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Horizon launches consultation on areas for wildlife mitigation and land requirements ahead of main power station application

Horizon Nuclear Power will be consulting on the creation of new ecological areas and wetland habitats to help reduce the possible effects of constructing Wylfa Newydd, together with land boundary refinements, between 16 January and 16 February.

Horizon's main application for Wylfa Newydd, known as a Development Consent Order (DCO), is entering its final stage of preparation. As part of this extensive work, Horizon has identified the need for some additional areas of land, which are needed for the following reasons:

- To create or enhance wetland sites across Anglesey that, as well as compensating for any potential impact construction may have on the Tre'r Gof Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), which is within the site boundary, would also enhance and improve the wetland ecology elsewhere on the island. Horizon is currently looking at a number of sites between Cemaes and Amlwch and to the north of Llangefni
- For two new ecological mitigation areas to reduce the effects of the site clearance plans on wildlife, and minor changes to our connection to the national grid sub-station within the Wylfa Newydd Development Area
- The confirmed order limits (the boundary of all the land needed to carry out the works) for the new sections of A5025 between Horizon's site and Valley, and minor refinements to the boundaries of the proposed Off-Site Power Station Facilities at Llanfaethlu and Logistics Centre at Parc Cybi.

Horizon is holding a consultation on these aspects **between Tuesday 16 January and Friday 16 February 2018**, giving people locally an opportunity to give their feedback before the main application for the power station is submitted in Spring 2018.

Sasha Davies, Head of Strategic Development Wales for Horizon, said: "As one of Europe's largest construction projects, we're very aware that building and operating a nuclear power station is a long-term project which comes with its own challenges and impacts. These refinements to our proposals

include helping to manage any impact on the ecology at and near our site, and is part of our fundamental commitment to be environmentally responsible for the lifetime of our project.

“As part of this, we’ve been working closely with Isle of Anglesey County Council and Natural Resources Wales (NRW) on a proposal to create new areas of wetland on Anglesey, as well as improve an existing one. We believe that, together with two ecological areas next to site, these important measures will help protect and preserve Anglesey’s wildlife as we build and operate Wylfa Newydd.

“Listening to residents on these proposals makes sure we continue to put Anglesey and wider North Wales at the heart of what we do, so we can deliver positive benefits for generations to come. We look forward to meeting and hearing from people in the coming weeks.”

Horizon is holding a number of events and drop-in sessions on Anglesey and in North Wales:

FRIDAY 19 JANUARY 1pm – 4pm, Amlwch Memorial Hall, Amlwch
SATURDAY 20 JANUARY 10am – 1pm, Llangefni Town Hall, Llangefni
SATURDAY 20 JANUARY 4pm – 7pm, Cemaes Village Hall, Cemaes Bay
TUESDAY 23 JANUARY 10am – 1pm, Llanfachraeth Village Hall, Llanfachraeth
TUESDAY 23 JANUARY 4pm – 7pm The Valley Anglesey, Valley
WEDNESDAY 24 JANUARY 10am – 12pm Conwy Library, Castle Street
WEDNESDAY 24 JANUARY 2pm – 5:30pm Deiniol Shopping Centre, Bangor
FRIDAY 26 JANUARY 2pm – 7pm Cemaes Village Hall, Cemaes Bay

More information on the proposals will be available when the consultation opens on Tuesday 16 January. Anyone unable to make it to an event, or who wants to find out more, can visit Horizon’s consultation website at www.horizonnuclearpower.com/consultation. More details are also available via Horizon’s established Freephone line on 0800 954 9516 and email enquiry address, wylfaenquiries@horizonnuclearpower.com.

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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.
- Horizon's Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC) explains how the company will formally consult with people living in the vicinity of the proposed development at Wylfa Newydd and how people can have their say on its plans.
- The consultation material will be available to view on the Horizon website at www.horizonnuclearpower.com/consultation from Tuesday 16 January. Consultation will close on Friday 16 February 2018.