

LGA Special Interest Group Annual Report to LGA Board

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Birmingham City Council - corresponding

Blackpool Borough Council - corresponding

Braintree Borough Council - corresponding

Breckland District Council - corresponding

Broadland District Council - corresponding

Bromsgrove District Council - corresponding

Caerphilly County Borough Council – corresponding

Cardiff City Council – NFLA co-optee

Carlisle City Council – corresponding

Cornwall Council - corresponding

Chelmsford Borough Council - corresponding

Chesterfield Borough Council – corresponding

Cheshire West and Chester Council – corresponding

Colchester Borough Council - corresponding

Copeland Borough Council – contributing

Cumbria County Council - contributing

Dacorum District Council - corresponding

Denbighshire County Council – corresponding

Derby City Council – corresponding

Derbyshire Dales District Council – corresponding

Devon County Council - corresponding

Dorset Council – contributing

Dorset Fire and Rescue – corresponding

Durham County Council – corresponding

East Suffolk Council - contributing

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Essex County Council- contributing

Folkestone & Hythe District Council - contributing

Forest of Dean District Council - corresponding

Forest Heath District Council - corresponding
Fylde Borough Council – corresponding
Gloucestershire County Council - contributing
Great Yarmouth Borough Council - corresponding
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Gwynedd County Council - corresponding
Halton Borough Council – corresponding
Hampshire County Council - corresponding
Harlow District Council - corresponding
Hartlepool Borough Council – corresponding
Hull City Council – NFLA co-optee
Hyndburn Borough Council - corresponding
Kent County Council - corresponding
Kings Lynn & West Norfolk District Council - corresponding
Lancashire County Council - corresponding
Lancaster City Council - corresponding
Leeds City Council – NFLA co-optee
Leicestershire County Council - corresponding
Lewes District Council - corresponding
Liverpool City Council - corresponding
London Borough of Hackney - corresponding
London Borough of Harrow – corresponding
London Borough of Hillingdon - corresponding
London Borough of Newham - corresponding
London Borough of Tower Hamlets - corresponding
Maldon District Council – corresponding
Manchester City Council - contributing
Melton Borough Council – corresponding
Merseyside Environmental Advisory Service – corresponding
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Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council - corresponding
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North London Waste Plan - corresponding
Northamptonshire County Council - corresponding
North East Derbyshire District Council - corresponding
North Norfolk District Council - corresponding
Norwich City Council - corresponding
Nottinghamshire County Council – corresponding
Northumberland County Council - corresponding
Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council – corresponding
Oxfordshire County Council - contributing
Pembrokeshire County Council - corresponding
Plymouth City Council - corresponding
Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council – NFLA Co-optee
Rutland County Council - corresponding
Scarborough District Council - corresponding
Sedgemoor District Council – contributing
Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council - corresponding

Somerset County Council – corresponding
Somerset West & Taunton Council – contributing
South Gloucester Council – contributing
South Ribble Borough Council - corresponding
Southampton City Council - corresponding
South Norfolk District Council – corresponding
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Spelthorne Borough Council - corresponding
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West Lindsey District Council - corresponding
Worcestershire County Council - corresponding
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NATIONAL PARKS AUTHORITIES

Lake District National Park Authority
North Yorkshire Moors National Park Authority
Snowdonia National Park Authority

Aim

NuLeAF's **Aims** are set out in the **Terms of Reference** document

"The Aims are:

- to seek to ensure that all nuclear, waste management and decommissioning activities operate to the highest safety, security and environmental standards
- to raise the profile of debate within local government on any issue with very significant implications for any area affected by future proposed radioactive waste development
- to increase and aid 'capacity building' within local government and enable informed responses to Government and the NDA from a broader based local government grouping
- to be an interface with government and the NDA on future strategic radioactive waste policy, decommissioning and liabilities management issues
- to confer greater democratic legitimacy on Government and NDA engagement processes in the decommissioning and legacy management sphere
- to add weight and credibility to the current local government input into the radioactive waste, decommissioning and liabilities engagement processes now in hand

- to effectively utilise the democratic legitimacy of local government and increase influence over policy and strategy proposals that will be critical to national progress on nuclear industry legacy issues
- to provide representatives on Government and NDA consultation, stakeholder and advisory bodies reporting back to local government through the SIG mechanism
- to lever resources, in addition to those conferred through the establishment of a SIG, to enable 'capacity building' within local government so that Government policy can develop with broad based democratic consent."

Key Activities / Outcomes of work undertaken

General

- Held 4 Steering Group meetings including AGM and 2 meetings of the Radioactive Waste Planning Group. Meeting topics included: annual review with Magnox Ltd and LLWR Ltd on their work programmes, near-surface and in-situ disposal of radioactive waste; proposals for the accelerated decommissioning of Magnox reactors; review of UK Radioactive Waste Policy with BEIS; transport of nuclear materials, development of NDA accommodation, transport, people and places strategies; engagement with NDA on the PSE and skills aspects of their Strategy 4 and the draft Local Economic & Social Impact Strategy.
- Published 3 newsletters for contributing member authorities, 5 e-bulletins issued to full mailing list and responded to 4 consultations, circulating draft responses to members both for comment and as a resource for their own responses.
- Met with MoD and wrote to Public Accounts Committee to raise concerns regarding lack of progress in Submarine Dismantling Project.

Geological Disposal Facility

- Met with Cllr Renard to brief him on the Geological Disposal Facility siting process.
- Updated NuLeAF Briefing Papers on geological disposal and produced a new Policy Statement.
- The Executive Director gave a presentation on local government and the local authority aspects of geological disposal to RWM Outreach staff, and met with LGA Policy Officer to update him on developments in this area.
- Arranged a briefing meeting with staff from the District Council Network, County Council Network and Local Government Association.
- Supported RWM at LGA Conference 2019 to raise awareness amongst local authorities of the Geological Disposal Facility siting process.

Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

- Participated in Theme Overview Group, Low Level Waste National Waste Programme and Strategy 4 development meetings;
- Advised NDA in the preparation of their Economic and Social Impact Strategy through arranging meetings to discuss socio-economic issues and skills with local authority and LEP participants;
- Assisted NDA in attracting a local authority audience to their Stakeholder Summit in Anglesey.

Other meetings attended and other workstreams:

- 2 meetings of the Radioactive Substances Policy Group.
- 1 liaison and 1 teleconference meeting with BEIS/NDA/RWM regarding the Geological Disposal Facility and other workstreams; plus 2 meetings with RWM to discuss specific issues. Also met with senior staff of RWM to discuss work proposals.
- 10 NDA Theme Overview Group meetings on Site Restoration, Critical Enablers and Integrated Waste Management, 5 meeting of the NDA Strategy 4 Development Group.
- 2 meetings of the Low-Level Waste National Waste Programme Group plus speaking engagement at LLWR Conference.
- Provided support to IAEA in drafting report arising from previous technical meetings.
- NuLeAF's Executive Director was elected a Vice-President of the Group of Municipalities with Nuclear Facilities and has been involved in developing a new direction for the group. This is a pan-European local government network.

