



Sizewell C Councillors Monthly Update

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Sizewell C Relevant Representations and Consultation on Proposed Changes

1. As you will be aware, the Section 56 period, which allowed individuals and organisations to register as an interested party and submit Relevant Representations to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS), closed on 30 September 2020. All Relevant Representations are now published on the PINS website, at <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/the-sizewell-c-project/?ipcsection=relreps>
2. Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk Council submitted separate Relevant Representations. Each Relevant Representation was based on the same technical assessments by officers from across the two Councils. However, the Councils took a different approach and, in some areas, different stances on EDF Energy's proposals. Both Relevant Representations can be found on the JLAG pages hosted by East Suffolk Council at <https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/sizewell-nuclear-power-station/development-consent-order/>
3. The Councils are continuing intensified talks with EDF Energy to press for resolutions to the matters raised in their Relevant Representations.
4. As reported in the East Anglian Daily Times (<https://www.eadt.co.uk/news/edf-sizewell-c-plans-14-changes-1-6886011>), EDF Energy recently announced that it has notified PINS of its intention to formally request a number of material changes to their DCO application. A primary change appears to be proposals to make more use of rail and sea to deliver construction materials for the project, with an increase in trains (expected to be overnight) and alterations to the proposed beach landing facility.
5. EDF Energy are intending to undertake a 30-day consultation, indicated to start in the week commencing 16 November 2020. As always, we encourage you to consider the proposals put forward in that consultation and respond so that your views are heard by EDF Energy and the Examining Authority. As the proposal potentially shifts impacts from that currently included in the DCO proposals it is our understanding that the opportunity to register as an Interested Party will have to re-open, we await further details from PINS in relation to this, all Sizewell C related documents from PINS are here: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/Eastern/The-Sizewell-C-Project/>
6. We will be very interested to hear from our town and parish councils and find out about your views, preferences, and opinion in relation to the new proposals. We will be inviting representatives from our town and parish councils to join one of three engagement events which will give you the opportunity to share your views about the proposed changes with us. We have currently set aside 26 November 2020 to run a series of short events at different times of the day – **please hold the date**. A formal invitation and registration details, together with a newsletter summarising the changes will be sent to all town and parish councils once the consultation has been published and its timings are confirmed.
7. As always please stay in touch with us by emailing us at sizewellc@eastsuffolk.gov.uk . We will also send further updates once PINS confirm the timelines of the examination.