The following note was circulated to the DGAP email list:

You will be aware that DGAP has been going through a quiet period. This is a consequence of Scottish Power Energy Networks having been told by National Grid to rethink their plans. They are currently working on a re-draft and indications are that they may be coming forward with some new proposals in the very near future.

In the meantime, instead of the monthly newsletter, here is some information about some of the things that DGAP has been doing or is planning to do in the near future:

In June we met with John Stevenson MP (who sits on the Scottish Affairs Select Committee). We have also started to meet with MSPs for this region to make them aware of our concerns and to explain our thoughts about the best way forward. For instance, on the 27 June we met with Oliver Mundell and on the 21 July we have a meeting with Emma Harper.

We will soon be meeting with Helen McDade of the John Muir Trust and Dr David Flynn of Heriot Watt University (Dr Flynn will be giving evidence to the Scottish Government on Scotland’s Energy Strategy).

Later this month, we also have a meeting arranged with Frank Mitchell, CEO of Scottish Power. We hope this meeting will lead to a better understanding of Scottish Power’s latest plans.

Thereafter we have a second meeting with Ofgem in August to provide feedback on the meeting with Scottish Power and to explore the question of community consultation, planning process for infrastructure projects, planning democracy and the weight given to environmental protection.

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