

Sizewell C Councillors Monthly Update

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1. SPLG meeting 23 Sept – Cllrs Holdcroft, McGregor and Gower attended this public meeting of the [Sizewell Parishes Liaison Group](#). Supported by officers, they answered questions from those present about the Local Authorities' role in the Sizewell C project.
2. It was announced in a [Treasury press release](#) on 21st September that the UK government will guarantee Hinkley C. This announcement was followed by many press articles, for example: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-34329617>;
<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/hinkley-point-c-plans-to-spend-billions-building-uk-nuclear-power-station-to-be-investigated-by-a6669881.html>
3. The CEO of EDF Energy made a [speech](#) at the opening of the Dungeness Power Station Visitor Centre on 15 Sept in which he dealt with the key areas of challenge to new nuclear. There were a number of references to Sizewell C.
4. The Suffolk Coastal District Council Sizewell Task Group had its most recent meeting on 3 Sept. This was a public meeting. Find the notes of the meeting and the presentations [here](#).
5. We continue to add information to the webpage for Sizewell (a shared page for Suffolk County and Suffolk Coastal District Councils). Most recently these have had a further set of principles added on [Workforce development and education](#)
6. The Secretary of State recently gave the decision to refuse a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project application for a [wind farm at Navitus Bay, off the south coast of England](#).

In the report's conclusion PINS said: "Our conclusions earlier confirm that presence of the Application Project in this environment would lead to significant impacts. It is not just the fact of visibility that is of concern, but the effect of such visibility on the defining characteristics of extensive stretches of renowned landscapes and seascapes of the Dorset and Isle of Wight AONBs." Local authority officers are reviewing the background to this to see if there are any implications for Sizewell C.

7. Work is underway on EDF's habitat improvement project on the edge of Leiston. An [EDF initiated press report](#), has some interesting photos of work on site.
8. On 6th October the local authorities issued a [press release](#) regarding the four village bypass. This was in conjunction with [a paper](#) going to the Suffolk County Council Cabinet meeting on 13 Oct regarding some initial funding towards building a business case for the bypass. There will subsequently be a paper going to the Cabinet of Suffolk Coastal District Council.

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