

NATIONAL GRID ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION PLC
SECTION 48 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED)
REGULATION 4, THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS
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NOTICE PUBLICISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER
FOR NORWICH TO TILBURY

Notice is hereby given that National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (“National Grid”) of National Grid House, Warwick Technology Park, Gallows Hill, Warwick, CV34 6DA intends to apply to the Secretary of State for a Development Consent Order (“DCO”) under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) to authorise the construction of Norwich to Tilbury.

Norwich to Tilbury (the “Project”) is a proposal by National Grid to upgrade the electricity transmission system in East Anglia between Norwich and Tilbury. The Project includes a new 400 kilovolt (“kV”) electricity transmission connection of approximately 184 kilometres (“km”) in overall length from Norwich Main Substation and Tilbury Substation via Bramford Substation.

National Grid will consult on all aspects of the proposed development for the Project, including:

- approximately 159 km of new overhead line supported on approximately 510 steel lattice pylons (approximately 50 metres (“m”) in height) some of which are gantries (typically up to 15 m in height) within proposed Cable Sealing End (“CSE”) compounds, or existing or proposed substations
- approximately 25 km of 400 kV underground cabling some of which is located through the Dedham Vale National Landscape (formerly known as Dedham Vale AONB)
- six new CSE compounds, each with a permanent access, to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables
- a new 400 kV East Anglia Connection Node (“EACN”) substation, with a new permanent access, on the Tendring Peninsula. This is proposed to be an Air Insulated Switchgear (“AIS”) substation
- substation extension works at the existing Norwich Main, and Bramford substations and works within the existing Tilbury Substation to connect and support operation of the new transmission connection
- temporary works associated with the construction of the Project.

An alternative design at the Waveney Valley (referred to as the Waveney Valley Alternative) is also being considered and is the subject of consultation and ongoing assessment. This design alternative, if taken forward, would result in changes to those elements of the Project set out below. This would instead comprise:

- installation of approximately 157 km of new 400 kV overhead line
- installation of approximately 27 km of 400 kV underground cabling (some of which is located through the Dedham Vale National Landscape)
- eight new CSE compounds (each with a permanent access) to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables.

All works listed above would be consistent with either alternative.

In other words, the Waveney Valley Alternative, if taken forward and based on the 2024 preferred draft alignment would comprise approximately 2 km less new 400 kV overhead line and approximately an additional 2 km of 400kV underground cabling and two additional new CSE compounds, each with a permanent access, to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables.

Third party utilities diversions and / or modifications would also be required to facilitate the construction of the Project. There would also be land required for mitigation, compensation and enhancement of the environment including Biodiversity Net Gain.

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As well as the permanent infrastructure, land would also be required temporarily for construction activities including for example working areas for construction equipment and machinery, site offices, welfare, storage and temporary construction access.

The Project would be designed, constructed and operated in accordance with applicable health and safety legislation. The Project would also need to comply with design safety standards including the National Electricity Transmission System ("NETS") Security and Quality of Supply Standard, which sets out the criteria and methodology for planning and operating the NETS. This informs a suite of National Grid policies and processes, which contain details on design standards required to be met when designing, constructing and operating assets such as proposed for the Project.

The proposed application will seek authorisation for the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land, overriding easements and other rights, the temporary use of land, and other ancillary powers.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") development, as defined by the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (as amended). An Environmental Statement will therefore be submitted as part of the proposed application, which will contain information about the environmental effects of the Project.

All documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed development, including the preliminary environmental information, will be available to download free of charge from 12:00 noon on 10 April 2024 until 11:59pm 18 June 2024 on <http://www.nationalgrid.com/n-t> (via the document library page).

Reference copies of certain documents showing the nature and location of the proposed development will also be available to view free of charge from 12:00 noon on 10 April 2024 at the following inspection points in the vicinity of the Project for the duration of the consultation (until 18 June 2024):

Location	Address	Opening hours
Long Stratton Library	The Street Long Stratton NR15 2XJ	Monday - 11am-7pm Tuesdays - 1pm-7pm Wednesday - 8am-7pm (unstaffed) Thursday - 1pm-7pm Friday - 8am-7pm (unstaffed) Saturday - 11am-4pm Sunday - 10am-4pm (unstaffed).
Norwich Library	Unit 3 The Forum Millenium Plain Norwich NR2 1AW	Monday - Friday - 10am-7pm Saturday - 9am-5pm
Tuckswood Library	Robin Hood Road Eaton NR4 6BX	Monday - 8am – 7pm (unstaffed) Tuesday - 11am-7pm Wednesday - 8am-7pm (unstaffed) Thursday - 8am-7pm (unstaffed) Friday - 11am-7pm Saturday - 10am-4pm Sunday - 10am-4pm (unstaffed).

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Diss Library	Church Street Diss IP22 4DD	Monday - 10am-7pm Tuesday - 8am-7pm Wednesday - 10am-7pm Thursday - 10am-7pm Friday - 10am-7pm Saturday - 10am-7pm Sunday - 10am-4pm
Stowmarket Library	Milton Road Stowmarket IP14 1EX	Monday - Closed Tuesday - 8.30am-6.45pm Wednesday - 8.30am-5.45pm Thursday - 8.30am-5.45pm Friday - 8.30am-6.30pm Saturday - 8.30am-4pm Sunday - 10am-4pm.
Capel St Mary Library	Village Hall The Street Capel St Mary IP9 2EF	Monday - Closed Tuesday - 9am-12.30pm, 2pm-5.30pm Wednesday and Thursday - 9am-12.30pm Friday - 2pm-5.30pm Saturday - 9am-3pm Sunday - 10am-3pm.
Coggeshall Library	The Friends Meeting House Stoneham Street Coggeshall CO6 1UH	Monday - Closed Tuesday - 2pm-5.30pm Wednesday - Closed Thursday - 9am-5.30pm Friday - Closed Saturday - 9am-5pm Sunday - Closed.
Chelmsford Library	Market Road Chelmsford CM1 1QH	Monday - 9am-5.30pm Tuesday - 9am-5.30pm Wednesday - 9am-5.30pm Thursday - 9am-7pm Friday - 9am-5.30pm Saturday - 9am-5pm Sunday - 10.30am-1.30pm
Colchester Library	Trinity Square Colchester CO1 1JB	Monday - 9am-5.30pm Tuesday - 9am-5.30pm Wednesday - 9am-7pm Thursday - 9am-5.30pm Friday - 9am-5.30pm Saturday - 9am-5pm Sunday - 1pm-4pm
Tilbury Library	Civic Square Tilbury RM18 8AD	Monday - 10am-1pm and 2pm-5pm Tuesday - Closed Wednesday - 10am-1pm and 2pm-5pm Thursday - Sunday - Closed
Greenstead Library	Hawthorn Avenue Colchester	Monday - 9am-5.30pm Tuesday - 9am-5.30pm

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	CO4 3QE	Wednesday - Closed Thursday - 9am-5.30pm Friday - Closed Saturday - 9am-5pm Sunday - Closed
Stanway Library	10 Villa Road Stanway CO3 0RH	Monday - Closed Tuesday - 2pm-7pm Wednesday - Closed Thursday - 9am-1pm Friday - Closed Saturday - 9am-1pm Sunday - Closed
Prettygate Library	Prettygate Road Colchester CO3 4EQ	Monday - Closed Tuesday - 9am-7pm Wednesday - 9am-5.30pm Thursday - Closed Friday - 9am-5.30pm Saturday - 9am-5pm Sunday - Closed
Wivenhoe Library	104/6 High Street Wivenhoe CO7 9AB	Monday - Closed Tuesday - 2pm-7pm Wednesday - Closed Thursday - 9am-5.30pm Friday - Closed Saturday - 9am-5pm Sunday - Closed

Prior to attending these locations, it is advised opening times are checked.

Requests for paper copies of the technical documents will be reviewed on a case by-case basis. To cover printing costs a reasonable copying charge may apply, to be paid for by the recipient and up-to a maximum value of £500 for the whole suite of consultation documents. Please get in touch with us using the details below if you would like a printed or alternative format copy of materials.

How to respond to the consultation

The consultation is running between **12:00 noon on 10 April 2024 and 11:59pm on 18 June 2024.**

Responses to the consultation can be submitted in the following ways:

- online via the Project's website (<http://www.nationalgrid.com/n-t>)
- scanning a paper copy of the Feedback questionnaire or submitting a free text letter or email
- by post at Freepost N TO T
- by email (contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com).

A printed copy of the consultation Feedback questionnaire can be requested by contacting the Project team on the details below.

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National Grid must receive all responses by 11:59pm on 18 June 2024 to ensure their consideration. Please note that responses are likely to be made public, but that contact/personal details will be redacted.

When deciding on the final form of the proposed application for a DCO for the Project, National Grid will consider any response to this publicity or the consultation that is received before the specified deadline.

National Grid may be required to make copies of representations available to the Secretary of State. However, National Grid will request that personal details are not placed on the public record. Personal details will be held securely in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and will be used solely in connection with the consultation process and the development of this Project and, except as noted above, will not be disclosed to any third parties. National Grid's privacy policy can be found on its website: <https://www.nationalgrid.com/privacy-policy>.

If you have any questions about the Project or the consultation, please get in touch:

Email: contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com

Telephone: 0800 915 2497