

**Kelsale-cum-Carlton Parish Council written summary of oral submissions to  
Issue Specific Hearing 4 [Socio-Economic] with additional comments.  
For Deadline 5, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021**



## **2. Socio-economics**

### **Comments on Impacts & Opportunities for Local Economy/Employment/Skills:**

KcCPC endorse comments made by Mr Cusack of Middleton-cum-Fordley PC (McFPC) in respect of the economic disbenefits to our neighbouring Parishes. Like McFPC we see no upside, simply negative impacts to our Rural Parish.

Any financial benefit of the project is attributed to East of England, Regional, Local, Norfolk & Suffolk etc. but as the representative of KcCPC our focus is on impacts and disbenefits for our corner of Suffolk.

At present, for a range of reasons (including COVID-19) it is difficult recruiting staff in our part of Suffolk.

As you will be aware there is a substantial house building program underway in the East of England. According to recent analysis, of other projects (but explicitly excluding any SZC impacts) it will result in an estimated shortfall of 17,000 workers with the required employment/skills.

As requested, I attach a copy of the report prepared by CITB in respect of Skills Construction Needs - 5-year Outlook 2021 – 2025. I would refer you to pages 38 & 39.

(CITB is the Industrial Training Board (ITB) for the construction industry in Great Britain (Scotland, England and Wales). CITB uses its research and labour market intelligence to understand the sector's skills needs, and works with industry and government to make sure construction has the right skills, now and for the future.)

This is on top of a further report published on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021, which states there will be more than 15,000 extra green jobs in the East of England by 2035.

REview21, the Association for Renewable Energy and Clean Technology's (REA) Annual Report, projected that the number of people employed in the renewable energy and clean technology sector could increase by 15,200.

In 2019 the East of England renewable sector employed 10,800 people, and its current market value is £1.8billion.

But, using employment models and analysis of the government's current renewables policy, the renewable energy trade association projects that within 15 years 26,000 people will be employed in the sector. These figures do not include the projected workforce for the planned Sizewell C nuclear power station.

I also attach a copy of Dr Therese Coffey MP's recent newsletter; you will note on page 2, reference is also made to a further 13,500 (mainly skilled) jobs at the new Freeport in Felixstowe.

### **Comments on Impacts & Opportunities for Tourism:**

Much the same as McFPC, many visitors to our Parish come because of the; wildlife, Heritage Coast, ANOB, peace, tranquillity, dark skies and close proximity to RSPB Minsmere.

The ExA may be aware that, East Suffolk Council has just recently agreed to apply to become the 'City of Culture 2025', combining with Great Yarmouth Council. We are informed the whole District would be covered by the application, as the cultural heritage of the entire area is crucial to the application (including Sutton Hoo/Framlingham/Dunwich/Aldeburgh/Snape/Henham and the Heritage Coast from Pakefield to Felixstowe) and of course, one of the most important natural habitats in the country - RSPB Minsmere.

Tourists and visitors, putting it plainly, come to East Suffolk for the reasons listed; not to visit one of the largest construction sites in Europe.

### **3. Community issues**

#### **Comments on Community Issues are as follows:**

The views and concerns of KcCPC are contained in our REP2-351, and we look forward to reading the Applicants comments on that submission after they are published at deadline D5.

Monitoring and mitigation measures – we have a number of properties which will be impacted which are close to the proposed SLR (and indeed near the railway line at Clay Hills) which have been offered no form of compensation or indeed dialogue on the potential impact. We regard this as totally unsatisfactory.