

# Winfrith Decommissioning Role of Purbeck District Council







Purbeck District Council

Thriving communities in balance  
with the natural environment

### Location of Winfrith

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# What are the issues?



## For the Council:

- Understanding the technical process of decommissioning on a complex site.
- Understanding multiple changes in ownership
- Security culture and restriction of information
- Roles of other regulators EA, H&S, NII, NDA

## For the Site:

- Understanding and interacting with multiple layers of local government and understanding their roles and drivers.
- Both keeping local councillors, parish councils and the public in the picture

# What are the issues continued

For both Council and site

- Understanding how legislation affects decommissioning process
- Use of language and acronyms (both sides)
- Staff continuity – long life of decommissioning program
- Competency and need for technical advice
- Culture

# What role can the District Council play

Liaison with site management to help them understand how local government works

To understand what the site is trying to achieve and facilitate:

- Planning role (in partnership with the County)
- Contaminated Land (Part IIA EPA)
- Liaison with the Parish Councils
- Assisting the site to return to heathland but also promote a viable Technology Park – Dorset Green

# Liaison with the site



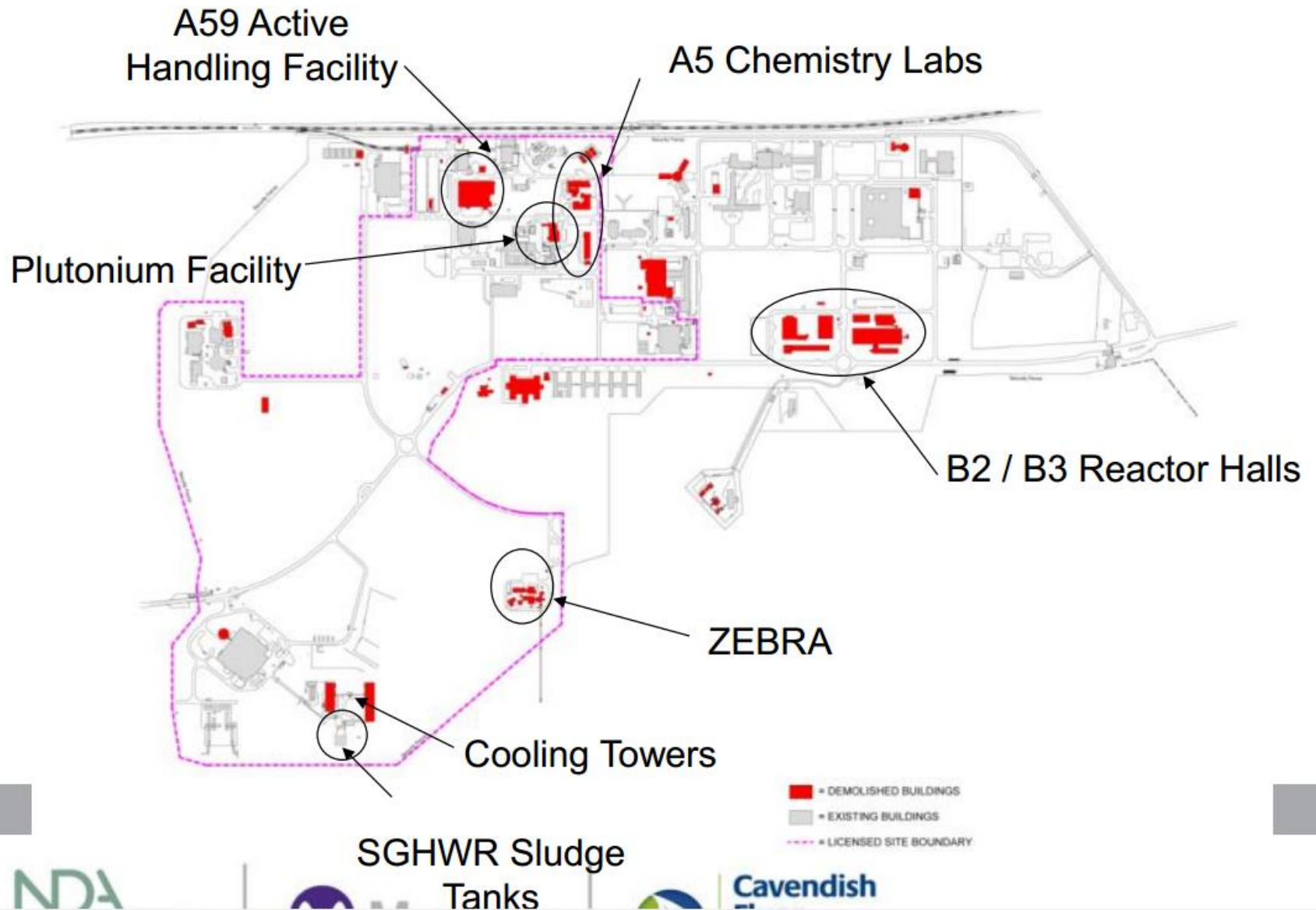
- Winfrith / Harwell Regulatory Forum
- Site Stakeholder Groups (SSGs)
- Site Visits and open days
- Site end state meetings with RSRL / Magnox, DCC / PDC
- Presentation to Councillors at meetings

Site taking on planning consultant

Consider entering into a planning performance agreement



# Winfrith Facilities already decommissioned



Site is on a lowland acid heathland – special environmental designations.

Aim: Open access by the public

Previous Use



End State





# Viable technology park

- Dorset Green Technology Park
- Dorset Police Headquarters

