

HINKLEY C TO BE BURIED AT CANNINGTON

The symbolic white elephant of Hinkley C will be formally "buried" at the end of the Public Inquiry on Tuesday September 26th. The ceremony will take place in the car park at Cannington Court, just outside the inquiry hall.

All SHE members are encouraged to come along for this finale to almost a year of public hearings into whether Hinkley C should be built. The message to the Inspector will be that the objectors feel they have argued Hinkley C into the ground. Please bring your own white elephant to be laid to rest, as well as something to eat and drink - and music!

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\* "LAST RITES OF HINKLEY C" \*  
\* 11.00 AM TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 26th \*  
\* CAR PARK, CANNINGTON COURT, CANNINGTON \*  
\* (follow signs to Hinkley C Inquiry from Bridgwater) \*  
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Free Inquiry bus leaves Taunton BR station 9am, Bridgwater BR 9.30am. Drivers follow Inquiry signs from Bridgwater

EUROPEAN "NUCLEAR SHUT DOWN" APPEAL

Enclosed with this newsletter is an appeal to the people of Europe to call for the shut down of French nuclear power. It is being distributed by the group from Golfech in SE France mentioned in the last issue. Please return completed forms to the SHE Campaign address. See page 3 for more details.

SIZEWELL C OBJECTIONS HEADING FOR 100,000!

The total number of objections to the proposed Sizewell C PWR in Suffolk looks set to reach 100,000. According to local campaigners, it is already the most disliked planning application ever in Britain.

In the eight week time limit set for objections to the local Suffolk Coastal District Council (until August 18), over 21,000 cards and letters had been received. But in addition, about 50-55,000 people have written in protest to the Department of Energy in London. With a further 18,000 cards due to be handed over to the Energy Department at the end of September, that brings the total already to over 90,000.

The cards not only object to Sizewell C but call for a full public inquiry. Whether this will be forthcoming is not yet known. The district council has not itself objected to the power station, nor has the County Council.

SHE members should feel especially pleased that the sending in of mass protest cards has taken off so successfully elsewhere. We also contributed the presence of the SHE Safe Energy Roadshow, which was last heard of heading for Lowestoft to encourage more people to sign up. Thanks to Jamie Gill, Dickon Fell and friends from Bristol for taking the initiative. >>>>

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NEXT SHE GENERAL MEETING - SUNDAY NOVEMBER 12TH  
UNITY HOUSE, DAMPIET STREET, BRIDGWATER - 2.30PM  
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME - CALL SHE OFFICE FOR DIRECTIONS  
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Objections to Sizewell C can still be sent in to the Department of Energy, Thames House, Millbank, London SW1P 4QJ until the end of September. Protest cards and further details of the campaign from: Deborah Ardizzone, The Old Vicarage, Yoxford, Suffolk IP17 3EP (072 877327).

Meanwhile, on the far Western front, the number of objections to Wylva B in Anglesea has also reached record figures. Between 27,000 and 30,000 people and organisations have so far written to Ynys Mon Borough Council or Gwynedd County Council. After noting this protest, Gwynedd has confirmed its opposition, as has neighbouring Clwyd County Council. Objection cards or letters should still be sent to the borough (where a rally is being held this weekend, Sept. 23), and which has not yet turned against. Write to Chief Executive, Ynys Mon Borough Council, Llangefnï, Ynys Mon, Gwynedd or get protest cards from Bet Huws, 2, Bryn Geraint, Bryn Eglwys, Bethesda, Gwynedd.

\*\*\* DAY TRIP TO CARMARTHEN BAY WIND PARK \*\*\*

SHE and Bridgwater Friends of the Earth have organised day trip to visit the Wind Energy Demonstration Centre at Carmarthen Bay near Swansea. The cost of hiring a coach will be met by SHE, so it's absolutely free!

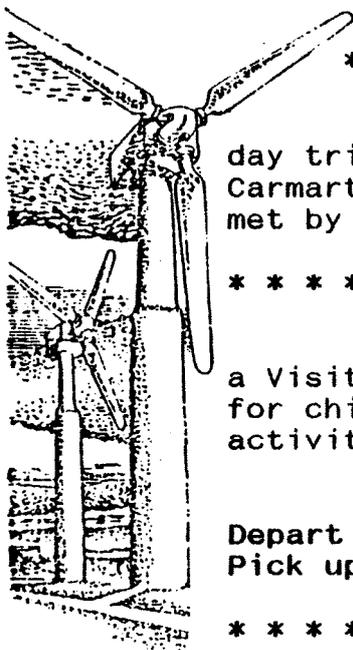
\*\*\* SEE AN ALTERNATIVE TO NUCLEAR POWER IN ACTION \*\*\*

There are four different wind turbines on the site, and a Visitors Centre which explains how they work. It's also suitable for children, and there should be time for a visit to a nearby activities park afterwards. Full details are:

\*\*\* SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER \*\*\*

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|--------------------------------|------|-------------------|-----|
| Depart Bridgwater, East Quay   | 9am  | Return to Bristol | 6pm |
| Pick up Bristol, College Green | 10am | Arrive Bridgwater | 7pm |

\*\*\* To book a seat, phone Roy Pumfrey (0278) 652089 \*\*\*



## News From The Inquiry

CLOSING STATEMENTS: The final stages of the Inquiry are now being reached, with the CEBG in the middle of its lengthy closing statement. This is scheduled to take six days, with the final session being on Sept. 26 or 27.

In what has emerged so far, the CEBG still puts government policy at the centre of its argument, relying in particular on the special "non-fossil fuel" quota in the new Electricity Act.

SHE presented its closing statement on Sept. 7. It seemed to impress SHE supporters who came along to listen, and we were complemented by the Inspector.

The text runs to 120 pages, and covers all the main issues raised at the Inquiry, including economics, safety, nuclear waste, public opinion, ecology and emergency planning. We argued on the familiar grounds that nuclear is more dangerous than other options, but also that it was now shown to be economically disastrous. To counter the CEBG argument on government policy, we said that the "non-fossil fuel" quota could be satisfied from a package of sources that included new renewable projects.

Copies of the statement can be got from the Inquiry Secretariat (0278) 652405 or from Jo Balcombe at the Stop Hinkley Centre (0278) 652408.

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A summary of *all* the closing statements given in the final three weeks of the Inquiry will be given in the last (probably) edition of the "Hinkley Inquirer" to be published on October 3. This costs 60p from the Stop Hinkley Centre (address at end of newsletter), or you can be sent all 21 issues from the start of the Inquiry for £12 (cheques payable to "Hinkley Inquirer").

# CAMPAIGN NEWS

**FUTURE STRATEGY:** The holiday period and the end of the Inquiry have combined to slow down the process of bringing together and distilling ideas thrown up at the special meetings on future strategy. This should be completed at the next committee meeting on October 5th. All members welcome - see back page for details.

**DIRECT ACTION:** The following letter is in response to comments in the last newsletter about the Hinkley blockade in June

Dear SHE,

We saw the comments on the blockade in your July/August newsletter and felt rather despairing. It would have been nice if SHE had decided to support the blockade and shown their solidarity with others who oppose the building of Hinkley C.

We would like to clarify that the blockade was organised by BLAH, which originated from Bristol, and was mostly attended by groups and individuals from the West Country. If SHE had tapped this, it could well have provided the basis for "the groundswell of local support" which you say is lacking at the moment. It sounded to us, watching "Open Space" on August 4th, as if SHE is simultaneously being pessimistic about the outcome of the Inquiry and also exhorting people to put their efforts into it. We don't think this contradictory approach will attract the people needed for the campaign.

When *do* you think we should take direct action? After we've lost the Inquiry? After the reactor is built?

The right time is now, and together with anyone else who shares your disgust at the building of this reactor. The right way to do it is with tactics which work. We very much hope that next time there is a blockade or similar action at Hinkley, SHE will be there and we'll be very pleased to see you. It would be good if you saw fit to print this point of view in your next newsletter.

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

**GOLFECH APPEAL:** Two members of the protest group around the Golfech nuclear site in South East France visited Somerset briefly this month - part of a whistle stop tour of Northern Europe. They brought with them the petition enclosed with this newsletter and some large posters of the same design, also advertising a European rally in Agen on October 7-8. Copies are available from the SHE office.

The French anti-nuclear movement is rapidly gaining momentum, with about 30 groups around the country, although Golfech appears to be at the forefront of this long-awaited rebirth.

Their action is also important in the light of a forthcoming debate in the French parliament about energy

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