



This is an apt place to **breathe in the beauty**.

Tourism is the **lifeblood of our area** — it sustains our businesses, our hospitality, and our way of life.

But what happens when that lifeblood is drained away by **disruption and destruction**?

Our coastline and countryside, once known for their peace and natural beauty, are now in **grave danger** from these plans.

Tourists are being replaced by what some locals call the “*orange men*” — the construction workforce.

We face the **overwhelming, cumulative impact** of multiple projects, all at once.

I've never been against **Sizewell** — but **wow**, it's impacted the area much more than I ever imagined.

Everyday life is already being disrupted: nine days of **no trains** *last week* hit local businesses hard. If Benhall bridge is reinforced how many more days and blocked access to the A12.

This project will be a **blight on the countryside** if it goes ahead.

Saxmundham alone is planned to grow residentially by **forty per cent**. Local farmland is also being taken for large **solar installations**.

On top of that, the county council is **asking residents to suggest land for more housing** — and this past week,

major water infrastructure projects, along with a **£63 million investment in the A12**, announced, all **added to the mix**.

We're losing not just land — we're losing our **rural identity**.

Too many national infrastructure projects, all concentrated here, will destroy communities and livelihoods under the **cloak of net zero**.

At what point do these aggregated impositions become unacceptable?

There is a **real emotional toll** as we watch **our** home environment change before our eyes.

Despite the demand created by Sizewell C, **local housing values on Zoopla are** down compared to **areas nearby over the last 12 months**.

Heavy lorries that aren't even part of Sizewell's work are being pushed onto **narrow country lanes** — causing congestion, delays, and danger.

Dog walking, daily travel, even getting to **Ipswich Hospital** — all affected.

Sea Link would bring significantly more of the same disruption, with long term **noise, light, pollution**.

It's proposed only as a result of **poor long-term planning**.

Let's do better!

My mother moved here for her retirement, seeking **peace and nature**. Now, extended family visits are harder, the **Orwell Bridge requires maintenance as well**, and the enticement of nature has been replaced with **traffic and disruption**.

There **is** a better solution.

An offshore grid — a proven technology used by our European neighbours — offers a real alternative to this land-based destruction.

It could protect both our **countryside** and **wildlife**, as well as our **tourism economy**.

These proposals are the **destruction of nature, in the name of nature**.

Let's be realistic — our national emissions are a **tiny fraction** of the global picture.

Compared with China, the United States, or developing nations, our sacrifices here will make **no measurable difference** to global temperatures.

So why destroy so much, for so little impact?

Offshore is the replacement for destruction.

This is your nature. Your countryside. It's time to do the right thing — and stop this.

Additionally,

1. Cumulative Impact. There MUST be a separate study on this. In my oral presentation, attached, I list them.
2. I am concerned about the Benhall bridge. That is the main access towards Ipswich Hospital, which I am always considering with my [REDACTED] parent [REDACTED] Benhall Bridge has only come up since I registered as an interested party. I feel that has stopped many other people from raising this concern. How many days could we expect NO TRAINS? This affects people going to London and incoming buses to the area.
3. This month, I received the SEA LINK newsletter, which was not transparent and could be judged as misleading.
4. At the hearing, I heard some great statements, and one that stuck in my mind was Aldeburgh being an ecosystem, and it won't last against this onslaught, where tourism will be completely turned off. It rang true, but for the whole area.
5. Very concerned living just off the floodplain in Saxmundham due to water run off of proposed converter stations (who will pay for any damage? Who would pay for increased insurance?).
6. Property Values: Zoopla. Property prices in Suffolk Coastal fell by 0.5% over the past year, cutting £1,700 from the price of the typical home, according to our September 2025 House Price Index. The fall is not reflected across the UK, where the average property price rose by 1.3% since September 2024. This will get worse?
7. I have met many lorries (not SZC) on country roads who are probably avoiding the extra lights and delays - Dangerous and difficult to get through.
8. I have a dog - I have lost my route to Sizewell Beach (2 yrs. Closure of Lovers Lane). So I congest up Leiston. What other delays and issues will prevent safe off-leash walks?
9. The current plans will destroy the South approach to Saxmundham. The North approach, well, it's a monstrosity as we know it.
10. The decision to go ahead with this lead project, a Trojan horse for others to completely destroy this area, years from now, it will be the decision makers of it that will be judged by the generations to come, far more than any non-impactful climate saving decisions.