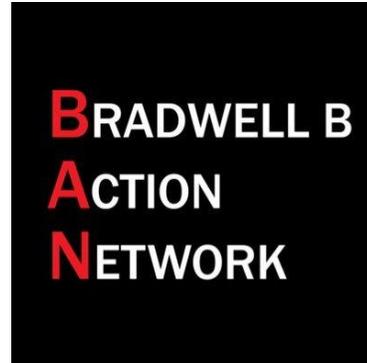


Joint statement to all candidates standing for election:



Blackwater Against New Nuclear Group
(BANNG)

www.banng.info



The Bradwell Action Network
(BAN)

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Say 'No' and Leave Bradwell Be

and protect the communities, environment and heritage of the Blackwater estuary

Bradwell B is **wrong in principle**, and Bradwell-on-Sea is **not a suitable site** for the following reasons:

- **Climate Change:**
 - the site is totally unsuitable for **any** new nuclear development:
 - low-lying;
 - vulnerable increasingly to the destructive impacts of Climate Change;
 - including sea-level rise, inundation, storm surges and coastal processes;
- **Scale:**
 - the project is on a massive scale:

- it would utterly devastate and transform the Dengie peninsula and the Blackwater estuary from a tranquil haven and important tourist destination into a **major industrial and port complex**;

Hinkley Point C site in 2018 (courtesy EDF Media Library)



- **Disruption:**
 - during the construction period of at least a decade there would be colossal disruption:
 - noise, light pollution, an influx of 10,000 workers and shipping movements;
 - residents of the Dengie Peninsula would be severely disturbed by at least 700 two-way, heavy goods vehicle movements per day;
 - this disruption would have an adverse effect on traffic and the A12, A13, A130 corridor; Maldon, Danbury, South Woodham, Wickford could see dramatic increases in traffic and bottlenecks at peak periods;
 - as well as major disruption to traffic within the wider county of Essex, the employment market would also be severely impacted and both would adversely affect your constituents;

- **Destruction:**
 - the project would have significant environmental impacts on this highly designated area (Ramsar, SSSIs, SPA, MCZ and SAC);
 - destroying unique, biodiverse habitats, landscape and amenity, and interfering with critical wildlife species;
- **Pollution:**
 - the Blackwater estuary is a Marine Conservation Zone and may succumb to:
 - pollution and contamination threatening the marine environment, including fishing and the famous Colchester Native Oysters;
- **Danger:**
 - In addition to routine radioactive emissions if a major accident/incident should occur:
 - around a million people could be exposed to radiation hazard from as far away as Southend, Chelmsford, Colchester and Harwich;
 - those living nearby would have no means of escape;

AND

- **Radioactive Waste:**
 - dangerous spent fuel and other highly radioactive wastes would be stored on-site until at least the middle of the next century:
 - there are no credible plans for managing these wastes in the unknowable future;
 - many generations to come would be left with the costs and problems of long-term radioactive waste storage and decommissioning.

**Please declare your opposition now! And, if you are elected, please ensure that Essex County Council says:
No to Bradwell B**