

My concerns about the cumulative impact of the proposed Sealink project have not been resolved satisfactorily. Nor have my concerns on the adverse impact on our regional heritage and natural environment.

1. Cumulative impact. The impact at present is particularly experienced on our roads which are clearly already beyond capacity to deal with the additional traffic from Sizewell C. There is rarely a day without ongoing traffic tailbacks now, and the road surface of the A12 continues to degrade. Back roads have become clogged up and dangerous for smaller scale traffic, especially horse riders, cyclists, pram pushers, dog walkers who use these roads. The local road system clearly cannot take any additional traffic from new projects. The cumulative impact of Sealink would also further impact on the character of the whole area, which is a significant national heritage, environmental and tourist resource. Reports published by the BBC say definitively that local business trade has been seriously damaged, and special sites of archaeological interest will be destroyed and rendered unrecognisable. For example, the Snape boat burial which is of parallel significance to that at Sutton Hoo is being ignored, yet the Longship project at Woodbridge is planning a reconstruction of a boat from a site which will no longer exist.

Damage to local heritage and environment. Along with the above, it is simply not possible to continue to see this area as one of heritage and natural interest when so much of the local historic and natural environment is being damaged and degraded all at the same time, with no possibility of paying attention to the full impact of the scale of this work.