

## THE SEALINK LAND GRAB

A secure electricity network is needed but current energy projects will have catastrophic impacts. Nobody is calling SPR or NG to account. Routinely ignored Ofgem hasn't the power to make a difference. National Grid, predominantly owned by American and British shareholders, is a misnomer existing for profit. They are NSIP empowered to compulsory purchase fields at low prices from local farmers, becoming brownfield sites their value increases, ultimately becoming 30-60 times more valuable as Coastal development sites. A NG Landgrab.

The beautiful Heritage Coast wide open skies and ancient oak trees, inspiring artists, writers, musicians, walkers and cyclists is set to become an industrial hub, equivalent to Zeebrugge or Rotterdam. Sealink leads the way.

The Sandlings walk, through Woodbridge, Snape, Friston and Knodishall, peppered with sites of Special Scientific Interest like Sutton Hoo, is due to be covered with Sealink infrastructure. An ancient henge was

recently uncovered at Sternfield. There are likely others.

North Warren, Britain's oldest RSPB, home and breeding ground to rare birds will be tunnelled by Sealink Network reinforcement cabling. Wildlife beware.

National Grid employ SF6 switching systems, using Sulphur Hexafluoride, the most potent greenhouse gas known. It has global warming potential 24,300 times greater than CO2.

Given virtual Carte Blanche to cheap and nasty development NG and SPR are real winners, able to sell their business in a few years. 50% of EA3 and 40% of EA1N already sold to Abu Dhabi Masdar and Australian Macquarie Green Investment group.

Government ignores its responsibilities to the environment, farming, wildlife and local communities, passing the buck to NG and SPR. England deserves better.

Sizewell C, Sealink, Lionlink, the huge Suffolk Water recycling, transfer and storage project, Friston substation, Saxmundham converters, the 1174 acre Helios solar and battery park all in a 5 square mile area is considered vandalism.

With 2030 an improbable target, a pause and rethink are needed to properly coordinate Energy projects and consider the impacts both locally and nationally.

Use of existing Brownfield sites and offshore cabling have not been properly considered.