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Trying not to repeat everything that has already been said but we do want it on record that all at ██████████ etc echo all of the representations that you have heard and those that you will hear – you have heard and will hear from the true experts, the local people that know and love their area.

My family are impacted, and my family are frightened – it cannot be measured or put into the right words that convey our terror! No amount of protection designation that would normally be enough to protect our area when a normal planning application is submitted seems to matter or carry any weight - national landscape, higher level stewardship, SSSI, nature reserves and heritage protection, normal planning law has been thrown out of the window.

We are real people, with real lives, and are feeling the real impacts.

There are other brownfield sites, there are other better solutions – You have heard from many people what can be done but we continue to hear the excuses. The power should be where the power is needed. London – why must we, the area for farming, food production and tourism be demolished in the name of net zero and unproven schemes?

We have been thrown under the bus, we feel trodden on, we feel beaten to the core and all these things created in the name of climate change and resilience are simply being destroyed – in - the - name - of - climate change – you couldn't make it up!

We had so called 'surveys' that if we questioned if or when they happened (16 x CCTV), we were 'politely' put under pressure to be quiet. Heart breaking.

We have turtle doves, we have newts, bitterns, owls, skylarks, swifts and so much more. We have ancient lilac hedges and woodlands, we have marsh harriers, birds of prey and wildlife which has already been displaced from Sizewell C but mostly we wonder why we bothered to try and make a difference.

*Property sales have fallen through or are being put off, which puts extra financial burden onto people and the thought of our and their peace and quiet being disrupted can't be put into words. (*evidence was sent to the land agent – who have also been treated appallingly*)

Conditions/mitigations must be set in stone and only allowed to increase in values, if minded approving this monstrosity of a project. This must include and mean the use of complete HDD throughout Aldeburgh and way beyond ██████████ – not just for the wildlife but for the 12 holiday accommodations and other holiday lets that were purchased and are rented because of the complete and utter nature, the privacy, the wildlife, the peace and tranquillity. If SPR can set that bar, then there is no excuse for other projects. The impacts of those who come here, to relax and enjoy the utter peaceful atmosphere and culture must not be interrupted or impeded on by noise, light or any other effects. The land might one day, years from now heal but the heartbreak will impact lives for ever.

The reputational damage of Nemo cannot ever be repeated. Please refer to <https://theisleofthanetnews.com/2023/12/08/kent-wildlife-trust-urges-national-grid-to-rethink-sea-link-over-concerns-of-impact-on-nature/>

Local farmers impacted are already struggling, we are witnessing more and more vital farmland being lost forever and that voices are going unheard.

The bluebells and ancient hedges, trees must be valued – pilgrims walk etc – they deserve your complete protection. Methods must be proven to work so that there are not threats to the coralline crag, the aquifers and pollution.

£900 is not acceptable as compensation – the ongoing stress is affecting our lives, our health, our sleep and it is hard to cope beyond words. The threats of compulsory purchase etc are so overwhelming, landowners are frightened to death to speak out. There is no compassion and no understanding.

This energy project has taken a profound toll on our mental health. We are living with constant, debilitating anxiety that follows us from morning until night. The uncertainty and pressure have shattered our peace of minds, leaving us emotionally drained and overwhelmed. The debilitating worry, crippling stress, persistent dread along with the chronic worry is difficult to convey, the brave faces that we put on are evaporating and we spend sleepless nights wrestling with fear and intrusive thoughts, we are unable to find rest or find relief. Each day feels heavier than the last, and the psychological strain has begun to affect every part of our lives. What was once routine now feels impossible under the weight of this relentless stress to the 4 generations of family that live here and we fear that even going for a simple dog walk will be impossible, being cut off from the South and North via cables projects.

Aldeburgh and the whole area must have a substantial pot of money to fund proper and long PR initiatives to promote and get people to come back to the area. Trip advisor is a powerful tool, and people are put off now from coming because of the traffic issues, the noise and because what they fell in love with doesn't exist anymore or won't exist ever again.

Already the catastrophic effects from Sizewell C are being felt, the wind farms coming ashore across the countryside will only increase the rapid decline in our beautiful, tranquil and unspoilt area of the country.

Proper compensation must be evaluated and given – how can a cost be put on the impacts that we have felt for years and will do for years to come. Even the thought of repeated JR's for landowners are terrifying, that the stress will just be prolonged and because of them that this area will just get more dumped here.

Inspectors, please do not allow your decision, which should be to not approve this project, for many reasons, to be simply overruled or overturned by Government. Please be brave, we know you will be thorough and please put a stop to this awful project and any others that may follow when there are better alternatives.

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