

Hinkley Point B power station

January 2019 monthly report

Introduction

This is our latest monthly report, sharing news with our local community stakeholder groups and local councils. This forms part of our commitment to being an open and transparent business. These reports are also available to all members of the public at www.edfenergy.com. This newsletter covers

December 2018.

Safety update

We measure our safety performance against top tier indicators, including nuclear reportable events, environmental events, and staff and contract partner recordable injuries. It is now over twelve years since we experienced a nuclear reportable event, over nine years since our last environmental event, over two years since the last employee lost time incident, and over one year since our last contract partner lost time incident.

Station generation

Reactor 3 has been on-line since 9 June 2018, and operated at nominal full load throughout December. Reactor 4 has been on-line since 30 May 2018, and operated at nominal full load throughout December.

Community news

EDF Energy STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) Festival

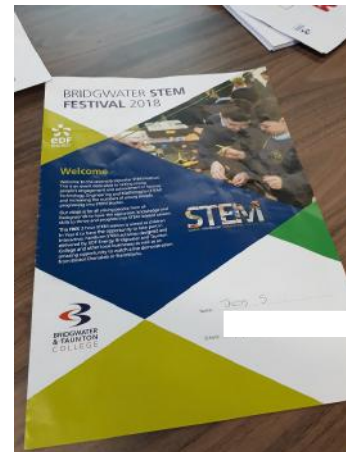
Hundreds of local primary schoolchildren were treated to a host of fun and scientific activities during the 2018 EDF Energy STEM Festival in early December.

Held at the National College for Nuclear in Cannington, the two day event was organised by Hinkley Point's visitor centre team and supported by volunteers from EDF Energy and Bridgwater and Taunton College.

Over 400 young students from 10 primary schools in Sedgemoor and West Somerset attended and were guided through a range of hands-on experiments and activities. Technological innovations were also on display, and the students took the opportunity to have a go with the latest state of the art virtual reality equipment.

External organisations also present at the event included ChemsLabs, STEMworks, Space Detectives and Avon and Somerset Constabulary.

Sherry Sellick, EDF Energy's visitor centre coordinator, said: "This was a really successful and enjoyable event with huge amounts of engagement, and I would like to thank everybody who got involved and supported the festival.



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“In the future jobs in science, technology, engineering and maths are expected to grow at double the rate of other occupations, and this was a great platform for us to help young people learn more about STEM and the skills and attributes needed to succeed in this area.”

2018 community activities

Hinkley Point B continues to play an active role in the local community. Here are some of the activities the station has been involved with in 2018:

- During the year we welcomed 21,622 people into our visitor centre in Bridgwater, bringing the overall footfall for the centre since it opened in December 2012 to 94,746 people.
- We hosted 136 organised group visits to Hinkley Point B during the year, with 2,100 people touring the power station. Since the visitor centre opened, over 18,500 people have taken the opportunity to visit the power station.
- Back in June our visitor centre team played an active part at the popular Royal Bath and West Show and engaged with over 20,000 people.
- Station staff and contract partners raised over £8,000 for charities and good causes with beneficiaries including: Breast Cancer Now, Elliot’s Touch and The Alzheimer’s Society. Over the last eight years, station staff and contract partners have raised over £120,000 for charities and good causes through fundraising activities.
- EDF Energy continues to support local charities and organisations, and 46 groups benefited from the station’s sponsorships and donations process in 2018.



Charity news

Charity cake sale raises over £550 for Breast Cancer Now

Hinkley Point B employees Elizabeth Coles and Chris Jennings (see photo right) raised over £550 for EDF Energy’s charity of the year, Breast Cancer Now, after organising a home-baked cake sale at the power station. Congratulations to them both for raising so much money.



Company news

EDF Renewables UK to build Scottish offshore wind farm

EDF Renewables UK has received consent from the Scottish Government for an improved design for the Neart na Gaoithe (NnG) offshore wind farm.

The wind farm will generate 450MW output of renewable energy – equivalent to the annual electricity consumption of around 375,000 Scottish homes.

The design will feature a maximum of 54 turbines with a maximum of 208 metres tip height above sea level which means the project will use the latest advances in offshore wind technology. The wind farm is expected to be operational by 2023 at a cost of around £1.8 billion.

Matthias Haag, EDF Renewables UK NnG Project Director, said: “This is great news and we are excited to move forward delivering this milestone project for Scotland which will provide low carbon energy for decades to come.”

Next community meeting

The next Site Stakeholder Group meeting will be held on Friday 8 March 2019 from 10:00 hours to 13:00 hours at a venue to be confirmed.

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