

Issue Specific Hearing 4 (9 July 2021) – (ISH4) Socio-economic and Community Issues

Summary of East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Oral Case

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Glossary of Acronyms

- DCO Development Consent Order
- ExA Examining Authority
- **EEAST –** East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust
- HDV Heavy Duty Vehicles
- **HGV** Heavy Goods Vehicles
- LIR Local Impact Report
- **RR** Relevant Representation
- SCC Suffolk County Council
- WR Written Representation
- IESCCG Ipswich & East Suffolk Clinical Commissioning Group
- SNEE Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care System
- **HWG** Health Working Group
- PHM Population Health Management
- ICS Integrated Care System

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This submission is a written version of the oral case provided by East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust on Friday 9th July 2021 at Issue Specific Hearing 4.

Examining Authority's Agenda Item / Question	East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	References	
Agenda Item 1 – Welcome, introductions and arrangements for these Issue Specific Hearings			
Agenda Item 2 - Impacts on and opportunities for:			
Not recorded – EEAST not involved.	The EEAST was not part of this section of the hearing agenda		
Agenda Item 3 - In respect of community issues to include:			
Not recorded – EEAST not involved.			
	Session 4		
Influx of non home based workers	EEAST was not part of this section of the hearing agenda		
Emergency services impacts, and implications for community safety	Good afternoon, sir. I'm Craig King I'm the resilience manager for the East of England Ambulance Service and we provide accident and emergency services and non-emergency patient transport services across the East of England region, including the geographical catchment area associated with the proposed Sizewell C project. We submitted the section 56 relevant representations and responded to the applicants proposed changes consultation in September and December 2020, respectively, and attended the preliminary examination meeting in March 2021, where we requested an extension to the procedural timeline (First draft 23rd July), to undertake impact modelling and review the Statement of Common Ground due to the extenuating circumstances and unprecedented demand we've faced and continue to face as		

a result of the Coronavirus pandemic. The Trust continues to operate under severe pressure, with many staff and resources being redeployed to areas of critical functions with a focus on delivering front line operations and patient care. East of England Ambulance Service, abbreviated to EEAST, are in a unique position that intersects health, transport and community safety and as such have respectfully requested participation in health, transport and community safety working groups.

EEAST have not been requested to attend the Issue Specific Hearings in relation to Transportation, and we would take this opportunity to reiterate our position that as a 'Blue Light' Emergency Agency we have the same transportation concerns as our blue light partner agencies in Suffolk Constabulary and Suffolk Fire Rescue Service due to the shared nature of our blue light responding duties. We will continue to work with Suffolk Constabulary and Suffolk Fire and Rescue to address the areas of transportation and community safety. EEAST would however, respectfully request that their position as a Blue Light agency is acknowledged and they were afforded the opportunity to present concerns or points of order to the Transportation Review working groups as necessary.

Whilst findings from Hinkley Point C and the impacts on Blue Light services are helpful, due to the demographic and geographical difference between Suffolk and Avon and Somerset mitigation secured by Blue Light Services to reflect the impact of Hinkley Point C cannot simply be transposed across to SZC and Suffolk's needs. With regard to the health impacts, EEAST are working closely with the Suffolk and North East Essex ICS, the Lead Commissioner for the Trust. Annual funding agreements are made via our commissioners, and therefore any financial mitigation requests for EEAST will

be made by our commissioners. EEAST have undertaken impact modelling on the potential increase in 999 activity to the local area (excluding those to the construction site) and the assumed uplift in 999 calls based on the DCO data. From our helpful conversations with the Health Working Group we understand that this will be managed through our regular contract negotiations with our Lead Commissioners and system partners which would negate the need for an in depth detailed technical model. With reference to the topic specific to today's hearing, EEAST would like to formally state their concerns in the following areas: Recruitment and retention of staff within the area · Support for skills and education initiatives such as our Community First Responders and Public education and their initiatives. During the peak tourism period there is an increase in demand on our services particularly around coastal areas, which require specific targeted planning • Support in developing and implementing monitoring mechanisms and clear lines of governance such as reporting to the appropriate working groups such as the **Transport Review Group** The impact of congestion on the traffic network remains a concern to EEAST due to the nature of our business and ability to achieve our ambulance response times. We support the position of Suffolk Constabulary and Suffolk Fire Rescue Service in this regard. We will continue to work collaboratively with the Applicant, our health system partners, and our Blue Light partners to mitigate these risks. Thank you for your time. Sports and recreation provision and assessment, EEAST was not part of this section of the hearing agenda

Health effects of a 9-12 year construction period on	EEAST was not part of this section of the hearing agenda	
the local community		
Effects of the freight strategy on the health and wellbeing of the local communities	EEAST was not part of this section of the hearing agenda	
Monitoring and mitigation measures	EEAST was not part of this section of the hearing agenda	