

I am particularly grateful to you for raising Action Point 16 following the Issue Specific Hearing on 11 November 2025. Also, the transport impact Actions.

Lessons learned during Nemo Link's construction appear key as to how the Kent end of Sea Link's construction should be undertaken.

I think that the applicant's record of adhering to its commitments, both on construction method and proper mitigation according to the Kent Wildlife Trust, are to date at best poor and at worst devastatingly bad. If trenchless digging is not undertaken the results at Aldeburgh will without doubt be devastating.

I spoke at the Enquiry as a resident (and in support of Aldeburgh Town Council's representations), and I'd like to further illustrate that already, due to traffic increase and road work disruption by two existing NSIPs it's increasingly difficult to travel about.

I was hoping that a family member, briefly visiting from overseas could visit us from central London on a Sunday. Combined with works on the Sizewell branch railway line and mainline, the train journey time from Newbury Park to Saxmundham Station on this coming November Sunday 23rd – in common with several other dates - could be 4 hours and 10 minutes with 4 changes. Add on 26 minutes travel to Liverpool Street Station, our relation having chosen an hotel in the City so as to be accessible, and this would be the usual terminus for our rail travel to London), car ride from Saxmundham to Aldeburgh (20 minutes) and we are guaranteed not to be seeing her. A journey of about 90 miles with an average travel speed of under 20 mph hour seems a little too much to ask most people to undertake.

I can't imagine this area will see many tourists making the trek here more than once if they experience something similar. We try to not use cars where feasible and stick to public transport; it appears if Sea Link comes we might not be able to use the road network much in any case so may not have to make that choice.