



NSTF Wells Task Force

23rd August 2022

Attendees:

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Brenda Wyllie, NSTA
Fraser Proud, NSTA
Peter Wilson, Valaris
Keith Wise, OEUK
Ben Heidenreich, Harbour Energy
Chris Wark, CNRL
Ian Ferguson, Shell
Luc Fambon, TotalEnergies
Marie Morkved, TotalEnergies
Pauline Innes, North Sea Transition Authority
Marian Bruce, North Sea Transition Authority (Secretariat)
Tim Wrighton, NSTA
Heather Woods, Net Zero Technology Centre
Ian Sipin, Shell
Alex De'Ath, bp

Apologies:

Gerry Cooper, Harbour Energy

Introductions and Roundtable Reflections

- The Wells Task Force (WTF) have been very successful over the last 2 years.
- Other task forces are interested to hear how the WTF have managed to maintain momentum and cascade messages clearly and widely to industry.
- The workgroup leads were thanked for their focus and the work they had done.
- It is felt that having a score card that is visible helps maintain focus and drives the agenda forward
- The WTF and workgroups are making a big difference in the industry.

Right Scoping Group

- The Right Scoping groups remit is to get the right balance between competitive scoping and functionality in well designs for new wells.
- Workshops were held and a number of wells looked at successfully, but it was felt that improvement could be made with sharing the output with the wider industry.
- The two themes for this year were:
 - Completions
 - Drilling



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- A workshop was held in June and the output is currently with a technical writer. It needs to be established how this is published and cascaded.
- Themes for next year still to be discussed.
- Next milestone: publish output from workshop in time for the OEUK Wells seminar September.

Improved Partnership Group

- The Improved Group have been championing the White Paper.
- They have also been working with the Reservoir and Wells Optimisation Group on a joint workshop on the challenges that are coming.

The question was asked if WTF members could help with communication to ensure the industry fully understood what a multi operator campaign was. It was highlighted that the case studies would help.

- Next milestone: Identify case studies, report back on the wins/positives by the end of the year.

Reservoir and Wells Optimisation Group

- This group has two goals for this year, one is to increase the interventions and second one is on shut in wells.
- A 'Good Practice' network workshop was held in June which looked at the Steward survey data on interventions and carried out a shut-in well review. It was identified that it would not be economical to bring the majority of shut-in wells back into production.
- Areas for improvement identified at the workshop included:
 - More data/good practice sharing – Task force members were asked to share good practice
 - Secure budget for potential failures
 - More cost-effective surveillance
 - Approach supply chain for solutions
 - Operators to share long term plans
 - Industry 'Ebay' for unused tools etc.
- It was highlighted that if there is no use for wells then they should be abandoned.
- Next milestone: Supply chain led Technology Plans workshop to be held in November.



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Decommissioning Group

- The main focus for this group has been around how well decommissioning can be carried out using a collaborative partnership approach.
- Industry has made good progress and there are now around 6 well decommissioning campaigns, most supply chain led.
- The challenge now is how to promote and recognise good practice. Last week a session was held with the supply chain to identify what the supply chain required to ensure a campaigning/collaboration model is established long-term.
- It is thought that it will take around 2 years to get the case studies from the current campaigns.
- There is concern that there will be a shortage of vessels and resources over the next couple of years, need look at what is being done to minimise this.
- Next Milestone: Look at the impact of the implementation of OEUK's new guidelines on plugging and abandonment to protect reservoirs for CCS.

Waste Removal Group

- The last milestone was the workshop on Platform Rig efficiency which took place in June. This was well received.
- The main output from the workshop was that when disposing of any equipment it would be good to let industry know what is available.
- Still to work 2 areas to work on:
 - Recommendation for micro KPI
 - Rig activation
- This group requires a broader representation.
- Next milestone: Further 2 workshops planned for this year
- **Action point:** Map membership of Task Groups and identify gaps – Simon, Brenda and Keith.

Improved Partnership reframing

- There is a great deal of work planned for the next few years, it is anticipated that there will not be enough resources to meet the demand.
- Industry will have to work together to ensure that the work can get done.
- It is planned that the Reservoir and Optimisation and Improved Partnership groups work together to hold a workshop on 25th October to look at forthcoming work scopes and encourage sharing and collaboration.
- It was highlighted that in decommissioning 3 things have aided success:
 - Data
 - Certainty that the work will happen



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- Engaging with the supply chain
- The group will need continued support from the WTF and help in promoting the workshop.

Action Point: Draft a communication which the group can share – Peter Wilson

Discussion on the Next Events

- The events calendar was shared with the group, highlighting that Q4 will be busy.
- Communication will be key to ensure the events are supported.
- Currently working on a mid-year update to highlight upcoming events and meetings.
- The OEUK Wells Conference in September will be a good opportunity to highlight what the WTF have been doing.
- Thought will need to be given to how to communicate and promote all the events.
- **Action Point:** Task group leads to provide half page text with dates etc to Ian and Heather
- **Action Point:** Create plan for 2023 - Heather

Summary of Upcoming Events

1. Thursday 22nd September, OEUK Wells Seminar, 08:30 – 13:30

The seminar enables participants to share knowledge on well performance, intervention solutions, and campaign projects and explore the potential impact of new technology and regulatory developments. Open to all, register and purchase tickets [here](#).

- Simon to provide a keynote speech
- Potential poster session for the Wells Task Force
- OEUK to market this event, Well Task Force could assist with this with LinkedIn posts or pieces to camera for social posts
- Wells Insights Report

2. Tuesday 25th October, RWOT and Improved Partnerships LWIV Collaboration Workshop

- Confirm what problem we are trying to solve, data required and any competition (from renewables)
- Need operators and supply chain in the room so that the operators can share their activity plans



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- What worked well for decom collaboration is : data, certainty that work is going to happened (via tough regulator deadlines) and engaging the supply chain
- Need to communicate this event to the wells task force community

3. 16th – 17th November, ICoTA Conference

- Simon Roddy to provide a keynote speech
- Marie also presenting
- Good opportunity for Wells Task Force to relay key messages

4. November, Wells Task Force Community Engagement

- Each Task Force Group lead to give an update
- Wells Insights Report
- Date to be confirmed for this