



Town and Parish Council Update July 2024

Update

It's been another busy month for the project with significant progress at the Ancillary Construction Area, attendance at the Suffolk Show and works resuming at Benhall and Sternfield.

Forums

As we look towards the third round of forums, we are preparing for the Main Development Site, Northern Transport and Southern Transport forums to provide project updates for the community. We look forward to welcoming project leads to share details on works planned over the next 3-6 months.

Dates, times, venues and draft agendas for all forms can be found on our website: [Click here](#)

Meeting notes are published on the East Suffolk website here: [Governance groups » East Suffolk Council](#)

Celebrating Sizewell C at the Suffolk Show

We returned to the Suffolk Show to share information about the project and how local people can get involved. Hosted by the Suffolk Agricultural Association, the Suffolk Show is an important local event, an annual county fair celebrating local heritage, culture and industry in the region - and this year we had around 2,000 people visit the Sizewell C exhibition.

We had an exciting new approach at the Suffolk Show this year, taking all our visitors around a walk-through journey of the Sizewell C Power of Good Experience. Sustainable and informative, with lots of interactive opportunities for people to get involved, the exhibition highlighted a range of areas local people have told us they are interested in, from jobs through to construction work and plans for more green spaces.

We shared some of our environmental projects such as Wild Aldhurst; visitors heard from archaeologists who talked through some of their exciting discoveries from our sites; and children enjoyed crafting in our Sizewell Creative breakout area, making animal themed masks to tie in with our forthcoming production of Noye's Fludde.

Sizewell Creative

Sizewell Creative invited the local community to watch a free screening of Garfield at Leiston Film

Theatre over the Bank Holiday weekend.

Children enjoyed making paper cats, fish, birds and ladybugs before the show, and had the opportunity to find out about the community opera, Noye's Fludde, the culmination of nine months of participatory work in schools and the community, taking place this weekend.

World Environment Day

The biggest international day for the environment and a time to reinforce the urgency to protect nature, biodiversity and the ecosystems around us. Led by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), it has grown to be the largest global platform for environmental outreach and is celebrated by millions of people across the world.

At Sizewell C, we understand that the biggest threat to the environment is climate change and by helping to address the climate crisis we're helping to protect nature. Over the past decade we've planted over 55,000 trees and shrubs on the Sizewell estate. In 2015, we established our habitat creation scheme, Wild Aldhurst (above image), and we're setting up an environmental body to look after wildlife and the environment during construction and operation. Sizewell C is doing the Power of Good for the environment.

Noise Mitigation Scheme

To minimise the impact of construction, the Noise Mitigation Scheme continues to be rolled out in the communities where Sizewell C associated developments will be built. So far, phase one of the scheme has been shared with eligible property owners in Middleton-cum-Fordley, Theberton and Eastbridge, and Leiston-cum-Sizewell, with the first installations of glazing and ventilation complete. The latest packs were recently delivered to eligible home-owners in Yoxford, Stratford St Andrew and Farnham. If you or your parishioners have any questions about the scheme, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Halesworth Habitat Creation Scheme update

Works to create the Halesworth Fen Meadow began earlier this month, with the commencement of the first of two phases:

From July – September 2024: Construction of the site access, compound and archaeological works will commence.

From April 2025 – September 2025: Construction of the site to establish fen meadow will get underway.

These works will create the specific ground conditions required for the establishment of fen meadow, which will be seeded and maintained by Sizewell C. The site will benefit a wide range of wildlife and will be an important natural legacy for generations to come. For the latest information on Halesworth Fen Meadow, please see the Sizewell C Works Tracker: [Habitat creation - Halesworth - Sizewell C Works Tracker \(szcworkstracker.co.uk\)](https://szcworkstracker.co.uk)

Benhall Fen Meadow and Wet Woodland

Sizewell C is establishing a new area of fen meadow and wet woodland east of Friday Street in Benhall and Sternfield, to create compensatory habitat for a variety of species. We are rewilding areas that were once low-grade arable land to create a mosaic of heathland, scrub, woodland, wetland and fen meadows. Work has recommenced at Benhall Fen Meadow following a pause over the winter months, and the site is on-course to complete by the end of the summer.