

This scheme is detrimental to ourselves, our property, and most importantly, the animals and vegetation along the entire proposed route. The communication has been ineffective and unclear; repeated emails about updates, which are impossible to keep up with and are often totally irrelevant to our situation, do not serve to keep those affected up to date on what they need to know. Fisher-German have not been able to provide answers to questions and so we are still just as much 'in the dark' as before. The project is flawed as off-shore would provide a more cost effective option and would have less impact on wildlife.

I have previously requested detailed information from National Grid and Fisher-German about some key questions. Despite repeated requests, most of those questions remain unanswered as Fisher-German have been unable to send links to exact documents. Providing links to a whole catalogue of documents, where many are over 500 pages long, is not acceptable.

Currently, we have seen that a road construction road is likely to be built along the border to our property to accommodate the vehicle movement at the site. Obviously this is deeply concerning as we have a Listed Building, much of which has no foundation to it. The vibrations of the machinery to construct the road, along with the constant traffic and machinery being used during the project could have a huge impact on the structure of the timber house as well as the lime render which is notoriously brittle. We need to know how NG plan to mitigate the works to prevent damage to the house, and how they will compensate for any damage caused. Fisher-German said they would escalate this query, repeatedly, in order to request a survey, and yet, there has been no confirmation that this will happen or even any feedback or updates.

In addition to this, we need to know what the likely impact of the works will be to the hedgerow that we own - this will border both the proposed road and the working area itself. Again, we need to know how NG plan to mitigate the works to prevent damage to the hedgerow, and how they will compensate for any damage caused. Fisher-German have said ecological surveys have been done along the route. However, they have been unable to provide evidence of how this relates to our situation specifically.

We have a garage and an outbuilding that are very close to the boundary of our property, specifically where the intended construction road meets our boundary line. We still need to know how NG plan to mitigate the works to prevent damage to the garage and outbuilding, and how they will compensate for any damage caused. Again, Fisher-German said they have escalated a request for a survey but nothing has been confirmed, and we have had no acknowledgement of the request from NG.

We have concerns over our own health and well-being, along with those of our children, our neighbours, and others who will be affected - the dust, disruption and incredibly loud noise, for months / years on end, while construction work happens and afterwards, will be extraordinarily challenging. Again, there has been no feedback from NG about this and Fisher-German could not provide any answers.

We have spoken to Fisher-German about the concerns around construction machinery along our very narrow country road. They have not been able to provide any useful information about how this will affect us.

The only potential 'compensation' that NG has proposed is possible repairs along the border of the property. There have been no details of what this will look like, the value of it, or any consideration for the damage that will be caused beyond the border line.