



Community Update

Our plans for new nuclear power at Wylfa Newydd



Our work at Wylfa Newydd has been suspended following a decision by our parent company, Hitachi Ltd.

Having made strong progress on all aspects of the project – from the UK design of our tried and tested reactor, to building the supply chain and a very capable organisation of talented and committed people, it hasn't been possible to reach an agreement on the financing and commercial arrangements for the project.

We recognise this news has come as a blow to many local people. For nearly ten years we've been an active community partner and we've built a strong supply chain on the excellence that exists on Anglesey and across North Wales. We've also grown our own Anglesey-based team, including taking on 33 apprentices – who we'll continue to support. We're proud of our people and what we've achieved.

Despite the news, we still believe Wylfa Newydd is the best location for new nuclear new build in the UK, able to deliver the large-scale, secure, low carbon energy the country so desperately needs while delivering jobs and skills for three generations on Anglesey.

We're suspending work at Wylfa Newydd until a solution can be found and, in the meantime, have scaled back our team with the hope of resuming development in the future.

Thank you to everyone that's supported us over the last few years or has been involved in the project in any way.

You can still reach us on our email and hotline numbers if you have any questions about the topics raised in this edition of the newsletter.



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The case for Wylfa Newydd

While we're suspending the Wylfa Newydd Project for now, we believe there remains a strong case for new nuclear if we're to meet our climate change targets and deliver reliable and affordable energy for consumers. We also believe that our site presents the best opportunity for new nuclear power anywhere in the UK.

As well as being well-located, there remains an appetite to see Wylfa Newydd delivered locally and we know that the skills, the infrastructure and elements of the supply chain exist in the area. Our technology is ready too, and in the Advanced Boiling Water Reactor (UK ABWR) we have an approved reactor that can be developed here in the UK.

Our work will continue with UK and Welsh Governments and local stakeholders to make the case for the project and - as a result - we remain hopeful that Wylfa Newydd will resume in the future.



What happens next

The decision to suspend the project means we'll now reduce activity on site. This includes the development of supporting projects, such as the proposed improvements to the A5025 and site preparatory works. Both these projects were due to commence later this year, once the relevant approvals had been granted.

It also means we'll suspend our Community Investments Scheme and our STEM Education Programme. Our teams based at our Wylfa Newydd site and our Gloucestershire headquarters will also be significantly reduced. However, our successful apprenticeship scheme will continue. While we won't open new applications now that our project is suspended, we'll continue to support our 33 apprentices through the rest of their training and provide support to them once

they're ready to progress further into the world of work.

We'll also maintain our hotline and our general enquiries email address. We recognise we've built long-term relationships across Anglesey and will continue to be available, so we can answer questions and concerns if they arise. If you need to reach us, our details can be found below.

Finally, you may have noticed this newsletter came in a paper envelope. This is because we've made a commitment to cut down on the amount of plastic we use, and to make sure our business is as sustainable as possible in everything we do.

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