

<b>Report on</b>	<b>DFE decision to grant Dalradian Gold Prospecting Licenses DG1/22 and DG 2/22</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Dr. Chris Boomer, Planning Manager
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<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>  If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	Yes	
	No	X

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	The purpose of this report is to advise members the DFE have approved the application for prospecting licenses for Dalradian Gold. The relevant reference for the applications was MPLA1/19 and MPLA2/19. The consultation on these licenses ran from 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 – 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2021.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The relevant licenses are DG1/22 and DG2/22.
2.2	The relevant reference for the applications was MPLA1/19 and MPLA2/19.
2.3	The consultation on these licenses ran from 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 – 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2021.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main report</b>
3.1	The Department have decided to grant licenses for Dalradian to carry out exploration in the relevant area.  A map of the letter notifying MUDC of this as well as the maps identifying the areas in question are attached.

<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: None identified:
	Human: None identified
	Risk Management: None identified
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None identified
	Rural Needs Implications: None identified
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members should note the decision of DfE to approve these prospecting licenses.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix A – Letter from DFE notifying the Council of the decision to grant exploration Licenses.  Appendix B – Map of areas covered by Licenses DG1/22 and DG2/22

## Appendix A – Letter from DFE notifying the Council of the decision to grant exploration Licenses.

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16 February 2022

Dear Consultee,

### **MINERAL PROSPECTING LICENCE APPLICATION NOTIFICATION - DALRADIAN GOLD.**

Thank you for taking the time to respond to the notification/consultation process, which took place from 13 September to 05 December 2021, concerning applications for two Mineral Prospecting Licences from the above named company.

The Department has considered all the issues raised and took the decision to award the Mineral Prospecting Licences effective from 01 February 2022.

The Department has produced a report setting out its responses to the issues raised in the notification process which can be found on our website at

[Mineral Prospecting Licence Applications MPLA1/19 \(Licence DG1/22\) and MPLA2/19 \(Licence DG2/22\) | Department for the Economy \(economy-ni.gov.uk\)](#)

The applicant company has been advised that the granting of a Mineral Prospecting Licence confers limited rights on the licensee to search for minerals and that they may also require a range of further permissions for some of their prospecting activities from DfE and other regulatory authorities such as Councils Northern Ireland Environment Agency (NIEA) and Health & Safety Executive Northern Ireland (HSENI) as appropriate

All advice received from statutory bodies has been passed on to the company concerned for attention and action as appropriate.

If you require any further information about the licensing process or about minerals prospecting activity please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours faithfully



Mark Wilson  
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## APPENDIX B - Map of areas covered by Licenses DG1/22 and DG2/22

