

## **Public consultation starts**

Today we are launching the statutory public consultation on our proposals for Norwich to Tilbury. We want to hear your views on proposals to upgrade the high voltage power network in England to connect new sources of offshore energy to the energy network. The consultation will run for 10 weeks from Wednesday 10 April, closing at midnight on Tuesday 18 June 2024.

We need to build Norwich to Tilbury because the existing transmission network in East Anglia doesn't have sufficient capacity to manage the expected increase in offshore wind needing to connect in the coming years and beyond. It would enable us to connect new sources of low carbon energy to homes and businesses across Britain and help reduce our reliance on fossil fuels. In doing so, it will play a key role in addressing the climate emergency and helping achieve the UK's targets for net zero.

This statutory consultation follows two previous public consultations in 2022 and 2023. We have carefully considered all feedback received, along with technical and environmental assessments as we have developed our proposals.

# Have your say

This consultation is an opportunity to see how we have developed our plans and how previous feedback has been considered. It is your opportunity to have your say on our updated proposals.

#### Visiting our website

Visit <u>nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury</u> where you will find all maps, technical documents, the PEIR, consultation materials and our online feedback questionnaire.



#### Completing a feedback questionnaire

Complete and return a feedback questionnaire to us. You can do this online through our Project website, in-person at a public information event, or by sending your feedback questionnaire or a letter to us by using our freepost address – Freepost N TO T. You can also submit your feedback via email to the Project email address – contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com.



#### Visit an inspection point

Information about Norwich to Tilbury is available to view and collect from locations along the preferred draft alignment. A list of inspection points can be found at <a href="mailto:natema

#### Attending a public information event

Come to one of our public information events or webinars to view our proposals, speak to members of the Project team and read all the consultation materials, including our Project Background Document which outlines our proposals.

We have selected event venues that are close to the proposed route. Larger event venues are highlighted with \* where there will be more space to view displays and digital materials.

Date and time	Venue
Wednesday 24 April 2024 12-5pm	Towngate Theatre, St Martin's Square, Basildon, Essex SS14 1DL
Thursday 25 April 2024 2-7pm	The Brentwood Centre, Doddinghurst Road, Pilgrims Hatch, Brentwood CM15 9NN *
Saturday 27 April 2024 11am-4pm	Chelmsford City Racecourse, Chelmsford CM3 1QP *
Tuesday 30 April 2024 12-5pm	Gislingham Village Hall, Mill Street, Gislingham IP23 8JT
Wednesday 1 May 2024 11am-4pm	Copdock Village Hall, Old London Road, Copdock IP8 3JN
Friday 3 May 2024 1-6pm	Needham Market Community Centre, School St, Needham Market, Ipswich IP6 8BB
Saturday 4 May 2024 11am-4pm	Lawford Venture Centre 2000, Bromley Road, Lawford, Manningtree CO11 2JE
Wednesday 8 May 2-7pm	The Civic Hall, Blackshots Lane, Grays RM16 2JU *
Thursday 9 May 2024 1-6pm	Thorpe Hall, Ashwell Thorpe and Fundenhall Community Centre, Muskett Road, Ashwellthorpe NR16 1FD
Friday 10 May 2024 1-6pm	Tibenham Community Hall, Pristow Green Lane, Tibenham, Norwich NR16 1PX
Tuesday 14 May 2024 11am-4pm	Witham Public Hall, Collingwood Road, Witham CM8 2DY
Wednesday 15 May 2024 1-6pm	Diss Town Football Club, Diss IP22 4QP
Thursday 16 May 2024 2-7pm	Langham Community Centre, School Road, Langham, Colchester CO4 5PA
Friday 17 May 2024 1-6pm	Great Bromley Village Hall, Parsons Hill, Great Bromley, Colchester CO7 7JA

### Attending a webinar

Join one of our digital information events by signing up on our Project website.

Date and time	Topic
Wednesday 17 April 6-7pm	Project Overview One †
Wednesday 29 May 6-7pm	Section A and B – South Norfolk and Mid Suffolk
Thursday 30 May 6-7pm	Section C and D – Babergh, Tendring and Colchester
Wednesday 5 June 6-7pm	Section E and F – Braintree and Chelmsford
Thursday 6 June 6-7pm	Section G and H - Basildon, Brentwood and Thurrock
Wednesday 12 June 6-7pm	Project Overview Two

 $<sup>^{\</sup>dagger}\,\mathrm{A}$  British Sign Language interpreter will be available