

Sizewell A Report – October 2020

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Safety and compliance

The site went into operational pause on 19th March in response to Covid-19, along with all other Magnox sites. Security was maintained 24/7 and all other staff worked from home where possible. Regular inspections were also carried out to ensure ongoing safety, essential repairs, maintenance and compliance with regulations.

Staff commenced a phased return on 1st June after a range of Covid-19 measures were implemented to safeguard health. The site is now back to normal operations. Plans have been prepared to reinstate a pause, should the national situation deteriorate.

There have been no accidents or first aid incidents since the last report.

Recent site safety campaigns have included environmental electrical and fire safety.

Community support

As part of Magnox contributions to support Covid-19 initiatives across the UK, our 12 sites donated 130,000 items of PPE to the NHS and other healthcare organisations. Staff also stepped forward to volunteer for a range of community activities including:

- Delivering prescriptions across the county
- Transporting blood for NHS
- Marshalling traffic at doctors' surgeries
- Helping foodbanks
- Crocheting ear-savers to ease face-mask discomfort

People

There are currently 201 Magnox staff on site: made up of 156 Sizewell staff and 45 Magnox support office staff. A shift system is operating to maintain compliance with Covid-19 guidance.

Bradwell update

The annual inspection and maintenance programme at Bradwell commenced on 14th September and is planned to last for 3 weeks. The inspection team comprises more than 100 people who will carry out 200-plus activities.



Plant and Structures update

Our contractor KDC will mobilise at site on 19th October to commence removing:

- Six tanks reserve feedwater tanks
- Fire hydrant tank
- Towns main tank
- Associated pipework and building 58 (North ACP)

These are located alongside the turbine hall and will pave the way for future demolition of the turbine hall itself. The tanks will be cut and sent for recycling as scrap metal. It is likely/possible that this will result in increased daytime noise levels that may be audible from neighbouring properties, however, this will be restricted to Mon-Fri 8am-5pm. Work will continue during weekends but restricted to activities that generate less noise. The project duration is expected to be 12 weeks.



Tanks, above. and, left, an aerial view.

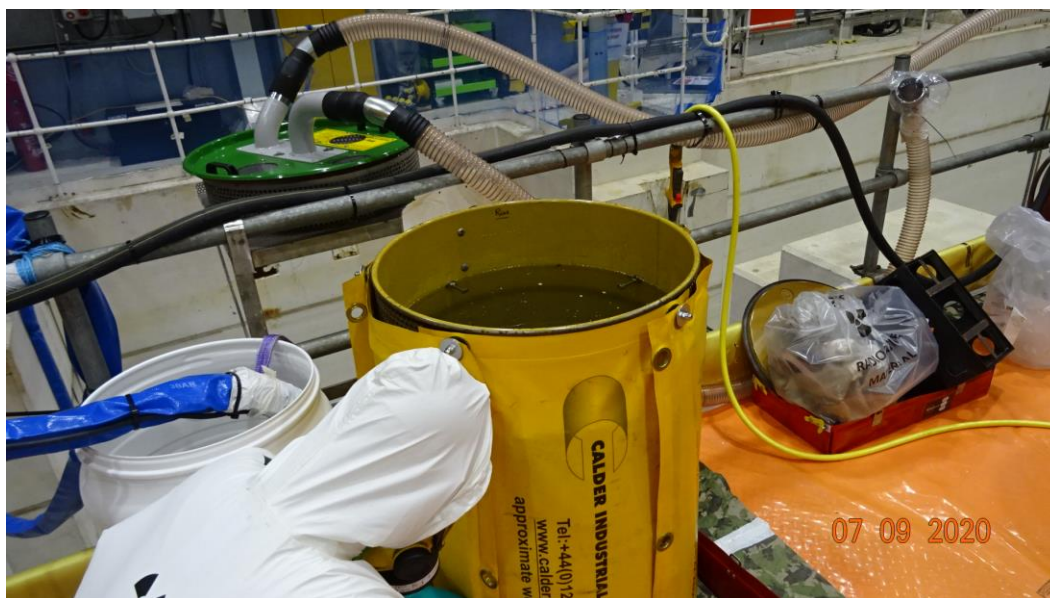
Asset Care Projects

Bird netting has been successfully installed at the Sizewell Admin Building (SAB), training facility, welfare/workshop & LLW buildings was successfully completed before pause. Legacy scaffolds around the site continue to be removed.

Covid-19 arrangements are in place to protect staff, contractors and visitors, ensuring social distancing is maintained.

Ponds Programme update

- Following the successful draining of the ponds, the team are now processing the collected debris from the ponds floor.
- Once the debris has been sorted, it will be consigned to either a Shielded Transfer Pot or an Miscellaneous contaminated Items basket as either LLW or ILW & transferred to the Waste Team.
- Work will then continue to further decontaminate and stabilise the ponds walls and floor.



Picture showing waste sorting in pond area

Future Work

- Commence isolation of the turbine hall making ready for demolition
- Continued decommissioning of the ponds furniture and equipment
- Commence scaffold work on one boiler in readiness for asbestos removal
- Removal of legacy scaffolds

Community Relations

- £87,000 to Saxmundham Art Station (NDA direct funding)
- £25,000 made available to support Covid-19 initiatives (each site)
- £64,203 to five socio-economic projects:
 - Kesgrave Kestrels U-12s football team
 - Leiston FC – tournament medals

- East Suffolk Council food and drink promotional event
- East Suffolk Council, East Suffolk Business Association and Town Group Support Programme business development
- Leiston Long Shop Museum (year 2)

For further information and to check eligibility, go to: www.magnoxsocioeconomic.com

Magnox continues to allocate £6,000/site from the total available for good neighbour applications (up to £1,000). For good neighbour applications you will only need to complete the first three questions and all applications must complete an end of project report and submit good quality photographs to demonstrate that the money was spent as specified in the application which will in turn secure future funding for the scheme.

If you would like to discuss a potential application please contact Haf Morris:
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