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Apprenticeship Schemes Manager joins Horizon's Wylfa Newydd Team

Horizon Nuclear Power has today announced the appointment of Gerwyn Williams as its Apprenticeship Schemes Manager for the Wylfa Newydd project.

Gerwyn joins the Horizon team from Grŵp Llandrillo Menai, where he was Mechanical and Building Engineering Manager at Coleg Menai, and has extensive experience in designing and delivering apprenticeship schemes across North Wales.

Gerwyn will have responsibility for developing Horizon's apprenticeship schemes, initially focussing on engineering trades, and will play a key role in preparing for the first intake of Horizon's apprentices in September 2016.

"I'm very excited to be joining the Wylfa Newydd team, and helping to provide the foundations for the power station's workforce," said Gerwyn. "Even though there are a few years yet before the power station will be built, in terms of a training schedule, the clock is already ticking. Establishing and developing an effective and quality apprenticeship scheme to train local people and develop future talent now and for the decades ahead is essential."

Mark Tippett, Learning and Development Manager for Horizon said: "We're delighted to welcome Gerwyn to Horizon. He has many years' experience of working with apprentices, and is very aware of the need for quality training schemes to meet the rigorous standards demanded of the nuclear industry. As the project ramps up, I'm sure up he'll be kept very busy, and will be working on further schemes as our requirements grow. "

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Notes to Editors:

- Horizon Nuclear Power was formed in 2009 to develop new nuclear power stations in the UK. The company was acquired by Hitachi Ltd of Japan in November 2012.
- Horizon's development at Wylfa will represent a multibillion pound investment in North Wales and is expected to create up to 1000 jobs during operation, as well as many thousands of jobs in construction.
- Horizon's Apprenticeship Scheme launches in September 2016, with its first intake expected to see around 12 apprentices being employed.
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