



Norwich to Tilbury Examination Team

Historic England ExQ1

Your ref: EN020027

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Dear Norwich to Tilbury Team

Please find below our response to the specific ExQ as set out in the **EN020027-002163-Examining Authority's Written Questions 1** document

The deadline is 10th April 2026

Development Advice Team Leader: East Region

EXQ1 ref	Response required from	Question	HE response
HE1.12	All local authorities Historic England	<p>Heritage visualisations - 1</p> <p>A range of heritage visualisations are provided [APP-350] and [APP-351].</p> <p>All local authorities and Historic England are asked to confirm:</p> <p>a) Agreement with the viewpoints chosen to reflect any potential impacts on heritage assets.</p> <p>b) In your opinion are additional visualisations required, and if so from which assets and where should the visualisations be taken from?</p>	<p>In our written representations we have commented on a number of heritage assets where we have questioned the detail of the applicant's assessment of the impact of the proposed development on their significance, including the location of viewpoint images.</p> <p>We do generally concur with the majority of the viewpoints and even where we have a difference of opinion, in most cases we agree with the applicant's conclusions about impact. We are therefore content with the viewpoints overall.</p> <p>There are however four assets where we would welcome amended or additional images in order to support the examination and provide additional evidence on the likely impact. These are set out below.</p> <p>Roydon Hall (NHLE no. 1033215) and barn to NW (NHLE no. 1284584). We have previously requested the applicant provides a viewpoint looking from west of this complex to include the front of the Hall and from a suitable location to show the appearance of the proposed pylons behind the listed buildings to the east.</p> <p>Creting Hall (NHLE no. 1352073). We do not consider the supplied viewpoint (VPHE35) sufficient to illustrate the potential visual impact on the listed building. This image, taken in the rear garden of the listed house from where pylon RG164 would be some 190 m away, suggests it would be screened by vegetation on the garden boundary. However,</p>

		<p>in this precise view the upper part of the pylon seems to be masked by trees. It is possible it would be more clearly seen by moving the viewer slightly to the left and slightly raising the view. From that viewpoint the pylon might be clearly seen and given the distance have a pronounced, even dominant effect. An additional image might better illustrate this. We have also noted that another additional viewpoint taken from a location to the west of the Hall on the higher ground could show the proposed pylons to the east of the building which could illustrate the impact on its landscape setting.</p> <p>Chobbings Farmhouse (NHLE no. 1306286). The applicant's assessment states that the setting of this asset does not extend to the order limits. However, we consider that views of the proposed pylons would be possible from the rear of the property with the potential to have a visual impact. A viewpoint image from the rear, looking towards the order limits and selected to avoid the thickest vegetation on the boundary would illustrate this effect.</p> <p>Hylands Park (NHLE no. 1000197). The applicant's assessment has not considered the potential visual impact on the western side of the Registered historic park. Should the applicant review this a viewpoint image from the western edge of the park looking towards the proposed pylons could be helpful in establishing the effect.</p>
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