

SUFFOLK ENERGY ACTION SOLUTIONS'

**SEAS COMMENTS TO THE APPLICANT'S RESPONSES TO
LIR SUBMITTED BY ESC AND SCC**

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SEAS comments to the Applicant's Responses to LIR submitted by ESC and SCC:

1. REP2-027 Applicant response to ESC LIR [[REP1-128](#)]:

The Applicant continues to refer back to their original responses to ESC Relevant Representation citing App Doc 9.34.1. This shows no understanding of the evidence presented by IPs and the outstanding issues raised and highlighted again at the next deadline.

The statement by the Applicant that they "do not agree that engagement with the Council has been inadequate" and that "extensive community engagement and consultation has been undertaken" is insulting and arrogant. If a party perceives inadequacy and is negatively impacted by this, the other party cannot just dismiss this. And the difficulties experienced to date in the DCO due to lack of detail or errors, along with the sheer volume of significant matters not agreed and outstanding requiring resolution - bears witness to the inadequacy. We would again request that a pause is actioned or the application is withdrawn until full and complete details of sustainable, strategic solutions can be presented.

2. REP2-026 Applicant response to SCC LIR [[REP1-130](#)]:

It is extremely disappointing and significantly worrying that the Applicant in its reply to very valid concerns and outstanding issues such as;

- the use of Benhall Railway Bridge,
- impact of Sunday/BHol working,
- adverse effects of proposed River Fromus crossing and,
- the lack of coordination with other projects (including NGV LionLink)

is to refer back to their original responses to SCC Relevant Representation citing App Doc 9.34.1 in [REP1A-043](#).

This calls into question the whole DCO process, and undermines the authority and role of the ExA in being able to examine these matters.

It is noted that the Applicant has only responded to comments made by other IPs on the LIRs via thematic summary documents.

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