Medway Power Station

Investing in our Communities

Our 735MW Medway Power Station is a flexible gas-fired plant located on the Isle of Grain, Kent. It entered full commercial operation in 1995.

Although there are no immediate plans for future development at our Medway site, we are always exploring options to decarbonise energy generation across our SSE assets, through emerging CCS and hydrogen solutions, to ensure our sites can continue to provide essential flexible power in a net-zero world.

We want to deliver value and make a meaningful contribution to the community around our Medway site. We are committed to our role as a responsible neighbour and are working across the region to invest in communities through engagement, support and funding.

A dedicated member of the Medway community

We know that understanding our communities is key to successful delivery for SSE Thermal which is why we appoint a dedicated colleague to manage relationships and act as a single point of contact for our communities and stakeholders. Jayne Collings is the dedicated SSE Thermal colleague for Medway Power Station. She has worked for SSE for many years and can be contacted directly with any questions or queries about the site, her contact details are available on the dedicated project website: ssethermal.com/flexible-generation/operational/medway/

SSE Volunteering

Providing a helping hand to community projects is a key part of our commitment to the Medway site, activities such as local litter picks and volunteering time for the development of community projects allow us to be part of the area. All SSE colleagues across the UK and Ireland are empowered to support community projects by giving one day of their working year to do so. **We would love to hear from local groups that could benefit from our help.**

Educational Outreach

Engaging with students through schools and colleges allows us to help inform and educate young people about our projects and how the work we are doing fits with their net zero future. We are working to design and deliver a range of engagement activities and education tools, targeting young people at varying stages. We would be delighted to hear from local schools that would be interested in learning more about the transition to net zero.

Enhancing the Natural Environment

SSE Thermal is committed to enhancing the natural environment on and around our site and we will endeavor work closely with the site to identify further biodiversity enhancement opportunities. We would be keen to hear about any areas locally which you feel should be a focus for us.





SSE Match Funding

Many of our colleagues live locally and are passionate about raising funds through sponsorship based fundraising. SSE Thermal provide match funding up to the value of £150 each year to support these activities and we will launch a campaign at Medway Power Station to encourage more colleagues to be involved in this initiative.

Inspiring the Next Generation

We know that we will require the skills and ambition of our next generation to deliver future projects. SSE Thermal works closely with secondary schools and colleges, attending careers fairs and workshops to raise aspirations, increase awareness of careers within the energy industry and help to promote jobs and careers opportunities on our site. We continue to look for ways to support, please reach out to us with opportunities.

STEM Activities

Science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) are central to the delivery of our projects. That's why we are working with schools, colleges and academic partners to develop STEM based learning packages for our next generation of energy leaders. We are always interested to learn more about opportunities to be involved in STEM activities.

Establishing and hosting Community Liaison Groups

A Community Liaison Group (CLG) is a local forum at which details and updates relating to our development and operations are shared, ensuring that communities are provided with up to date information and have the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback to SSE Thermal representatives. Around existing operational assets, such as Medway, SSE Thermal will work to identify and communicate with key stakeholders, community groups and members at key milestones or with key information from the site.

Working with the local Supply Chain

SSE Thermal is committed to using local businesses, suppliers and providers where possible. We are working promote supply chain readiness and are always interested to hear from local businesses or suppliers who are interested in working with SSE Thermal. For more information please visit our website: sse.com/potential-suppliers

A dedicated fund for our Community

We are introducing a community investment fund of £25,000 per year for community projects in the Medway Power Station site. The introduction of an annual fund will enable us to support organisations that are working to deliver benefits for the community in and around our existing site. SSE Thermal are working with local communities, community group representatives and stakeholders to design a fund that takes local needs and aspirations into consideration. You can learn more about the community investment fund and how to apply on our website: ssethermal.com/communities

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If you would like to get in touch to provide ideas, comments or suggestions, please contact: thermalcommunityinvestment@sse.com



