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I am grateful to the Inspectorate for the opportunity to contribute to this afternoon's discussion. I am speaking today representing Councillor Paul Ashton for Yoxford Parish Council, who is unable to attend, as well as a personal Interested Party.

Noise and Vibration

Yoxford Parish council is concerned about noise and vibration from increased traffic along the A 1120 throughout the project and, particularly, from the heavy traffic that will be experienced on the A12 approaching the junction with the B1122 in the early years of the project. Having listened to the discussion on noise and vibration receptors, we would like confirmation that there will be detectors on the A12 between the junction with The Old Highway and the B1122 and, if possible, in Yoxford High Street.

Air Quality

Yoxford Parish Council is concerned about the further deterioration of air quality on the A1120 (Yoxford High Street to the A 12) and on the A 12 itself from the 30 mile limit to the south to the junction with the B1122, especially in the 'early years' of the project, before the opening of the Sizewell Link Road (SLR) when there will be a large volume of traffic on the A12 from the south. We are particularly concerned about air pollution around Yoxford Primary School and its approaches. This school is only 100m from the A 1120/A12 junction where considerable congestion is anticipated. This concern was highlighted earlier in the hearing by Mr Lawrence Moss having used digital monitoring equipment in the area. Although the applicant attempted to discredit the evidence from digital monitoring, it became clear from the discussion that the monitoring techniques used by the applicant, showing averages over a year, are not appropriate for measuring air quality at key times during individual days which is what will affect children and parents at this school. There needs to be better air monitoring arrangements around this sensitive area.

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