

Thank You: I'm Alison and I'm going to wrap up this meeting. It's quite ironic how, the last time we were all gathered in this Church, we called on EDF to hold Stage 4 consultations. Then suddenly they happened, but there was nothing in it for us!

Thank you for all your input this morning. We will try and update the information we have online as soon as possible. It's all online at teags.org/Stage4 - but if you want a printed copy with larger font **please leave your name and postal address on the sheets at the back and mark it "A4"**

So, what now? **Well obviously top priority is to respond to EDF's consultation. The deadline is 27 September and the leaflet outlines how to respond.** We strongly recommend re-sending your Stage 3 response with a cover letter (in preference to the Questionnaire) outlining new concerns or reiterating the concerns EDF hasn't addressed and including your opinion on the consultation process. Some more robust suggestions than "you ruined our summer" are in the leaflet.

Please send copies to your MP, both Councils and us. Addresses / emails are in the leaflet. It's especially important to send a copy to The Planning Inspectorate (PINS) which will examine EDF's application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

This really is likely to be the very last stage of Public consultations, so it's vitally important to have your say. It's all about consolidating our legitimacy for the future.

EDF says it will submit its DCO by February or March next year, and those of you at Therese Coffey's meeting last week will have heard her say that she thinks they are a very, very long way from overcoming many environmental hurdles by that time. It would be outrageous if EDF put in a DCO with so many questions unanswered.

If and when EDF do submit a DCO, PINS has 28 days to decide whether or not to accept the application, which will depend partly on whether EDF has properly consulted us. If it is accepted, Groups and individuals can register as interested parties for the examination by PINS - which lasts up to 6 months. After that, PINS will make a recommendation to the Secretary of State - **who knows who that will be** - who has 3 months to say yes or no

That's not the final hurdle, as EDF has to make a Final Investment Decision. Everyone agrees the financing of Hinkley Point was a complete disaster, so EDF is pinning its hopes on the Regulated Asset Base or RAB, which pushes the risk onto us, the consumer. The government's consultation on RAB closes on 14 October. In your leaflet you will find a link to a petition about RAB and we've also got a briefing online at teags.org/rab which we are sending to pension funds, investment funds, energy companies and Councils etc. You are welcome to do the same, but for now Stage 4 is the priority so we will share more news about this campaign later in the month.

If you are not on our mailing list please sign up at the back (please print your email because the

reason some of you don't get our messages is that I can't read people's handwriting)

I hope we will ALL see each other tomorrow at Minsmere. We thought it would be lovely if our community stood together, so let's meet near the Springwatch platform at about 10 to 1. We'll make sure we are there in good time so look out for us.

Please follow us on social media. We are even - thanks to the nagging of Mr Turnbull - now on Instagram, and desperately need more support from younger people, so please encourage your kids to follow us and tell us you know anyone who would be willing to help us build up our Instagram following?

We will also keep you informed about the other Energy Projects in this area - we all need to complain to EDF about the lack of consideration of cumulative impacts, and we encourage you to show solidarity with other affected communities and support their activities.

We have a collection box at the back of the church. Any gifts will be shared between the 3 Campaign Groups who have spoken today. You can also give online or by cheque - details in the leaflet. There are also some posters to take away.

I want to **thank Richard** for travelling so far to terrify the living daylights out of us, Richard Smith and other elected representatives for coming and Bill as ever for Chairing so brilliantly.

Thank you Graham, Tina in absentia, Simon, Anne Marie, Nicks Ward and Cooper for their efforts towards this meeting and of course Christine who is just completely amazing.

Paul and I would like to thank all our Steering Group - Steve, John, Charles, Bob, Alan, Roy, Sue, Martin, Amy and also Michael Gower who helps us, for all their hard work.

And finally THANK YOU - you are the beating heart of this campaign. We have much to do in the coming months to raise the stakes before EDF submits its DCO so we need each other now more than ever. Thank you for your support