



## W E S T B E R G H O L T P A R I S H C O U N C I L



### **Norwich to Tilbury - Potential Landscape and Visual Compensation**

In response to your request for information regarding the need for a specific financial compensation package for the impact on West Bergholt and its environs caused by the implementation of the Norwich to Tilbury project now in its examination phase, we submit as follows.

West Bergholt Parish Council has already submitted its objections to the scheme for consideration during the Statutory Consultation in 2024. Our objections included a detailed description of the financial compensation that we demand in respect of the landscape and visual impact on West Bergholt and its environs in mitigation of the said impact.

Consequently, we can do no better than to reiterate some of the salient points from our original submission.

Figure 1 below denotes the general pylon zone within the Parish boundary which would be the most severely affected should the project be implemented. Note, that this figure denotes certain aspects of this area which are of particular environmental importance.

It is fair to say that erection of the pylons will impinge unfavourably on every single member of the village community of some 3300 persons occupying some 1600 dwellings at present. This being the case, the Parish Council would be seeking for each dwelling to have electricity bills waived in full for twenty-five years from commencement of construction of the scheme in the area of West Bergholt. Alternatively, the Council would seek for a lump sum of £150,000 to be paid to every household within the Parish boundary (this to take into account inflation over twenty-five years from commencement of construction).

In addition to the foregoing, a requirement for the development of a substantial piece of land which has been acquired by West Bergholt Parish Council by way of a Section 106 has arisen. It is estimated that the cost to develop the said area as a sports and recreation

facility for the benefit of the entire village would amount to £150,000 and that the Council now wishes to include this further item in its claim for reparation and mitigation for the damages which will be caused to the community as a whole during implementation of the Norwich to Tilbury scheme.

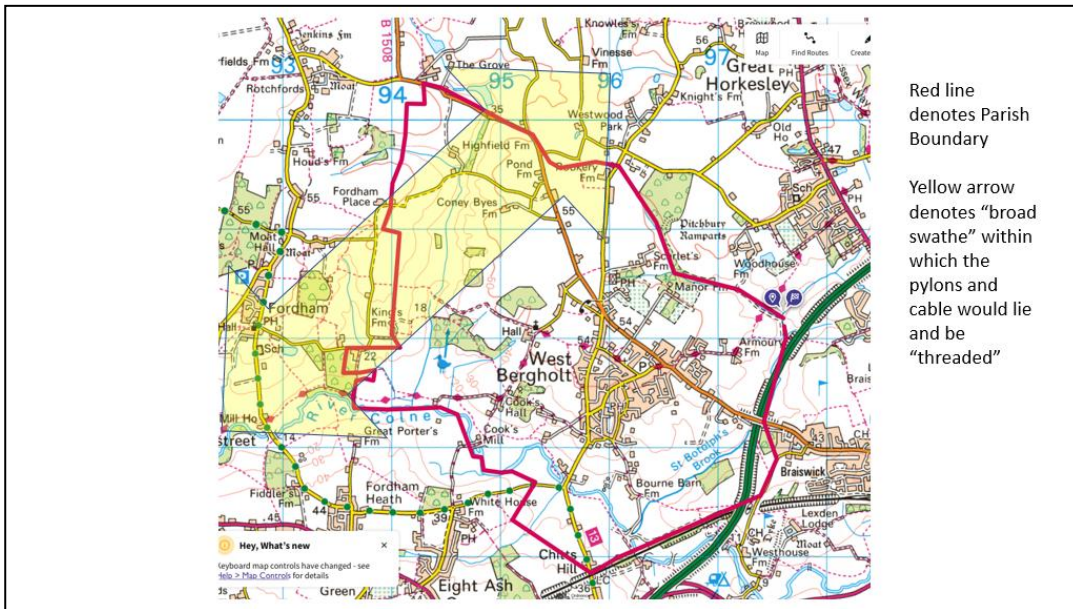


Figure 1.

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