



## Updating you on Bradwell B

This newsletter aims to keep you informed on our proposals for Bradwell B, a new nuclear power station in Bradwell-on-Sea, Essex.

Articles in this edition include:

- Analysing your Stage One consultation feedback
- Maldon office opening soon
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If you have any questions, please contact the Bradwell B communications team.

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**Welcome to the latest edition of our Community Newsletter. On behalf of the project, I hope you and your families are safe and well.**

Thank you to everyone who took part in and gave feedback during our Stage One consultation on early proposals for the new power station and associated developments. I am pleased to say that we received more than **2,000 responses** from local residents and others with an interest in the project.

The response rate is **43% higher** than at the equivalent consultation for Sizewell C in Suffolk, and an incredible **97% higher** than at the equivalent consultation for Hinkley Point C in Somerset.

Since the consultation closed at the start of July the project team has been busy analysing the responses, which will inform the future development of the proposals.

In this update, you can find a summary of the feedback submitted, along with news on other work that has been taking place on the project over the summer.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details on the left-hand side of this page if you have any questions.



Yours sincerely,

**Alan Raymant**

Chief Executive Officer

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## About our Stage One consultation

Between 4 March and 1 July 2020, we held our first round of consultation on proposals for Bradwell B. Originally scheduled to last 12 weeks, we extended the consultation to run for 17 weeks.

We asked for feedback on our initial proposals and options for the new power station and its associated development. This included our thoughts on the design of the main power station, how to manage any impacts on the environment, staff accommodation, job creation and transport (such as options regarding road upgrades, sea transport, park & ride, and freight management facilities).

To ensure that everyone had access to information about our proposals and could fully take part in our consultation, we provided different ways to find out information and engage with our project team.

## Stage One – at a glance



**2,006**

responses to the consultation submitted



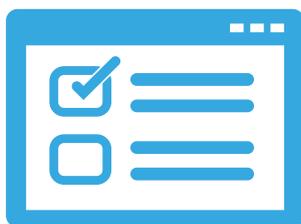
**4,208**

unique views of our online virtual exhibition



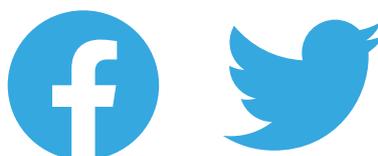
**58,757**

addresses we sent information and consultation documents



**14,951**

unique visitors to the project website



**422,394**

times our posts were seen on Facebook and Twitter



**65**

events and meetings held face to face and online with the community

### Next steps

The project team is currently in the process of using your feedback to shape the further development of our proposals. We will then share our updated plans at future public consultation.

# Your Feedback



## Size and scale of Bradwell B:

Many people were surprised by the size and scale of the proposed development, both in terms of the size of the power station itself but also the scale of associated development needed. We remain committed to working with the local community to mitigate any adverse impacts resulting from the construction and operation of Bradwell B.



## Protecting the environment:

A theme from the feedback was the need to protect the local on-shore and off-shore environment. Whilst we have proposed options for minimising adverse impacts on the environment, and for creating biodiversity net gains, more work will be conducted as part of our environmental impact assessment to further our understanding of the site, and develop proposals to mitigate and compensate for the impact.



## Job creation:

Many of you welcomed the prospect of employment opportunities for local people, including the creation of at least 1,200 apprenticeships. However, some respondents raised concerns about there being a shortage of skilled workers in the area. Training local people to allow them to take advantage of jobs at Bradwell B is a core part of our employment strategy, and one that we will develop further in the months ahead.



## Accommodation:

There was a strong message from respondents that any future accommodation campus would require associated infrastructure (such as a medical practice), to avoid putting pressure on local services.



## Sea transport:

There was a preference amongst respondents to maximise the use of sea transport when delivering construction materials to site. We have already committed to at least 50% of materials reaching the site by sea (supported by rail) and are looking at whether we can increase this further.



## Rail transport:

Whilst our proposals included the use of rail to 'muster ports', many of you asked why we couldn't use the existing Southminster rail line to transport construction materials towards site. We're working with Network Rail to further explore the feasibility of this, in order to minimise additional traffic on local roads.



## Road transport:

We asked for feedback on a number of road upgrades and received a wide range of views, with many supporting road widening. We also consulted on search areas for park & ride and freight management facilities, with your feedback showing a preference for locating these facilities away from the Dengie Peninsula.



## Need for nuclear:

Though it wasn't being consulted on, a theme that emerged across many consultation responses was the need for low-carbon energy, and discussion on the merits of nuclear and other energy sources. Energy generation is a matter for government policy, not Development Consent, but will nevertheless be reported on as part of our application to the UK Planning Inspectorate.



## Maldon office opening soon

We are pleased to announce that we will shortly be opening an office on Maldon High Street, which will double as an exhibition and visitor centre.

Once the Maldon Office is open you'll also be able to drop in and speak to a member of the team to find out more about the project.

## Update from the Bradwell B site

Work continues to better understand the site and help us develop our proposals ahead of future consultation with the community.

Currently, our team is studying bats and birds. In the estuary, we are surveying fisheries. The team is also undertaking 'walkover' archaeological assessments of the entire site.

These surveys are important for developing a full set of information about the ecology on the site. This in turn will be the basis of an environmental impact assessment, which will identify likely impacts that could arise from our proposals and help us develop ways to mitigate them.

At a future stage of consultation, we will share a preliminary environmental impact assessment, and ask for feedback on our proposals

## New ways to engage: Chatbot

As part of our efforts to make information about Bradwell B more easily accessible, we're pleased to introduce you to our Chatbot.

Through our website, [www.bradwellb.co.uk](http://www.bradwellb.co.uk), you can type questions to the Chatbot as you would a person and ask about the project.

Of course, you can still speak to a member of the project team directly by phone or email (details at the bottom of the page).

## Community Forum

This month we have held the first meeting of the Bradwell B Community Forum. The Forum has been established to allow for ongoing dialogue between the project, local communities and organisations interested in the project.

The Forum is headed by an independent chair, following the successful example of other nationally significant infrastructure projects and operating nuclear power stations.

Community Forum membership is by invitation only, but members include a wide array of groups across the area. For more information, please visit [www.bradwellb.co.uk/communityforum](http://www.bradwellb.co.uk/communityforum).

## Contact us

If you have any questions or would like further information, you can contact us by:

