

# NuLeAF – NRS

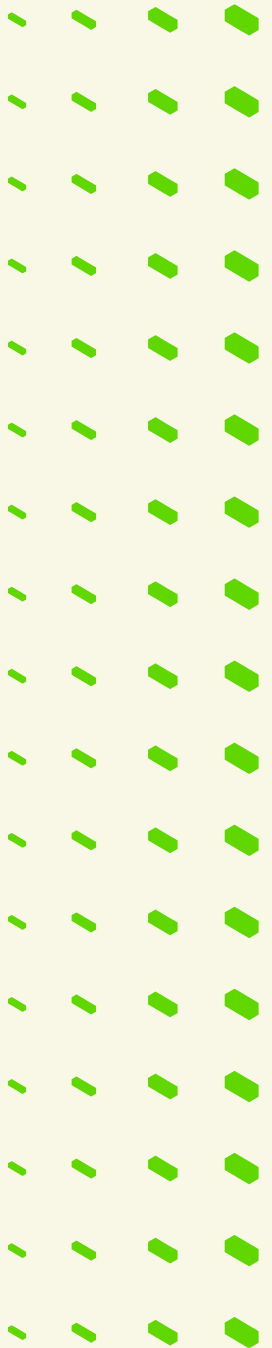
## April 2024

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# Nuclear Restoration Services Limited

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- In October 2023 Magnox rebranded.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 official name change to Nuclear Restoration Services Limited.
- Essentially the same company delivering the same work.
- Still wholly owned subsidiary of the NDA.
- You should only notice minor changes.



# Biodiversity Net Gain

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# Background

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Biodiversity net gain (BNG) is here, and it is mandatory on (nearly) all planning applications.

Developers must deliver a BNG of at least 10% to ensure a net result in more, or better quality, natural habitat than there was before.

Key matter for NRS sites. There is constant 'development' taking place at NRS sites so delivery of BNG is a key matter for us.



# Challenges for NRS

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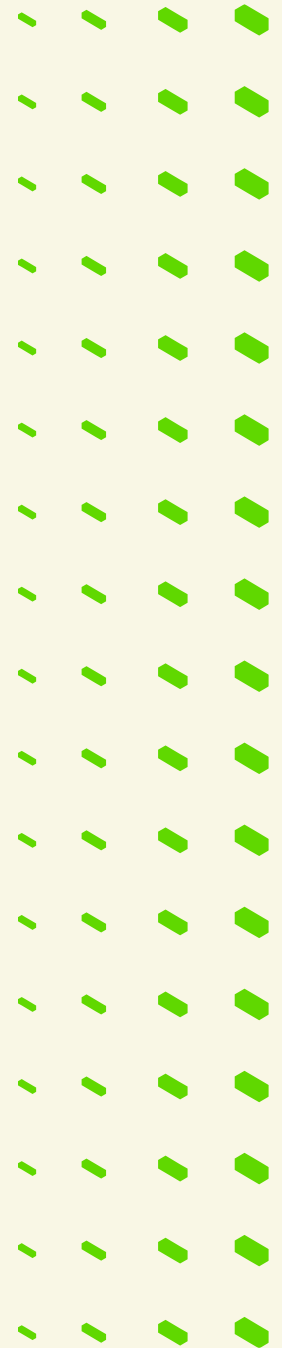
The Energy Act 2004 requires the NDA, and by extension NRS, to decommission designated nuclear installations. No option not to carry out development.

The sites and buildings we are decommissioning already exist. No option to undertake development elsewhere.

Significant BNG benefits secured must be managed for 30 years. This poses challenges on constrained, active, sites.

Decommissioning sites are large, but constrained, red line boundaries limited to the specific development.

This means delivering 'on site' BNG benefits could be challenging, such that 'off site' may be our preferred option.



# Other Challenges

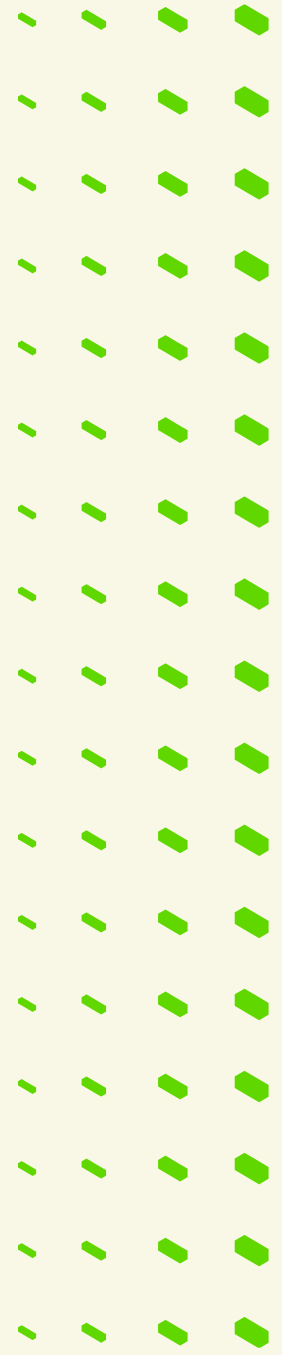
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Biodiversity Gain Plan (BGP) cannot be submitted until the decision has been issued.

A BGP is needed in all cases (even if no impact) and development cannot commence until BGP plan is approved.

New, untested, legislation that will take time to bed in as all parties 'find their feet'.

Risk around habitats degradation to 'reduce the baseline' and minimise the need to provide gains. Partly addressed via 'deliberate degradation' rules but there is less incentive for continued management to allow 'natural degradation' at sites. NRS wants to avoid this.



# Work completed to date

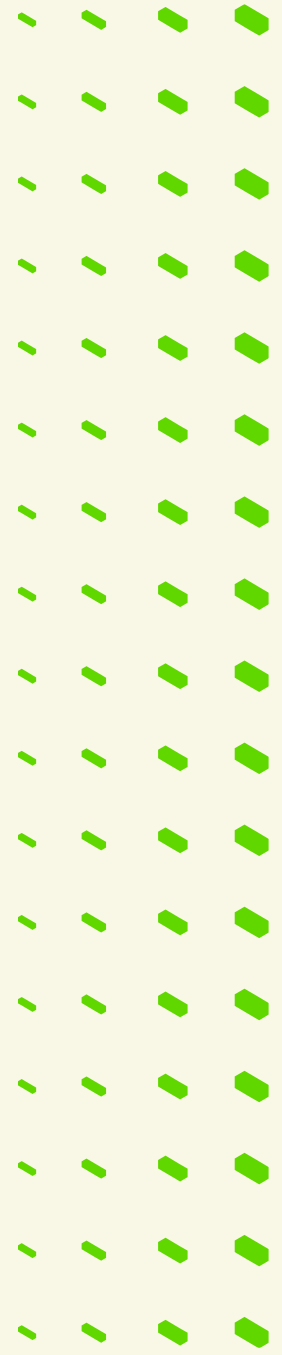
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Completed baseline habitat surveys of all sites.

Using this to try to direct development, where possible.

Initial conversations and shared baseline work and our intent to agree the baseline for all our sites.

Developed a proposed strategic approach to BNG.



# NRS Proposed approach to BNG

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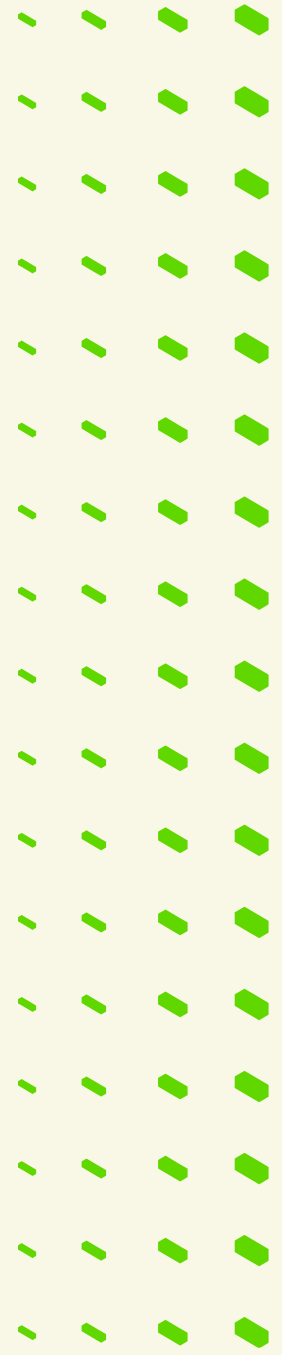
Baseline surveys to understand habitats.

Risk and Opportunities Master Plan (ROMP) for each site & Detailed Assessment of Risks (Ecological) (DARE) for each site.

These give the forward look to future development and what BNG opportunities can be delivered and associated timescales.

NRS is keen is to agree our habitat baselines with LPAs now and we will continue to maintain and improve biodiversity habitats.

Once we have agreed baseline hope to accumulate a biodiversity 'bank' that can be drawn down upon.



# Questions?

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