

Newsround October 2022

8 September – Wildlife & Wetlands Trust: WWT helps win protection for wetland wildlife at Hinkley Point C nuclear power station

https://www.wwt.org.uk/news-and-stories/news/wwt-helps-win-protection-for-wetland-wildlife-at-hinkley-point-c-nuclear-power-station

13 September – World Nuclear News (WNN): EdeF's French nuclear output at 48% of capacity France's EDF has announced it expects its 2024 nuclear electricity output to reach between 315 and 345 TWh, *Reuters* reported. This would be up from the 280-300 TWh EDF projects for 2022 and the 300-330 TWh forecast for 2023. Both 2022 and 2023 nuclear output forecasts have been revised down several times this year. Current production is at a much reduced 48% of available capacity due to outages for maintenance and stress corrosion issues.

16 September - Guardian: Why future sea levels matter to Suffolk's Sizewell nuclear plant https://www.theguardian.com/news/2022/sep/16/why-future-sea-levels-matter-to-suffolks-sizewell-nuclear-plant

18 September - Times: Great British Nuclear plots a new atomic age for the UK https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/hunt-for-cash-fund-britain-new-nuclear-age-sizewell-edf-hq9fg3zt3

18 September - Bridgwater Mercury: EDF explores creating Hinkley C workers' campsite in Nether Stowey https://www.bridgwatermercury.co.uk/news/22299261.edf-explores-creating-hinkley-workers-campsite-nether-stowey/

24 September - Mail on Sunday: Pension fund reforms will help to unleash wave of investment in nuclear energy

https://www.thisismoney.co.uk/money/markets/article-11245717/Nuclear-energy-set-boost-reforms-pension-funds.html

26 September - BBC: Sizewell C: Planning shake-up 'runs roughshod over objectors' https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-suffolk-63012331

26 September - BBC: Labour will vow to grow the economy by investing in green energy - including new nuclear

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-63028150

27 September - Telegraph: The case for atomic power to restore our energy system is clear – we must be bold and rival France!

https://www.telegraph.co.uk/business/2022/09/27/britain-should-have-nuclear-reactor-fleet-rival-france/

28 September - Somerset Live: Somerset West And Taunton Council gives up right to take control of Hinkley Point C if project is delayed

https://www.somersetlive.co.uk/news/somerset-news/council-gives-up-right-take-7634608

29 September – East Angular Daily Times: Sizewell C campaigners slam opinion poll showing support for the project

https://www.eadt.co.uk/news/business/campaigners-slam-sizewell-poll-9298664

29 September - Beyond Radio: Plans unveiled to extend life of Heysham 1 power station https://www.beyondradio.co.uk/news/local-news/plans-unveiled-to-extend-life-of-heysham-1-power-station/

30 September - Utility Week: The government's nuclear policy lacks "substance" and its plant decommissioning agencies are losing key staff to private companies because of public sector pay constraints, a senior trade union official has warned https://utilityweek.co.uk/government-nuclear-vision-has-no-substance-warns-union/

30 September - WNN: USA-headquartered KBR has been awarded a contract to support the UK's Nuclear Waste Services (NWS) in developing a Geological Disposal Facility (GDF).

https://www.world-nuclear-news.org/Articles/KBR-to-support-UK-repository-development

2 October - Telegraph: Pension titan vows to back nuclear power renaissance if ministers overhaul the funding model

https://www.telegraph.co.uk/business/2022/10/02/pension-titan-vows-back-nuclear-power-renaissance/

2 October - Independent: Government warned that renewables were the solution to energy crisis a year before Truss gas push

https://www.independent.co.uk/climate-change/news/gas-crisis-renewables-fossil-fuels-b2176603.html

3 October - iNews: UK's first prototype nuclear fusion power plant to be built in Nottinghamshire https://inews.co.uk/news/environment/uks-first-prototype-nuclear-fusion-power-plant-built-nottinghamshire-1891887

5 October - FT: New boss at EDF faces firefights on all fronts https://www.ft.com/content/559ce578-fa0d-4bbe-9860-9d512b1510e1

5 October - Burnham-on-Sea.com: EDF confirms 'multi-million pound plan' to revamp Brean Pontins holiday camp as accommodation for increasing number of Hinkley C workers https://www.burnham-on-sea.com/news/edf-confirms-multi-million-pound-plan-to-revamp-brean-pontins-for-hinkley-workers/

6 October - Environment Agency: Change to storage of radioactive waste from wet to dry system granted for Hinkley Point C

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/change-to-storage-of-radioactive-waste-granted-for-hinkley-point-c

7 October - FT: UK and France to take joint control of Sizewell C nuclear plant https://www.ft.com/content/f08d1070-9c90-4a3c-ab38-27327a1edd2a

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