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On Thursday 16 May 2024, the Applicant provided notification of the Application, as well as a statutory public consultation on the Proposed Development which started on Thursday 16 May 2024 and was due to continue until 11:59pm on Thursday 27 June 2024. Materials showing the nature and location of the Proposed Development, including a consultation booklet, the PEIR, maps and plans, have been, and will continue to be, available from Thursday 16 May 2024 in the Document Library on the Applicant's website at www.xlinks.co/devon and at the places in the vicinity of the Proposed Development set out below

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The Applicant has become aware that Volume 4, Chapter 3: Socio-economics and Tourism was missing from the copy of the PEIR in the Document Library at www.xlinks.co/devon and that Volume 4, Appendix 2.2: Landscape Character Baseline Technical Report and Volume 4, Appendix 2.3: Visual Baseline Technical Report were missing from copies of the PEIR in the Document Library at www.xlinks.co/devon and at the physical

From Friday 24 May 2024, the Applicant made these documents available from the Document Library at www.xlinks.co/devon and at the physical locations set out above. All other consultation documents published at the start of the consultation remain valid and there have been no further updates. The Applicant is also extending the date until which consultation documents will be available and also the deadline for responses until 11:59pm

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1.3 The Guardian (National newspaper)

1.3.1 16 May 2024



Slovakian leader 'fighting for his life' after assassination attempt

Fears for democracy after veteran populist Fico gunned down

Ashifa Kassam

Slovakia's populist prime minister, Robert Fico, was being treated for lifethreatening injuries last night after an assassination attempt that sparked warnings across Europe of a rise in

views with more than 100 people and

court and police records.

The women who have

political violence. Video footage appeared to show the moment five shots were fired at Fico, 59, as he shook hands with a supporters in the town of Handlová, about 90 miles north-east of the capital, Bratislava.

Slovakia's defence minister, Robert Kaliňák, said Fico was in an "extraordinarily serious" condition despite three and half hours of surgery. Medical workers in the city of Banská Bystrica were "fighting for the life" of Fico, who had suffered "serious polytrauma after several shots".

The country's interior minister,

Matúš Šutaj-Eštok, told reporters: "We suspect the attacker had political motivation."

A suspect was in custody, the country's president, Zuzana Čaputová, said earlier in a televised statement.

Local media identified the alleged gunman as Juraj C, a 71-year-old writer and poet from Levice, southcentral Slovakia, who had spoken of his desire to form a political movement on YouTube.

The son of the alleged shooter told news outlet Aktuality.sk that his father was the legal holder of a

gun licence. "I have absolutely no idea what my father intended, what he planned, what happened," he was quoted as saying.

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The shooting comes three weeks before European Parliament elections, with polls suggesting populist and hard-right parties in the 27-nation bloc are poised to make gains.

European Commission sources said the attack





▲ David Copperfield, 67, denies the claims, which span from the late 1980s to 2014 Photograph: CLINT SPAULDING/WWD/PENSKE MEDIA/GETTY

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Thursday 16 May 2024 The Guardian

Today's

National

tomorrow? Barnett brings freshness to radio stalwart

Mark Lawson

Today, the 6-9am slot on Radio 4 on Wednesday morning was really about he network of tomorrow. A few years ago, a senio BBC manager told me that the "future" of the Today programme was Emma Barnett and Amol Rajan co-presenting, though neither at the time was on the programme. Yesterday morning, the prophecy was fulfilled.

Ithough called

In 2015, Nick Robinson cut short his first week after a heavy cold compromised his voice. Rajan, in 2021, admitted to needing rum



attack" before his first dawn. This morning felt different. Barnett started sounding calm and wellslept. While she has left 5 Live and Woman's Hour, they audibly have not left her. The interview with James Coates, son of Ian Coates, the school caretaker killed in Nottingham last year, was a human interest scoop but perhaps too strongly echoed the tone of her earlier shows. As did her plea after a segment on sex education: "I'd love to hear your views! Be great to read out some of your emails!

You hoped someone was near John Humphrys to perform the

▲ Emma Barnett, who has joined Today after stints on Woman's Hour and 5 Live, brings a less formal style PHOTOGRAPH: IEFF OVERS/BRO

Heimlich manoeuvre if he choked on his cornflakes.

The relaxed tone was partly due, despite Rishi Sunak having just announced the impending end of the world, to an unusually slow news day. The biggest political interviewee was Gordon Brown. out of power since 2010. For her first 8.10am keynote interview, Barnett got the policing minister Chris Philp, confidently ribbing him about having seemed, on Question

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with Rajan, who is increasingly introducing a note of editorial bonhomie, "Good luck to you and all your pupils!" he told a headteacher guest, "Hope that cough gets better!" a croaky guest was consoled. With Barnett regularly referencing her premiere presence - "pleased", "a pleasure", "delighted", "thrilled" to be therethere was a Royal visit vibe, as if the presenters were state-touring the studio rather than working there.

That will pass as Barnett's novelty becomes less. And, with Karthi Gnanasegaram on sports news, anyone giving Today a first listen or second chance might have been surprised at its light, young feel. Although BBC bosses may worry that 5 Live is being offered twice. This is mitigated because,

while the younger breakfast show has regular co-hosts (Rachel Burden and Rick Edwards), Today chooses pairs from a pool. As Martha Kearney is leaving after a general election that may be as late as next January, the Radio 4 morning show will, for up to eight months, have six presenters (at about £250,000 a year each) for 12 weekly co-hosting shifts.

This week and next, according to listings, Mishal Husain, Justin Webb and Robinson have five programmes each, Barnett four, Rajan three, Kearney one, (Although a regular would otherwise have done the one filled by holiday relief Simon Jack.)

That roster suggests a desire for a group without main presenters, but that feels contradicted by the Barnett fanfare: the final item was even a discussion of her 3am wake-up playlist.

Rajan felt the right choice of opening co-host, seeming determined to avoid the egojockeying that may await Barnett in other duos. Recently a colleague of Rajan's anonymously told a newspaper the University Challenge host will leave Today soon, but there is a sense that the duo plus Husain, the show's best political interviewer, will. with Gnanasegaram, be Today's tomorrow



Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Family Assurance Friendly Society Limited

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The Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 will be available from 31 May 2024 at onefamily com/agm by request from the Secretary, OneFamily, 16-17 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RL, or by emailing members@onefamily.com

Any member entitled to vote at the above meeting may appoint a representative to attend and vote on their behalf and you should appoint the Chair for this purpose.

For a form of proxy to be valid it must reach the independent scrutineers. Civica Election Services. The Election Centre. 33 Clarendon Road London N8 ONW at least 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting, that is not later than 11am on Tuesday

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AGM Agenda

Ordinary Business By ordinary resolution

- 1. To receive the financial statements of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2023,
- 2. To approve the Directors' Remuneration Report for the year ended 31 December 2023.
- 3. To re-elect Steven James Colsell as a member of the Board of Directors.
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- 10. To re-appoint Deloitte as auditor to the Society for 2024.
- 11. To transact any other ordinary business of the Society.

By order of the Board of Directors J Green, Secretary May 2024

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Leaders clash on migration, tax and NHS in ill-tempered debate

Starmer and Sunak also trade blows on cost of living and UK security

Eleni Courea

Rishi Sunak and Keir Starmer tore into each other's election promises on tax and immigration in a fiery first

on tax and immigration in a fiery first TV debate of the campaign. The party leaders exchanged barbs

in an ill-tempered session before an ITV studioaudience in Salford, where Starmer accused Sunak of being "the most liberal prime minister we've ever had on immigration" and pledged to keep the UK in the Euronean convention of human riebt.

Conservative record after 14 years in government and accused Sunak of failing to take personal responsibility for his failures, including the cost of

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He claimed repeatedly that Labour's policies would lead to a £2,000 tax rise for families, an attack the Conservatives are planning to deploy repeatedly over this campaign. "Labour will raise your taxes. It's

"Labour will raise your taxes. It's in their DNA. Your work, your car, your pension — Labour will tax it," the prime minister said.





Modi set to lose majority in Indian election shock

Hannah Ellis-Petersen

Narendra Modi's ruling Bharatiya Janata party looks likely to lose its parliamentary majority, dealing an unexpected blow to the prime miniso ter and forcing him to negotiate with coalition partners in order to return to power. Although not all votes had been

Annough not all votes had oeen counted, by last night it was clear that the predicted BJP landslide would not materialise and instead there had been a pushback against the prime minister and his Hindu nationalist politics in swaths of the country. The party appeared to have lost more than 60 seats, bringing its total to about 240, below the 272 required for a parliamentary majority.

It is the first time since Modi was elected in 2014 that the BJP has voo a majority on its own. Nonetheless, together with its political allies, known as the national democratic alliance (NDA), its win amounts to about 292 seats, which is enough to form a majority government to rule for the next five vears and return

Modi to office for a third term.

Meanwhile, the opposition alliance, which goes by the initialism

INDIA, far outperformed expectations, collectively winning more than 230 seats. The alliance, formed of more than 20 national and regional opposition parties, had come

toposterior parties, shad come to the toposterior for the first time in this election with the aim of defeating Modi. Despite the tight race, Mod insisted be had been given a mandate to lead again. Declaring himself—very, very happy today" in an address to votes at the BP head-quarters in Delhi, Modi said: "I would like to bow down before the people of the country. Today is an emotional moment for me

Djokovic out Defending French Open champion

withdraws with knee injury

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Wednesday 5 June 2024 The Guardian

World **European elections**

Vote to halt the rise of far right, survivors of Holocaust urge young people

Kate Connolly

A group of Holocaust survivors have issued a joint appeal in the run-up to this weekend's European parliamentary election, urging younger voters in particular to go to the polls and to prevent the far right gaining power.

"For millions of you, the European poll is the first election in your life. For many of us it could be the last " the eight Jewish witnesses to the rise of Adolf Hitler wrote in the letter. "We couldn't prevent the rise of pazism back then, but you can today."

The appeal is addressed "to our grandchildren, to first-time voters, to all believers in democracy".

The open letter was coordinated by Avaaz, a global web movement aimed at promoting people power which, before the European election in par ticular, has been campaigning for greater voter participation.

About 373 million citizens across the 27 member states of the European Union are eligible to vote from tomor row until Sunday on the makeup of the European parliament

Eva Umlauf, who survived Auschwitz having arrived there as a two-year-old from a Slovakian village with her mother, said: "The number they branded on my arm stands as a constant reminder, a warning of another time, which must never return. But for that we need the active participation of young people in the decision-making process to ensure that the hate and propaganda we were victims of back then isn't repeated."

Umlauf, 81, whose memoir The Number on Your Forearm Is Blue Like Your Eyes has just been published in English, said the rise of the far-right Alternative für Deutschland (AfD) in Germany, a state with 64.9

signatories of the letter, Leon among children living under the



▼ Eva Umlauf ıs a young child. An Auschwitz survivor, she sees parallels hetween the modern far right

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million eligible voters, made this election more crucial than any other in recent times, "If you look at the programme of the AfD, how they are against women, foreigners, Jews, and how they participated in a so-called re:migration conference to get rid of foreigners from Germany, how their supporters tout the Nazi slogan ermany for the Germans'. There are clear parallels to the past," said Umlauf, a psychoanalyst in Munich.

Speaking on video link from his living room in Stockholm, Walter Frankenstein, who evaded the Nazis for two years in Berlin, and who will mark his 100th birthday on 30 June. said: "The similarities between then and now are there as we see political parties gathering the dissatisfied and



stoking the dissatisfaction, just like litler did ... It is no good for young people to say: 'I don't know who to vote for, I'd rather not vote.' However good or bad a democracy is, it's always better than a dictatorship."

Turnout at the European election has always been low since voting began in 1979. At the last election, in 2019, the 50.7% turnout marked a record high. The lowest turnout, less than 43%, was in 2014.

In a separate European parliament campaign video, which has been viewed more than 190 million times elderly Europeans, among them survivors of the Holocaust, also address their grandchildren, under the slogan: "Use your vote or others will decide for you."

Propaganda Musk 'cannot grasp' fears of online bias

Lisa O'Carroll

Brussels

Elon Musk lacks understanding of European concerns over the hatred and division that can result from the spread of disinformation, a senior EU commissioner has said.

Speaking days before the European parliamentary elections, in which lisinformation, particularly Russianbacked propaganda, has been a key issue, Věra Jourová criticised what she said was a clear deterioration in content moderation on X since Musk bought the platform in 2022.

She said: "Flon Musk, from the beginning of his endeavour with Twitter I think he lacks some under standing of why we in the EU are so careful or cautious when we see the first seeds of something that might grow bigger, because of the history in the previous century where the first signs of antisemitism were not stopped. Because we have these bloody lessons from our history we are more cautious, maybe, than

Jourová also stressed the need for Meta, the owner of Facebook and Instagram, to strengthen its efforts to combat propaganda.

With the European elections running from tomorrow until Sunday, Jourová said there had been waves of "attempts to influence the information space" and to polarise the public in countries such as Slovakia. where there was a recent attempted assassination of the prime minister, Robert Fico.

To fulfil their responsibility to remove illegal and foreign interference, big tech companies needed to employ people who knew what they were talking about, said Jourová, who had just returned from a visit to Silicon Valley

She said she agreed with Musk that freedom of speech was a priority. But, she added he needed to understand that in Europe, that freedom comes with a cluster of laws banning hate speech and incitement to violence

X and Meta have been approached for comment.

Analysis

Ajit Niranjan

Greens in peril in EU elections as climate slips down agenda

oters may deal Green parties a blow that costs them up to one-third of their seats, if polls before this week's European elections prove correct, in a shift that could lead to a rollback of climate policies with the effects rippling far beyond the continent.

At first glance, the projected slump in support - which follows months of protests from farmers against environmental rules - reads like a backlash against climate policies set by politicians who tried to move too far, too fast.

Political scientists, however, are unconvinced by that narrative.

There is little to support fears of a "greenlash", according to the authors of a survey of 15,000 voters in France, Germany and Poland. The most straightforward

explanation for poor polling is that the last European elections in 2019 may have been an outlier in terms of climate engagement - one that served Green parties particularly well. Coming off the back of widespread protests inspired by Greta Thunberg, which boosted parties promising action, and accompanied by a global flurry of pledges to cut pollution, the elections took place when the climate was high on the agenda.

"Voters have other priorities in

2024," said Dr António Valentim, a political scientist at Yale University who studies voting behaviour around the environment, pointing to inflation and the war in Ukraine

Germany, where the Greens are in government, is where the biggest losses are likely. Polls suggest losses in France and Italy, with smaller dips in Nordic countries.

However, high polling numbers for radical rightwing parties could swing centrist voters toward the Greens, with many saying in their campaigns that a vote for them will also protect Europe from the far right. Bas Eickhout, a Dutch MEP and the Green party's joint lead candidate for the European

elections, said: "In 2019, the polls didn't predict our record-breaking success ... We have good hopes that through strong mobilisation we will defy the polls once more."

Silvia Pianta from the European Institute on Economics and the Environment thinktank said that since the last elections "many other parties have incorporated much more ambitious climate and environmental targets in their platforms", pointing to the left party grouping, the centre-left Socialists and Democrats and the pro-European Renew

Ajit Niranjan is the Guardian's Europe environment correspondent



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Nationwide services for Fishing Remembrance Day



A Fisheries minister Mark Spencer, The Seafarers' Charity's chief executive Deborah Layde, and Mission CEO Marc Evans were among those in attendance at Grimsby for one of a number of services on 12 May as part of the inaugural National Fishing Remembrance Day.

ERVICES OF remembrance have taken place across the United Kingdom as part of the inaugural National Fishing Remembrance Day.

The new annual event aims to honour those who have lost their lives whilst working in the industry, as well as serving as a poignant reminder of the dangers faced by fishermen and the need to continue to improve safety standards in the sector.

The inaugural event, led by The Seafarers' Charity, the Fishermen's Mission and Stella Maris, took place on Sunday, 12 May, and saw services held across the UK and the Channel Islands.

In Grimsby, fisheries minister Mark Spencer, The Seafarers' Charity's chief executive Deborah Layde, Mission CEO Marc Evans, Seafish CEO Marcus Coleman and Stella Maris trustee John

Hood joined members of the local fishing community for a service at St James' Square.

The minister, who laid a wreath at the event, said: "I have huge respect for our fishermen. It's tough, dangerous work carried out in challenging conditions. Today I was humbled to join families and the fishing community of Grimsby for the first National Fishing Remembrance Day."

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Aine afloat



Aine ME 15 shortly after her launch at Johnshaven last week

e of the stars of the Scottish Skipper Expo, which this year saw seven boats on display, was transported straight from the Aberdeen exhibition hall to the nearby fishing village of Johnshaven, where it was launched the following day (Saturday, 11 May).

Built in Shetland by Tommy Poleson for Johnshaven skipper Jason McBay, the 7m all-aluminium boat is equipped both for creeling and mackerel ligging, with two stern liggers.

Named Aine after Jason McBay's young daughter - who

visited her namesake at the expo - the vessel is the first new build to be launched in the port for 15 years. It will support the familyowned business The Lobster Shop, opened by the McBay family in 2020 after over 70 years in the fishing business.

Full details of Aine, and the other vessels on show at the expo, will be featured in next





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All of this year's winners – plus highlights from the awards evening See pages 12-19

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- Holding public exhibitions at the locations and times below
- Reading the consultation materials detailed in this notice
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- Contacting the Applicant directly with questions using the details in this notice

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Monday 20 May, 4pm-8pm	Abbotsham Village Hall, Abbotsham, Bideford EX39 SAP
Tuesday 21 May, 4pm-8pm	Alverdiscott Village Hall, Stoney Cross, Bideford EX39 4PZ
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Nephrops accreditation takes a step forward

EPRESENTATIVES OF THE prawn industry, from both the catching and processing sectors, have welcomed the latest moves by the fleet to have all aspects of the fishery, including stock status, envir onmental footprint and crew welfare, independently audited and assured.

After two decades of continual improvement, this will ensure that the sector can continue to tick every box in the growing list of requirements from UK supermarkets and other key buyers.

Mike Park, chief executive of the Scottish White Fish Producers' Association, told FN: "We're just confirming the formal details of our move to an In-Transition programme – the formal process, over the next couple of years, that will be the next step in achieving full MSC certification for the stock.

"The biggest challenge is demonstrating that each separate population of Nephrops is managed optimally, when in many cases several populations fall under a single TAC."

The move comes as an NGO campaign targeted at the prawn fishery moved up a notch. After several months of a largely failed campaign to persuade buyers to avoid scampi, the NGO Open Seas has shifted its efforts to attack retailers, with a formal complaint to market regulators.

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Scots prawn fleet finishing successful SW season



A The Fraserburgh boat Jacqueline Anne gets set for another trip from Newlyn. (Photo: Laurence Hartwell)

The annual visit by a fleet of Scottish prawn vessels to the South West, fishing both the Smalls grounds northwest of Cornwell, and a series of banks due west of Land's End, is drawing to a close after a successful season.

As ever, the visitors spoke of the warm welcome provided in Newlyn, and the quality of the fish taken, with correspondingly good prices.

While some of the visiting fleet arrived as early as March, the Jacqueline Anne is just wrapping up her third landing in Newlyn. Skipper Adam Tait made the call to head south when fishing stockened in the North Sea. His last trip on the Smalls grounds brought in a decent trip, but smaller-sized prawns and a lot of work for the

crew prompted them to head west for their next trip.

Fishing News will look in detail at the fishery in a future issue.





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£9.500, 20ft - 6.2m x 2.26m, Boat currently off register, can be sold without license. 4K boat only, 9.5K with license, 15Kw CAT A full shellfish. Clean boat New deck recently fitted, re-glassed and flowcoat. Recent anode's, rope cutter etc. Solid boat, a real work horse. Just not got the time to do her justice. FB, Haverfordwest. (36.10)

FREEWARD 35





6lxb self change gearbox. Currently whelking but has been trawling scalloping trawl whinches and trawl gear available. For sale due to not having reliable crew. Or possibly part ex for something smaller rigged for single handed. FB, Cardigan.

2018 SEALISLANDER 6.4





£26,000. Sealislander with full shellfish, choice of outboard, Spencer Carter hauler and power pack usual electronics. Trailer available at extra cost. FB, Bowmore. (36.10)

2024 18FT PLYMOUTH PILOT BOAT





diesel - 3gm 3. 30 HP engine. Vessel ashore at Netpool. FB, Cardigan.

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£3,000. Orkney long liner 16ft and 9.9hp Mariner outboard engine. FB, Montrose, (36,10)

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£2,995. Orkney longliner 16 plus with 9.9 touhatsu 4 stroke builtin buoyancy seats with trailer new inderspention units wheel and tyres. FB. Milford Haven. (36.10)

POT ROPE AND BIN



£50, 3 x pot rope and bin for sale. Please call 01202 672199. (36.10)

8M COLVIC





\$24,000, CAT A license no shellfi Netted bass. 2011 Build certificate 300 new Wealk pots. Bins and gill nets. Flaker, Slave, 2 net haulers FB. Littlehampton, (35,10)

2014 FIBRAMAR 440





boat. Was registered fish boat. Afore. In great condition. Stainless railings. Yamaha. 15 four stroke. Electric start power tilt. Sitting on road trailer. Safe boat. Could be put back on register I have shellfish licence to suit. FB, Ullapool. (35.10)

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1.5 Lloyds List

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On Thursday 16 May 2024, the Applicant provided notification of the Application, as well as a statutory public consultation on the Proposed Development which started on Thursday 16 May 2024 and was due to continue until 11:59pm on Thursday 27 June 2024. Materials showing the nature and location of the Proposed Development, including a consultation booklet, the PEIR, maps and plans, have been, and will continue to be, available from Thursday 16 May 2024 in the Document Library on the Applicant's website at www.xlinks.co/devon and at the places in the vicinity of the Proposed Development set out

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Paul Jewels has told the Gazette of his health ordeal and battle for closure

My long wait for justice in blood scandal

Inquiry report looms following health ordeal

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A BRAUNTON man has become a poignant symbol of the impact of the hepatitis C blood scandal that rocked the nation in the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s.

Diagnosed with hepatitis C in 2004, Paul Jewels attributes his condition to a blood transfusion he received in 1983 during chemotherapy

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Now at 78, the former chartered surveyor who had his own practice, hopes the result of the inquiry on May 20 will offer some sort of accountability and compensation for thousands, including himself, who were given infected blood during transfusions.

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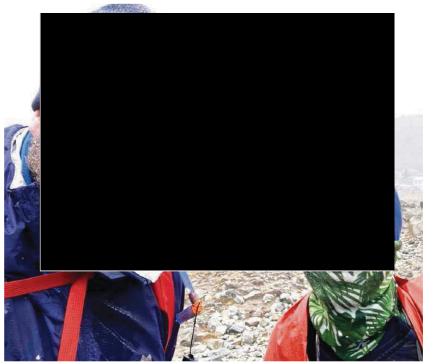
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Have your say on new wind farm proposals

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PEOPLE have been urged to attend public consultations this week on controversial plans to install underground cabling at Saunton Sands to serve the proposed White Cross offshore wind farm.

A public drop-in event will take place today (Wednesday) at North Devon Cricket Club at Instow from 11am to 6.30pm.

Yesterday (Tuesday) developers Cobra and Flotation Energy held events at Braunton Parish Hall and Braunton Academy's Isaac Hall. Many have mounted opposition to the scheme, which would see cabling for the proposed wind farm come ashore at Saunton Sands and run under sensitive coastal sites.

The wind farm itself would be a testing and demo facility with seven floating wind turbines 32 miles off the coast.

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- Holding public exhibitions at the locations and times below
- · Reading the consultation materials detailed in this notice
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- . Contacting the Applicant directly with questions using the details in this notice

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Run for D-Day heroes

Former Marines' poignant mission

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TWO former Royal Marines from Barnstaple have embarked on a poignant journey to Normandy to pay homage to the war heroes of the past.

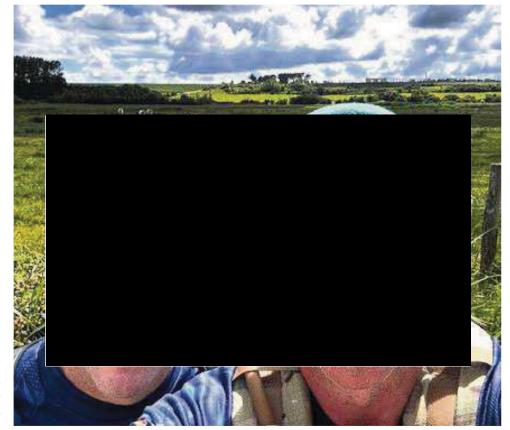
Coinciding with the 80th anniversary of D-Day, Al Blanchard and Steve Rogers travelled to Normandy on the evening of Saturday, May 25 from

Portsmouth, to complete a 32-kilometre run in their full kit to honour those who fought on the Normandy landings in June 1944.

The former Commandos' run started on the morning of Sunday, May 26.

The pair, whose service records span from 1989 to 2003 in Northern Ireland, Iraq, Afghanistan and Kosovo, have long sought meaningful ways to honour

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Cancer charity bows out after 30 'amazing' years



North Devon Cancer Care Centre Trust chairman James Bonetta and volunteers present the charity's final fundraising cheque to Carolyn Mills, chief nursing officer. Picture: RDHC

£3m legacy from Jennifer and friends

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A CHARITY run entirely by volunteers has made one last donation after more than 30 years of incredible fundraising for North Devon cancer patients.

The North Devon Cancer Care Centre Trust (NDCCCT) was set up by the late Jennifer Bonetta in 1994 following the death from cancer of her husband, Tom.

Jennifer launched the charity from the dining room table of her Northam home and thanks to fundraising events by the local community and the profits from a Westward Ho! charity shop, it has gone on to raise an astonishing £3 million for cancer services in North Devon

Some of the early projects included helping

to fund North Devon District Hospital's first chemotherapy units on Level 5, Level 4 and then Level 2, as well as the chemotherapy pharmacy unit.

The charity also provided a transport service to take patients from North Devon and Torridge to and from their treatments in Exeter.

The charity raised £700,000 for the chemotherapy Seamoor Unit at NDDH, which opened in 2015 following a £2.2m fundraising appeal.

More recently, it contributed £100,000 towards the building of the hospital's £1.5m Fern Centre, which provides wellbeing support to local cancer patients. It has also donated £117,000 towards counselling and complimentary therapy costs at the Fern Centre.

Jennifer Bonetta died in 2011 aged 78, a few

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To cover printing costs a reasonable charge may apply, to be paid by the recipient, up-to a maximum of £750 for the whole suite. To request these materials in hard copy or an alternative format, please get in touch with us using the contact information in this notice. All consultation materials will remain available at the locations set out in this notice until Thursday 11 July 2024.

Copies of the consultation materials may be requested during the consultation period from the Applicant using the e-mail address, postal address or Freephone number

- By post: Xlinks Morocco-UK Power Project consultation FREEPOST SEC NEWGATE UK LOCAL
- Online: www.xlinks.co/devon • By email: hello@xlinks.co
- By phone: 0800 038 3486

Any enquiries relating to the consultation materials, documents, plans and maps can be made to the Applicant using the telephone number listed above.

All other consultation arrangements and information remain unchanged from those previously notified and can be viewed in full at www.xlinks.co/devon.

How to respond to consultation

Any person may comment on the proposals or otherwise respond to this publicity. Responses must be received between Thursday 16 May 2024 and 11:59pm on Thursday 11 July 2024. A consultation questionnaire is available as part of the consultation, and the consultation website will also allow the submission of electronic consultation responses. Please also confirm the nature of your interest in the Proposed Development. Please supply any response to:

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- By email: hello@xlinks.co

Responses must be received no later than 11.59pm on Thursday 11 July 2024.

The Applicant will consider and have regard to all responses received by the above deadline when developing its Application for a DCO once consultation has closed. All responses received to date remain valid and will be considered and had regard to by the Application. The Applicant welcomes any further feedback from anyone who has already responded to the consultation based on the information in this notice.

Copies may be made available in due course to the Secretary of State, PINS and other relevant statutory authorities so that feedback can be considered as part of the process. The Applicant will request that any personal details are not placed on public record and these will be held securely by the Applicant and its agents in accordance with the data protection law and will be used solely in connection with the consultation process and subsequent application for the DCO and, except as noted above, will not be passed to third parties. Responses will form the basis of a Consultation Report that will be one of the factors taken into consideration by the Secretary of State when deciding whether the Application can be accepted for examination. Therefore, in providing any comment, it should be borne in mind that the substance of it may be communicated to others as part of the Consultation Report.

If you would like further information about this notice, the consultation or the Proposed Development, please contact the project team by using one of the contact methods provided above.