec 2017 Jan 2018	Complete Complete
	Consult with DSRL re comms plan strategy	(ongoing) March 2018	Early discussions ongoing
CNSRP Youth Conference £20K	A change of use of funding was requested and agreed via the Dounreay Socio Economic Board. The funding will now go towards the revamp of part of the CNSRP website and branding. The Chamber, through DYW project, will organise the Youth conference and website will be ready at same time.	30 Aug 2017	Delayed – waiting for the website to go live. Payment not yet made.
CNSRP Programme Support Simon Middlemas (Cavendish Nuclear support) Funding provided by CN for this activity.	Provision of support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CNSRP programme - CNSRP scopes/plans - CNSRP website support 		Finalised website revamp. CNSRP Programme, scopes and plans provided.
Caithness Transport Forum £10,000	Key indicators and targets agreed	1 Apr 2017	Complete
	Annual summary of impacts	28 Feb 2018	
Business mentoring project Chamber of Commerce £15,000	Key indicators and targets agreed	21 Apr 2017	Complete
	Monthly progress reports	1 May 2017	Complete
		1 June 2017	Complete
		1 July 2017	Complete
		1 Aug 2017	Complete
		1 Sep 2017	Complete
		1 Oct 2017	Complete
		1 Nov 2017	Complete
		1 Dec 2017	
		1 Jan 2018	
1 Feb 2018			
1 Mar 2018			
Feedback from beneficiaries	3 July 2017	Complete	

Activity / Spend (17/18)	Deliverables	Due date	Status
		2 Oct 2017 3 Jan 2018	Complete
	Annual Report summarising impacts	28 Feb 2018	
UKVL Sutherland Programme Management support to space project £50,000	Terms and Conditions agreed	13 Apr 2017	Complete
	Monthly updates	1 May 2017	Complete
		1 Jun 2017	Complete
		1 Jul 2017	Complete
Impact Assessment report	31 Jul 2017	Complete	
Inward Investment secondment £33,500	Job description agreed	28 Apr 2017	Complete
	Objectives for 2017/18 agreed	28 April 2017	Complete
	Six monthly review held	1 Oct 2017	Complete
North Highland College secondment (School link) £18,000	Job description agreed	12 May 2017	Complete
	Objectives agreed for 2017/18	12 May 2017	Complete
	Interim impact assessment report	30 Nov 2017	
	Final impact assessment report	30 Mar 2018	
Wick Harbour Authority high water gate protection. £125,000	Agreement to provide funding to support the design.	<i>Awaiting clarification of when required.</i>	Discussions on going to make payment Q4

CNSRP SECONDMENTS

- **Inward Investment secondment:** 0.5 fte supporting HIE Inward Investment activities. The CNSRP scopes and plans outline the support to be provided by this secondment. Work continues in a number of CNSRP priority areas, including:
 - UKVL Sutherland
 - Tidal
 - Offshore Wind
 - Business Services
 - Nuclear Services
 - North Coast 500

Resource: 0.5 FTE
Activity: 14 business visits to area
17 prospects identified and engaged with.
1 potential lead being pursued
2 bespoke proposition documents
2 generic marketing documents

- **North Highland College secondment:** 0.2 FTE seconded to NHC to support the senior phase programme designed to support pupils with their school senior phase programme.
 - Early indications show an increase in student numbers for both Further Education and Higher Education courses compared to this time last year. The position for Higher Education is particularly encouraging with 30 additional full-time students enrolled and a further increase has also been projected for part-time students.

Resource: 0.2 FTE
Outcomes: 597 Total applications
476 Enrolments (incl provisionals)
469 Enrolments (16/17)

Campus	Applications	Enrolments
Alness	155	115
Dornoch	108	94
Thurso	334	267

- Marketing material for 2018/19 (for the three hubs) has now been developed and is with the graphic designer.
 - Programme of meetings with head teachers now underway to learn lessons from 2017/18 to allow proposals for 2018/19 to be improved on.
 - Programme under development for school engagement (parent evenings, career days, senior phase information events, etc) which will take part from early November through to mid-March.
- **Wick Harbour Authority:** Cavendish Nuclear seconded 0.5 fte to Wick Harbour Authority to support the offshore wind sector. Following on from the success of the Beatrice Offshore Windfarm locating to Wick work is ongoing to develop a business case for the design of a high water gate to protect an area of the harbour which will allow further use of the harbour for offshore wind activities. Moray East recently received its Contract for Difference and discussions are at an early stage with them regarding the siting of their O&M base.
 - **Community Sports Hub:** Cavendish Nuclear seconded 0.1 fte to support this project with the development of a business case and fundraising activities. A meeting with Sports Scotland is due to be held on 14th November and will be considered further following the outcome of this meeting. NDA has sought to change its policy on funding sports projects and an application to NDA could therefore be eligible for consideration. NDA continues to hold land at Viewfirth with a view to disposal to a community beneficiary.
 - **CNSRP Programme Support:** Cavendish Nuclear, through its contractor, has supported the CNSRP programme activity throughout the year. Support has been provided to developing the high priority opportunities, scopes and plans, risk and mitigation plan as well as developing a new CNSRP website.

PIPELINE PROJECTS

The NDA is currently in very early discussions regarding three potential projects for funding support:

- **Caithness Broch Project:** Early discussions are ongoing with Caithness Broch project for potential funding for various projects. Representatives of the Caithness Broch Project attended a dinner hosted by David Batters, NDA Chief Financial Officer on Monday 9th October to provide a presentation on their aspirations order to introduce the project at all levels of the organisation. Subsequently the Project has approached the NDA for a further discussion seeking support for a development plan and discussion is ongoing regarding a way forward.
- The redevelopment of John O’Groats Mill. This project is at a very early stage and there is discussion in principle regarding NDA funding for the redevelopment but no formal application has been made.

- Town Centre improvements. Again, early discussions with limited information at this time but it is understood that work is ongoing in both centres to consider how best to take forward town centre development.

Dounreay is currently in early discussions with:

- Scrabster Harbour Trust regarding potential funding to support project management services required to inform the potential redevelopment of St Ola Pier. The next stage for this discussion is to speak to CNSRP to identify whether this project aligns into the CNSRP priority programme.
- CNSRP Programme Manager to discuss potential funding for CNSRP priority projects for this financial year. The funding requests are in relation to UKVL (Sutherland), Tidal, Offshore wind, NorthCoast 500, Business Services and Nuclear Services.

Dounreay Socio Economic Alliance

7 November 2017