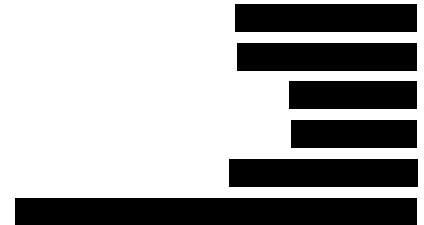


YOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Sirs

Yoxford Parish Council - Response to Sizewell C Preliminary Meeting Part 1
Registration Identification Number: 20026527

Yoxford Parish Council requests that the Examining Authority delays the beginning of the formal examination of the Sizewell C proposals for the following reasons:

1. A decision has not yet been made regarding the acceptability of the proposed changes to the Development Consent Order from NNB Generation Company. Should the Examining Authority accept these changes, significant work to integrate them into the Sizewell C application will need to be undertaken and time will be required for Interested Parties to change their Relevant Representations and register these with the Examining Authority prior to the formal start of the examination.
2. The formal examination of the Scottish Power Renewables (SPR) wind farms EA1N and EA2 has recently been extended and it is not expected to be completed until 6th July 2021. The cumulative effect of the SPR and the Sizewell C examinations will negatively impact and burden those Interested Parties taking part in both. This includes individuals, Town and Parish Councils and the Local Authorities.

3. The Suffolk County Council election is scheduled for 6th May 2021. Both the District and County Councillors are subject to purdah arrangements from 25th March 2021 therefore their ability to respond and discuss Sizewell C matters with Town and Parish Councils during this pre-election period is severely impacted. In addition, following the election, there will be a delay until a Cabinet Member is appointed to lead on Sizewell C matters.

4. The current COVID legislation restricts face-to-face meetings therefore Interested Parties with poor internet connections cannot engage with the examination properly. However, Yoxford Parish Council requests that the formal examination is conducted in a hybrid or blended manner to enable Interested Parties who do not wish to attend in person for health or other reasons to contribute virtually.

Yours faithfully

Sharon Smith

Clerk to Yoxford Parish Council