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Dear Sir,

Further to my letter of 4th. March 2019 I would like to emphasise my very great concern for what you are already doing on this vulnerable part of the coast.

Nuclear power might be carbon neutral, though even that is questionable, but the disturbances you have created already in you preparation to build Sizewell C and D are releasing huge quantities of carbon dioxide.

Peatland, if not disturbed or dried out is a better carbon storehouse than the rainforest, taken acre by acre. To stockpile the carbon they need plants to absorb the CO₂ through photosynthesis, and water to create anaerobic conditions and so stop CO₂ from escaping.

Peatlands collect carbon, purify water, protect against flooding and support biodiversity.

They hold ten times more carbon per acre than other ecosystems so can become powerful greenhouse chimneys when disrupted so it is imperative that they maintain their ecological integrity.

Scientific researchers have been working hard and their findings are vital to ensure that the welfare of this planet is maintained.

Your work at Sizewell in disturbing the acid grassland, heathland, marshes and now Coronation Wood is nothing short of vandalism.

I know that the council has given you the go-ahead but that permission was granted in ignorance.

I therefore urge you to rethink your plans and retreat.

Nuclear energy has priced itself out of the market anyway so would it not be both political and wise to stop all activity in preparation for a project that, if sense prevails, will never see the light of day.

Renewables are the way forward so perhaps you could use this land for solar panels? The peat can lie undisturbed below

Yours sincerely,

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