

## ENERGY

### WHAT ACTIONS NEED TO BE TAKEN WITHIN THE MORAY FIRTH AND BY WHOM?

- How can the MF avoid missing the bus the next time around?
- How can we maximise employment opportunities?
- ❖ We must be light on our feet and very fast when the opportunities come.
- ❖ This is a time of change - and opportunity - sustainability/economy will continue to grow.
- ❖ MF needs to take stock of its assets - what it can offer to the industry (eg 500 acre site (at Nigg))
- ❖ But there are few clear directions at present issues of viability, ie distance/transportation/competition
  - R&D capacity/investment insufficient.
  - Planning Barriers - slow process
  - Private Sector has realised opportunities faster than public (Green Jobs - Strategy is defensive v pro-active)
  - Talisman advocating ways of maximising/lengthening life of N Sea Oil and Gas.
  - Potential of shipments?