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FINAL EDITION

GOODBYE TO CONNECT

We celebrate 23 years of storytelling with our last issue

Nuclear Operations meets 2030 senior leadership diversity targets

Hunterston B begins its next chapter with NRS

Half a million raised for Alzheimer's Society



EDITORS' NOTE

As we bring you this final edition of Connect, it truly feels like the end of an era. For 23 years, this publication has been a place where colleagues from every corner of the business come together to celebrate milestones, share successes and shine a light on the people who make our organisation what it is.

Looking back, what stands out most is not the number of issues we've produced, but the thousands of voices and stories that have filled them. It has been a privilege to meet so many of you, to hear about the work that inspires you and to help connect teams who might otherwise never cross paths.

Thank you for welcoming us into your workplaces, for sharing your triumphs and for letting us tell your stories. This final issue is, above all, a celebration of all of you.

JULIA NUTLEY AND KATHY MANSON
The Connect team



FINANCIAL RESULTS SHOW OUR INVESTMENT IN AN ELECTRIC BRITAIN

The company delivered UK earnings (EBITDA) of £1.9bn in 2025. While down from 2024 – due to lower generation, including an extended outage at Hartlepool, alongside difficult market conditions – performance remains strong by historic standards.

Despite this, we made significant progress across the business delivering a strong safety performance, key milestones at Hinkley Point C – including the second dome lift – and record Trustpilot scores showing our continued improvements in customer service.



Our CEO, **Simone Rossi**, said: "We continued to invest for the long term, spending around £5bn on the future of EDF in the UK and in the country's energy security. Over the past eight years we have invested £2 in the business for every £1 we have made in profit, helping ensure a sustainable and positive future."

Looking ahead, the company plans to invest a further £15bn in the UK over the next three years across our different businesses, underlining our commitment to building, enabling and powering An Electric Britain.

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SOLAR SHINES FOR BAE AND NATWEST

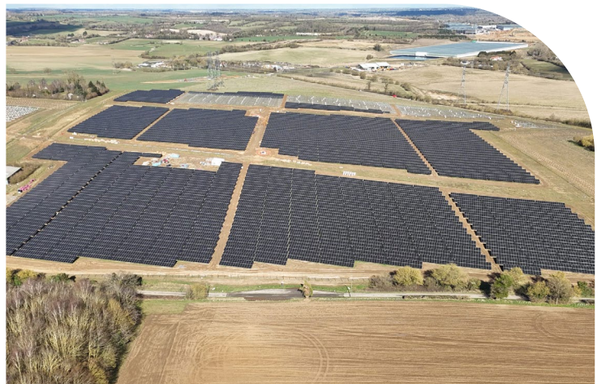
EDF power solutions UK has signed two exciting new Corporate Power Purchase Agreements (CPPAs) with BAE Systems and NatWest, enabling both companies to source renewable electricity from the Tye Lane solar farm in Suffolk.

EDF Business and Wholesale Services team facilitated the new CPPAs and will manage shaping, balancing and sleeving services to ensure smooth transfer of electricity from Tye Lane into each company's supply agreement. Sleeving services are the transfer of electrical energy from a renewable energy project to a company.

The 49.9MW Tye Lane solar farm is due to be completed in the spring. Once operational, it will supply BAE Systems with enough clean energy to meet around 15% of its current UK energy needs. The partnership with NatWest will also help the bank cut its operational emissions by supplying clean power to its offices and high street branches.



Matthieu Hue, CEO of EDF power solutions UK, said: "Working together in this way secures the delivery of important new renewable projects, highlighting the importance of collaboration in transitioning to a future powered by clean green energy."





DOUBLE SOLAR SUCCESS

Two of our solar projects – Glassthorpe and Cressing – have been successful in round seven of the government's Contract for Difference (CfD) auction, marking a positive step towards EDF power solutions' ambition to generate 10GW of low-carbon electricity by 2030.

The CfD scheme supports the generation of low-carbon electricity by providing developers with a stabilised price for their electricity output. This protects them from fluctuating wholesale prices while shielding consumers from additional costs when market prices are high.

Matthieu Hue, CEO of EDF power solutions UK, said: "This comes at a crucial juncture in our journey towards achieving clean power. Across all technologies, the government has matched its level of ambition with a strong budget, leveraging the large pipeline of projects developed by the industry."

The two solar projects will deliver more than 80MW of clean, renewable electricity, equivalent to the annual consumption of around 30,000 households.

GOODBYE TO CONNECT

After 23 years of storytelling, this month's issue marks the end of an era for our company magazine.



We're celebrating how Connect has connected thousands of employees for more than two decades, sharing personal stories, business achievements and moments of pride from across the company. There have been so many successes and inspiring experiences to share that we've never been short of content!

Launched in July 2003 following the creation of EDF Energy in the UK, Connect replaced Live Wire, the internal magazine of the London Energy (LE) Group, which had run for 20 years. Designed in the bold colours and fresh visual language of the new brand, its first cover showcased the rebranding initiative known as Project Mango.

Often described as 'the heart of the company', Connect has been widely read – from London to Paris and from Hinkley to Hunterston. In print, it has reached colleagues across all our sites up and down the UK, including those working at power stations or in the field.

In recent years, Connect has also been available digitally via Connect Online, so employees can read stories whenever they log in. Although the monthly magazine will no longer be published, stories from across the business will continue to be shared on eNZO.

Last year, we launched the Connect newsletter on LinkedIn, helping us share our people and project stories more widely with external audiences. You can continue to stay up to date with companywide news by subscribing to this newsletter.

SIGN-UP TO THE CONNECT LINKEDIN NEWSLETTER



July 2003



February 2007



May 2015



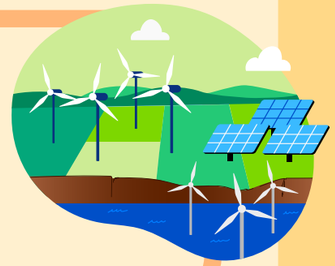
JULIA NUTLEY

Editor: **2022-2026**

"Working on Connect has been so rewarding. Hearing employees' personal stories and sharing their achievements, challenges and proud moments has been a real privilege. These stories bring the magazine to life and remind me why connection matters so much in a big organisation.



November 2009





June 2019



January 2019





May 2020





July 2022



KATHY MANSON

Copywriter: **2024-26**

"I've loved being part of Connect because it's given me the chance to meet people from every corner of the business and share the stories that bring us together. Connect has always played such an important role by shining a light on the brilliant people across the company and reminding us of everything we have in common.



AMY PROLE

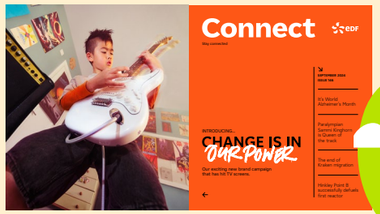
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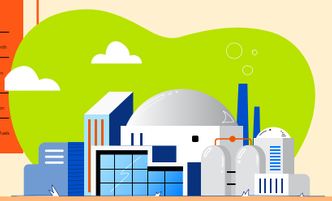
“Editing Connect was all about connection, literally. Bringing together a diverse range of voices made every issue feel like a community effort. Seeing our readers engage and find common ground was, without a doubt, the most fulfilling part of the entire journey.

October 2023



September 2024





December 2023





OUR LAST ISSUE

March 2026







BEN WALKER

Editor: **2018-2022**

“I spent just over three years on Connect magazine and I loved it. I got to meet some incredible people, from rangers in Scotland to engineers at Hinkley Point C, and enjoyed promoting some of the lesser-known stories, not just the big milestones. What I learnt at Connect gave me a good grounding for my current role at Sizewell C.



JULIE ISHERWOOD

Editor: **2003-2018**

“Connect was the “glue”, a common denominator, a way of making employees in different businesses feel part of the bigger picture. I travelled the length and breadth of the country to uncover news stories and was given a warm welcome wherever I went. I loved meeting the people and always enjoyed the role.

AND A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO THE REST OF THE TEAM WHO HELP MAKE CONNECT A SUCCESS

“It has been a delight to support Julia, Kathy, and all the previous editors, in putting out Connect (and LiveWire) each month. The frequency of publication has allowed us to adjust our approach over time in order to put out the best magazine possible each month.”



George Xydas, Connect Online Channel Manager

“It has been a real joy to be involved in Connect over the years, which has been a true part of EDF’s history here in the UK. It has captured our milestones, our challenges and the people who make this business what it is. While this is the final issue, I’m confident that its legacy will live on in the stories we will continue to tell.”



Laurence Ollier, Senior Manager of Content, Digital and Brand Identity

LEADING THE WAY IN SENIOR LEADERSHIP DIVERSITY

As we celebrate International Women's Day on 8 March, the Nuclear Operations business has reached a significant milestone: **57% of its executive team are now women** – a remarkable achievement in a sector historically dominated by men.



This level of representation places Nuclear Operations at the forefront of diversity and inclusion, not just within the company, but across the wider nuclear industry. Minority representation continues to grow at senior levels too, showing that representation matters and our sustained efforts are working.



Dr Mark Hartley, Managing Director of Nuclear Operations and Executive Sponsor of the company's Women's Network, said: "We remain committed to increasing gender representation across all levels, building an environment where diversity thrives, and ensuring our workforce reflects the society we serve. Our achievements so far demonstrate what is possible – now we're focused on sustaining that momentum."

FIND OUT MORE AND JOIN THE WOMEN'S NETWORK ON eNZO

GIVE TO GAIN

The theme for International Women's Day (IWD) 2026 is 'Give to Gain', highlighting how sharing support, knowledge and opportunities drives meaningful progress towards gender equality. **The message is simple: when women thrive, we all rise.**

In Nuclear Operations, this principle has shaped the culture we're continuing to build every day.

UNLOCKING CONFIDENCE AND AMBITION

The success of Nuclear Operations' reverse mentoring programme has shown how visible, diverse role models are not only empowering, but a catalyst for inclusion throughout the organisation. This learning has been used to inform companywide adaptation to further build cultural intelligence across the organisation. When people see leaders who look like them, have lived through similar experiences or have overcome recognisable barriers, it builds confidence, ambition and a sense of belonging.

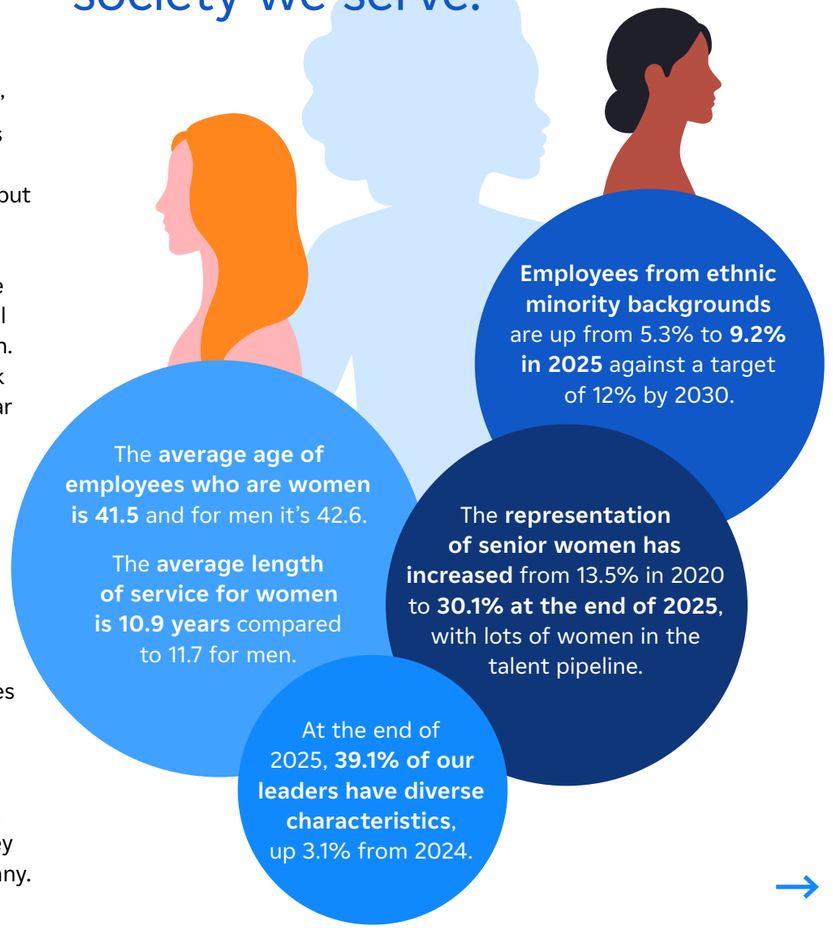
BUT THERE'S STILL WORK TO DO...

We strive for our employees to represent the diverse communities across our operating areas.



Jane Francis, Head of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, takes us through some key stats for the company.

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To mark International Women's Day, we're featuring **two inspiring women in Nuclear Operations** whose careers demonstrate what's possible in our industry.



Kiran Basra-Steele, Safety and Assurance Director in Nuclear Operations, talks us through her career experiences to date and offers advice for others.

After graduating with a physics degree, I set out to build a career that combined technical challenge with hands-on work.

During an interview to join the nuclear industry, I was challenged with "how would you feel about wearing a respirator? What about climbing around inside a boiler?" It was just what I was looking for, so 20 years ago I started as a trainee Health Physicist.

KIRAN'S NUCLEAR CAREER SO FAR

I began my career at Bradwell Power Station in Essex as it transitioned into decommissioning and then supported decommissioning programmes across multiple sites across the UK, each with its own technical hurdles and people-focused challenges. In 2021, shortly after my youngest son turned one, I became Site Director at Hinkley Point A, which was delivering an ambitious set of decommissioning projects centred on safely packaging a large volume of intermediate-level waste.

Now, as Safety and Assurance Director, I work with fantastic people and see every day how 'nuclear safety is our overriding priority' is a way of life. I'm extremely proud to lead the safety-conscious professionals who champion zero harm to our people, planet and environment.

> A well-balanced leadership team shows how inclusivity strengthens us all. Ultimately, mutual respect is key to helping everyone succeed.





Tamya Kerr, Finance Director, Nuclear Operations, shares a career that spans continents, disciplines and sectors.

My finance career began when my first manager encouraged me to study accountancy qualifications with CIMA (Chartered Institute of Management Accountants). I had originally planned an international career with the United Nations after my Geography degree, but went on to work across several global organisations.

I started on an energy trading floor as the 'admin girl' – in 1998 office speak – then moved into credit risk roles in London and Amsterdam before shifting into corporate banking in St. Maarten in the Caribbean.

> Be the person we recruited. You don't have to fit in. Bring your own strengths and qualities – that's how we can harness the power of diversity.

WHAT BROUGHT YOU TO EDF AND NUCLEAR OPERATIONS?

I joined EDF in the UK in 2010 and worked across the development of Hinkley Point C in credit risk, financial planning, reporting and treasury. After a short sabbatical in Bali training as a yoga teacher, I returned to EDF for two years in Paris as a project manager in strategy and talent development.

I then spent time in Malawi, working on EDF's World Bank-funded hydropower project, eventually becoming General Manager. I'm now back in the UK and have recently joined Nuclear Operations as Finance Director, with IT, Supply Chain and Risk in my remit.

WHAT OPPORTUNITIES OR CHALLENGES HAS BEING A WOMAN IN NUCLEAR BROUGHT YOU?

I've had the chance to work with many brilliant and dedicated colleagues and tackle first-of-a-kind challenges, at a large scale and with complexity. Along the way I've formed lifelong friendships.

WHAT DOES 'GIVE TO GAIN' MEAN TO YOU?

Kiran: I've always believed that we are greater than the sum of our parts. Give to Gain describes this so well. Giving can be done in so many different ways – through time, conversations, support – to make a huge difference.

Tamya: It reflects the mutual benefit of giving your experience, effort and time, so both the people and organisation can grow and learn. The more you put in, the more you get out.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO WOMEN LOOKING TO PROGRESS OR ENTER THE NUCLEAR SECTOR?

Kiran: The best advice I've ever had is simple: be the person we recruited. You don't have to fit in. Bring your own strengths and qualities – that's how we can harness the power of diversity.

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Tamya: Be curious and try roles that will broaden your experience and exposure. Our sector is undergoing a renaissance and we need diverse experiences in technical, leadership and commercial roles, as well as other skills.

HOW CAN MEN AND WOMEN SUPPORT EACH OTHER TO SUCCEED IN OUR INDUSTRY?

Kiran: Be respectful. Every person has their own story. A nurturing environment that values our differences and strengths will benefit our whole industry.

Throughout my career, I've worked with professionals who have made me feel valued, despite being one of only a few women on site. Our Nuclear Operations Executive Team has achieved a fantastic gender balance, and I am so proud to be a part of it. A well-balanced leadership team shows how inclusivity strengthens us all. Ultimately, mutual respect is key to helping everyone succeed.

Tamya: Being aware of the advantages a breadth of perspective can bring will help us succeed as men and women in the industry. While we are still on the journey, 15 years on, I can feel a positive difference in the industry.



EDF **Women's Network**

CHAMPIONING CHANGE – THE WOMEN'S NETWORK

With more than 1,500 members, The Women's Network is the company's largest employee network. Its mission is built around three core pillars: to attract, inspire and develop. The network is fully inclusive, with around 10% of members being men who actively support gender equity across the company as allies. The network is led by a steering committee, who are all volunteers, and supported by our executive sponsor, Mark Hartley, Managing Director of Nuclear Operations.

The network will be marking International Women's Day with a conference on 12 March at London Museum Docklands. The annual event will bring together diverse voices from across the organisation and beyond for fresh perspectives and practical ideas.

FIND OUT HOW TO JOIN THE WOMEN'S NETWORK ON eNZO

DALKIA TO LEAD BRITISH MUSEUM'S TRANSFORMATIVE ENERGY CENTRE

Dalkia has been appointed by the British Museum to deliver its new Energy Centre, a major element of the museum's ambitious Masterplan to dramatically reduce its carbon footprint.

As Principal Contractor, Dalkia will modernise the estate's infrastructure, replacing outdated systems with a highly efficient, low-carbon energy solution. The project will replace the existing gas-fired boiler plant with a cutting-edge low-carbon solution combining a 5.1MW air-source heat pump, a 7MW water-source heat pump and a 900kW electric boiler for resilient backup.

These improvements are expected to **cut carbon emissions by 1,700 tonnes annually** and include full civil, architectural, mechanical, electrical and plumbing works. The programme also includes essential electrical infrastructure enhancements such as a new high-voltage ring main, upgraded hot-water services, rewiring of sub-mains and relocation of the HV intake to boost long-term efficiency and resilience.

Image credit:
The Trustees of the British Museum →





Colin Brunton, Regional Managing Director at Dalkia, said: "We are proud to deliver cutting-edge infrastructure upgrades that not only align with the Museum's sustainability objectives but also preserve its operational integrity throughout the works."



Judith McNicol, Managing Director, British Museum said: "We are delighted to be working with Dalkia on this vital phase of our Masterplan. Dalkia's expertise in delivering complex, low-carbon energy solutions gives us confidence that this programme will strengthen the resilience and sustainability of our estate for decades ahead."

CHECK OUT A BLOG BY BWS ON THE EDF WEBSITE

READ THE FULL PRESS RELEASE ON THE DALKIA WEBSITE

A PROUD FAREWELL



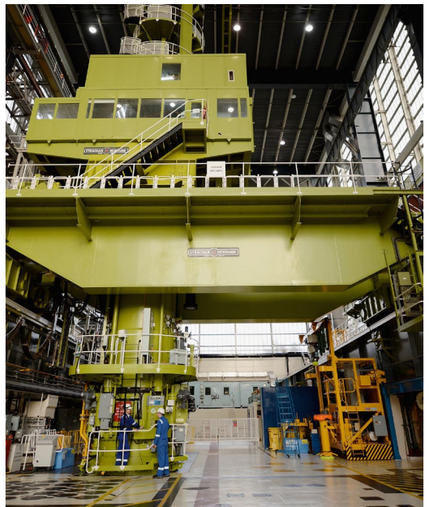
On 1 April, Hunterston B power station will transfer across to Nuclear Restoration Services (NRS).



We spoke to Hunterston B's Station Director, **Andy Dalling**, back in May last year when the site achieved fuel free status. Since then, the site has been busy transitioning from a defueling site to a decommissioning site.

What key activities have taken place over the last year to prepare for the transition to NRS?

Since hitting fuel free verification, we've reached several milestones including implementing new emergency and security arrangements, opening our construction office and configuring the site for deconstruction. The most significant element has been reorganising our workforce from 400 to 246. We've met 99% of our people's aspirations, whether they wanted to retire, retrain for other roles or move elsewhere within EDF. We've invested heavily in preparing our people for the move to NRS and setting them up for success.



What changes will there be on 1 April and what does this mean for everyone at Hunterston B?

On that day, all 246 people and all site assets will transfer to NRS. The team's employment will change from EDF to NRS, however under the legal protection of TUPE not a lot will change day-to-day. Everyone is already in their new role and will stay in it throughout the transfer. We've been working collaboratively with NRS to prepare for this. Some things will look and feel different – IT systems, work processes, PPE, branding and our links into the corporate centre – but the core of what people do will remain the same.

What is the longer-term plan for the future of the site?

The transfer to NRS marks the start of Hunterston B's decommissioning journey. The current strategy is to reach a state called 'safestore', where a shut-down nuclear facility is placed into a safe, secure and monitored condition.

This will take a number of years and include multiple projects to ensure the required infrastructure is in place. There will also be extensive conventional and active area de-planting and demolition activities.

How will we recognise the end of Hunterston B being part of the EDF family?

To mark the transition, an event is planned at the site on 31 March and Simone Rossi, CEO, Mark Hartley, Nuclear Operations Managing Director and Paul Morton, Nuclear Decommissioning Director, will hold all staff sessions to say farewell. There will also be an evening meal with representatives from EDF, NRS and the local community to make sure local stakeholders are aware of the transfer.

The following day, NRS will host a welcome event for its new employees as they begin the next chapter of Hunterston B's story.

Defueling and decommissioning are both essential parts of a power station's lifecycle, playing a key role in enabling An Electric Britain. Over its lifetime, Hunterston B contributed £13.3bn to the economy, and by defueling and decommissioning safely and efficiently, we're helping to build the case for new nuclear projects in the future.

FIND OUT MORE ON THE EDF WEBSITE



HALF A MILLION RAISED FOR ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY

A huge thank you to everyone who's helped us reach this incredible milestone for our charity partner.

TOGETHER, WE'VE MADE SOMETHING REMARKABLE HAPPEN

We've hit a major milestone: £500,000 raised for our charity partner Alzheimer's Society! It's an extraordinary achievement reflecting the passion, imagination and generosity of everyone across the company.

A DECEMBER TO REMEMBER

We ended the year on a high, wrapping up another standout year of fundraising and awareness. Our Christmas raffle smashed previous records, raising more than £15,000, helping to push us over the half a million mark.





THIS YEAR IS FULL OF EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

2026 is packed with brilliant opportunities to support Alzheimer's Society. Whether you want to run, trek, walk, jump or simply cheer along there's something for everyone.



RUN

From Birmingham to Bristol, Manchester to Glasgow, the Great Run events bring together thousands of runners across the UK. Distances range from 5k to the world's biggest half marathon, the Great North Run.

The company can cover your entry fee, just email lucy.brown@edfenergy.com to get your free code. Not a runner? You can join the event day cheer squads too.

SKYDIVE

10,000 feet. 120mph. One unforgettable moment. If you've ever wanted to tick a skydive off your bucket list, this is the year.

CHOOSE YOUR OWN

You don't have to get physical if you don't want to, why not organise your own fundraising event? Plan a party, host a bake sale or even test your friends' trivia knowledge with a quiz. How you do it is up to you!



WALK

Memory Walks are a beautiful way to celebrate and remember loved ones, bringing people of all ages together to support and raise sponsorship money for dementia support.



TREK

Hike through some of the UK's most stunning landscapes while raising funds for lifechanging dementia research by taking part in Trek26. Team EDF will be taking on three locations and again we'll cover your event fee.



HAVE YOUR SAY

Complete our short survey on eNZO to help us shape the rest of the partnership throughout 2026.

VISIT OUR CHARITY PAGE ON eNZO AND GET INVOLVED

ON THE COMMISSIONING JOURNEY TOGETHER

Adam Lynch, Senior Commissioning Manager, and **Natalie Nisbet**, Senior Project Manager, tell us how two big commissioning activities at **Hinkley Point C** demonstrate collaboration, problem solving and innovative ways of working.



POWERING UP

Auxiliary transformer energisation (TAE) is a pivotal moment for commissioning the new Hinkley Point C power station. It marks the first time the site is connected to the National Grid via its permanent 400kV connection. This imported power enables bulk commissioning to begin, allowing pumps, control systems, HVAC and many other systems to be brought into service. It also means there are new risks, new controls and the need for close support from operations teams as systems remain energised for the long term.

Although led by electrical commissioning, TAE depends on readiness across instrumentation and control, Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning, pumping systems and operations. Any gap in one area can delay progress for many others, making cross-discipline alignment critical.

GETTING THE WATER FLOWING

Demineralised (demin) water plays a vital role in safeguarding the plant's systems. Produced by stripping minerals from potable water using advanced treatment processes, this ultrapure water must then be distributed across the site. It is used for hydrostatic testing and flushing and later treated again as effluent before being safely discharged.

Each stage requires coordination between engineering, chemistry, environmental, construction and commissioning teams – another example of how interconnected the work truly is.



COLLECTIVE EFFORT

What links both projects is the 'journey approach'. Rather than teams working in sequence, journeys bring people together early to solve problems collectively. From rethinking water storage to navigating discharge permits, challenges have been addressed through shared expertise and collaboration.



The journey approach provides a central point of coordination, giving everyone a shared objective and clear milestones to work towards, rather than individual teams progressing in isolation.

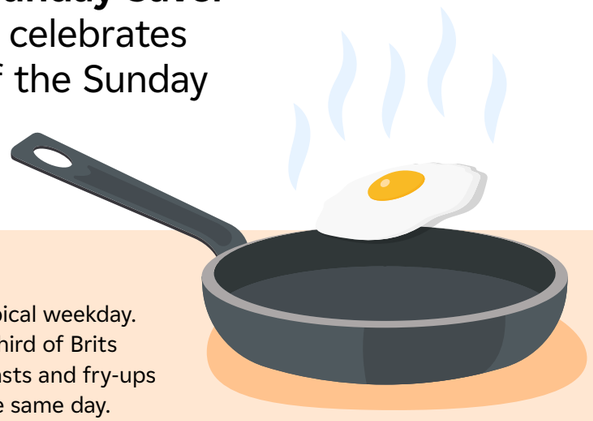
Overall, the journey approach helps turn complex, interconnected challenges into shared problems with shared ownership, making progress possible even when the path forward is challenging.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT HINKLEY POINT C'S PROJECT MILESTONES ON eNZO



COOK YOUR FRY-UP FOR FREE

Our new **Sunday Saver campaign** celebrates our love of the Sunday fry up.



To support Sunday Saver, we looked at how the nation cooks at weekends. Nearly half of the UK (49%) says a fry up is their favourite breakfast, with 56% agreeing there's no better day to enjoy it than on a Sunday.

The Brand, PR and Advocacy team ran a poll of 2,000 people which revealed 60% of respondents said they spend longer eating breakfast on a Sunday than a typical weekday. For more than a third of Brits (36%), Sunday roasts and fry-ups were eaten on the same day.

Sunday Saver is perfect to power this weekend ritual, as our customers can earn up to 16 hours of free electricity on Sundays by shifting their usage away from weekday peak hours (4pm-7pm).



Jimmy Doherty, TV presenter and farmer, is working with us on the campaign. He said: "Sunday has officially been crowned the nation's favourite day for a fry-up and I completely get why! I've been making fry-ups for as long as I can remember and I love seeing how creative people are getting with them now."

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN ON eNZO

EMPOWERED TO MAKE PRIZE DECISIONS



Cherri Hutton and **Jill Lumley** in the Retail, Sales and Marketing team tailored an elderly winner's holiday prize.

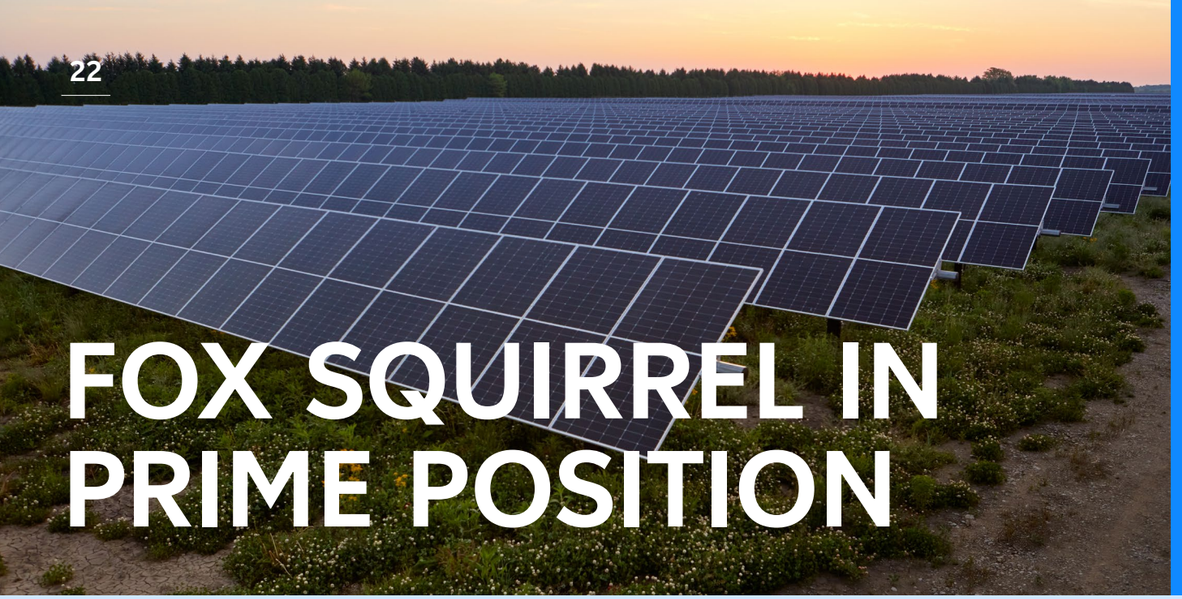


Last year, we partnered with luxury events and experience brand, søster, to give our customers the chance to win an amazing UK getaway at one of five boutique properties, plus £700 spending money.

One of the lucky winners was **Frank**, an 88-year-old who lives alone in Derby. After hearing the good news, Frank said that he didn't feel comfortable staying on his own at the property and would prefer a hotel instead. **Cherri** and **Jill**, the Sales and Marketing Leads who set up and ran the competition, worked with søster to adapt the prize especially for him. Their flexibility means that Frank was able to enjoy his incredible prize at a hotel in his favourite seaside town, Exmouth, at Christmas.

Cherri and Jill said: "Our hearts went out to Frank after hearing his story. When we called just before Christmas to share the good news, it was hard knowing he might be spending the holiday alone. We were thrilled to have been able to help and hope the timing made his Christmas extra special."

This is a great example of how our people are empowered to do the right thing for customers and create moments that truly matter.



FOX SQUIRREL IN PRIME POSITION

The solar farm is **EDF power solutions North America**'s biggest onshore project and will deliver clean power to global tech giant, Amazon.



The Fox Squirrel Solar Farm in Ohio is the company's largest onshore project in the US. With more than one million panels generating 577MWp, all the electricity it produces will go straight to Amazon through long-term agreements.

Kate O'Hair, Senior Vice President for Onshore Development at EDF power solutions North America, said: "We are delighted to announce the completion of our largest energy investment in North America. This project is a shining example of the power of partnerships between landowners, the local community and our project partners all working together towards a sustainable future. Fox Squirrel has brought hundreds of jobs and millions of dollars to Madison County throughout the development and construction phase."

Designed to have minimal impact on its surroundings, Fox Squirrel will be returned to its original agricultural use at the end of its useful life.



CONNECTING THE DOTS

As Connect bids farewell after 23 years, our final quiz looks back at the magazine and some of the big stories published throughout its history.

See how much you remember.



1 **The first issue of Connect came out in July 2003. What fruit was on the front cover?**
- **A.** Banana
- **B.** Mango
- **C.** Orange

2 **In 2003 we established the first support fund for vulnerable customers. Approximately how much has it paid out (as of December 2025)?**
- **A.** £15 million
- **B.** £40 million
- **C.** £60 million

3 **In 2009 we purchased British Energy. What major milestone did this mark for us?**
- **A.** We operated the country's nuclear fleet
- **B.** We became the official energy supplier to the NHS
- **C.** We owned our first wind farm

4 **What London landmark did we sponsor from 2011-2014?**
- **A.** London Eye
- **B.** Tower Bridge
- **C.** The Shard

5 **In 2012 we created this character to help people feel better about energy. What was its name?**
- **A.** Zippy
- **B.** Zindo
- **C.** Zingy

6 **Connect has had four editors over its run. What are their first names?**
- **A.** Jackie, Simon, Lucy, Kate
- **B.** Julie, Ben, Amy, Julia
- **C.** Laurence, George, Kathy, Lisa

7 **2016 saw the final investment decision to build Hinkley Point C. For approximately how many homes will it provide zero carbon energy?**
- **A.** Four million
- **B.** Five million
- **C.** Six million

8 **Dalkia joined us in 2017. What was their original name?**
- **A.** Buildtech
- **B.** Imtech
- **C.** Strongtech

9 **In 2022 we teamed up with CB Heating to install what?**
- **A.** Heat pumps
- **B.** Solar panels
- **C.** Boilers

10 **How many issues of Connect have there been in total, including this one?**
- **A.** 152
- **B.** 163
- **C.** 174

Answers: 1B; 2C; 3A; 4A; 5C; 6B; 7C; 8B; 9A; 10B

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CONNECT'S PHOTO COMPETITION

Muhammad Bargit, a Contractor in Nuclear Operations, shares this beautiful sunset in Edge of the World, on the outskirts of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

He said it's: "A real moment that matters – seeing the world in all its glory and chasing sunsets."

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