

Mitigation /Blighting : Inspectorate Specific Hearing

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As the applicant is aware, the cumulative impact on our community will be significant with all elements of the development being in close proximity to the Eastbridge & Theberton with pollution including light dust noise this Includes a spoil heaps of 35 metres (115') and Borrow Pits within 400metre of the nearest property in Eastbridge

At present the applicant has identified an small area within the development, which they believe will be effected by blight. However interestingly the properties included in this area in the main appear to be owned by EDF

Within our meetings with the applicant on areas of Common Ground, we as a Parish Council ask them to accept property blighting as an issue, my understanding is that the applicant has failed to recognise Property Blighting in its truest sense

I would ask the applicant what exactly is the difference between Hinkley and Sizewell as we have evidenced that they have purchased properties and paid compensation within that Hinkley C area

So surely they have accepted blighting at Hinkley by their action in compensating and purchasing of many properties, which were in excess of 1mile of the development

So the present stance by the applicant, gives our community significant concerns, in that, if a legal requirement is not in place within the overall framework of the DCO and or the Section 106, the applicant, will merely treat us as collateral damage,

Indirectly they will be asking us as a community, to financially support their project, investing thousands of pounds of our of lost equity within our homes into their corporate pockets

I personal along with others, have no wish to become an investor in the Sizewell C project, when I don't even receive shares.

So can we have a positive response from the applicant

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