

Sizewell A Report – June 2015

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Safety and compliance

The site's safety and compliance record has been generally good for this period.

People and Transition

The post defuelling transition to a decommissioning structure was successfully completed in March. This was a huge achievement for the site team and resulted in many people taking on new roles as well as around 80 FTEs leaving the company.

Changes included the Main Control Room falling silent for the first time in almost 50 years as co-ordination of site activities was moved to a more fit-for-purpose facility. ITV Anglia visited the site and reported on the historic change. The footage is available on the Magnox website:

<http://www.magnoxsites.co.uk/2015/03/sizewell-a-control-room-goes-silent/>

Magnox now moves into a further stage of transition. Information has been shared with staff across the 12 Magnox sites about a proposal for around 1,400-1,600 reductions across the company over the period to September 2016. This includes staff, agency and contractor resource.

These proposed reductions arise from planned step downs in the work programme at a number of sites and the implementation of a more streamlined operating model for delivering decommissioning.

We will seek wherever possible for these reductions to be through voluntary means and we will endeavour to re-train staff in roles where we are currently reliant on agency resources.

We are now going through a period of formal collective consultation with our recognised Trade Unions and individual consultation and counselling staff before an appropriate best fit exercise begins.

It is our intent to further mitigate the impact of these reductions by offering alternative roles in the wider Cavendish Nuclear/Fluor business and elsewhere through a number of existing mechanisms.

We will work with the Trade Unions to support our employees and to ensure that changes are managed fairly, with respect for the individuals involved and in a way which makes best use of the important skills the workforce have built up.



Pile cap deplant



The defuelling team at Sizewell used its skills and experience to dismantle equipment that helped load and remove fuel from the reactors for almost 50 years.

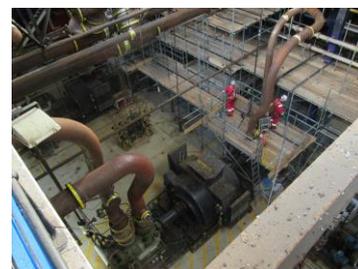
Both fuelling machines, three hoist units, a recovery unit and the reactor service machine have all been dismantled. Redundant material totalling 267 tonnes has left the site either as waste out of scope from the Environmental Permitting Regulations or as low level waste.

Not only was this good decommissioning progress, but the work also generated income for the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority by recycling metallic metal waste.

There is still a quantity of waste that requires assessment and disposal but the main objective of dismantling the equipment has been achieved.

Turbine hall asbestos removal

At the time of going to print, the bulk removal of asbestos from the turbine hall is very close to completion and is expected to be finished during this month.



Planning for the future

Following the arrival of Cavendish Fluor Partnership as the Parent Body Organisation for Magnox, work continues to review strategies and underpin a revised Lifetime Plan to get the site to the point of care and maintenance. Progress against specific areas of work, such as the waste review, has been reported at the SSG and further updates are expected in the coming months.

Socio-economic scheme and community

Magnox is committed to providing socio-economic support and enabling sustainability in our local communities. Our work is supported by the NDA and Cavendish Fluor Partnership.

We have helped a number of organisations and charities to achieve their goals by providing finances and support for improving local employment, education and skills, social infrastructure and economic diversification.

Applications from local groups are encouraged. Please visit: www.magnoxsocioeconomic.com.

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