

To the Right Hon Miatta Fahnbulleh MP, Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero.

Dear Secretary of State,

I am writing following your letter of 28 August requesting further information from several parties in relation to the Sea Link DCO. Although I am not a listed recipient, I feel compelled to write in light of two recent and significant reports from Ofgem and the National Audit Office, which raise serious question about the cost, deliverability and value for money of the proposed Sea Link project.

Serious concerns about the reliability and transparency of the information presented were raised during Examination. National Grid presented an estimated cost of 1.1 billion, despite SEAS presenting evidence that the true cost was likely to be around 3.2 billion.

This are many and very lengthy concerns about his project, and I抰 certain you will have had thousands of letters objecting to this project, but I must add that as well as the overall case against Lionlink , the latest proposed landfall site in the village of Walberswick, is wholly unsuitable, as it was with the previous proposed sites at G1 and G2. Homes sit directly adjacent to two sides of the landfall site, with nearly half of all village homes within 500 metres, with dozens much closer.

This will create unacceptable levels of noise.

Impacts on elderly residents.

Severe traffic disruption.

Significant impacts on recreational tourism

There must be cheaper, less environmentally challenging and better coordinated alternatives when aiming to attain Net Zero.

The energy transition needs public support, and so I ask you to look at Sea Link抰 cheaper alternative, and that the offshore solutions are seriously considered.

Thank you for your consideration

Yours Sincerely,

Esther Freud