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Aldhurst Farm Remobilisation

EDF Energy has begun remobilising on the Aldhurst Farm Habitat Creation Scheme. We will be carrying out the remaining works to convert 67 hectares of arable farmland in Leiston, known as Aldhurst Farm, into wildlife habitat.

We made excellent progress on the scheme last year with 80% of the wetland basins created and thousands of reeds planted. The remaining works will take approximately eight weeks and will include finishing off excavation of remaining groundwater basins, connecting power to the pump house, fencing the perimeter, completing the soil spreading around the site, reed planting and grass seeding.

Public access is still prohibited around the site and must be carefully managed not only for safety reasons but also to ensure that the new wildlife habitat is given ample time to establish itself and can be maintained. The existing footpath has been re-opened with the diverted footpath also remaining in place for the time being.

EDF Energy has made a commitment to open up parts of the site for quiet public recreation in the future, once the new habitats have had time to mature, in a manner that does not compromise the wildlife interest of the site. We will engage with the public on proposals for doing this in due course.

Student 'Futures 4 Us' Conference

The Sizewell C Community team participated in the 'Futures 4 Us' conference. Nearly 100 Year 7 students from the SWISS Academies/High Schools (Chantry Academy, Claydon HS, East Bergholt HS, Hadleigh HS, Holbrook Academy, Ormiston Endeavour, Stoke HS and Westbourne Academy) came together at Trinity Park, Ipswich last week. The aim was to raise the aspirations of students and build their understanding about some of the exciting opportunities that will be available to them in the future.

Iain Dunnett, New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership commented *"We are very excited and pleased to be part of an approach which highlights the diverse and vibrant range of opportunities that exist locally and will expand in our community as we aim to transform the local economy into a global centre for talent and innovation. We are grateful to and offer our sincere thanks to the organisations participating in today's conference including Easton and Otley College, EDF Energy, New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership, Suffolk One, Trinity Park, University Campus Suffolk and Vertas."*

EDF Energy staff guided students through a 'Tender Challenge' where they worked in groups to design a product which they then presented to an EDF Energy panel for consideration.

Amber Brinkley, Sizewell C Community Liaison Manager added *"Events like this are vital as EDF Energy wants to inspire students in the STEM subjects. We were excited to run an interactive workshop for the students who were all very keen to work together to create something fun and innovative."*

2016 Young Enterprise Awards Winners

EDF Energy supports Suffolk Young Enterprise

The Suffolk Young Enterprise Business Awards took place this week. Sizewell C Communications Officer Nicola Corbett was once again on the panel of judges for the event which was held at University Campus Suffolk in Ipswich.

An impressive 17 schools from across Suffolk each launched a business with 12 going through to the finals to present their company plans to a panel of judges.

There were 18 awards up for grabs which celebrated different business talents. The 'Overall Winner Award', sponsored by EDF Energy, was presented to Woodbridge School for their business creation Wick and Wax - a range of original scented candles made from soy wax, which will take them through to the Young Enterprise Regional Finals being held in Cambridge in June.

Nicola Corbett said *"Every year the competition grows and becomes more diverse which makes the judging even harder! It's fantastic to celebrate so many talented young people in the county."*

Community Engagement

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

- Leiston Town Council
- Chelmondiston WI
- Capel St Mary WI
- Skills & Environment Directorate, Suffolk County Council
- Community Action Suffolk
- Suffolk Coalition for Disabled People
- Young Enterprise Suffolk Board

Surveys and Assessments



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

- Seasonal wildlife surveys
- Offshore seabed assessments

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If you have any queries, or if your parish clerk and representatives of your council would like a project briefing with the communications team, please get in touch to schedule a meeting.

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