

APPENDIX A2: DILLINGTON VISIONS

A2.1 Economic Development

A2.1.1 To ensure that the HPC development acts as a key driver for the achievement of a more dynamic, entrepreneurial, inclusive and sustainable economy in Somerset and the wider region.

A2.1.2 Priorities for the vision:

- accelerate the move to a high value, knowledge based economy, including the growth of an emerging energy, environment and related technology business cluster;
- support a growing, highly skilled workforce which can underpin a more competitive and productive business base;
- provide opportunities and benefits for all communities, helping to narrow inequalities and target deprivation and worklessness; and
- recognise the value of the natural environment and maintain the County's positive image as a visitor and investment destination.

A2.2 Developing a Low Carbon Future

A2.2.1 To develop Somerset as a centre of excellence for low carbon use, with a strong business and educational reputation for low carbon and environmental technologies.

A2.2.2 Priorities for the vision:

- Developing low carbon skills training in Somerset and creating a 'green collar' workforce;
- Developing a national reputation for Somerset as a centre of excellence for low carbon energy and resource management;
- Developing a reputation as a centre of excellence in flood management and securing appropriate solutions for coastal flood management and the risk of tidal surge along the Somerset coast;
- Building upon Somerset's existing reputation for excellence in waste management through securing appropriate and modern management solutions for waste from the nuclear new build that deliver environmental and economic benefits;
- Building upon EDF's existing programmes to support homes and businesses to be low carbon;
- Investigating the use of waste heat from the nuclear new build development to support sustainable business development.

A2.3 Education, Employment and Skills

A2.3.1 To ensure the HPC development maximises employment and skills opportunities for local people, whilst inspiring young people to achieve and seek to follow careers in the science, technology, engineering and manufacturing sectors.

A2.3.2 Priorities for the vision:

- to invest in education initiatives which will raise the aspirations of the young people in West Somerset, Sedgemoor and across the County to improve retention and increase participation;
- to provide timely information on the workforce and their families, to support the management of any increase in the pupil population and impact linked to the HPC Project;
- to establish an employment brokerage that opens up access to employment opportunities to local people;
- to support our community partners to tackle worklessness, by together, providing pathways that provide opportunities for skilling, which lead to sustainable employment;
- to create a future workforce through the provision of apprenticeships and training opportunities in the construction supply chain; and
- to ensure that our supply chain partners recruit, train and inspire local people.

A2.4 Community Wellbeing

A2.4.1 To generate community cohesion and support the delivery of strategic objectives by implementing a comprehensive scheme of community wellbeing and safety measures, that take account of the needs of the communities of West Somerset, Sedgemoor and Somerset as a whole, as well as the needs and impacts of the HPC workforce.

A2.4.2 Priorities for the vision:

- a comprehensive package of preventative measures to encourage social cohesion and minimise crime and disorder, and make a positive contribution to high quality cultural, leisure and religious facilities, services and/or partnerships;
- adequate resilience and emergency service resources provided to cover the potential for increased incidents at the HPC site, and the transport network and in towns and villages hosting construction workers;
- a holistic approach to community health and wellbeing, including preventative and responsive measures to improve the environment, provide opportunities for a healthy lifestyle, and support the delivery of high quality health care;
- to engage the community in the design, development and delivery of facilities, services and/or partnerships.

A2.5 Housing (Accommodation)

A2.5.1 To ensure that the Hinkley C development provides housing solutions that enable construction workers and their families to integrate into the community and are economically active at a local level, whilst making a positive contribution to the councils' housing strategies and their wider strategic planning objectives.

A2.5.2 Priorities for the vision:

- to design sensitively and manage any on-site campus so that it has sustainable links into and with the community;
- to work together to ensure effective local delivery of our shared aims to meet local and EDF housing needs, using the full suite of powers to enable delivery;
- to minimise the risk of local people being disadvantaged as a result of NNB, through robust mitigation proposals for the housing sector to maintain the current and planned affordable housing stock level and minimise impact on housing support services and voluntary advice services or ensuring the development does not adversely impact on the availability or affordability of housing and accommodation for the local community;
- to work together to promote opportunities and leave a housing legacy that meets the needs of local people in a range of tenures that they can afford and in a way that supports rural sustainability;
- to promote and deliver housing solutions that are to the agreed environmental and safety standards; and
- town centre regeneration objectives will shape Hinkley C accommodation and associated strategies.