



Setting the Scene - From Site Closure to Disengagement

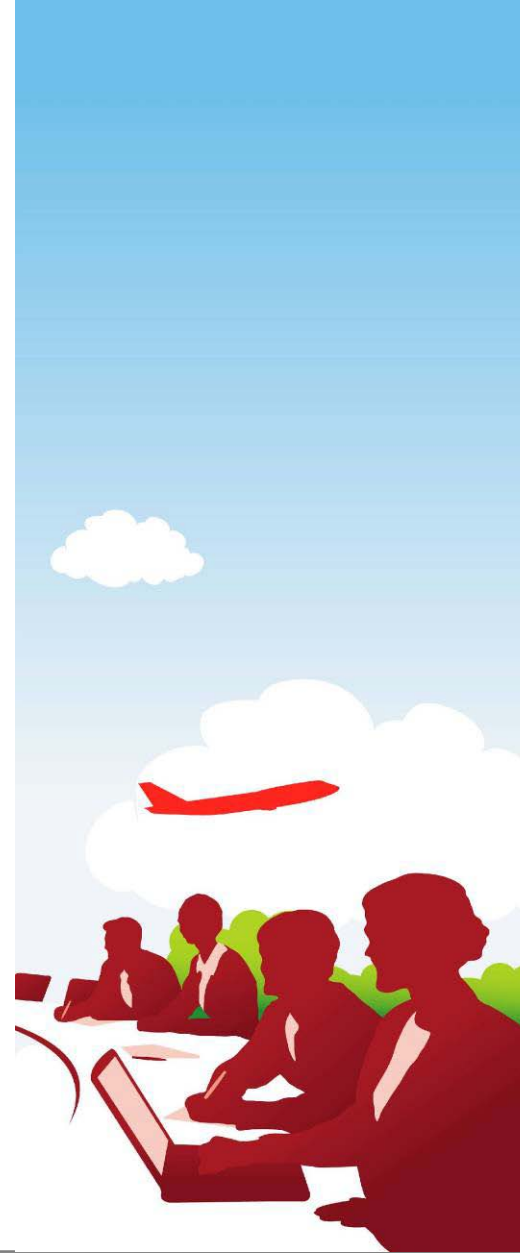
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Agenda

- Background
- Definitions
- Scope
- Aims
- Event programme
- Roadmap





Background

- Site closure is of interest because:
 - The nature of the industries involved;
 - Typically large sites
 - Often sites with long and complex histories
 - High profile within the regulatory and public communities
 - Legal issues associated with permitting





Definition

Closure

Noun: “the permanent ending of a business or activity”

- Cessation of activities
- Surrender of permits
- Staff relocation or redundancy





Definition

Disengagement

Noun: “the release of somebody or something from a physical or mental attachment”

- Complete removal/partial removal/transfer of liabilities
- Social / community separation
- Legacy





Scope and Aims

- Identify all aspects influencing the process from closure through to disengagement.
- What are the forthcoming developments and how will they influence the process?
- What lessons can we learn using our collective experience to address these challenges?
- Widening the scale of interest (technical, legal, financial).
- Sustainability (social, economic, environmental)
- Examine the interactions, the problems to overcome and issues to be addressed.
- Is there a need for a roadmap of best practice?





Programme

Today

- Identifying the issues:
 - Case study based
 - Legislation driven
 - Viewpoints of both the service providers and industry

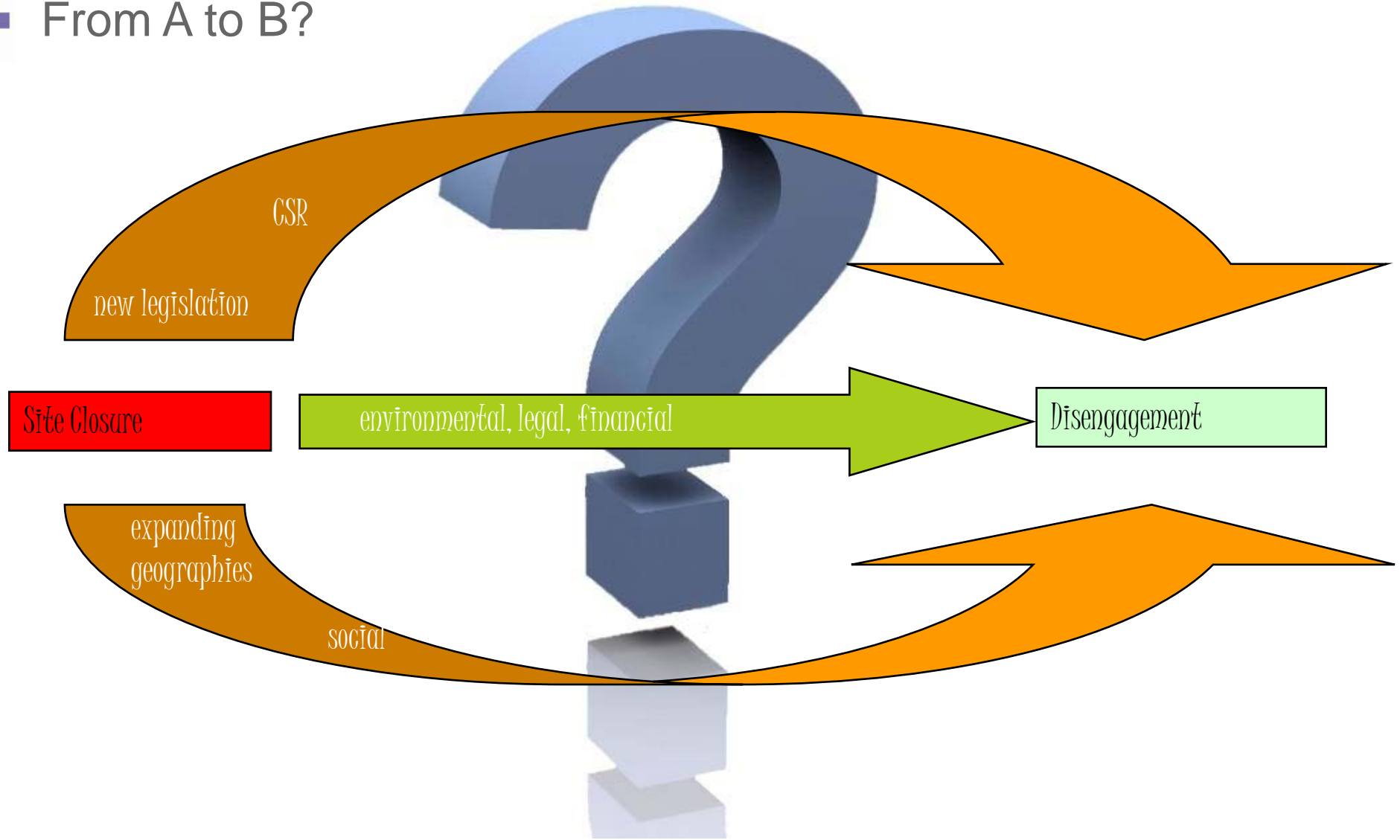
Tomorrow

- Examining the solutions:
 - Existing, tried and tested
 - Unexplored areas
 - Establish the interactions and the most successful pathway through to disengagement.





From A to B?





Questions?



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