Representation to Sizewell C Project Submission for Deadline 5

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On Behalf of

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I am making this representation further to the Issues Specific Hearing of the hearing which was held week commencing 12th July 2021 and dealt in particular with landscape and visual impact issues.

In our submission for Deadline 3, we set out our professional opinion on the borrow pit proposal which is in affect a large mineral extraction landfill activity which will have a substantive detrimental effect on our clients property.

On the basis that our clients are facing land being compulsory acquired on their eastern boundary for this activity, it will have an impact on their existing farming system but also very importantly on the residential amenity of both the whole Estate, at which center lies and is a Grade II Listed property, whilst one of our client's residential properties, will only be 100m from the boundary of the western side of the borrow pit and another, only 200m.

With the resulting noise, adverse lighting and the visual intrusions through significant material being heaped above ground and boundary level. Although we understand that the applicant will construct bunds, we suspect that they will not be completely successful in mitigating this detrimental effect.

In addition to the very nature of the work, our submission to Deadline 3 also included concerns which we now reiterate about the general hours of work proposed. Currently, there are two shifts proposed covering a 24 hour period:-

Day Shift 7am - 11pmNight Shift 11pm - 7am

We would urge that any operations at the borrow pit are limited more tightly than that to commonly used hours of work in general mineral operations. These are typically 7.30am – 6pm during daylight hours and restricting work in the hours of darkness.

We would also ask that work is limited to only 5 days of the week excluding weekend working given the potential disturbance to our clients, their property and related occupiers and also the village of Eastbridge and its numerous residents and visitors.

The visual intrusion will be heightened by the degree of illumination envisaged, which again we referred to in our Deadline 3 submission. We consider the planning of lighting towers in this area wholly inappropriate in such a sensitive rural environment in an AONB.

We reiterate our concerns about the degree of noise being potentially generated from these activities and have concerns that the existing base line survey undertaken by the applicant is not of a satisfactory nature or standard as advised by our client's noise specialist. This is necessitating their own surveys at added costs accordingly. We refer in more detail in relation to the compulsory purchase issues arising from their proposals including on the borrow pit land in Issue Specific Hearings in the week commencing 16th August.