

# IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR EAST SUFFOLK COMMUNITIES & VISITORS

**THIS IS NOT ABOUT SIZEWELL C**

**THIS IS ABOUT NATIONAL GRID'S SEA LINK PROJECT**

**THE NATIONAL GRID ENERGY ONSLAUGHT**

**IS NOT A DONE DEAL!**

**National Grid PLC**, an international company, with mainly American investors, **not a British government body**, has yet to receive approval for its proposed onshore energy infrastructure along the Suffolk coast.

These plans threaten to industrialise our unique Heritage Coast, destroying landscapes, communities and biodiversity. But the good news is:

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO ACT**

**A BETTER, SMARTER ALTERNATIVE EXISTS**

Other North Sea countries have developed a cheaper, faster, less destructive offshore grid alternative.

This is our best chance to oppose the unnecessary onshore developments proposed for Friston, Saxmundham, and surrounding areas. *Over 80 football pitches of concrete structures up to 26 m high are proposed along with multiple cable trenches criss-crossing the countryside.*

**WHAT YOU CAN DO RIGHT NOW**

Please **sign up** as an **Interested Party (IP)**  
from **24 April** or thereabouts.

Once the Inspectors have formally approved the application ready for examination. We have **only four weeks to sign up**  
from the announcement date.

At the **Development Consent Order (DCO) Examination**, independent Inspectors will scrutinise the merits of the application and we will have the right to object

*Your help ensure our voices are heard.*

Go to:

**[www.sign-up.uk](http://www.sign-up.uk)**

Please share this message with others in your community.  
**Numbers matter!**

# WHY OFFSHORE IS BETTER

## It's Cheaper

An offshore grid could save the UK at least £6 billion. Our North Sea neighbours—including Belgium, the Netherlands, and Denmark—are already reaping the benefits.

## It's Cleaner and Fairer

Offshore infrastructure reduces the drastic impact on local communities and the countryside. In contrast, National Grid's onshore proposals would cut through protected landscapes, damage ecosystems, and harm economic and social wellbeing. The A12 would be even more gridlocked and rural lanes dangerously congested. About 1200 extra HGVs would fill our roads during 10 to 12 years of construction.

Tourists would go to quieter, more attractive places. A 15% year on year decline in tourism is estimated by an independent research specialist resulting in significant job losses and a £1 billion loss in revenues over 10 years.

Local communities in Belgium, Netherlands, Germany and Denmark have been fully involved in decisions about hub sites from the outset. We must be too!

Offshore solutions opting for hubs located at pre-industrialised sites closer to demand will be proposed for other parts of the country, so why not here?

## It's Faster

By avoiding contentious onshore infrastructure, offshore energy pooling will accelerate the transition and help us reach climate goals more effectively.

## Please donate!

We need donations to help us fund legal support and specialist consultants in flood risk, traffic studies, noise, ecology, landscape and planning – so that we can challenge National Grid during the DCO examinations. Please donate online at GoFundMe: [www.gofundme.com/f/suffolk-energy-action-solutions](https://www.gofundme.com/f/suffolk-energy-action-solutions)



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