

Whilst I support green energy and being mindful of infrastructure objectives, I object to the proposed National Grid (NG) Norwich to Tilbury pylons scheme and the accompanying plans for a sub-station close to Little Bromley. It is also vital to consider other projects such as North Falls, Tarchon and Five Estuaries which are all reliant on the NG project going ahead. These projects combined would have a devastating and irreversible effect on the village, local area and wildlife. With the devastating loss of wildlife after recent wildfires in Suffolk, the need to retain hedgerows and local landscape unaltered is more than apparent.

More importantly it raises the question as to why overhead pylons with their susceptibility to fire risk are being considered at all?

The local infrastructure would not cope with the proposed vehicles, indeed it is already more than at capacity with regular traffic. The local roads are narrow without capacity to accommodate the proposed large vehicles, even with any widening proposed by associated projects.

I am in favour of an integrated offshore approach, which would reduce the onshore infrastructure requirements and provide a significantly improved alternative for the environment, eradicating the majority of disruption and social costs for local communities. No loss of prime farmland, which we should support. No loss of hedgerows which support an enormous biodiversity.

I regularly see a wide variety of habitants including bats, owls and birds of prey within our garden and local area and would be very concerned about the disruption to their habitat with the proposed works.

I am also concerned how the proposed works would affect the mental health of all those living in the area. The mental health toll of the scheme is already extensive and potentially irreparable. If we want our children to thrive we need to give them peace and quiet. Our public footpath walking routes will be destroyed forever, but it's the long term detriment to our lives, more importantly those of our children and those who come after us that is important.

Please look at alternative options, the pylons scheme is not the long term choice we need for the UK. Bring renewable offshore where it needs to be used.