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To: SizewellC

Subject: Final comments on the planning application

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Dear Sir,

I have been following the enquiry into Sizewell C for the past six months, and would like my final opinions to be noted by the enquiry. I am Suffolk born but no longer live there, but visit twice yearly for holidays in the surrounding areas. When I first became aware of this latest application a few years ago I was appalled, as I thought this had been dismissed as totally impractical years ago. After six months of the inquiry my views have not changed at all, this project has no merit whatsoever.

This is the wrong project in the wrong place. A massive construction site for 10+ years with massive knock on effects on the surrounding areas of outstanding natural beauty, SSSI's and nature reserves. Built on a coastline that is eroding fast to the south and north, it's sea defences cannot cover the whole east coast so what will happen to the waste stored on site in a hundred years time? A construction site with poor transport links to the rest of the UK. A construction site where EDF hadn't even included such a basic thing as water supply in the initial application.

A project that involves a largely experimental reactor design with no real long term production expertise. A project whose cost is astronomical and will probably increase - the claim that they will benefit from the experience of Hinkley C is false, the logistics of the construction site are totally different. A project that EDF and it's partners admit they cannot afford to build without money from UK electricity users. A project that won't provide any (if any) mitigation to climate change until 2040 at the earliest.

I could go on and on through all the issues raised during the enquiry, but to my mind the money involved would be far better invested in long term grid storage, to make the most efficient use of the renewables which will be coming on line in the next ten to twelve years. This is surely the way forward, rather than building a massive, inflexible power plant that we cannot even be sure will work, and will cause untold damage to the surrounding area.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Salt