

Nuclear Decommissioning Authority



# **Magnox**



## Bradwell Accelerated Decommissioning Programme

### **Concrete reuse strategy**

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## **Site Overview**

- Constructed 1956 1962
- Generated power until 2002
- Generated 60TWh over its lifetime
- Defuelling completed 2006
- 2011 nominated for accelerated decommissioning programme (early entry into C&M)

Tasked to complete 17 years C&M Preps work in 4 years



### **During construction - 1958**



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# **During Operations**



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# During C&M (2015)



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# Accelerated Decommissioning Programmes – material generators

- ILW Programmes (MIMP) minor contributor
  - Construction of new ILW store
- Plant and Structures Programme Major contributors
  - Undertakes most enabling works
  - Major construction areas (including portacabin installation)
  - Major demolition (minor building)
  - Recladding project.



# **Options for concrete**

- Hazardous
  - Treatment and recycling off-site
- Non-hazardous
  - Recycling off-site (waste)
  - Reuse on-site (material CL:AIRE CoP)
- Inert
  - Reuse on-site (material CL:AIRE CoP / WRAP Quality Protocol (AGGREGAIN))
- Procedures are in place to identify suitable material at an early stage and ensure it is handled correctly to allow application of the waste hierarchy.



## **WRAP Quality Protocol**

- Has been successfully used previously (CW voids, turbine hall basement partial fill).
- Phasing out due to limited near term building works
  - Limits on inputs (inert concrete / masonry only)
  - Limits on destination of material produced



# **CL:AIRE CoP**

- Currently in use at Bradwell:
  - Generic site requirement to backfill large voids left by demolition (concrete / masonry only)
  - Project specific requirements that develop during design phase (can include concrete / masonry / soil)





# **Comparison of acceptance levels**

Substance	Inert WAC (for use in WRAP Quality Protocol)	CL:AIRE thresholds (based on Risk Assessment)
Chromium	0.5	5
Molybdenum	0.5	5
Nickel	0.4	4
Fluoride	10	100
Sulphate as SO <sub>4</sub>	1000	10000
Total Dissolved Solids	4000	10000

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# Does not contravene rWFD & Material is suitable

- Material Management Plans (MMP) for disposition area
- MMP prepared within the waste management department and approved by independent CL:AIRE QP
- Suitable for use
- Chemical: Site specific risk assessments (prepared externally) set acceptance limits (demonstrates no risk below these levels)
- Physical: End-use specific engineering reports (engineering specification)



# 3 & 4 Quantity and Certainty

- Quantity
  - Mass balance of concrete / masonry identified in site waste inventory, against size of voids left by demolition
  - Project specific requirements (based on engineering design)
- Certainty requirement for use is defined:
  - C&M Entry state definition document (CWPH voids filled and capped), Turbine Hall voids partially filled.
  - Engineering specification for filling voids
  - EIADR ES and T&CP ES commitment to reuse material on-site to fill voids





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## Turbine Hall Basement - 20,000m<sup>3</sup> void



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# **Cooling Water Pump House Voids**

- 3 voids
- 1,500m3 each



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### Site Voids' MMP

- Reuse of concrete generated across projects/site for filling voids
  - As long as it meets acceptance criteria.
- Chemical risk assessment for conditions (highly engineered) – allows higher acceptance thresholds

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# **Project Requirements – ILW store piling mat**

- ILW Storage Facility MMP
  - Reuse of soil and concrete under CL:AIRE CoP
  - 5,200m<sup>3</sup> of material generated on-site and reused to form a piling mat for the store.
  - Generic risk assessment material was inert
  - Requirement for material detailed in engineering design

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## **Reuse Process**



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# **Benefits**

- Fulfills legal obligation to follow the waste hierarchy (PREVENT)
- Cost saving £100,000 on first project calculated (disposal costs and minimising purchasing)
- 360 shipments off the road (important to key stakeholders the local community)
- Minimises carbon footprint
- No variation on Permit or exemptions required



# **Considerations prior to use**

- Significant information required in advance particularly characterisation.
- Large area of space required for stockpiling and crushing
- Needs to be identified at very start no room for late notification from project

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# **Future Potential**

- Act as a CL:AIRE receiver site
- Act as a CL:AIRE donor site
- Increase what we can accept in our own voids

 Lessons Learnt – could take better advantage by having an MMP prior to major building demolition.



### Questions

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