



Steering Group Meeting - 24th March 2023

Attendees:

Doris Reiter, bp, Co-Chair
Brenda Wyllie, NSTA, Co-Chair
Simon Roddy, Shell, outgoing Co-Chair
Peter Wilson, Valaris, Improved Partnership Lead
Ian Ferguson, Shell, Right Scoping Lead
Tom Fuller, bp, Efficient Well Operations Group Lead
Marie Morkved, Total, Reservoir and Well Optimisation Lead
Margaret Copland, NSTA
Keith Wise, OGUK
Ian Sipin, Shell, PMO
Heather Woods, NSTA, PMO
Chris Wark, CNRI
Marian Bruce, OGA (Secretariat)

Apologies:

Gerry Cooper, Harbour, Decommissioning Lead
Karl Tolson, Harbour
Ben Heidenreich, Harbour

Introductions and Opening Remarks

- The purpose of the meeting was to hand over to Doris Reiter who is taking over as co-chair of the Well Task Force and present the work of the sub-groups and the 2023 plan.
- Simon was thanked for his enthusiasm and leadership in the Wells Task Force.

Right Scoping Group (RSG)

- The RSG will hold 2 thematic workshops in 2023.
- The first workshop will be held in June, this will be a collaboration with the Decommissioning sub-group. The topic of this workshop will be “Alternatives for P&A campaigns”.
- A meeting scheduled in April will aim to identify the topic for the second 2023 workshop and possibly the first workshop of 2024. This decision will be based on upcoming work scopes identified from the Wells Insight Report. Once identified this will be shared with the WTF members.
- The material from the Completion workshop held in November 2022 is being published on the OEUK website shortly. This will also be put on LinkedIn and the group was asked to ‘like and share’.
Post meeting link can be found [here](#).

- **Action Point:** A request was made to identify early career members of staff working in the decommissioning area to join the group. Names and contact details to be sent to Ian Ferguson.

Improved Partnership

- The Improved Partnership group has two main areas of focus:
 - Case studies
 - Vessel collaboration
- A meeting is planned to pull interested parties together from last workshop.
- Plan for 2023:
 - Q1 - Develop the group and appoint steering committee.
 - Q2 - Develop regional activity map.
 - Q3 - Develop a project charter, vessel release guidance.
 - Q4 - One engagement session focused on energy transition.
- Continuing to work on case studies which will demonstrate good examples of different types of collaboration.

Efficient Well Operations Group (Formerly Waste Removal)

- This group name has still to be agreed.
- The group have focussed on the following areas:
 - Workgroup re-frame – this is ongoing.
 - Getting new members – confident that they now have the right members to make an impact. An Agile coach has been identified to help with facilitation and keep the group on track. There is also an engineer helping with technical support.
 - Two meetings/workshops have been held to set expectations and outputs.
 - Follow-up and close outputs from 2022.
- A team workshop will be held in Q2 to define 2023 activities and deliverables.

Reservoir and Wells Optimisation (RWOT)

- A technical workshop was held on 9 March, where case studies were shared.
- Plans for 2023 includes:
 - Q2 - Best practice reservoir management sharing workshop.
 - Q3 – Workshop based on Insights Report which will be a collaboration with reserves progress group.
 - TBC – Collaboration with improved partnership
- Two KPI's have been agreed:
 1. Increase intervention intensity and aim to add over 7% to total UK production via interventions.
 2. Reduce the number of wells classified as shut in; reinstate via intervention; restoration; or hand over for decommissioning.

Decommissioning

- The focus for this group is a further 10% Cost Reduction.

- The group plan to hold 6 sessions this year, each focussed on a different topic.
- A session was held in March on skills shortages, OEUK presented a range of initiatives aimed at reduced shortages and companies shared recruitment strategies.
- The group are also working with the RWOT group on wellhead tooling for access to subsea wells and the RSG on platform rig reactivation for decom.
- The next session will be held in May on well decommissioning campaigns.

WTF Strategic Objectives

- The WTF objectives are:
 1. Reduce NPT from 16% (2019) to 13.5%
 2. Reduce % shut-in wells from 30% (2021) to 10%
 3. Reduce overall decom costs from £20bln (2021) to £18bln (10%)
- These KPI's were discussed and considered appropriate by the group.
- Offshore Europe is the next big event and it would be good to have a plan for the WTF to be represented.
- Doris highlighted that she was looking forward to Co-Chairing with the WFT.

Useful links:

Wells Strategy:

<https://www.nstauthority.co.uk/news-publications/publications/2019/oil-and-gas-authority-publishes-first-wells-strategy/>

Wells Insight Report:

[North Sea Transition Authority \(NSTA\): Wells Insight Report - Technology \(nstauthority.co.uk\)](https://www.nstauthority.co.uk/news-publications/publications/2019/nst-authority-publishes-wells-insight-report-technology)

Stewardship Expectations:

<https://www.nstauthority.co.uk/exploration-production/asset-stewardship/expectations/>

Wells Task Force Web Page:

<https://www.nstauthority.co.uk/about-us/north-sea-transition-forum-task-forces/wells-task-force/>