WELCOME

To the Sizewell C Community Engagement Event



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Guiding Principles

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Overarching Principle

'If Suffolk is doing right by the nation the nation should do right by Suffolk'

- Benefit from perceived 'burden' of hosting new nuclear facility
- Keeping the 'lights on'
- Security of supply





Key Principles

- Environmental Exemplar
- Maximising Economic Growth
- Securing Infrastructure Legacy
- Agreement on long-term Community Benefit





Environmental Exemplar

- Environmentally sensitive area
 - AONB, SSSI, Ramsar
- Visual Impact
 - Build on Sizewell B design standards
- Construction impact
 - Minimise land take
 - Protect beach access
 - Tourism impact





Maximising Economic Growth

- Maximise local employment
- Establish strong local supply chain
- Use development as catalyst for improving skills, esp. in young people





Securing Infrastructure Legacy

- Transport Infrastructure
 - Road network improvements e.g. 4VBP & B1122/ Yoxford Junction
 - Rail improvements
- Associated Development sites legacy
 - Housing
 - Serviced land
 - Tourism
 - Recreation
- Capital investment in skills/ training





Community Benefit

- Goes to the heart of 'doing right by Suffolk'
- New Nuclear Authorities working closely with central govt & industry
- Establish long-term fund based on generating capacity
- Distinct from section 106 agreements negotiated for construction phase





Council's views on EDF's Stage 1 Consultation

Bob Chamberlain, John Pitchford & Paul Wood Representing Suffolk Coastal & Suffolk County Councils



Stage 1 Consultation

- Overarching impacts
 - Transport
 - Environment
 - Economic
- Main site
- Construction & Lay-down areas
- Associated Development Sites





Transport

- Inadequate information provided
- Underestimates car traffic to site
- Need for four villages by-pass & mitigation on B1122 & through Yoxford
- P&R sites should not be close to construction site
- Sustainable transport links for workers east of A12





Transport

- Maximise use of rail & sea transport
- New rail head adds to flows on local network
- Direct rail to site overcomes this but environmental impacts need consideration
- Rail passengers on Leiston line?
- Support freight management facility

Environment

- EDF should treat project as an environmental exemplar
- Seeking very high quality design building on B station
- Enhancements to AONB & wider area
- Any structure designed to minimise impact on coastal processes
- Continued engagement with local communities on development of coastal management proposals
- Clarification on long-term spent fuel storage





Economic Opportunities

- Disappointed with lack of detail around maximising local economic opportunities
- EDF's aspirations welcome but need to see mechanisms to deliver:
 - Employment
 - Local supply chain opportunities
 - Training & skills
- Will work with EDF to manage 'boom & bust' and ensure economic exploitation of project





Main site

- Within AONB seeking exemplar of good design with minimal impact
- Detailed design unavailable concern more visually obtrusive than B station
- Loss of SSSI land take needs to be justified & minimised
- Understanding of impact on coastal processes required partic. in relation to jetty
- Retain beach access during construction
- Robust landscaping with lighting shielded/ screened



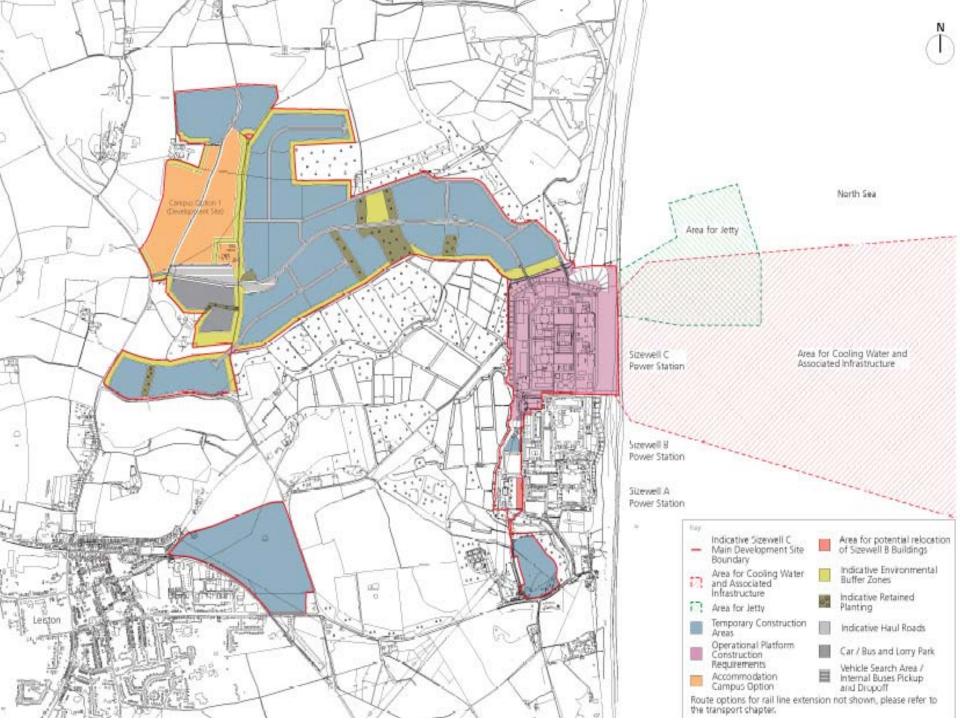


Construction & Laydown Areas

- Laydown area very extensive EDF need to provide justification
- Council objects to use of land overlooking:
 - Minsmere Valley
 - Theberton
 - Leiston Abbey
 - Pill Box Field
- Screening effect retained at Coronation Wood
- More work required on impact on east Leiston residents
 & traffic impact on Lover's Lane
- Phasing plan for restoration of laydown areas
- Minimise impact on AONB of new access road post construction







Associated Development Sites

- Sites include:
 - Accommodation Campus
 - Two Park & Rides
 - Freight Management Centre
 - Visitors Centre
- 3 options provided for each site
- Guiding principles steered our response





Accommodation Campus

- No rationale for huge single campus
- Legacy housing/ tourism should be explored
- Need clarification on traffic impacts of accommodation options
- Sizewell Gap option discounted
 - Wholly within AONB
 - No benefits over other options





Park & Ride

- Northern & southern options provided
- Northern Options:
 - Option 1 (Yoxford Rd) discounted as too close to site
 & impact on B1122
 - Option 2 (Darsham) preferable to option 3 (A12/A144 junc.) on environmental & traffic safety grounds
 - Option 2 also potential legacy parking at Darsham station
 - Potential benefit from alternative option closer to northern population settlements





Park & Ride

- Southern options:
 - Decouple Freight Management Centre
 - Option 3 (Potash Corner) discounted due to impact on amenity, PROW & safety issues
 - Option 1 (Wickham Mkt) retain with further consideration of archaeological impact/ highway access
 - Option 2 (Woodbridge) achieves maximum mitigation & may have potential legacy use





Freight Management Centre

- Prefer stand alone site on A14
- Legacy use for 'Operation Stack'
- Option 3 (Seven Hills Junction) impacts on natural & historic environment
- Option 1 (Orwell Crossing West) impacts on employment land
- Option 2 (Orwell Crossing East) favoured if legacy use is viable





Visitors Centre

- New centre would replace Sizewell B facility
- Option 1 (east of Lover's Lane) discounted on environmental grounds
- Option 3 (Goose Hill) best connection to construction site & is preferable long-term
- Option 2 (Sizewell Beach) should be considered for temporary site until option 3 available





Breakout Sessions



Workshop Feedback

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Managing the Impact on the Local Community

Associated Sites and Transport Issues

(Park and Ride, Freight Management and Rail)

- More evidence and information needed urgently
- Suffolk needs a four villages by-pass
 - Needed for this development and others: take up with Government
- Don't forget Yoxford
- Consider new route from Saxmundham to Leiston
- Concern about vehicle movements from east of A12
- Maximise rail and sea use above road
 - Improve rail infrastructure including passengers
- Concern about **Jetty impacts** eg: fishing, coastal processes and landscape
- Control vehicle movements
 - Bulk up loads
 - Control lorry movements
- Consider dispersing accommodation and using smaller blocks
- There must be a legacy from the associated sites e.g. housing

Environmental Exemplar

Sizewell C and Environmental Issues

- Sizewell C's design is crucial
 - appearance must be at least as good as Sizewell B including Chimney's
- Sizewell Estate plans are good but plans need to immediate area.
 - Enhancement not just Mitigation
 - Mitigate SSSI loss
 - Dry Fuel Store precedent
 - Work with Environmental Agency
- EDF need to justify the vastness of the lay-down area can it be smaller?
 - Can we use existing brown field sites
- Access to Beach must be maintained throughout build and beyond
- Associated developments and buildings crucial as well
- Freshwater footprint needs to be considered
- We want phased return of the land <u>asap</u>

A Lasting Legacy

Jobs, Growth and Community Issues

- Important to work with Government to maximise Suffolk's benefits
 - Energy Site of Excellence
 - Focus not just Nuclear also East Anglian Off-Shore Wind and Renewable Energy Enterprise Zone
- Sustain Communities beyond build period
- We are looking for wider community benefits through a long term fund. In addition to SIO6
- Catalyst for improving skills for young people
 - Opportunities for graduates and apprenticeships
 - Engineering and Energy Skills from Primary School and beyond
- Capital investment needed in skills and education
- We must insist that the existing level of public services in not diluted by Sizewell C
- www.sizewellcsupplychain.co.uk
- Lasting legacy e.g. sports clubs and recreation sites
- Centre of Excellence for high end engineering
 - Map resources

Next Steps

Responding to the Consultation and beyond

- We would be demanding benefits not just expecting them
- Suffolk needs to clearly articulate its need in united way to strengthen the council's S106 agreement negotiations
- What we want will need to be prioritised if we are to be effective
- Another community event will be needed to Stage 2 of the Consultation
- We need to be clearer about the development timelines

Next Steps

Cllr Guy McGregor Chair Joint Local Authorities Group

