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Call for Evidence – Theme Definition

Theme	Theme Definition	Relates to Work Package:	% of Responses Supporting this Theme	Stakeholders who Support this Theme (not exclusive list)
1	The potential suitability of the geology should be investigated at a national level, then invitations to learn more about the MRWS process should be extended to those communities with potentially suitable geologies. National parks etc. should be excluded.	WP4 – [REDACTED]	59%	Radiation Free Lakeland, Mayor & Chair of Keswick Council, Churches Together in Cumbria, Solway Plain Against Nuclear Dump, Berkeley (Harwell) SSG, Moresby Parish Council, Radiation Free Lakeland, Oxford Institute for Sustainable Development, Nuclear Free Local Authorities, Gosforth & Ponsonby Parish Councils, Crosscanonby Parish Council, Allerdale and Copeland Green Party, Cumbria Association of Local Councils, Underskiddaw Parish Council, Kent County Council, Millom Without and Whicham Parish Councils, Cumbria County Council, Shepway District Council, NOEND “No Ennerdale Nuclear Dump”, Environment Agency, Ennerdale and Kinniside Parish Council, AMEC, Above Derwent Parish Council, Maryport Town Council, Copeland and Workington Liberal Democrats, Lake District National Park Authority, Allerdale Borough Council, National Trust, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), Unite Union, Holme St Cutbert Parish Council, St Johns Castlerigg Parish Council, Cumbrians Opposed to a Radioactive Environment (CORE) Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
2a	There should be greater clarity about the scale, nature and timing of community benefits. A full description of the potential impacts, risks and issues of siting a GDF should also be made available.	WP2 – [REDACTED]	43%	Westlakes Nuclear Ltd, ARUP, Churches Together in Cumbria, Solway Plain Against Nuclear Dump, Berkeley (Harwell) SSG, Moresby Parish Council, St Bees Parish Council, Oxford Institute for Sustainable Development, Nuclear Free Local Authorities, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Gosforth & Ponsonby Parish Councils, Cumbria Association of Local Councils, Underskiddaw Parish Council, Kent County Council, Cumbria County Council, Shepway District Council, NOEND “No Ennerdale Nuclear Dump”, Environment Agency, Member of the GDF User’s Group, Cumbria Chamber of Commerce, Cumbria County Councillors, AMEC, Nuclear Industry Association, Copeland and Workington Liberal Democrats, Barrow Borough Council, Nuclear Institute, Lake District National Park Authority, National Nuclear Laboratory Limited (NNL), Prospect representative to West Cumbria, Prospect Deputy General Secretary, Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Sellafield Workers Campaign, Allerdale Borough Council, EDF Energy, Copeland Borough Council, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), URS Infrastructure & Environment UK Ltd, Unite Union, SKB International AB, St Johns Castlerigg Parish Council , Individuals: [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
2b	No community benefits should be made available – they could be seen as a bribe, perhaps at the expense of safety/suitability.	WP2 – [REDACTED]	2%	Radiation Free Lakeland
2c	No community benefits should be needed as the GDF should be seen/promoted as a prize and competition for this prize should be encouraged.	WP2 – [REDACTED]	1%	Quintessa
3	Greater clarity on the nature and timing of the Right of Withdrawal is required. Need to clarify who can withdraw and when the RoW will expire. Enshrine RoW in law.	WP3 – [REDACTED] WP10 – [REDACTED]	22%	Westlakes Nuclear Ltd, Solway Plain Against Nuclear Dump, Moresby Parish Council, St Bees Parish Council, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Underskiddaw Parish Council, Cumbria County Council, Shepway District Council, NOEND “No Ennerdale Nuclear Dump”, Ennerdale and Kinniside Parish Council, Cumbria County Councillors, Above Derwent Parish Council, Barrow Borough Council, Lake District National Park Authority, National Nuclear Laboratory Limited (NNL), Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Sellafield Workers

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				Campaign, Allerdale Borough Council, National Trust, Copeland Borough Council, URS Infrastructure & Environment UK Ltd, St Johns Castlerigg Parish Council Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
4	What constitutes a “Community” needs to be clearly defined	WP11 – [REDACTED]	10%	National Skills Academy for Nuclear, Westlakes Nuclear Ltd, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Gosforth & Ponsonby Parish Councils, NOEND “No Ennerdale Nuclear Dump”, West Cumbria and North Lakes Friends of the Earth, Nuclear Institute, Lake District National Park Authority, EDF Energy, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), URS Infrastructure & Environment UK Ltd, Individuals: [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
5a	Decision making body composition and/or powers should be made clear, and the decision-making body should be the District Council	WP3 – [REDACTED]	3%	Imperial College London, Nuclear Institute, Prospect representative to West Cumbria, National Trust, Copeland Borough Council
5b	Decision making body composition and/or powers should be made clear, and the decision-making body should be other than the District Council	WP3 – [REDACTED]	13%	ARUP, St Bees Parish Council, Oxford Institute for Sustainable Development, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Gosforth & Ponsonby Parish Councils, Cumbria Association of Local Councils, Underskiddaw Parish Council, Millom Without and Whicham Parish Councils, Cumbria County Council, Shepway District Council, Nuclear Institute, Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Sellafeld Workers Campaign, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), SKB International AB, Holme St Cutbert Parish Council, St Johns Castlerigg Parish Council
6	There needs to be greater clarity and communication about the inventory destined for a GDF	WP6 – [REDACTED]	11%	Nuclear Free Local Authorities, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Cumbria County Council, Shepway District Council, Environment Agency, AMEC, Barrow Borough Council, Prospect representative to West Cumbria, Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Greenpeace UK, Sellafeld Workers Campaign, URS Infrastructure & Environment UK Ltd, Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
7	The inventory destined for the GDF should be legacy waste only. A GDF for any wastes arising out of new nuclear build should be the subject of a separate process.	WP6 – [REDACTED]	14%	Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Greenpeace UK, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
8	Decision-makers in the process should be independent from the nuclear industry, unbiased, not have any personal political agenda and should not be part of the team developing the final report for the decision making bodies’ consideration.	WP3 – [REDACTED]	11%	Solway Plain Against Nuclear Dump, Moresby Parish Council, Gosforth & Ponsonby Parish Councils, NOEND “No Ennerdale Nuclear Dump”, Above Derwent Parish Council, National Trust, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), SKB International AB, St Johns Castlerigg Parish Council Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
9	DECC should establish an engagement fund for communities to draw upon for costs/marketing/time incurred during early engagement (this could be prior to formal interest in the process).	WP7 – [REDACTED]	4%	Shepway District Council, AMEC, National Nuclear Laboratory Limited (NNL), Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Copeland Borough Council Individuals - [REDACTED]
10a	Supports a proactive advocate for the GDF	WP1 – [REDACTED]	11%	ARUP, Shepway District Council, Member of the GDF User's Group, Cumbria County Councillors, AMEC, Nuclear Institute, Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Copeland Borough Council, URS Infrastructure & Environment UK Ltd, Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
10b	Supports a proactive advocate for the GDF and thinks this should be RWMD	WP1 – [REDACTED]	4%	Nuclear Industry Association, EDF Energy, SKB International AB, Individuals - [REDACTED]
11a	Supports geological disposal as the right policy for management of HAW	WP11 – [REDACTED]	9%	Churches Together in Cumbria, Cumbria County Councillors, AMEC, Nuclear Industry Association, Nuclear Institute, Sellafeld Workers Campaign, Copeland Borough Council, URS Infrastructure & Environment UK Ltd, SKB International AB Individuals - [REDACTED]

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11b	Doesn't support geological disposal as the policy for management of HAW	WP11 – [REDACTED]	6%	Parents Concerned About Hinkley, Cumbrians Opposed to a Radioactive Environment (CORE)
12a	Supports volunteerism and wants it retained in any future MRWS process	WP11 – [REDACTED]	19%	Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Kent County Council, Member of the GDF User's Group, McCombie Consulting, Cumbria County Councillors, AMEC, Nuclear Industry Association, National Nuclear Laboratory Limited (NNL), Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Greenpeace UK, Sellafield Workers Campaign, Allerdale Borough Council, EDF Energy, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), Unite Union Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED],
12b	Doesn't believe volunteerism will successfully deliver a willing community to host a GDF	WP11 – [REDACTED]	4%	Mayor & Chair of Keswick Council
13	Lack of trust in the MRWS process / DECC / RWMD	WP1 – [REDACTED]	19%	University of Oxford, Westlakes Nuclear Ltd, St Bees Parish Council, Gosforth & Ponsonby Parish Councils, NOEND "No Ennerdale Nuclear Dump", Ennerdale and Kinniside Parish Council, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), Holme St Cutbert Parish Council, St Johns Castlerigg Parish Council Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
14	There should be earlier provision of information and greater clarity of that information	WP7/WP8 [REDACTED]	21%	ARUP, CPRE North Yorkshire, Gosforth & Ponsonby Parish Councils, Shepway District Council, Environment Agency, Member of the GDF User's Group, Copeland and Workington Liberal Democrats, Barrow Borough Council, Nuclear Institute, National Nuclear Laboratory Limited (NNL), National Trust, EDF Energy, British Geological Survey, SKB International AB, Geological Society Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
15	Suggests that the policy owner or implementer should have a greater presence in the community, communicating with the public in venues other than town halls and the like. Education within schools, discussions in pubs, local shops etc.. Some have suggested a regional office	WP7/WP8 [REDACTED]	6%	National Skills Academy for Nuclear, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, AMEC, EDF Energy Individuals: [REDACTED]
16	Suggests the siting process targets areas where land is owned by NDA/Government and/or has no 'local' community, e.g. MoD, off-shore, uninhabited islands	WP4 – [REDACTED]	4%	Member of the GDF User's Group, Dounreay Stakeholder Group, Individuals: [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
17	Suggests the creation of a new independent body and/or panel, with differing suggestions as to role: 1) a new independent body should run the MRWS site selection 'search', 2) a new independent panel should be set up to produce information which could be compared with that provided by RWMD and/or opponents— suggests this panel should hold a fund which communities and/or other interested parties could draw upon for their information needs	WP1 – [REDACTED]	22%	University of Oxford, Radiation Free Lakeland, Westlakes Nuclear Ltd, ARUP, Solway Plain Against Nuclear Dump, Nuclear Free Local Authorities, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Allerdale and Copeland Green Party, Underskiddaw Parish Council, NOEND "No Ennerdale Nuclear Dump", Ennerdale and Kinniside Parish Council, Above Derwent Parish Council, Nuclear Industry Association, Nuclear Institute, Sellafield Workers Campaign, EDF Energy, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), Individuals: [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
18	Information should be made more widely available. Suggests other channels should be considered as medium for distributing communication. There should be geographically wider distribution as well as easier access to the information. Historical information should also be widely available.	WP7/WP8 [REDACTED]	16%	University of Oxford, CPRE North Yorkshire, Shepway District Council, Environment Agency, Member of the GDF User's Group, Cumbria County Councillors, Nuclear Industry Association, Copeland and Workington Liberal Democrats, National Nuclear Laboratory Limited (NNL), Allerdale Borough Council, National Trust, EDF Energy, Copeland Borough Council, British Geological Survey, SKB International AB, Geological Society Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
19	A specification should be produced which sets out the exact requirements a site will need to meet in order for it to be considered 'suitable' for a GDF. This should be produced first and	WP1 – [REDACTED] WP4 – [REDACTED]	6%	National Skills Academy for Nuclear, Westlakes Nuclear Ltd, Moresby Parish Council, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Allerdale and Copeland Green Party, Underskiddaw Parish Council, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group

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	then volunteer community areas can be tested against the specification. This avoids distrust that 'suitability' is defined after the fact to suit the volunteered area.			(BANNG) Individuals: [REDACTED]
20	Work is needed to develop a method of accurately testing community support, e.g. a referendum	WP3 – [REDACTED] WP7/WP8[REDACTED]	12%	National Skills Academy for Nuclear, CPRE North Yorkshire, Allerdale and Copeland Green Party, Underskiddaw Parish Council, West Cumbria and North Lakes Friends of the Earth, Cumbria County Councillors, Prospect Deputy General Secretary, Copeland Borough Council, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), Holme St Cutbert Parish Council, St Johns Castlerigg Parish Council Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
21	More work is needed on retrievability. This should recognise the possibility that new technologies may be developed during the planned operational life of a GDF which could negate the need to dispose of all, or part of, the inventory	WP11 – [REDACTED]	7%	Churches Together in Cumbria, Nuclear Free Local Authorities, Allerdale and Copeland Green Party, NOEND "No Ennerdale Nuclear Dump", Cumbria County Councillors, Copeland and Workington Liberal Democrats, Lake District National Park Authority, Prospect representative to West Cumbria, Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Individuals: [REDACTED]
22	Requests prioritisation of making the current storage facilities at Sellafield safer	[REDACTED]–Chapter 1	16%	Solway Plain Against Nuclear Dump, Nuclear Free Local Authorities, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), Individuals - [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
23	Suggests making changes to the MRWS process to make the steps fewer, simpler and easier to understand. Some have suggested an 'opt out' approach rather than an 'opt in' approach.	WP7/WP8 – [REDACTED]	9%	Cumbria County Council , Shepway District Council, Dounreay Stakeholder Group, Nuclear Institute, Lake District National Park Authority, National Nuclear Laboratory Limited (NNL), Prospect representative to West Cumbria, Prospect Deputy General Secretary, Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum, Sellafield Workers Campaign, Copeland Borough Council, SKB International AB, Individuals - [REDACTED]
24	GDF should be classified as a nationally significant infrastructure project	WP5 – [REDACTED]	3%	Oxford Institute for Sustainable Development, AMEC, Nuclear Legacy Advisory Forum,
25	States a need for work to be done on alternatives to GDF. This needs to be easy for communities to understand. Concerns that lack of a 'Plan B' means that 'Plan A' will be pushed on an unwilling community. The risks, impacts and issues of a "no GDF" scenario should be made clear and widely publicised.	[REDACTED]–Chapter 1	9%	Nuclear Free Local Authorities, Nuclear Waste Advisory Associates, Allerdale and Copeland Green Party, Cumbria County Council, Cumbria County Councillors, Copeland and Workington Liberal Democrats, Sellafield Workers Campaign, Blackwater against New Nuclear Group (BANNG), Cumbrians Opposed to a Radioactive Environment (CORE)