

Meeting Report

EDF Hinkley Point C: Main Site Forum.

Date: Thursday 22 October 2020 – 6pm

Zoom Webinar

Participating:

Jim Claydon, *Chair*

Bruce Eyley, *Kilve Parish Council*

Erland Plomgren, *Holford Parish Council*

John Burton, *Somerset West & Taunton Council*

EDF Team:

Sue Spicer, *Burton Resident*

Luke Stevens, *EDF*

Leigh Redman, *Somerset County Council*

Ross Edwards, *EDF*

Sue Goss, *Stogursey Parish Council*

Immy Silby, *EDF*

Penny Harvey, *The University of Manchester Dalton Nuclear Institute*

Andrew Goodchild, *EDF*

Richard Cuttall, *W.H.A.G*

Drew Aspinwall, *Newgate Communications*

Esther Lawson, *Avon & Somerset Police*

Apologies received:

Derek Wellings, *Shurton Resident*

Kezia White, *Environment Agency*

Christopher Ford, *Stogursey Parish Council*

Amanda Stanley, *Shurton Resident*

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Item	Action
1 Introductions	
1.1 Jim Claydon ('The Chair') welcomed everyone to the online meeting and ran through meeting protocols.	
2 Meeting Note and Matters Arising	
2.1 The Chair reviewed the meeting note and afternotes provided from Main Site Forum on 25 June 2020 inviting any further comment.	
2.2 There were no additional comments and the meeting note was then approved. This is available to view along with the respective papers and presentations on the HPC website www.edfenergy.com/hpccommunity	

3 Project Progress

- 3.1 Ross Edwards (RE) gave an overview of the changes which have taken place to working arrangements since the last meeting due to coronavirus. This included on-site measures, transport to and from site, testing facilities and tracing mechanisms and inspections from ONR and Public Health England.
- 3.2 RE highlighted that there is a short film on the website, explaining the measures now in place, which can be viewed here: <https://www.edfenergy.com/energy/nuclear-new-build-projects/hinkley-point-c/news-views/coronavirus-update-19-october>

Questions regarding Covid-19, included:

- 3.3 Sue Goss (GS) asked how many people were currently self-isolating as 20 people were reported in the local media the day before the meeting (21/10/2020). RE said that is the latest figure and correct of that date but today some people may have returned to work or new people may have self-isolated if they suspect they have symptoms.
- 3.4 Leigh Redmond (LR) wanted to take the opportunity to thank the project for all the measures that have been put in place and said that the local feedback he received has been positive, and for the record would like to say "Well done and keep up the good work".
- 3.5 Sue Spicer (SS) asked in which local authority area are the numbers being recorded? RE explained that HPC are working with Public Health England (PHE) so cases are recorded appropriately. Also, all workers are being asked to self-isolate if they have or suspect they may have symptoms, in these instances, these would be recorded in the place where they live.
- 3.6 RE continued presenting:
Most goals have been met this year so far, despite Covid-19. The focus has been on the critical path but RE acknowledged that the exact impact on the long-term schedule is not yet known, in the same way that how long Covid-19 will be impacting work practices is not yet known. The schedule is benefiting from the learnings gained from the work on unit 1 resulting in significant efficiencies on unit 2.

More information on the dredging in the Bristol Channel can be found online here:
<https://www.edfenergy.com/energy/nuclear-new-build-projects/hinkley-point-c/about/dredging-bristol-channel>

The presentation was made available ahead of the meeting and can be viewed here:
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Questions included:

- 3.7 Erland Plomgren (EP) asked if the mud that is dredged will come back and block the intake heads. RE said that the way the sediment moves in the Severn Estuary has been accounted for along with appropriate design, operation and maintenance for the cooling system ensures blockages will not occur.
- 3.8 Richard Cuttall (RC) asked where the materials from the tunnelling is being deposited. Andrew Goodchild (AG) said it is being deposited on the most northerly stockpile in the southern half of the site.
- 3.9 Pre-submitted question from SG:
"The height of the Stockpiles - could we have an update on this please as several months have passed since the last."

Answer: The stockpiles remain within the approved +45m AOD limit. Material from the tunnel boring machines is dried on the top of the stockpile, our earthworks contract Kier BAM processing the material prior to it being placed in its long-term stockpiled location.

4 Update report: Southern Area

- 4.1** Luke Stevens (LS), gave an update presentation on the landscaping, planting works and emergency access road for the Southern Area. The presentation was made available ahead of the meeting and can be viewed here: www.edfenergy.com/hpccommunity

LS talked the forum through the key features of the design, additional planting and the timeline and showed photos from site.

The video, 'Introducing the Southern Infrastructure Works' is on YouTube
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5GaOedrlc1k>

- 4.2** LS updated on vehicle movements. Whilst the historic vehicle movement records are not available, the contractor confirmed that in future there will be a maximum of 3 vehicle per day, rising to 6 per day when the final work connecting the road to the junction takes place.

Also, the design and gate type at Shurton was raised at the Community Forum (24/10/2020) and LS said they are in discussions to see if a wooden gate could be installed subject to being suitable re span and strength, to make it more in keeping with the village.
In addition to the gate, we will do additional hedge and tree planting around the bell mouth.
LS will report again on this.

- 4.3** LS also said that the project was grateful to the parish for their continued patience and support. There are a number of ways in which we are keeping residents updated A monthly update is shared with residents signed up for notifications, the Parish Council and it is also posted on the HPC website. Please email us if you would like to receive these updates. There are also updates in the Stogursey News and updates on the FAQ section of our website.

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Website – www.edfenergy.com/hpc

Questions / points included:

- 4.4** *Amanda Stanley (not present at the meeting) submitted a question:*
"I have a few questions regarding the planned road closure - when is it likely to happen, how much notice will we be given and can the local businesses have signage to aid customers in getting to their destination? i.e. 'access to the Babbling Brook but follow diversions to Burton Springs and Yellow Door Cottage' and vice versa at each end."

Answer: The contractor will be supplying signage that highlights businesses are open as usual during the road closure.

AFTERNOTE: The road closure is anticipated for a week in November, the Contractor will let LS know exactly when and all MSF Members along with the distribution lists detailed in 4.3 will be notified of the closure.

AFTERNOTE

- 4.5** SG asked for the final plans to be shared again along with the design of the new bridge (which was given planning consent in September) – requested by RC.

AFTERNOTE: Bridge design is available the planning portal (follow link and instructions to view).

AFTERNOTE

https://www1.somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=_WSC_DCAPR_31007

The relevant bridge plan number is Drawing no. HPC-5191488-UO-OOO-DRW-100116 and it is called "FOR MS22 - HINKLEY POINT C BUM BROOK BRIDGE PROPOSED GENERAL ARRANGEMENT"

4.6 EP said thank you to LS for the help he had given him with an enquiry recently.

4.7 RC had heard that Wessex Water were planning on closing the road.
AFTERNOTE: LS has made enquiries with WW and others who are looking into it, and if we can, we will try to coordinate the timings. Please note: the closure will be a WW matter and not connected to the road closure for the Southern Access works.

AFTERNOTE

5 Planning Update

AG gave a brief update on planning issues.

5.1 AG referred to the application for a Non-Material Change Application to the DCO which closed on 4 September.

- 11 responses were submitted
- We proposed small changes to some buildings and the plot plan
- Now that consultation responses have been submitted, our application will be decided by the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.

5.2 The next phase of work has begun on Combwich Wharf.

5.3 EDF has begun initial conversations with the Councils regarding the number of workers required at the peak of construction. We will engage with the community prior to any decisions being taken (covering Reason for uplift; Impacts identified; Assessments undertaken; Potential Mitigation to deal with identified impacts)

We anticipate holding a special combined Community/Transport/Main Site Forum to discuss proposals in due course.

5.4 There were no questions.

6 Any other business

Pre-submitted question from SG:

6.1 *"The Property price support scheme . - An update on this also as the current manager , Lidia Bosa is no longer in post, residents will need to be provided with the appropriate contact procedure details."*

Answer: Enquiries should be submitted to: hinkley-enquiries@edf-energy.com

6.2 Lidia Bosa has moved over to work on EDF's Sizewell C project and asked for the following statement to be included in the meeting note:

*"Dear Fellow Residents and main site forum members. Alas I wish to say farewell as your offsite mitigation manager but I am unable to do so in person.
After nearly 10 years working with EDF and your local engagement support, I have been given the opportunity to go to the Sizewell project and help support the community there.
I have had the pleasure of meeting and helping many wonderful people; some of whom I have forged good friendships with and have become dear friends..... I have helped people move away; I have helped people sell their houses; I have helped people with compensation; I have helped people with their windows and noise insulation. In fact I grew to like this community so much, I moved into the area.*



*Even though I'm no longer your HPC contact, I remain a neighbour and continue to support the neighbourly agenda of this area which I treasure very much.
A big Thank you to all for putting up with me over the years and welcoming me to the community.
I plan to stay here so will cross paths again.*

Lidia"

6.3 There was no other business.

7 Date of next meeting:

Date / time: Thursday 4 March 2021 at 6pm
Venue: TBC

8 The meeting ended.