

Sizewell C update November 2017

1. EDF Energy recently reported back on the responses received to their Stage 2 consultation into Sizewell C, at a well-attended meeting of the Sizewell C Community Forum on 16 November. EDF Energy's presentation from the event can be found at the [Sizewell C Community Forum website](#).
2. At the Community Forum, we were encouraged to hear from EDF Energy that they were willing to work with the Councils on the possibility to contribute to an A12 four villages by pass in lieu of mitigation required specifically for their development proposals. The EDF Energy contribution would be an important element to make the four-village bypass for Farnham, Stratford St Andrew, Little Glemham and Marlesford a reality, as part of the Suffolk Energy Gateway (SEGWay). Suffolk County Council consulted on the four-village bypass scheme earlier this autumn, and will submit an outline business case to the Department for Transport in December, in a bid to secure government funding for the scheme.
3. There is concern about the environmental impacts of the proposals, particularly the borrow pits, stock piles and the design proposals for the power station. In our discussions with EDF Energy, we remain focussed on aiming to minimise negative impacts of the development. At the Community Forum, EDF Energy committed to assessing alternative proposals for an accommodation campus site alongside their own proposal.
4. EDF Energy acknowledged at the event that significant concerns were raised during the consultation about the proposed interventions for the B1122, and stated that they would look in detail at the capacity of this road and the resulting mitigation requirements. EDF Energy was not yet able to confirm the expected modal split of the construction traffic. The Councils will continue to press on this matter, and will assume the worst-case assumption of 90 to 100% to be transported by road until robust evidence is made available.
5. We will be seeking further discussions with EDF Energy on all of the points we made to them in our joint response to the [Stage 2 consultation](#). To be equipped to do so, we are talking to EDF Energy to ensure the local authorities have appropriate resources in place to respond to a Stage 3 consultation in full. We will also request that EDF Energy again funds planning assistance for Town and Parish Councils to support their response to a Stage 3 consultation, and will repeat our request for a longer Stage 3 consultation period to allow the community sufficient time to respond.
6. You may be interested in the progress of the other planned EDF Energy nuclear power stations in the UK. Hinkley Point C construction progresses, as documented in these videos [of the first year](#) and [the last month](#) of construction. Meanwhile, the proposed new nuclear power station at Bradwell B in Essex, promoted by China General Nuclear Power Corporation (CGN) and EDF Energy, has entered the [next stage of the approval process](#).

Further information about the work of Suffolk Coastal District Council and Suffolk County Council on Sizewell C can be found on [our Sizewell C website](#). If you have any further queries or comments, please contact us on: sizewellc@eastssuffolk.gov.uk