

Nick Oldfield – Belated Maiden Talk

Security measures should ensure that the risk of Russian cyber-attacks penetrating and hacking the defences of British power stations is 'pretty low' Kyrle Probus Club members were told on Thursday, 4 October.



Club member Nick Oldfield, whose academic career included a post in the research division at the Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB) was asked how vulnerable power stations were to a cyber-attack from Russia. He considered the 'stringent checks in place' reduced the possible danger. "I think there are other places that Russia would find easier to attack," Nick said.

Nick's expertise in the challenging and fast-evolving field of computer data and software development, and design projects for the nuclear inspectorate meant he was involved in equipment assessment and standard checks, taking him to power stations such as Didcot, Pembroke and Dungeness, and also to France, Germany and Sweden.