

Dear Secretary of State

I am writing to you following your letter of 28th August requesting further information from several parties in relation to the SeaLink DCO. Whilst I am not a listed recipient, I feel compelled to write.

Here we go again. Questions are already being raised about the cost of the Sealink project which appears to have been underestimated at the time of the DCO application and public hearings. I fully support Suffolk Energy Action Solutions' objection to this project and the reasons why this group objects to it. It has made a very good case for an alternative solution which costs less and does less damage to the environment.

How much longer are we going to allow these energy projects in East Suffolk to devastate our environment and cause untold damage to people's mental health and wellbeing due to the cumulative impact the multiple projects are having on people's way of life?

The cables for Sealink are proposed to come ashore under a Site of Special Scientific Interest, under and across a wetland nature reserve, the RSPB's oldest nature reserve North Warren, and destroy thousands of trees to create the open trench cable corridors.

I urge the Government to oppose the scheme and call for a full review of all the energy projects including Sizewell C that are currently proposed or under construction in East Suffolk and carry out a holistic review of these schemes to ensure they give value for money, minimise the damage to our environment and are the most effective way of dealing with the country's energy needs.

Please listen to the communities that are being deeply affected by this scheme and others and stop the scandalous waste of money.

Yours sincerely

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