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### Scrap Hinkley Point C now!

Commenting on today's news (1) that the cost of Hinkley Point C has risen by £2.9bn to between £21.5bn and £22.5bn, Stop Hinkley spokesperson Allan Jeffery said:

*“This project would be rapidly becoming an enormous joke if it wasn't such a tragedy for those of us who have to live next to it. Why anybody in Government ever thought EDF was capable of building it on time and budget after the disasters of Flamanville (2) and Olkiluoto (3) will remain a mystery. It must now surely be time to scrap this project. Despite having to pay cancellation fees consumers could still save around £50bn. (4) The cost of electricity from Hinkley Point C will now have reached around £106/MWh compared to less than £40/MWh for new offshore wind power.”*

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#### Notes

- (1) BBC 25th Sept 2019 <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-49823305> and Reuters 25th Sept 2019 <https://uk.reuters.com/article/uk-britain-nuclear-hinkley-edf/french-power-group-edf-raises-cost-estimate-for-hinkley-point-c-idUKKBNIWA0K1?rpc=401&>
- (2) Flamanville-3 – the same type of reactor as Hinkley Point C is currently about 10 years late and about €8bn over budget. See <https://www.worldnuclearreport.org/-World-Nuclear-Industry-Status-Report-2019-.html>
- (3) Olkiluoto 3 – the same type of reactor as Hinkley Point C is currently 11 years late and €8bn over budget. See <https://www.worldnuclearreport.org/-World-Nuclear-Industry-Status-Report-2019-.html>
- (4) See <http://www.no2nuclearpower.org.uk/wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Time-to-Cancel-HinkleyFinal.pdf>