

# RWIN Steering Group Meeting No. 1

## Minutes

Held in the Elmfield Room, Sir Robert Hadfield Building, University of Sheffield on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2004

Present

**J W Roberts (JWR) – John**

**W E Lee (WEL) – Bill**

**N C Hyatt (NCH) - Neil**

**A G Davies (AGD) – Glyn**

**D W Hutchinson (DWH) – Dave**

**I Farnan (IF) – Ian**

**F Lopez (FL) – Frank**

**S King (SK) – Samantha**

Not Present

**Ian Hudson** – BNFL, **Terry Selby** – DTI/LMU, **Michael Grave** – Mitsui Babcock

1. Introduction to ISL
  - 1.1 WEL presented a brief introduction to the ISL including plans for the Waste Immobilisation M.Sc. programme to start in October 2004.
  - 1.2 JWR outlined the plans for RWIN to the Steering Group including e-mail list, website and three annual meetings.
  - 1.3 It was agreed that the presentations given by WEL and JWR should be circulated to the Steering Group members.

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- 1.4 It was decided that the RWIN website should show the following information, Steering Group member details with links to home institutes, links to other organisations: RWMAC, CoRWM, HSE etc, research opportunities, conference and meetings list, protocols for personnel exchange

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- 1.5 It was agreed that JWR would circulate the e-mail list to the Steering Group who would inform him of potential new members,

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## 2 Meetings

- 2.1 The first two-day RWIN meeting will be held at the University of Sheffield in July 2004 with the provisional title of Waste Immobilisation Challenges. People to contact as invited speakers are Gordon MacKerron (CoRWM Chair) or Greg Butler, Sue Ion (BNFL) or Richard Taylor, Kevin Langley (UKAEA), Ekhard Salje (Univ. Cambridge), Francis Livens (Univ. Manchester) and possibly Vic Freestone of (AWE) – SK will advise JWR on AWE choice. JWR will book a suitable venue and enquire about hotel and evening meal costs.

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- 2.2 Four areas were identified as requiring representation at RWIN meetings
  - i) Industry e.g. BNFL, AWE, UKAEA etc
  - ii) Regulators, Government and Nirex e.g. EA/SEPA, NII, Nirex, DEFRA etc
  - iii) Stakeholders e.g. NGOs, BNES, INuChE, IOP, RS, Society for Radiological Protection
  - iv) Research e.g. Universities of Cambridge, Sheffield, Manchester, Highlands and Islands

- 2.3 The meeting will last from ~11am on Day 1 until ~2pm on Day 2. This will allow for the next Steering Group meeting to take place on the evening of Day 1 and a topic for the focussed meeting to be announced on Day 2. Possible topics discussed for the Focussed one day meeting in December 2004 include Possible Waste Challenge Solutions and Worldwide Experience of Repository Location.

- 2.4 The 'public' meeting will take place in March 2005 in possible collaboration with a learned society. David King was suggested as a suitable high profile keynote speaker. JWR will investigate availability.

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- 3 Date of next meeting dependant on date of first two-day meeting.

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