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## Project Update

In October 2015, EDF Energy and China General Nuclear Power Corporation (CGN) signed a strategic investment agreement. This defined the principal terms of their partnership for the development of three new nuclear power stations – Hinkley Point C, Sizewell C and Bradwell B in Essex.

On 22 April EDF Group announced confirmation of the significant recapitalisation of the company, agreed by its Board and making it possible for EDF Energy to proceed with its strategic investment programme. The chairman and CEO of EDF Energy, Jean Bernard Levy, also announced that a non-binding consultation with French Trade Unions through the company's Central Works Committee (CCE) would take place, prior to the EDF Group Board considering a Final Investment Decision to proceed with the construction of HPC. Social dialogue is an important element of EDF Energy's values and the consultation process began on 2 May 2016.

EDF Energy CEO Vincent de Rivaz was invited to an Energy and Climate Change Committee hearing at Parliament last week, and he stated: *"There's a common ground between us all about the huge importance of this project in all its dimensions for EDF – and the need to get it right. Therefore I am very confident that this consultation will build on this common ground and address all the issues and concerns."* He went on to say, *"The sooner we have a Final Investment Decision, the better."*

Following the consultation, and once the EDF Energy board has taken a Final Investment Decision on HPC, we will clarify the next steps for the Sizewell C project.



## **Suffolk Coast Destination Management Organisation Annual Conference**

**Around 150 delegates attended the annual conference at Snape Maltings, which focused on the tourism sector on the Suffolk coast.**

EDF Energy's Sizewell C socio-economic team gave an overview of the work we are undertaking to understand more about Suffolk's tourist economy.

We have been engaging with the tourism sector since the very beginning of the development of our proposals. The DMO conference offered another opportunity to continue that dialogue and increase our understanding of how we can build and operate Sizewell C whilst mitigating environmental and economic impact. We have two further formal stages of consultation to go and discussions with the tourism sector and the wider community will continue. In the meantime we continue to engage with our neighbours and stakeholders such as the Suffolk Wildlife Trust and local authorities with a focus on the 684 hectares of the AONB owned by EDF Energy, which has become an integral part of the Heritage Coast landscape.



## **The Suffolk Show – 1 & 2 June 2016**

**We would be delighted to see you at EDF Energy's stand at this year's Suffolk Show.**

The Sizewell C project team will be on hand as well as our Sizewell B Visitor Centre guides and apprentices from the power station. Visitors can experience interactive games and exhibits that highlight the role of Sizewell B in bringing power to over two million homes. Additionally, our apprentices will be there to share their experiences of working at the station. There will also be information about the initial proposals for Sizewell C and the economic and social opportunities the project will offer for Suffolk.

Jim Crawford, Sizewell C project development director said: *"EDF Energy is proud to support the Suffolk Show which celebrates all that is great about the county. EDF Energy employs over 800 people in Suffolk at Sizewell B power station and in the Sizewell C Information Office in Leiston. So the Suffolk Show is important for our employees and their families who are very much part of the communities we serve.*

*"The Suffolk Show attracts thousands of families so it is a great way for us to talk about how we safely generate power for over two million homes and businesses and how the next generation of engineers can gain the skills they need to join a growing industry."*

**Visit us on stand Blue 247 on Flowershow Avenue.**

### **Community Engagement**

**In May the Sizewell C team met with the following groups and organisations:**

- Theberton & Eastbridge Parish Council
- Yoxford Parish Council
- Lowestoft & Waveney Chamber of Commerce
- Suffolk Coast Destination Management Organisation
- Sizewell Parishes Liaison Group
- Suffolk Young Enterprise
- Institute of Engineering and Technology.

## Surveys and Assessments



**The following have been undertaken over the last month to inform the proposals:**

- Spring bird surveys
- Bat corridor surveys
- Reptile surveys
- Piezometer monitoring
- Coastline surveys
- Plankton surveys
- Traffic counts.

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