



**Nuclear Free Local Authorities Welsh Forum Autumn Seminar 2014:**  
**Hinkley, Wylfa, radwaste policy, Council energy policies**  
**and Trident – key progress and new developments**  
**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014**  
**Syndicate Room K, City Hall, Gorsedd Gardens Road, Cardiff, CF10 3ND.**

The Autumn 2014 NFLA Welsh Forum meeting will be looking at the key nuclear policy, energy policy and waste management policies affecting Wales and the South West of England as critical decisions and policies are determined and delivered.

As the final decisions on nuclear new build for Hinkley Point, across Cardiff Bay, are made, and Hitachi starts moving to develop new reactors at Wylfa and Oldbury, the seminar will consider whether these developments will go ahead, and what are the risks and concerns of their development? The seminar will particularly hear from members of a small Welsh delegation that recently visited the Fukushima area to understand the consequences of this disaster for UK / Welsh nuclear policy.

The seminar will also provide attendees with concerns around radioactive waste and a detailed study being undertaken by an independent marine pollution specialist on effects dissolution plants may be having on the marine environment. Continuing with the radioactive waste theme, the seminar will provide an overview of the NFLA's views on whether the Welsh Government should develop a formal policy to manage higher and intermediate level radioactive waste. Should it opt for 'deep disposal' like the UK Government; or choose the 'near site, near service' policy adopted by the Scottish Government?

The NFLA Secretariat has also published a detailed overview of how Local Councils could develop more definitive energy policies and potentially Local Energy Service Companies. How could local government in Wales benefit from such policies? And it will provide an overview of initial issues the NFLA has with the Hitachi reactor design for Wylfa.

Recently, Wales was host to a major meeting of NATO and a counter summit by nuclear disarmament groups. With a UK general election just seven months away, what are the key issues around replacing Trident nuclear missiles, and is the huge investment required for it justified at a time of continuing austerity in local government?

This seminar has been organised by the Nuclear Free Local Authorities Welsh Forum and is open to councillors and officers in all Welsh councils, Welsh Assembly members and MPs and members of interested nuclear and environmental community groups.

### ***PROGRAMME***

10.30am	<b>Registration</b>
10.45am	<b>Welcomes:</b> Councillor Sue Lent, Deputy Leader of Cardiff City Council and Councillor Ray Davies, NFLA Welsh Forum Co-Chair and Caerphilly County Borough Councillor
10.50am	International consequences of Fukushima for Wylfa and Hinkley Point – Brian Jones, part of a delegation of Welsh NGOs who visited Japan in October to see the ongoing impact of the Fukushima disaster (confirmed)
11.15am	Concerns over the effects of fuel element debris from nuclear power stations on the marine environment – Tim Deere-Jones (confirmed)
11.40am	Overview of NFLA SC / Welsh Forum responses on: - Hinkley Point new nuclear and CNFE / environmental groups challenge - Welsh Government Radioactive Waste Management Policy - Horizon Partnership on developing a new nuclear reactor at Wylfa - Local Authority Energy Service Companies and develop local energy policy Sean Morris, National Secretary, Nuclear Free Local Authorities (confirmed)
12.10pm	Trident replacement and the upcoming UK general election – what part may its financial cost and wider defence needs play in the election campaign? John Cox, Vice Chair, CND Wales (invited)
12.35pm	Panel discussion chaired by Councillor Sue Lent, Cardiff City Council
1.00pm	<b>Conclusion</b>



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**Venue and details of accommodation:**

Cardiff City Hall is in the city centre, close to Cardiff Queen Street station and Cardiff University of Wales, and 10 minutes walk from Cardiff Central Train Station. A small amount of car parking spaces will be available – please contact the NFLA Secretariat to book one of them.

A map and further details on City Hall can be found at its website: <http://www.cardiffcityhall.com>

There are a large variety of hotels and guesthouses in Cardiff. For further details please consult the website <http://www.visitcardiff.com>

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**The NFLA thanks Cardiff City Council for kindly agreeing to host this meeting.**