

# Heysham monthly report

## May 2015

### Introduction

Welcome to the May newsletter for Heysham 1 and 2 power stations, these reports are also available to all members of the public on [www.edfenergy.com](http://www.edfenergy.com).

While we will do our best to always use plain English, talking about our business sometimes involves specific terminology, and you will find a glossary of any terms used at the end of each monthly report.

We are keen to hear the views of our local communities. We recognise that good communication is a two way process and we welcome your feedback and comments.

### Safety

#### Heysham 1

- 1 lost time incident – a foot injury in the station's main car park.
- 0 environmental incidents
- 0 nuclear reportable incidents

#### Heysham 2

- 0 lost time incidents
- 1 environmental incident - On Sunday 24 May 2015 at around 5pm a 'light oil' film was seen on the surface of the water in the station's water drains outlet. The oil's source was immediately identified and stopped. The Environment Agency was informed and the site is carrying out a full investigation into the event.
- 0 nuclear reportable incidents

### Station output

#### Heysham 1

Reactor 1- the reactor is running on a reduced load with two boilers isolated and not in operation due to the defect found on one of the boiler spines.

Reactor 2 – safely shutdown on Monday 13 April 2015 to commence planned Statutory Outage. Statutory Outages occur every three years to enable planned routine maintenance to be carried whilst the unit is shutdown.

#### Heysham 2

Reactor 7 – Safely returned to service on Thursday 7 May after a high quality planned Statutory Outage.

Reactor 8 – Ran safely and reliably

## Site visits and community news

### Heysham power stations join in the fun at Morecambe Carnival



A team of 15 people from Heysham 1 and 2 power stations took part in Morecambe Carnival on Sunday 3 May. Despite the rainy weather thousands of people turned out to see the parade along Morecambe promenade.

The power stations float was one of forty four floats which made up the parade. The stations float included a 4 foot model of Zingy, from EDF Energy's adverts and promoted the stations' visitor centre which opened in 2013. This was the second year that the stations have supported the carnival which was

reintroduced in 2014 after stopping a number of years ago.

Station Director at Heysham 1, Ian Stewart helped support the parade handing out goodies and said: "Supporting events like this though taking part is an important part of our commitment to the local community. Both stations are up the largest civil nuclear site in the country and we are the closest of all EDF Energy's stations to a large urban area with around 100,000 people living within 10 miles of the station."

"It was fantastic to see so many people turning up to support the event. We are extremely lucky to have such a supportive local community and it was great to see so many all in one place to celebrate and promote where we live".

### New Heysham apprentices welcomed



On Tuesday 26 May, the new group of apprentices joining Heysham 1 and Heysham 2 power stations came to Heysham Visitor Centre to be welcomed into the company.

Twelve out of thirteen candidates attended the evening event to learn about what exactly to expect from the apprenticeship scheme and the standards expected from them.

In total there were 247 applications for the 13 apprenticeship places at Heysham site alone, of which 48 were interviewed. The group now officially start work on Friday 28 August before heading off on an Outwards Bound team building event with the rest of the apprentices from across the fleet. Their training begins on 8 September at HMS Sultan.

The apprenticeship programme runs for four years, the first two of which are based at the Royal Naval base at HMS Sultan near Portsmouth, and the final two years on station within the maintenance department.

### EDF Energy's Executive Team visits Heysham

In May, employees at Heysham power stations welcomed two members of EDF Energy's Executive Team including the company's Chief Executive Vincent de Rivaz.

As a part of the visit, the company's CEO took plant tours, met a number of apprentices, graduates and new employees, and held a joint site discussion to allow employees to ask questions and hear views on a range of stations' related subjects.



During the visit Vincent announced that John Munro (the current Heysham 2 Plant Manager) would succeed Alan Oulton as Station Director following Alan's retirement later on in the year.

The visit was a great opportunity for both stations employees to showcase the work they are doing. Overall they both stations received a very positive feedback.

At the end of the day Vincent said 'I have met buoyant people and motivated teams and will take away a sense of pride in what you are doing for the company'.

### Heysham 1 and 2 celebrate diversity



On 19 May and 21 May, Heysham 1 and 2 held 'Diversity Day' celebrations as a part of EDF Energy's annual Diversity & Inclusion Week.

The aim of the events were to encourage employees to think about diversity and inclusion in their teams, the importance of understanding how people are different, and how they see things from different points of view.

Over 400 employees attended the event and took part in games, discussions and donated money to Marie Curie and St Johns Hospice Lancaster. EDF Energy puts every effort in building a culture where employees feel respected, valued and listened to, and to create a workplace where everyone can be themselves and perform to their best.



### Heysham 2 end of Outage auction and raffle



On Thursday 21 May, Heysham 2 held an end of Outage auction and raffle to raise funds for St.John's Hospice. Many local companies kindly donated auction and raffle prizes, helping to raise over £2,800.

Alan Oulton, Heysham 2 Station Director said 'Thank you to all the local businesses who kindly supported the auction and raffle. St John's Hospice is a fantastic charity and one that is close to our hearts here at Heysham 2, following the support and care they gave to a colleague of ours in his final weeks'.

### Visitor Centre

During May the visitor centre welcomed 514 visitors.

Since opening in late July 2013, the centre has now had over 11,938 people through its doors to learn about how electricity is made, with a large percentage also booking to go on a site tour also.

Heysham power stations' new visitor centre is free and open to the public to visit from 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 2pm on Saturday.

The centre is located next to both Heysham power stations and visitors should follow signs from the A683 to Heysham Port and follow the signs to the stations and then the training centre. Anyone wishing to combine their visit with a tour of one of the power stations, should book in advance by emailing [heyshamvisitorcentre@edf-energy.com](mailto:heyshamvisitorcentre@edf-energy.com) or by calling 01524868451

### Company news

### **Celebrating differences during diversity day**

Employees at each of EDF Energy's sites across the UK shone a light on the diversity of its workforce with a varied day of events.

Diversity and Inclusion day was an opportunity to recognise and celebrate EDF Energy's employees. The company's sites held a series of events to mark the day and invited many of the stations' partners to talk to staff.

Peter Prozesky, Director of Continuous Improvement for the Generation business, said: "At EDF Energy, individuals are valued for their uniqueness, are able to be themselves and have the opportunity to reach their full potential, creating a richness of perspectives for the business."

Helping employees 'be themselves' is one of the aims of the range of employee networks which were represented at the open days - including Working Parents', LGBT, Women's, Disability and Carer's, Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic and Forces Support.

### **Manchester tower block energy efficient heating system gets £1m**

EDF Energy is contributing £1million to fund energy efficient heating measures in three Manchester tower blocks known collectively as 'Tribe.'

The funds will be put towards the installation of low carbon, biomass district heating systems across the 192 apartments. Biomass heating uses renewable energy sources, such as wood pellets, to generate heat or electricity.

Without this funding, building developers would have had to use an alternate heating method that would have been more costly for residents to run and less environmentally friendly.

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