



The Sizewell C Project

9.10.11 Statement of Common Ground - Royal Mail

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Status of the SOCG

1.1.1 This Statement of Common Ground ('SoCG') has been prepared in respect of the application for development consent under the Planning Act 2008 ('the Application') for the proposed Sizewell C Project. This version 01, dated 27th May 2021, has been prepared through a programme of engagement between NNB Generation Company (SZC) Limited ('SZC Co.') as the Applicant and Royal Mail, referred to as 'the parties'. The parties will continue productive discussions held to date in order to finalise the SoCG.

1.2 Purpose of this document

1.2.1 The purpose of this SoCG is to set out the position of the parties arising from the application for development consent for the construction and operation of the Sizewell C nuclear power station and together with the proposed associated development (hereafter referred to as 'the Sizewell C Project'). This SoCG has been prepared in accordance with the 'Guidance for the examination of applications for development consent' published in March 2015 by the Department of Communities and Local Government (hereafter referred to as 'DCLG guidance').

1.2.2 The aim of this SoCG is, therefore, to inform the Examining Authority and provide a clear position on the state and extent of discussions and agreement between the parties on matters relating to the proposed Sizewell C Project.

1.2.3 This SoCG does not seek to replicate information which is available elsewhere within the DCO application documents. All documents are available on the Planning Inspectorate website.

1.3 Structure of this Statement of Common Ground

1.3.1 Chapter 2 provides a schedule which detail the position on relevant matters between the parties, including any matters where discussions are ongoing. This is underpinned by Appendix A, which provides a summary of engagement undertaken to establish this SoCG.

2 POSITION OF THE PARTIES

2.1.1 Table 2.1 provides an overview of the position of the parties and any further actions planned.



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Table 2.1: Position of the Parties

Ref.	Matter	Royal Mail Position	SZC Co.'s Position	Agreed / Not Agreed / In Progress
1.	Impact of construction traffic on Royal Mail's ability to meet its statutory obligations	<p>Royal Mail's postal sorting and delivery operations rely heavily on road communications. Royal Mail's ability to provide efficient mail collection, sorting and delivery to the public is sensitive to changes in the capacity of the highway network. Royal Mail is a major road user nationally. Disruption to the highway network and traffic delays can have direct consequences on Royal Mail's operations, its ability to meet the Universal Service Obligation and comply with the regulatory regime for postal services thereby presenting a significant risk to Royal Mail's business.</p> <p>Royal Mail has seven operational facilities within or in the vicinity of</p>	<p>NNB Generation Company (SZC) Limited and / or its Contractors will provide not less than one month's notice to Royal Mail of any closure, diversion or other means of traffic management being put into place and will advise at that time also of any other known works affecting any diversionary route, with particular regard to Royal Mail's operational facilities identified on the attached plan or any updated plan as supplied by Royal Mail.</p>	Agreed

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		<p>Sizewell C and its associated infrastructure as detailed in the attached plan.</p> <p>In exercising its statutory duties, on a daily basis Royal Mail vehicles use the A12 and all local roads in the vicinity of Sizewell C and its associated infrastructure. Any additional congestion or traffic management these roads during the construction phase has the potential to significantly disrupt Royal Mail's operations.</p>		
2.	Construction Traffic Management Plan	<p>Royal Mail requests that the final CTMP includes a mechanism to inform major road users (including Royal Mail) about works affecting the local highways network (with particular regard to Royal Mail's operational facilities near the DCO application boundary as identified on the attached plan.</p> <p>Specifically, the CTMP will provide that that during the construction phase Royal Mail is notified by</p>	<p>NNB Generation Company (SZC) Limited and / or its Contractors will be responsible for setting up a means of communication with major road users, including Royal Mail, on any construction works which may affect the local road network. This will include details of any road closures or diversions or other traffic management measures that may affect travel on those routes with particular regard</p>	Agreed

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		EDF/SCZ at least one month in advance on any proposed road closures / diversions / alternative access arrangements and hours of working.	to Royal Mail's operational facilities as shown on the plan or any updated plan supplied by Royal Mail. Full details on the means of communication will be set out in the final Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP). The final CTMP will include a provision for a mechanism to inform major road users about works affecting the local highways network.	
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APPENDIX A: ENGAGEMENT ON THE SOCG

A.1.1. The preparation of this SoCG has been informed by a programme of discussions between the parties, as are summarised in Table 2.2.

Table 2.2: SOCG meetings held between the parties

Date	Details of the Meeting
13th April 2021	Initial discussion on SoCG
5th August 2021	Second Meeting on SoCG

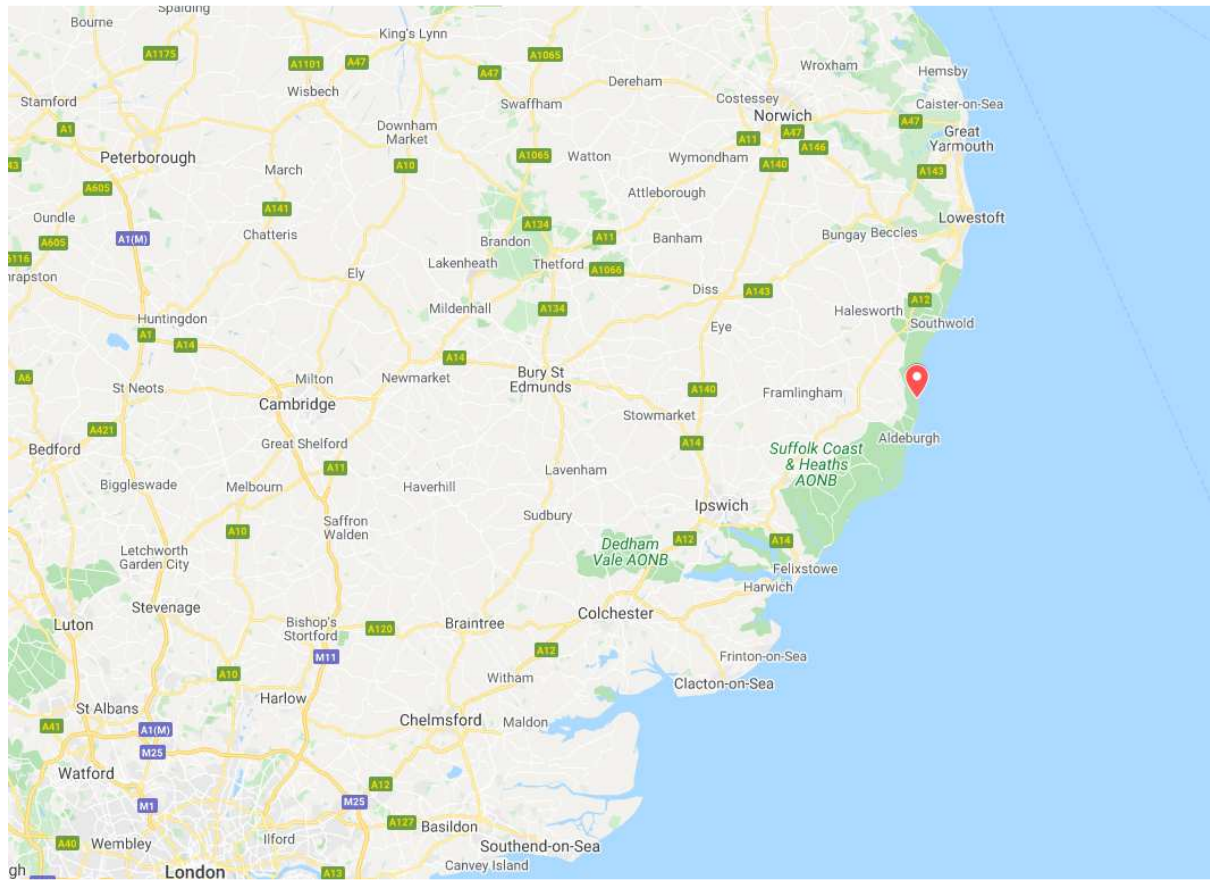
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Job Title:	[REDACTED]
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Duly authorised for and on behalf of Royal Mail	

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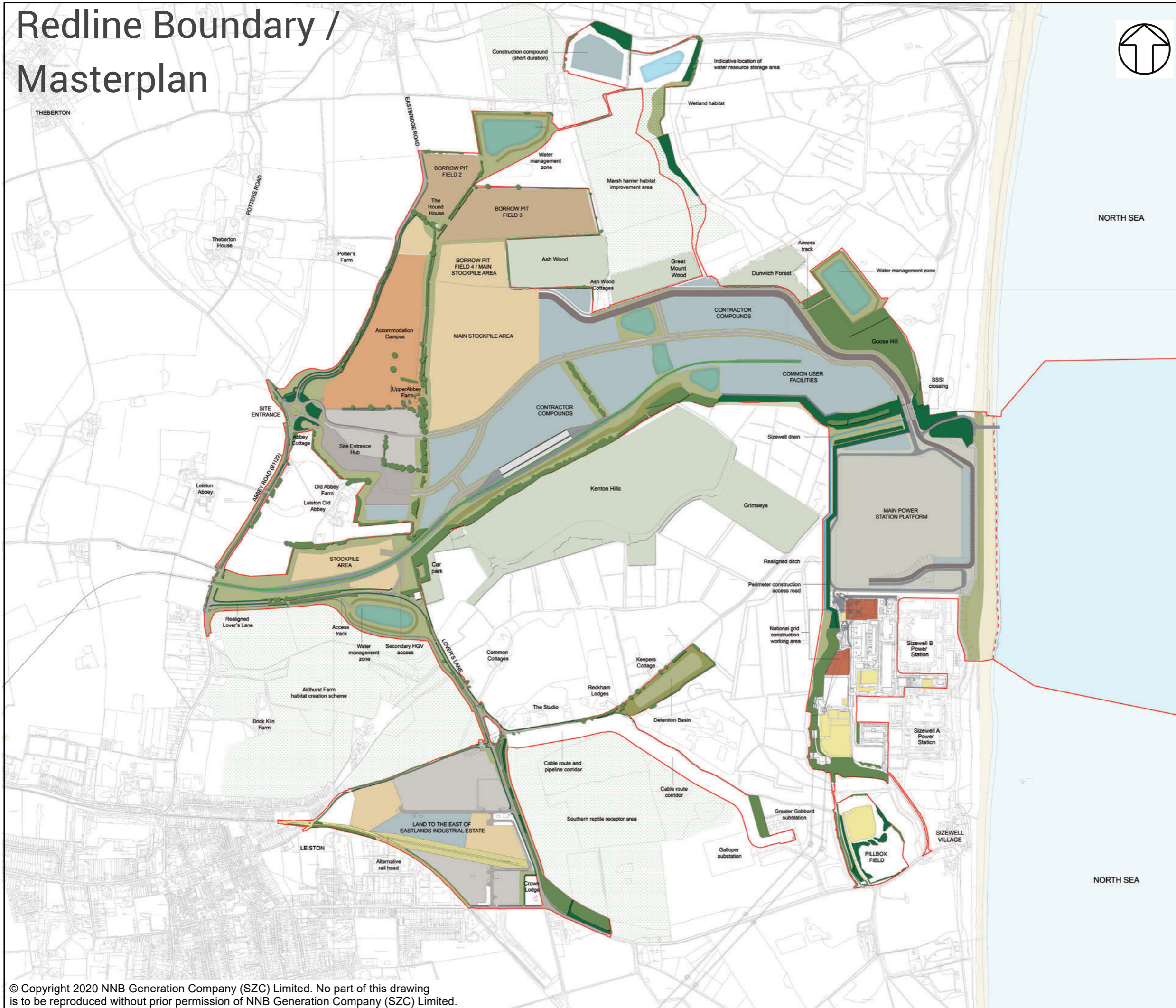
Site Location



RM Site Distance Schedule

BE No.	Site Name	Street	Postcode	Distance
1627	LEISTON DO	14 SIZEWELL ROAD	IP16 4AA	0.4
1632	SAXMUNDHAM DO/RET/PAR	48 HIGH STREET	IP17 1AA	0.8
1622	HALESWORTH DO/PAR	NORWICH ROAD	IP19 8AA	6.7
2100	IPSWICH PAR	CHARNWOOD COMPOUND	IP13 9HE	7.6
2117	WICKHAM MARKET PAR	POST OFFICE 36 HIGH STREET	IP13 0QS	7.8
1636	WOODBIDGE DO/RTW	9 CUMBERLAND STREET	IP12 4AA	13
1608	BECCLES DO	SMALLGATE	NR34 9AA	13.6

Redline Boundary / Masterplan



NOTES

KEY

- Sizewell C Main Development Site Boundary
- Demarcation Line
- Main Land Uses**
- Main Power Station Platform
- Contractor Compounds
- National Grid Construction Working Area
- Materials Storage Areas
- Borrow Pit Areas
- Accommodation Campus
- Site Entrance Hub
- Water Management Zone
- Relocated facilities construction areas
- Site Infrastructure**
- Access Road
- Haul Road
- Rail Head
- Rail Route and Corridor
- Other Land Uses**
- Existing vegetation to be retained (woodland/hedgerows/trees)
- Existing principal woodland areas outside redline boundary
- Proposed construction phase planting
- Buffer zone
- Land to be used for mitigation or compensation

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 SIZEWELL C
 ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT
 VOLUME 2
 CHAPTER 3
 DESCRIPTION OF CONSTRUCTION

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 MAIN DEVELOPMENT SITE
 CONSTRUCTION MASTERPLAN
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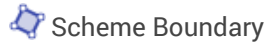
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Scheme Boundary



Highway Improvement Works

- YOxford Roundabout Highway Improvement Location
- A12/A144 Highway Improvement Location
- A12/B1119 Highway Improvement Locations
- A1094/B1069 Highway Improvement Locations

HGV Routes (A12)

- Route 1b
- Route 1a
- Route 2a
- Route 2b
- Route 3a
- Route 3b

Royal Mail Properties

- LEISTON DO
- SAXMUNDHAM DO/RET/PAR
- HALESWORTH DO/PAR
- IPSWICH PAR
- WICKHAM MARKET PAR
- WOODBRIDGE DO/RTW
- BECCLES DO

