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The Planning Inspectorate
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69 Buckingham Avenue
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Date: 10 February 2026
Your ref: Sea Link EN020026
Our ref: [REDACTED]

Dear Sarah Holmes and the Examining Authority Team,

RE: Deadline 4 – SEAS Written Post-Hearing Submissions

1. Introduction

Suffolk Energy Action Solutions (SEAS) submits the written summaries as listed below, of the oral cases presented at Issue Specific Hearing 2 (28–30 January 2026), together with comments on further information provided at Deadline 3.

2. Concerns Regarding Delays and Late Provision of Information

SEAS remains concerned about what may reasonably be perceived as delaying tactics by the Applicant. A significant number of questions that could have been addressed during the hearings were deferred to later deadlines (including Deadlines 4 and 5). The late submission of key information has already hindered the ability of statutory consultees and other interested parties to assist the ExA effectively.

The hearing transcripts contain numerous instances of statements such as “we’ll get back to you” or “we’ll take that away”, amounting to approximately 50 commitments made by the Applicant. These repeated deferrals often appeared to be used in place of providing substantive answers to important questions.

SEAS respectfully requests clarification on how the Applicant’s commitments are being monitored. In particular, we seek to understand whether there is a mechanism for tracking the progress and fulfilment of these commitments, and how the ExA intends to ensure they are honoured in a timely and accountable manner.

3. Document Submission at Deadline 4

SEAS encloses the following post ISH2 Written Representation:

1. **Coastal Erosion**
2. **Cumulative Impact.** *NB: Point 1 of our Cumulative Effects submission highlights a mislabelling of our earlier submission (REP1-278), which was incorrectly categorised as relating to socio-economics, recreation, and tourism.*
3. **Ecology**
4. **Health & Wellbeing**
5. **Needs Case** *SEAS notes that "Need" is not listed as an agenda item for the forthcoming ISH at the end of January 2026, nor for any other ISH. Given the centrality of the Need Case to the justification for this project, SEAS requests that the ExA schedule a dedicated session to examine Need as a priority.*
6. **Noise & Vibration**
7. **Socio-Econ and Tourism**
8. **Traffic**

Please note that due to work commitments SEAS will submit Nick Bridge's **Landscape and Visual**, plus **Cultural Heritage** at Deadline 4a.

Comments on any further information/ submissions received by deadline 3

9. **A Request for Full Disclosure of Relevant Representation AP458**
In this final document, SEAS respectfully asks that the Examining Authority direct the Applicant to publish the full text of Relevant Representation AP458. This material is essential for ensuring transparency and enabling interested parties to participate meaningfully in the Examination
10. **Rebuttal to Applicant's Response to SEAS WR on Health & Wellbeing**

We trust that these submissions will assist the ExA in its ongoing consideration of the application.

Yours sincerely

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Suffolk Energy Action Solutions Ltd