

Meeting Report

Regarding:

EDF Hinkley Point C:
Main Site Forum.

Date & Venue:

Thursday 19th June 2025 – 6pm
Meeting held at: Victory Hall, Stogursey, Bridgwater

Participating:

Doug Bamsey, *Chair*
John Burton (JB), *Somerset Council*
Leigh Redman (LR), *Bridgwater Town Council*
Allan Searle (AS), *Stogursey Parish Council*
Richard Cuttell (RC), *Shurton Resident*
Nicola Hale (NH), *Somerset Council*
Chris Morgan (CM), *Stogursey Parish Council*
Sue Goss (SG), *Stogursey Parish Council*
John Roberts (JR), *Nether Stowey Parish Council*
Sebastian Koa (SK), *University of Exeter*
Sue Spicer (SS), *Burton Resident*
Valdo Andrade (VA), *Avon and Somerset Police*
Dawn Lewis (DL), *Stogursey Resident*

EDF Team:

Andrew Cockcroft (AC), *EDF*
Richard Clews (RCL), *EDF*
Drew Aspinwall (DA), *SEC Newgate UK*
Matthew Williams (MW), *SEC Newgate UK*

Apologies received:

Mike Laver (ML), *Burton Resident*
Nicola Hunt, *Burton Resident*
Chris Ford (CF), *Stogursey Parish Council*

| Item | | Action |
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| 1 | Item 1 - Introductions | |
| 1.1 | Doug Bamsey ('The Chair') welcomed everyone to the meeting, ran through the venue arrangements and forum protocols, and invited all attendees to introduce themselves. | |
| 2 | Item 2 - Meeting Note and Matters Arising (from Thursday 13th February 2025) | |
| 2.1 | Matters arising: Re. Stacy Walker (SW) provided an update on images from the ecology cameras – these tend to be grainy in quality but HPC is looking at circulating better quality images with members. | ACTION SW |
| 2.2 | AFTERNOTE: SW is working through these and they will be available soon. | |
| 2.3 | Item 3.7.3: following a question about a deep geological disposal facility, Andrew Cockcroft (AC) said he would check how long was taken to construct the similar site in Finland. AC updated members that it took about 20 years from start to finish. Preliminary works were began in 2004, and the final tests are being carried out at the moment. A more detailed discussion took place at the previous Community Forum. Item 4.4.2: following a discussion about drainage, riparian ownership and responsibility, AC said he would take this away and discuss how to proceed with other local stakeholders including the Parish Council AC gave an update, saying that he had spoken with members of the Parish Council but believed it would not be right for HPC to circumvent the role of the Parish Council in leading discussions on this matter which related to a broad spectrum of the parish. HPC would of course continue to discuss this with the Parish Council and all other stakeholders going forward. | |
| 2.4 | There were no further comments and the meeting note was then agreed. | |
| 3 | Item 3 – Project Progress Update (Andrew Cockcroft (AC) - EDF) | |
| 3.1 | The Chair invited AC to give his project progress update to Forum members. AC began by updating members on recent developments in the nuclear sector and invited questions. He mentioned how the UK government had recently committed an additional £14bn to Sizewell C in Suffolk and confirmed this was additional support rather than a Final Investment | |

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| | <p>Decision (FID).</p> <p>AC also explained that there was an announcement that Rolls Royce SMR was the preferred bidder as part of the government’s Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) competition. EDF and HPC are not involved in the delivery of SMRs but there is noted public interest in potential sites at Oldbury (Gloucestershire) or in Wylfa (Wales). The government is currently looking at 1.5 GW of SMR provision, which would be about three of the type that Rolls Royce SMR construct.</p> <p>Chris Morgan (CM) commented that nobody has told the public how large [in megawatts] an SMR is, and that it’s about the size of Hinkley A but this hasn’t been touched. He asked if people would be educated in the near future about this.</p> <p>AC replied that he was recently contacted by Great British Nuclear on behalf of Oldbury Parish Council, who want to undertake a fact-finding mission- he had suggested that they contact Stogursey PC directly.</p> <p>Sue Spicer (SS) also asked if any particular sites had been earmarked.</p> <p>AC replied that while we now know the preferred technology, sites are less clear as mentioned previously.</p> | |
| 3.2 | <p>AC then continued with his HPC project update.</p> <p>On site progress, AC showed the latest images from site. Unit 1, the project has now completed four cold leg welds of the Primary Circuit, with work starting imminently on the first hot leg.</p> <p>The one-metre-diameter legs connect the main components for our Reactor - the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV), four Steam Generators and four Main Coolant Pumps. The project will make 24 welds in total to connect the four loops of the Primary Circuit, creating joint’ that are less than 1mm across.</p> <p>The welding is specialist, automated in parts and with absolute focus on quality of those welds.</p> | |
| 3.3 | <p>Unit 2: In preparation for Dome lift</p> <p>At the end of April, HPC completed the final Inner Containment Pour on Unit 2 before Dome lifting this summer.</p> <p>Having taken learnings from Unit 1, the final pour contains the ends for the short vertical prestressing ducts, called ‘trumplates.’ The first phase of prestressing will therefore happen ahead of Dome Lift and speeding the next phase of construction.</p> | |
| 3.4 | <p>Increasing Efficiency – using modular construction and pre-fabrication</p> <p>The biggest single lift of rebar so far was achieved in April when the largest “mega-cage” of rebar was lifted into Unit 2. The cage weighed 170 tonnes and formed part of an outer stairway.</p> | |

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| | <p>This load was 40 per cent taller than the first cage lift last year. Using Big Carl and bespoke 38-tonne lifting beam we hoisted the 14 prefabricated cages to form part of the staircase unit for the west of the building.</p> <p>We are now beginning pre-fabrication of entire rooms as well as continuing the regular use of smaller prefabricated rebar cages manufactured in Bristol and on-site.</p> | |
| 3.5 | <p>Operational Service Centre – Milestone Complete</p> <p>The operational service centre fills a space roughly the same size as a football pitch with 47,000 tonnes of backfill material, the project will now build underground networks, connecting buildings across the Power Station, before the final layer of backfill is placed and permanent roads added.</p> | |
| 3.6 | <p>Local benefits</p> <p>The project recently published <i>Hinkley Point C Socio-economic Impact Report 2025</i>, which is available to download from the website: https://www.edfenergy.com/energy/nuclear-new-build-projects/hinkley-point-c/realising-socio-economic-benefits</p> <p>AC reported that the immense scale of Hinkley Point C means that it can be a force for good and a catalyst for change. Our investment in people, skills and industrial capacity is driving growth across Britain, increasing productivity and giving thousands of people new skills and jobs.</p> <p>HPC has far now surpassed the commitments made on socio-economic impact when the project was proposed. 1,520 apprentices trained against a target of 1,000 and £5.3 billion spent in the region against a target of £1.5 billion.</p> <p>Our investment to re-establish nuclear skills in Britain has paved the way for our twin project at Sizewell C, the development of small modular reactors and other low-carbon energy projects.</p> <p>HPC is helping Britain develop the expertise to deliver the infrastructure it needs for growth and future prosperity.</p> | |
| 3.7 | <p>Driving Growth and Prosperity</p> <p>AC said that people from across Britain are benefitting from the higher-skilled, higher-paid jobs available at Hinkley Point C – boosting regional growth and productivity.</p> <p>14,300 people have been trained in Hinkley Point C’s Centres of Excellence so far. The project is currently supporting over 26,000 direct and indirect jobs across Britain with 35% of workers gaining employment from areas of recognised deprivation. Many of them also taking advantage of the training and upskilling opportunities provided at Hinkley Point</p> | |

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| | <p>C’s training Centres of Excellence. These training opportunities are open to everyone, regardless of age, skill or background and can be applied to other industries.</p> <p>AC then showcased some of the local people working on the project coming in as apprentices and working their way up and building their skills, namely Letty Smith (19) from Wedmore and Stanley Taylor (also 19) from Minehead, who appears on the cover of the report.</p> | |
| <p>3.8</p> <p>3.8.1</p> | <p>DCO Material Change Update</p> <p>AC said that we continue to move through the process for a material change to Hinkley Point C’s DCO. The proposed changes include a change to “dry” spent fuel storage and, potentially, environmental mitigation for the removal of the acoustic fish deterrent.</p> <p>Regarding the acoustic fish deterrent (AFD), an innovative technology is being tested that wasn’t available when the consent was granted, meaning it is potentially possible to deploy an acoustic fish deterrent without the need to endanger the lives of divers.</p> <p>Pioneered in the South-West and used in fishing fleets around the world, the technology uses electronic transducers to target specific fish species with high-frequency sound. The efficiency of the system means it can be self-powered using batteries and precisely tuned and installed and serviced from the surface.</p> <p>HPC is pausing work on proposals for new areas of saltmarsh while we work to establish the suitability of a new acoustic fish deterrent technology which will be tested over the summer and autumn of 2025.</p> <p>HPC’s current schedules sees a submission of the material change application, without the proposal to remove the fish deterrent system, at the end of 2025 or early 2026.</p> <p>Depending on how it all moves forward, there is the possibility the AFD Removal will not need to be included in the DCO Material Change application, as this will simply discharge the original requirements.</p> <p>Sue Goss (SG) asked how the Project tests if the new technology works if they don’t have an activated water intake system?</p> <p>AC replied that in terms of the AFD systems themselves, the smaller units have previously been used for by-catch prevention in commercial fishing. In other circumstances, fishermen attach them to nets to deter large mammals (e.g. dolphins). A lot of research has taken place into how they work in experimental conditions (e.g. placing transducers in tanks of water). This means that the intake and volume of water isn’t of relevance, it’s about seeing whether the AFD reduces the number of fish coming near the intake heads which can be achieved through tagging fish and tracking their activity in the open ocean. SG said that this sounds like a viable solution.</p> | |

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| <p>3.9</p> <p>3.9.1</p> <p>3.9.2</p> <p>3.9.3</p> <p>3.9.4</p> | <p>Keeping in touch and New Dashboard</p> <p>AC mentioned how there was a good discussion at February’s Main Site Forum. One of the things that came up was that the local community wanted to receive updates that were more meaningful and tactical in terms of what they said.</p> <p>HPC has now developed a simplified community dashboard, which gives a look ahead at key elements that could cause impact, this is live on the website and gives notice of expected elevated noise, light or dust levels; use of the emergency access route for vehicles, whether any roadworks are planned, or if the diversion routes are needed.</p> <p>SG said that the closure of the C182 for roadworks on Sat 14th June caused chaos in Stogursey. Both of the operation HAROLD routes were in operation and huge problems occurred where lorries met double decker buses and neither would reverse, causing backlogs of vehicles. She mentioned a local resident who couldn’t access his house and suggested that there needs to be more than one person at a junction to advise people.</p> <p>Dawn Lewis (DL) said that the buses etc are too big for that side of the road.</p> <p>AC reinforced that the roadworks were not related to Hinkley Point C and part of Somerset Council’s operations but said that he would feed that back because Stacy Walker (SW) is closer to this side of operations and thanked SG for her feedback. ACTION</p> <p>CM said that whoever was directing traffic was unable to do it, which caused chaos, and gave examples of the difficult driving which caused gridlock and people getting angry. He pointed out that if the system isn’t used then it’s carnage.</p> <p>CM then asked about the security level at HPC given recent world events. AC replied that it’s always at the heightened state and has been for most of his time on the project. However, there is a difference between the military level of alert and this civil one, but that the level hasn’t dropped in many years.</p> <p>The Chair asked if there is a debrief after an AIL operation?</p> <p>AC replied that there is an AIL delivery group, SW sits on this group and he will ask SW to feed this back and ensure that if HPC are moving equipment, this shouldn’t take place in the midst of other network issues – however he believed this was not the case in this instance. ACTION</p> <p>DL questioned if a Saturday morning is the best time for these to be moved?</p> <p>AC replied that recent road improvement schemes have meant that the Operation HAROLD route has had to be used a lot recently, but AC hopes that we are through the worst of these road closures.</p> <p>The Chair added that it’s important that the Highway authority doesn’t have one person who is overwhelmed attempting to operate diversions and ask questions.</p> <p>SG pointed out that communities such as Stockland Bristol can become marooned; villages for whom their only access is the C182.</p> <p>AC sympathised, recognising that the Highway Authority is responsible for delivery of the</p> | <p>ACTION AC</p> <p>ACTION AC / SW</p> |
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| <p>3.9.5</p> <p>3.9.6</p> <p>3.9.7</p> <p>3.9.8</p> <p>3.9.9</p> | <p>surfacing works, but there had been good liaison with HPC to ensure coordination</p> <p>Richard Cuttell (RC) added that if the community, council or EDF can't manage when they know something is happening, what would happen when there is a panic situation which would involve a lot of people trying to get away.</p> <p>AC said that he and SW were surprised a few weeks' ago by a drill of Operation HAROLD and if this would happen given residents couldn't be informed – in the end it was a desktop drill of how things would pan out. He said that issue is that in a small area such as this, if the C182 is cut off there are only a few routes out. In an emergency (e.g. with the bus incident in 2023) there is the ability to halt all HPC vehicles, and there is a managed output of people from the site. He recognised that if there were a short notice emergency, things are difficult.</p> <p>CM commented that with situations like the previous Saturday, if HAROLD route is used, people need to be educated and made aware of where to go and when to avoid a 'blind panic'.</p> <p>AC said that there is a guide to operation HAROLD which he would ask Stacy Walker to circulate with members and the Parish Council. ACTION</p> <p>SG asked that to be passed onto Highways engineers, who didn't have any idea about this when asked. AC replied that HPC have passed this onto their contacts, and he believed the Police have done so too.</p> <p>SG then said that Highways now know it exists because they will paint white lines on the Operation HAROLD route.</p> <p>AC encouraged members that aren't on the distribution list for updates, he would put up the QR code for advanced warning of C182, Cannington bypass closures etc. HPC will continue to do their bit when they see things coming down the line from Somerset Highways.</p> <p>Nature walks have been re-started for 2025, the next dates for these are: 3rd June, 9th July, 13th August.</p> <p>SG then asked about the operational service centre; saying that AC had mentioned using 47,000 tonnes of material and asked if this had come from the stockpiles. AC said that RCL has an update, a lot came from the quarry, this has only recently had the agreement from the EA that the backfill could be blended. This had a high pH level and needed to be diluted so as not disrupt the water table.</p> <p>AC asked if SG would like an update on this as an agenda item at a future meeting – and SG said this would be a good idea. ACTION</p> <p>Leigh Redman (LR) asked about employment and brokerage. He recalled an agreement that jobs would be advertised internally before externally, and if this was still operational, which AC said it was, giving local people (DCO target 34% local employment over the course of construction) 'first dibs' on jobs.</p> | <p>ACTION SW</p> <p>ACTION AC / Chair/SW</p> |
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| <p>3.9.10</p> <p>3.9.11</p> | <p>In addition, HPC is starting a partnership with the Somerset Business Agency, helping people encountering difficulties finding work (i.e, providing help with applications etc), and this is going to be increased across the county for those that need it.</p> <p>LR suggested that a piece of communication showing how the brokerage is working, and the statistics around this, would be beneficial for the local community.</p> <p>AC said that these figures are not in the socioeconomic report, but that churn is relatively low at 2%, as people are being retrained.</p> <p>RC asked if the backfill came in by road or by the jetty, and if by road how many lorries were used?</p> <p>RCL answered that it came in by road over the period of a number of weeks, and the number of vehicles overall was less than half what was stipulated in the DCO. The operation of the jetty (*used for the delivery of large components) is dictated by the tide whilst aggregates and rebar can be brought in via the jetty. Most aggregates come from the quarries near Cheddar. AC pointed out the very stringent requirements on aggregates used for nuclear concrete and the importance of limiting contamination. This was a very specific job in oneparticular area of backfill, hence why it was required to be transported by road. RCL said he didn't have the figures about how many HGVs were involved.</p> <p>CM mentioned how there are some people who will be dead before the benefits are seen, and said he was concerned about timescales. He mentioned how Stogursey Parish and others doesn't seem to be in a position to keep young people in the area and suggested that there needs to be more work on helping other young people and not just those working at HPC.</p> <p>AC says he understand this and knows it's a big topic for LR too. As part of the topic papers the Project is looking at ways to increase accommodation supply throughout the peak of employment. This is a priority for the Project. CM says he hopes so and said that if young people move away, it's unlikely that they'll move back.</p> | |
| <p>4</p> | <p>Item 4: Workforce Uplift (Richard Clews, EDF)</p> | |
| <p>4.1</p> | <p>Richard Clews (RCL) showed members the larger flow chart of the process that needs to be followed for workforce uplift.</p> <p>He focused on a couple of specific points, the Spatial Distribution Note (SDN) and the topic papers – as well as the Local Community Network (LCN) engagement process.</p> | |
| <p>4.2</p> <p>4.2.1</p> | <p>RCL explained that the final version of the SDN had been issued to Somerset Council. This sets out the purpose and nature of workforce uplift and how impacts may be recognised. It establishes the current situation and projections for increased workforce. Both parties are working on an upper figure of 15,000 for 5-day workers. RCL highlighted how progress is being made on managing future accommodation provision and methodology for transportation assessment.</p> <p>LR requested that since the SDN is in effect agreed, once it has been finalised if it could be shared with Forum members and other interested parties.</p> <p>AC suggested that it would be up to the Council, as it is a joint document.</p> | |

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| <p>4.2.2</p> <p>4.2.3</p> <p>4.2.4</p> | <p>LR said the SDN should be shared at the earliest opportunity, preferably before the end of the year.</p> <p>The Chair suggested that this would be something outlined and discussed at the future joint Forum.</p> <p>AFTERNOTE: Somerset Council have updated that the form and content of any consultation on the current Workforce Uplift issue is still being considered in line with Council policy, standard procedures and legal advice.</p> <p>RCL continued by saying that future engagement isn't about pulling out the technical aspects, it's more about asking if impacts have been captured, is there anything missing and how those could be mitigated, or if more is needed in the topic papers.</p> <p>RCL said that at this point it's likely the SDN could be shared when in final form, but it's a lot of tables and bullet points and isn't something that is debated as there are lot of mathematical calculations.</p> <p>LR commented that the SDN is pivotal for the next stages and there are a number of interested parties who have been involved in this process for a while and who saw the first and second SDNs.</p> <p>AC added the 15,000 is an upper estimate, and things have had to be mitigated against a higher level than expected. RCL said that this is very much seen as an upper limit and mentioned 'project reset' and how this workforce could be managed in this space.</p> <p>RCL continued by explaining that once the final SDN has been agreed, the methodologies will be discussed as to what material goes into the topic papers. Items such as the traffic model are complicated, but this is in progress.</p> <p>An application to provide additional parking at Bridgwater Albion RFC is going through the council, which will give extra P&R in the middle of Bridgwater, to offset problems at J23 because of roadworks. This is expected to be decided within the next month. If approved, this is set to continue as a contract until the end of the project, this depends on the agreement with the rugby club.</p> <p>AFTERNOTE: This application was approved unanimously by Somerset Council's Planning North committee on July 8th 2025.</p> <p>RCL mentioned how there will be civils, MEH and other contractors all working at the same time, some on Unit 2 and some on Unit 1.</p> <p>A lot of work was done in 2023, these are to be updated and then discussed with the Council. There are seven topic papers (slide 19 in presentation pack), which will have proposals and suggestions within them to mitigate or manage.</p> | <p>AFTERNOTE</p> <p>AFTERNOTE</p> |
| <p>4.3</p> | <p>Local community engagement</p> <p>RCL then spoke about local engagement. Before the topic papers are finalised, the Project will engage with the Local Community Networks (LCNs) in close proximity to HPC. HPC will be coming to those meetings with proposals and to decide if they have covered all the issues or</p> | |

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| <p>4.3.1</p> <p>4.3.2</p> <p>4.3.3</p> | <p>if there is more to be dealt with.</p> <p>John Roberts (JR) pointed out that Dowsborough LCN doesn't meet until September.</p> <p>RCL replied that he has liaised with Joanna Whitehead at Somerset Council and will contact the LCNs as workshops (rather than formal meetings) and he doesn't know if that will be separate from the usual programme of meetings.</p> <p>JR advised that the Project shouldn't wait for the formal meeting.</p> <p>RCL replied that they aren't going to, that three meetings might be amalgamated, and having three means that everyone can just attend the one that fits best for them.</p> <p>SG suggested that the Project should stick with the individual LCNs so as not to mix up specific local issues. RCL replied that they might have to combine pairs of LCN, but SG said that this wouldn't work. AC added that the Council would lead on the LCN work.</p> <p>LR added that not all interested bodies attend the LCNs, so there are different levels to this. He said that some LCNs don't function as well as others and said there was a need for HPC to engage with bodies such as Bridgwater Town Council, who would like to engage with them on this. LR added that engagement through the LCNs wasn't sufficient and it needed to be as wide as possible given the amount and importance of the information.</p> <p>The Chair said that AC and RCL would feed this back. ACTION</p> <p>JR said that the problem with Dowsborough LCN is the gridlock caused by HPC people staying in the village. People on social media are asking for accommodation in the village and this needs to be solved before more people can arrive – and this is causing a backlash in Nether Stowey against HPC Workers.</p> <p>The Chair added this goes back to SG's point about not diluting issues.</p> <p>AC said that other existing sounding boards are the existing Forums and that the Forums are a key point of engagement for the Project.</p> <p>AFTERNOTE: Somerset Council comment: Following the LCN meetings, Somerset Council would like to confirm that the primary engagement with Members who are representatives of the constituents and communities they serve, will be through the HPC Quarterly Monitoring Group and Member Briefings. Final uplift documentation will be published on the Council's website and will be made public documents.'</p> <p>RCL said the aim is not to be ignorant to points that have been made many times. HPC wants to have a successful accommodation portal so that people visit that first [e.g. rather than using social media].</p> <p>JR said that a lot of people are posting about searching for accommodation on social media, friends of existing workers are coming down and the existing ones are helping to sort accommodation – creating a backlash against the workers and their vehicles.</p> <p>JR added that he knows this is a time limited problem but that the issue for Nether Stowey is that it's a medieval village in the 21st century and would always have a parking problem – but this needed to be reflected in the topic papers.</p> | <p>ACTION AC / RCL</p> <p>AFTERNOTE</p> |
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| <p>4.3.4</p> | <p>DL raised the issue of second properties being rented out and outpriced for the locals. JR said the same was true of the Cricketer Estate [in Nether Stowey] because HPC workers could afford the higher rents. DL mentioned a house on Stogursey High St and HMOs, but AC replied that they are working with the council HMO team and can't forbid people, but the solution to this is when they get to the topic papers how alternative accommodation could be provided.</p> <p>The Chair asked for clarification of if the presentation to the LCNs and Forums would be joint by EDF and Somerset Council presentation to present – RCL explained that the Somerset Community Foundation would also be present as the third party, as there are some measures that they feel are best solved by funding from the SCF.</p> | |
| <p>4.3.5</p> | <p>RCL continued by saying the contents of the topic papers would be presented to the Forums, whilst checking that LCNs also agreed that impact areas were being capture and mitigation covering everything that was expected.</p> <p>If this drags on through other Forum dates, there will be further opportunity for discussion. The aim is to bring this to the Community Forum on 18 September 2025, hence why it's likely that these will be presented to the LCNs in August.</p> | |
| <p>4.3.6</p> | <p>LR asked for clarification if this was with a view to be formally agreed; RCL said that if anything was raised at this meeting there would be opportunity to amend this.</p> <p>LR asked how long the topic papers would be in terms of pages, AC suggested it would be hundreds of pages, but that as a councillor LR should speak to officers about the route that this goes to for a decision.</p> | |
| <p>4.3.7</p> | <p>LR then asked if EDF were offering any additional support to help review the topic papers as Parish Council clerks had limited availability and Somerset Council have had a restructure and the HPC team are busy with day-to-day matters.</p> <p>AC replied that there was significant funding going to Somerset Council to provide Officer time to support the reviews. In terms of resource to deal with the work, AC said that it is absolutely there, and council positions are still being funded. LR said that HPC hasn't increased the numbers of positions either. AC said there wouldn't be any extra resource and isn't sure how this would work. LR said the window for Parish Council's to submit responses was short, particularly given the summer period.</p> | |
| <p>4.3.8</p> | <p>JR said that one thing that Parish Council's are finding is a lack of communication from Somerset council officers to the parishes and lack of responsiveness. He said that if this falls into a hole the towns and parishes would be left wanting.</p> <p>AC replied that if JR was struggling to get a response from those funded directly by HPC, things could be done. The Chair said that what RCL has described is a three-organisation enterprise to come forward (Council, EDF, Somerset Community Foundation), it's Somerset Council's responsibility to play its part and was sure that John Burton (JB) was listening and would feed this back.</p> | |
| <p>4.3.9</p> | <p>Richard Cuttell (RC) said he didn't know who the Somerset Council funded people were and asked if other members did. AC replied that it wasn't public knowledge. RC then said that if</p> | |

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| 4.3.10 | <p>they were being funded with sizeable chunks of money members should know who they were.</p> <p>RCL said that correspondence should be forwarded onto the relevant people if it's an HPC related matter. RCL said that this should mean that as long as it's reasonable questions related to the project members should receive a response. LR said that in the event that members aren't receiving a response they should contact their local councillor, and that from his experience the Hinkley Team are good at getting back with the information they have available.</p> <p>JB said that it might be helpful as a starting point to remind forum members that: for any questions then to do with Planning it's him, Highways then Andy Coupé and for anything else in the first instance then Joanna Whitehead. In the event they don't know about a particular issue they will know who to pass it on to.</p> | |
| 5 | Item 5: Discussion - HPC Site Visit on 6 May | |
| 5.1 | LR thanked the EDF team and that it was a great visit. He said that the tour he visited was excellent and appreciated seeing the steps and progress made. | |
| 5.2 | <p>SS said she really enjoyed it and appreciated getting off from the coach and seeing the scale of the site first hand.</p> <p>AC said that this is something that would be repeated.</p> | |
| 6 | Item 6 – Any other business | |
| 6.1 | <p>The Chair invited items of any other business.</p> <p>AC said that he has learnt that it was JB's last ever Hinkley Forum, and on behalf of the HPC team thanked him and he has been a stalwart of these Forums over many teams.</p> <p>AC formally thanked him for his work and for the support for the community.</p> <p>JB explained that he's going to be in post until the 31st of July 2025.</p> <p>SG added that JB has been a great help to Stogursey Parish Council and will be greatly missed.</p> | |
| 6.2 | DL mentioned about the ambulance service and their aim of raising some funds to provide cars (fully kitted out) for the village. With the nearest ambulances being Bridgwater, Taunton etc. these vehicles can get there before the ambulance arrives. They have been trying to establish a contact at HPC for a while and were please to have done so now. | |
| 7 | Date of next meeting | |
| | The next meeting of the Main Site Forum will be on: Thursday, 16 th October 2025 in Stogursey Victory Hall at 6pm. | |
| 7.1 | The meeting ended | |