

The proposed ABWRs should not be situated on the west, but on the east coast, so prevailing winds take any radiation leaks over sea, not populated areas of the country. The leukaemia and cancer clusters found around the ABWRs in German, French and Swiss studies would indicate the need to situate them away from populated areas, which is nigh on impossible in our densely populated island.

There are also financial concerns as ABWRs have a poor performance record and we will already be overstretched to pay for Hinkley C, if it goes ahead. Adding Japanese (Hitachi) debt to French and Chinese (Hinkley C) debt will not help with our financial security. Can tax payers afford the risk? This would be a very unwise commitment for electricity production so far in the future, when reports show that the alternatives of marine and wind energy could provide all our electricity needs so much sooner.

Another concern is the continuing supply of nuclear fuel, being largely dependent on unstable African countries.

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