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To: [East Anglia ONE North](#); [East Anglia Two](#)
Subject: Deadline 9 response from Aldeburgh Town Council
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Dear Planning Inspectorate colleagues and Case Team for SPR EA1N and EA2

On behalf of Aldeburgh Town Council (ATC) and those who live in, work in, and visit the area:

We note the extension which has been granted to the Examination phase which will now not end until 6th July. We are surprised by the very short notice of this decision by the Sec of State. Yesterday at the Preliminary Meeting (part 2) for the Sizewell C DCO your colleague Ex-Authority rejected our very fair, reasoned and robust requests to delay the start of the Examination phase for this project, so that it would not run alongside EA1N and EA2. Although both PINS teams have pledged to avoid key dates of the other, this does not really assist as it is the work we do between deadlines and Hearings which will be adversely impacted. We genuinely want to be able to commit the time and resources these projects demand to enable us to engage meaningfully and to represent our community and businesses, and would request that you speak to the Ex-Authority for SZC DCO to advise them of why you needed to request an extension and to support our request that they do not begin the Examination phase until after 6th July. To run these two NSIPs concurrently in the same geographic area affecting the same cohort of people is unfair, and we are aware of the comments made by Statutory Consultees who will also find this extremely difficult to sustain.

ATC remain in objection to the overall proposals for EA1N and EA2 and are seriously concerned about the level of detail still not provided, and the many outstanding matters especially in regard to; Cumulative Impact, Flood risk, Noise & Light Pollution during construction, Flood risk and Noise during operation, the siting decision (which we feel should be reviewed in the light of the Five Estuaries decision) the significant negative impact of worker traffic, AILs and HGVs during construction and the huge adverse consequences of the landfall, cable trenches and main site on the health and well-being of people, wildlife & habitats, the AONB and the economy of the area built over many years focussed on tourism. It is also unclear how responsibility for mitigation will be shared between NG and EA1N and EA2, or how these will be delivered should the projects be sold on, and ATC is yet to be consulted on these matters (amount, use of and management of).

As a consequence, we are considering our options with regards to a Statement of Common Ground and/or Protective Provisions.

We are further distressed by the recent example of extremely poor communications and arrogant lack of liaison (especially following the Hearing on the draft DCO where we were advised of the great lengths SPR will go to in liaison with the community, and their work in partnership with ES Council and SC Council.) Last Friday at least six works accesses were set up with a plethora of speed limit signs, countdown yardage to the site entrance etc.

across Thorpeness, Aldringham, Sizewell and Friston. These Highway signs did not include the Traffic Management company information, many were dangerously positioned, and some were even placed on private land. Those in Friston and Aldringham were removed within 24 hours, but those in Thorpeness and Sizewell area remain. We would like to know if they were originally required why were some removed, and if not - why were they installed in the first place? We are also aware of incidents where contractors entered private land without owners' permission to begin exploratory works and large equipment remains set up in areas of Sizewell adjacent to public footpaths and very close by to horse paddocks. Best practise was not followed in these matters despite the Highways Authority stating they advised SPR to follow best practise, and this is a really shameful example of the Applicants attitude and work ethic which does not give us any confidence of the Applicant's ability to deliver EA1N and EA2, nor does it begin to build trust within the local community.

Many thanks and kindest regards
Cllr Marianne Fellowes