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Horizon backs Anglesey's Menai Seafood Festival

Horizon Nuclear Power has today (11 August) announced a £2,000 sponsorship for Anglesey's ever-popular Menai Seafood Festival.

The free-to-enter Menai Seafood Festival, which takes place on Saturday 20 August in Menai Bridge, is a celebration of Anglesey's coastal heritage and the abundance of local seafood available from around the island. The show features cooking demonstrations, a produce market and entertainment for young and old alike – along with plenty to eat. It is a key food festival in the North Wales food events calendar.

First held in August 2013, the Menai Seafood Festival was set up by a group of Menai Bridge residents and businesses to promote the local fishing industry. Since then the Seafood Festival has gone from strength to strength and regularly attracts over 10,000 visitors.

Horizon's sponsorship will support the Menai Seafood Festival for another year and members of the Horizon team will be there to highlight the company's upcoming consultation on latest proposals for Wylfa Newydd, which launches on Wednesday 31 August.

Greg Evans, Horizon's Safety and Generation Director, said: "The Menai Seafood Festival is a big deal in Anglesey's culinary calendar and a celebration of the off-shore seafood bounty available here and island life itself. We're delighted to support the Seafood Festival and recognise how important it is to the local community and businesses across Anglesey. We'll also be attending this year to answer questions about Wylfa Newydd and our upcoming public consultation, so please drop by to meet the team."

David Evans, Chair of the Menai Seafood Festival Committee, said: "We are really grateful to Horizon for its contribution and support. Wylfa Newydd is a significant development here on Anglesey, and it's very encouraging to see that Horizon is giving something back to the local community."

"As a not-for-profit community event, we rely fully on sponsorship and donations to cover our costs and make sure that the Festival can carry on year after year. Without the generosity of our sponsors and a fantastic team of volunteers, we couldn't hold the event."

Horizon's Charitable Donations, Community Support and Sponsorship scheme provides funding support to local charities, projects and groups. The proposed power station developer gave away more than £100,000 in funding last year, benefitting around 60 good causes. More about Horizon's community support, and how to apply for funding, can be found at:

www.horizonnuclearpower.com/community-support.

For more information about Horizon's plans to build Wylfa Newydd, including its upcoming consultation, visit: www.horizonnuclearpower.com/consultation.

Local people can also meet the Horizon team at its next Open Surgery on Monday 15 August at Cemaes Village Hall. The team will be on hand between 1pm and 7pm.

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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 on Anglesey will represent a multibillion pound investment in North Wales, creating high-quality, long term employment opportunities and unlocking lasting economic and social benefits for the region.