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To who it may concern

I have just tried reading the transcripts for the preliminary meetings in the 23/24th March and am concerned at the misinterpretations made by the recording device, along with the apparent video and sound issues that some people were experiencing.

This highlights the concerns raised by many that a project application of this significance cannot be fully or properly assessed by all parties involved.

I am also raising awareness of other issues that are impacting the way many are able to address this application. They are as follows:

1. The extension of the SPR examination (EA1N and EA2) until 6 July. The cumulative effect of both these examinations will have a major impact on anyone taking part in both - which applies to many individuals, Town and Parish Councils, as well as the District and County Council. Even if hearings do not clash, there is a great deal of material on both applications to be assessed, and the burden will further disadvantage Interested Parties.

2. PINS will not decide whether to accept EDF's new proposals until the examination is due to have started. Every single day lost will disadvantage those with limited resources. We urge PINS to delay the start of the examination until after this decision is taken.

3. The pre-election period for Suffolk County Council's elections begins on 14 April. Even after the elections, there is a delay until cabinet appointments are made, meaning there will be no Suffolk County Council Sizewell C lead in place until the end of May.

To add to this, I am concerned that the panel does not have an environmental scientist amongst it, but members that are qualified in law, town planning and civil engineering.

As stated by EDF, the key issue for building SZC Nuclear Power Station is to provide CO2 free energy and combat climate change, thus reducing its impacts on environments, ecosystems, lives and livelihoods, not just nationally but globally. It is therefore very important not think of climate change as a future event but to acknowledge its impacts now and the drastic changes happening to life around us. I recommend having to hand the State of Nature report 2019 as well as current data from the Suffolk Biodiversity Information Service and refer to these documents at each application for a change in landscape.

I would also ask if EDF have invested sufficient time and money in education and more local renewable energy production, that could reduce energy consumption as well as create localised economic benefits, prior to this application.

Finally, I wish to add my support to the work being carried out by Stop Sizewell C. They speak for many communities who simply wish to protect their homes, the countryside and the 'country way of life', all of which are under threat from this development and the cumulative negative impacts it will bring.

It is possible that you now may have a chance to visit the East Coast. If so, please visit Leiston to see for yourself how unbeneficial Sizewell A and B have been for it. And on your return, count the insects on your windscreen.

Thank you for your time.

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