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To: SizewellC

Subject: Huge concerns with Sizewell C Plans

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To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to raise concerns around the plans for the Sizewell C nuclear power station. I really think that this is a terrible idea for a number of reasons, just some of which I have listed below:

- The cost is enormous. I don't see why we should invest in this and not renewables such as offshore wind. Additionally nobody knows just how this will be paid for.
- Sizewell C would really damage the local economy. While EDF has claimed that it will drive new jobs, there is no evidence of this. In addition to this, it would deter the people who come to visit the Suffolk coast and tourism drives 40million GBP into the area annually.
- The site is wholly within the Suffolk Coast & Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). Construction will cut the AONB in half for a decade. The site adjoins internationally famous Royal Society for the Protection of Birds Minsmere Reserve and home to some of Sizewell Marshes Site of Scientific Interest will be built on. While the environmental effects alone are very concerning, this will also have a significant knock-on effects for tourism and therefore the local economy, affecting jobs and livelihoods.
- The proposal also includes a huge volume of land-based delivery of construction materials. The extra load that these deliveries pose will cause significant disruption to a much larger area, turning a quiet and peaceful corner of the country to a noisy, congested space, affecting potential tourism to a much larger area. This would be damaging not only for tourism but for the people who live there.
- There is plenty of evidence of the eroding coastline in Suffolk. Modelling from Climate Central has shown large portions of the Sizewell estate below the annual flood level by 2050. While the site itself may be protected by flood defences, flooding could easily affect access to the site for safety workers both for the nuclear plant as well as the onward distribution of energy. EDF's plans to mitigate these significant risks have not been sufficiently set out.

These are just some of the numerous reasons why Sizewell C is a hugely concerning and potentially dangerous plan.

There is plenty of information to suggest that other sites would be better, safer and more welcomed. I urge you to consider these.

Thank you, Eleanor Hermon