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Appendix A Local Planning Authorities Feedback to the Draft Public Consultation Strategy

# LPA Feedback to the Draft Consultation Strategy

The table below contains a summary of LPA feedback to the draft consultation strategy and National Grid's response.

Feedback	Response
General support for the broad aims and objectives set out in the strategy, including the primary and secondary consultation zones and mix of online and in person events.	Noted.
Concerns regarding the length of the proposed consultation period being six weeks, including relating to consultation during the purdah period for three of the fourteen host council authorities.	We have extended the consultation period to eight weeks, with the consultation running from 21st April to 16th June. An additional seven days following the close of the consultation have also been allowed for receipt of postal responses. Comments and feedback are welcome at any time, with defined periods during which we are seeking comments to inform the next stage of development.
People will want to know what to feedback on, hence details need to be specific to the location and to the scheme to make the consultation worthwhile.	A feedback form will be available, asking for specific and general feedback. Information will be available during the consultation that has been broken down into local council areas to ensure that people can understand the proposals in their area.
Please can Members be briefed on the project ahead of the consultation starting. It will be important to get dates for Member briefings into diaries as soon as possible.	Members have been contacted directly and through contacts provided to request dates for briefings from the 14 <sup>th</sup> April, ahead of the consultation beginning.
Those within the traveller community should be included as 'hard to reach groups'.	Noted.
A number of additional local newspapers have been suggested for locations to place adverts regarding the consultation.	All suggestions for additional newspapers to advertise in have been included within the final Consultation Strategy.
Additional locations for public information points were suggested, including Council Offices.	The additional locations suggested will be included subject to a check that it is acceptable for materials to be located there for collection. We will be in contact with all councils soon to confirm those that have mentioned hosting a public information point, and also to see if others are able to host one.

Feedback	Response
Comments on the locations for the proposed face-to-face events were provided, including in relation to parking, accessibility and geographical location.	To ensure consistency of approach across the length of the project, we are providing an in person event in every local council area, with multiple online sessions available to all. Experience and feedback from similar projects has indicated that proximity of in person events close to the proposed route corridor is important.
	We endeavour to ensure that all event venues are accessible. A site visit and risk assessment will be carried out at each venue.
Please can the paragraphs setting out the roles of National Grid Electricity Transmission (National Grid) and National Grid Electricity Systems Operator (ESO) (on page 2 of the strategy) be checked to ensure they are correct.	Noted, these have been reviewed and amended.
The use of the Primary Consultation Zone, PCZ, and Secondary Consultation Zones, SCZ, seems appropriate in principle with the option for groups, parish councils etc. to meet with National Grid on request if they fall outside the PCZ. It would be good if there was an explanation for the distances chosen.	Noted, experience and feedback from similar projects indicates that the distances used are appropriate, a note to this effect has been added to the Consultation Strategy.
The proposed methods for promoting the consultation are supported. You nay wish to consider liaising with local authorities, town and parish councils within or close to the preferred route corridor about how they could help promote the non-statutory and later the statutory consultation, such as, hrough their own websites and social media. Posters and site notices could also be used.	Information will be sent to the local authorities and parish councils to publish on their own website digitally, and physically through places such as community notice boards. There will be broad engagement through social media with local authorities and parish councils encouraged to share social media posts. Information will also be provided to parish councils and notification given to local authorities of the location of information points identified as suitable to display materials.
Has the project had considered using local radio to advertise the consultation?	Yes, however experience and feedback has shown that promotion of the consultation through the two consultation zones, via newspapers (both print and digital), social media and information points, has an extensive reach to a wide range and large number of stakeholders.
The proposed mix of digital and traditional engagement for public consultation to ensure it is inclusive and reaches as many people as possible s supported, and the specific focus on hard to reach groups is welcomed.	Noted.
It would be helpful for the Consultation Strategy to include details about how National Grid will feedback to communities the results of the non-statutory consultation e.g. will there be a report published on your website?	A newsletter will be published after the close of consultation which will outline the main themes raised during the consultation. A feedback report setting out the detail of the consultation responses and how the project has responded will be available to support the statutory consultation in 2023.

Feedback	Response
It would be helpful to clarify in the second paragraph of the introduction where the new substation will be located.	Detailed information on locations will be provided within the consultation documents.
Division of the route into sections looks fairly sensible.	Noted.
The project is challenging from a consultation point of view. The project is not equal in its impacts, for example there will be some areas with greater cumulative effects, so the messaging should be considered around this project and other projects.	Noted, the approach to consultation has sought to ensure that people can engage with the project as a whole, as well as understanding the proposed development in their local area.
Further engagement on the specific parish councils affected would be welcomed, particularly in areas with potential for cumulative impacts of this and other projects.	Noted. We have a identified all parish councils within the PCZ and SCZ and all will be contacted ahead of the consultation start date to advise of the launch of the consultation. Those within the PZC will be invited to a dedicated online briefing for parish councils within their district and asked if they would like hard copy information provided to them. After this initial communication via email we will be following up to ensure that they have received the information, confirm that they understand about the briefing invitation and to confirm requirements for materials. We will of course liaise further with them as required throughout the consultation phase.
In the south of the project a high level of engagement is required due to the density of communities and planned / ongoing developments.	Noted, the consultation approach has been tailored to the communities along the preferred route corridor through face to face and online meetings. We recognise that each authority area has specific bespoke concerns and will tailor our engagement with officers on this basis. We are also engaging directly with Lower Thames Crossing and Thames Freeport project teams.
Information and associated contact details have been provided for further conversations regarding effects on planned new housing developments along the route.	Major housing allocations in extant local plans have been taken into account during the routeing and siting process. Further engagement on this is welcome and attendees are encouraged to invite additional team members to any future briefings and workshops where this might be helpful.
There are a small number of Eastern Europeans living in the area, it may be useful for translations into native languages to be available.	Noted, translations will be available as appropriate upon request.
The project team may be asked for a public meeting.	A wide range of opportunities to engage with the consultation, both face to face and online, are being offered, which we feel is appropriate and responds to our experience of providing meaningful engagement.

Feedback	Response
Note that the consultation approach looks formal (like a statutory SoCC consultation), therefore concern was raised that people may feel that the project is more advanced and they have less chance to influence.	The project is in its early stages and there are opportunities to influence – however due to the scale of the project it was felt a level of formality in approach to the consultation would be helpful. Messaging will be carefully considered to ensure that people understand the project stage and their ability to influence.
Including a visual representation of what the project will actually look like is really important, so people can determine the impact on them.	Noted, detail such as this will be available at the next consultation, when further detail will be available on the alignment of the overhead line.

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# Appendix B Public Consultation Strategy

# East Anglia Green Energy Enablement (GREEN)

Public consultation strategy

April 2022

# national**grid**

This document outlines how National Grid Electricity Transmission (National Grid) intends to carry out pre-application non-statutory consultation in spring 2022 on proposals to provide additional network capability in East Anglia.

National Grid needs to build a new 400kV electricity transmission line between existing substations in Norwich to Bramford in the north and from Bramford to Tilbury in the south and a new substation to connect new offshore wind close to the coast.

We have consulted with representatives of local authorities that fall within our primary consultation zone, and Breckland Council, on this approach to nonstatutory consultation. These comprise: Norfolk County Council, Suffolk County Council, Essex County Council, South Norfolk Council, Babergh District Council, Mid-Suffolk District Council, Colchester Borough Council, Tendering District Council, Braintree District Council, Chelmsford City Council, Basildon Borough Council, Brentwood Borough Council, Thurrock Council and Breckland Council. Other local authorities neighbouring the route corridor in the Secondary Consultation Zone (defined in section below) have also been consulted, including Norwich City Council, Ipswich Borough Council, Maldon District Council, Uttlesford District Council and Epping Forest District Council.

A Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) will be prepared ahead of Statutory Consultation, which is proposed to take place in 2023. The content of the SoCC will build on this approach and will be discussed with representatives of the relevant local planning authorities and finalised ahead of the formal stage of consultation on the SoCC as per the Planning Act 2008.

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## National Grid – what we do in the UK

#### National Grid sits at the heart of Britain's energy system, connecting millions of people and businesses to the energy they use every day.

We bring energy to life – in the heat, light and power we bring to our customer's homes and businesses; in the way that we support our communities and help them to grow; and in the way we show up in the world.

It is our vision to be at the heart of a clean, fair and affordable energy future. We believe that by acting now, the UK can become the world's first major clean economy, with net zero carbon emissions by 2050, creating growth and jobs for communities across Britain.

National Grid Electricity Transmission (National Grid) owns, builds and maintains the transmission network in England and Wales. It is National Grid Electricity Transmission that is developing the proposals for the East Anglia GREEN Reinforcement.

National Grid ESO is the Electricity System Operator (ESO) operates the transmission network in England and Wales and operates the transmission networks in Scotland, owned by ScottishPower Transmission and Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks. National Grid ESO manage the network, ensuring the right amount of energy is where it is needed. It is entirely separate from National Grid Electricity Transmission.

Our world is changing fast. Upgrading to cleaner, greener and more affordable energy will create exciting new opportunities for growth across the UK and speed-up our efforts to tackle the global climate challenge. The time for action is now. Over the next ten years, The Energy White Paper December 2020 set a target to quadruple offshore wind capacity in the UK – enough to power every home in the UK. Everyone will benefit from clean energy and cleaner air, and a nationwide rollout of charging points will support the move away from fossil fuel for transport to more electric vehicles on our roads by 2030.

Britain is leading the way and can become the world's first clean economy, with net zero carbon emissions by 2050. As a country, we recently broke the record for the longest period without burning coal since 1882, and in recent years, more of our energy came from renewables than fossil fuels.

But we cannot stand still. A healthier, greener future for Britain requires significant upgrades to our energy infrastructure to reliably meet increased demand. At National Grid we are working to make this future possible, combining the best of British engineering and ingenuity with smart technology to power our homes, travel and work.

When developing transmission network proposals, we must, under the Electricity Act 1989, do that in an efficient, coordinated and economical way, and have regard to the desirability of preserving amenity. Options to deliver additional network capability and the options we take forward are evaluated against these statutory duties. We must balance the need to develop the network in a way that is efficient, coordinated and economical, and reduces effects on people and places.

We have explained how we set out to meet these responsibilities and our commitments relating to engagement and consultation about our proposals in our Stakeholder, Community and Amenity Policy.



# East Anglia GREEN Reinforcement

## East Anglia is an important and developing region for renewable and low carbon energy.

Today there is 4,100 MW of existing generation in East Anglia. By the end of the decade, with new nuclear, offshore wind and interconnectors, that is set to rise to approaching 25,000 MW – far exceeding the capability of the existing network. It is that change that is driving the need to provide additional transmission network capability out of the region.

Delivering the network capability to connect this renewable and low carbon energy is vital to meet the UK's aims to secure more of our energy supplies from renewable sources and move towards net zero by 2050.

To help deliver this network capability, we need to build a new 400 kV electricity transmission line between existing substations in Norwich to Bramford in the north and from Bramford to Tilbury in the south and a new substation to connect new offshore wind close to the coast.

#### Purpose of the 2022 non-statutory consultation

We want to introduce the project to communities and ensure that all stakeholders have the opportunity to provide feedback on our proposals. We will present our Preferred Option Corridor to show the area where we may route the new line and a preferred site for a new substation to connect offshore wind farms near the coast.

The aim of our consultation is to:

- Introduce and provide an overview
   of the project to the public
- explain why we need to build the reinforcement
- set out options that have been considered and how the decision was made on the Preferred Option Corridor and graduated swathe being proposed
- present and explain our Preferred Option Corridor with graduated swathe
- present and explain our preferred substation site
- ensure all stakeholders have the opportunity to provide feedback on our work to date
- outline next steps and programme and how we will further develop our proposals.



# **Consultation timing**

#### The non-statutory consultation will be held over an 8-week period, between 00:00 on Thursday 21 April and 23:59 on Thursday 16 June 2022.

#### **Consultation area**

We have mapped out a Primary Consultation Zone (PCZ) and a Secondary Consultation Zone (SCZ), to inform our engagement activities. They are shown in the appendices.

### Primary Consultation Zone (PCZ) see Appendix A

The PCZ will include stakeholders whose properties postcodes lie within 1km of the edge of the preferred Option Corridor. Where appropriate, the PCZ has been extended to include whole streets and postcodes rather than the 1km boundary dissecting hamlets or neighbourhoods. All relevant stakeholders within this area will be consulted including contacting each residential and business address directly.

The PCZ includes stakeholders who may be most directly affected by the proposals, we want to ensure they are kept fully informed about the project and we will actively seek to engage them.

On the launch of the consultation, we will mail a newsletter to all properties within the PCZ. The newsletter will include:

- an introduction to the project and overview of the proposals
- details of the project website, digital consultation and how stakeholders can discuss the proposals with the project team through local public information events, live chats, location-based webinars, and telephone surgeries
- information on how people can provide feedback online or request printed materials including feedback forms and maps.

We will include details on how people without access to the internet can view paper copies of materials and project contact details to find out more information.

### Secondary Consultation Zone (SCZ) see Appendix A

The Secondary Consultation Zone will extend to 4km from the edge of the Preferred Option Corridor. The SCZ will include stakeholders who are less likely to be directly affected by the project but may have impacts such as construction traffic and long-distance views. Anyone in the SCZ can register to receive all project information and be engaged with the project as they wish.

We will seek to raise awareness of the project and public consultation with stakeholders within the SCZ through the broad dissemination of information. This will include:

- placing advertisements in local and regional newspapers providing information about the consultation, and the engagement events and information on how to get involved in prominent community locations
- providing project documents in deposit locations around the area for stakeholders to examine
- placing advertisements on social media to target different demographics and to include those who might not otherwise engage with the consultation
- publishing full details of consultation and engagement events on the project website
- providing contact details for queries or to request paper copies of project documents.



## **Materials**

# All project documents will be made available on the consultation website as below:

- Project Background Document: to provide an overview of the project
- Corridor Preliminary Routeing and Substation Siting report: detailed report on how Preferred Option Corridor was selected
- summary newsletter to: high level description of proposals and invite to consultation events
- maps of the proposals
- feedback form.

We will also place paper copies of some documents at suitable, publicly accessible locations along the Preferred Option Corridor of the new connection. These will be available to stakeholders who are not able to access the project website and will include:

A list of where these documents are located is shown in appendix C and will be available on the website.



# Stakeholder briefings and meetings

#### We propose to hold meetings, either digitally or in-person, with stakeholders to provide information on the project and respond to questions. We will follow any current government guidance when setting up in-person events and meetings.

Before the start of public consultation, we will offer briefing meetings with the following stakeholders:

- Members of Parliament where all or part of their constituencies lie within the SCZ
- elected representatives of District and County Councils that fall within the PZC
- parish councils where all or part of the parish fall inside the PCZ.

We will engage with other organisations on request. These may include:

- third party groups such as Local Enterprise Partnerships and Business Groups
- community groups or residents' associations with a close geographical relationship to the project
- parish councils which fall outside of the PCZ
- interest groups with a close relationship to the project.



project information (paper copies will be provided upon request, or where digital receivership is not possible) and details on how to respond to the consultation and engage with the project team. We will keep them updated at key project milestones.

These stakeholders will be sent digital copies of



### **Public consultation**

We are proposing to use a blend of digital and traditional engagement channels for this public consultation. This will involve using the project website and other digital tools to present information on the project and gather feedback on our proposals. This approach is widely accepted for consultations on infrastructure proposals. We remain committed to engaging with all stakeholders and we want to ensure that all our engagement and consultation is inclusive and that it will reach those who otherwise may not engage with us. We are developing a strategy on how to engage groups that are defined as hard to reach (HTR). HTR groups are defined as being inaccessible to most traditional and conventional methods of consultation for any reason.

We also recognise that some people may not have access to or use of the internet. We have set out more details in Engaging with the Unconnected on how we will make our consultation fully accessible to those who do not have digital access.



#### **Project website**

A project website allows easy access and downloadable project information and documents and links to other resources that will also be available to view at public information events. It includes:

Function	Rationale
Document library with access to the information	The document library will be the 'go to' deposit location for all project information. It will ensure that all project information is available in one, easy to access location. We will encourage third parties hosting deposit locations (such as local authorities, libraries, etc.) to provide links to this page.
Consultation pages to display all relevant information and material being presented for consultation	Project information will be laid out in a simple, visual and interactive format, with pointers and instructions throughout to aid easy navigation.
Find out more pages	Details of dates and timings of public information events, webinars and 'ask the experts' sessions during the consultation period.
FAQs	This will help visitors to find answers to frequently asked questions.
Project videos, infographics and animations	A way of explaining the plans in a way that is accessible and understandable to the general public, ensuring greater levels of inclusion.
Project update section	Enabling members of the public to stay updated on the project and provides an easily accessible place for all recent updates to be hosted.
Project contact details	We will publish telephone, email and freepost details for the public to get in contact and request further details or ask questions.
Team call-back requests	Members of the public will be able to request a call-back to discuss the project over the phone.
Feedback form	The online form will enable members of the public to provide their f eedback easily and submit to the project team.
GDPR (Legal statement)	All personal data will be held in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679 and personal data will not be transferred outside of the European Economic Area, or used for purposes other than those outlined. The website will be made accessible for all users through the provision of audio guides, videos, other visual material, and the ability to request translation.

#### Interactive map

An interactive map references of the entire route and supporting points of interest. There will be pointers to further information, which may contain images, text or signpost to a different page that expands on the subject.

#### **Public information events webinars**

A hybrid programme of public events and webinars will provide stakeholders opportunities to find out more about the proposals and to provide feedback.

Public events will be are organised to be accessible to as many stakeholders as possible and held at suitable community hubs along the proposed route. In person events will the opportunity to speak to technical experts within the team. If events need to be cancelled for any reason, we will hold an online event at the published time.

Online webinars will be organised to enable the project team to present the same information as that at the public events to a large number of interested stakeholders. At least one webinar will be recorded and available on the project website for playback by those who cannot attend the webinar sessions.

The sessions will also include time for questions and answers. Different webinars have been organised to focus on specific geographical areas and the programme will be widely advertised.

#### Team call-back

Contact information has been published, including a freephone information line and an email address. Stakeholders will be able to request a telephone call from a member of the project team if they would prefer to ask questions over the phone. This provides an alternative option for those who may have less access to other engagement channels or are less comfortable with online technology.

#### Providing feedback on our proposals

We want to make providing feedback on our proposals as easy as possible for all stakeholders. Paper copies of the feedback form will be available at information points along the route (see appendix C) and at public events. Visitors to our project website will be able to fill out a feedback form online and send it back directly or download and print and return via our freepost address.

Members of the public will also be able to telephone our freephone contact number and request a paper copy of the feedback form, enabling them to send their feedback to the project team free of charge.

We will review all returned feedback forms. Comments will be inputted into a specialist stakeholder management system and considered as the project is developed further.

### **Advertising**

#### We will use advertising to raise awareness of the public consultation on the project proposals.

#### Print media

To raise general awareness of the project within the area and to advertise the consultation programme, we will place advertisements in key local and regional publications. These advertisements will help ensure that stakeholders without access to the internet, or who do not frequently use sites which will receive targeted virtual advertisement, are made aware of the project consultation.

Advertisements will be quarter page prints, published in the run up to the start of public consultation, and during the consultation period, to inform stakeholders of deadlines for feedback and public information event and webinar dates.

#### Social media

We will use social media to advertise the consultation. We will target advertisements the postcodes within the PCZ. Social media advertisement may draw in stakeholders who wouldn't otherwise engage with the consultation, for example young people. We will also ask local authorities, and other identified groups, to use their own social media channels to advertise the consultation.

Social media advertisement will include the use of Twitter and Facebook.



### Accessibility and hard to reach strategy

We want to ensure that all our engagement and consultation is inclusive and that it will reach those who otherwise may not engage with us. We are developing a strategy on how to engage groups that are defined as hard to reach (HTR). HTR groups are defined as being inaccessible to most traditional and conventional methods of consultation for any reason.

While the coronavirus pandemic had presented us with a situation where digital consultation was a necessity, we recognise that some people and groups may not have access to, or use of, the internet. We want to engage equally with all stakeholders, irrespective of access to digital communications.

To ensure our consultation is accessible to all, we will:

- directly mail a newsletter with project information to all stakeholders within the PCZ; and provide details of how to access paper copies of other project documents and provide feedback by post
- make important information available in both digital and non-digital formats and we will provide alternate formats for those who need them, as set out in a Hard to Reach (HTR) strategy described further below
- make paper copies of the information available at deposit locations, along with contact details for the project team who will be able to provide further assistance and send consultation packs to those who are unable to access the material online; advertise the consultation and project contact details through a variety of traditional and social media
- advertise the availability of telephone call-backs for stakeholders with further questions or who would like to discuss the project further with the project team.

HTR groups include the following:

- ethnic minority groups and people for whom English is a second language
- the Traveller community
- the elderly
- people with visual and hearing impairments
- people with limited mobility/disability
- the 15-19 and 20-39 age groups
- carers and families with young children
- economically inactive individuals
- geographically isolated communities or individuals.

We will discuss how best to engage with HTR stakeholders with local authorities. Our strategy for engaging with HTR groups and interest groups will be developed before the start of the non-statutory consultation. It will include the use of the communication tools set out in the table below.

Interest groups will include:

- business groups such as Local Enterprise Partnerships and Chambers of Commerce
- community groups such as residents' associations with a close geographical relationship to the project
- educational establishments like universities, colleges and schools along the route.

#### Consultation and engagement channels

Leading up to and during the consultation period we will carry out the following:

Activity	Objective(s)	Result
Direct engagement with representative groups and organisations	To build up links to groups and organisations we identify as representing HTR sections and interest groups in local communities. These could include community groups, youth groups, business groups, activity centres, ethnic minority groups etc.	National Grid can make use of existing communications channels that these community groups have in place to communicate with a wider audience of harder to reach groups and individuals.
Engagement with Ambassadors/ champions (for example, parish councils which have their own communications channels)	To facilitate wider consultation beyond traditional channels. To assist the project team in identifying likely issues and concerns from HTR audiences and ways to overcome them.	Feedback is received from HTR representatives and individuals.
Online events and webinars, dates and times will be advertised through the following channels:	To engage with a wide range of audiences and spread awareness of the proposals and consultation to those who may not otherwise hear about them or have the opportunity to participate.	To enable participation in the consultation process.
<ul> <li>printed materials</li> </ul>	These may be integrated with other	
<ul> <li>press releases</li> </ul>	consultation activities, such as the	
<ul> <li>e-letters/e-shot</li> </ul>	programme of digital consultation events.	
<ul> <li>paid advertising</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>social media advertising</li> </ul>		

#### HTR and interest groups contact database

We have created a database of identified relevant contacts at HTR and seldom heard community groups and other interest groups and organisations.

We will use this contact database to ensure these groups and organisations are kept up to date with the development of the scheme through regular mailing, telephone, digital and face to face contact. We will also monitor the success of our communications tools to test the suitability of our approach to engagement.

Depending on the reception of our early communications with these interest groups, we will adjust our approach to engagement accordingly.

# **Appendices**

Appendix A - Consultation zones



Key	
	NEA preferred corridor
10000	NEA primary consultation zone
12223	NEA secondary consultation zone
	SEA preferred corridor
12223	SEA primary consultation zone
10000	SEA secondary consultation zone

# **Appendices**

Appendix B – Public Information Events locations





# **Appendices**

Appendix C – Information points locations





National Grid plc 1-3 Strand Charing Cross London WC2N 5EH United Kingdom

nationalgrid.com

# Appendix C Newspaper Adverts

# Appendix C1 Colchester Gazette 21 April 2022

www.gazette-news.co.uk

**VOLUNTEERS SET UP WELLBEING HUB** 



Volunteers – Wendy Pagden and fellow volunteers at the first Time to Talk Tuesday session

A COMMUNITY hub in Stanway has set up fortnightly

Stanway has set up fortnight sessions to give people time and space to talk. The Stanway Wellbeing Hub, which is known as the StanWell Hub, has launched Time to Talk Tuesdays sessions which invite anyone and everyone to conversations, coffee, tea, and cake at Stanway Library

Working under the motto 'thriving together', the StanWell Hub runs its Time to Talk Tuesday sessions on the first and third Tuesday of each month, from midday until 1.30pm. The first session took place

with councillors Lesley Scott-Boutell and Paul Dundas cutting a celebration cake to mark the first get-together.

Speaking about the StanWell Hub on the first Time to Talk Tuesday session, the Rev Wendy Pagden, of St Albright's Church Stanway Colchester; said it would have numerous ways of helping people in the community. She said: "It's a space where we want people to thrive – socially, emotionally, physically, spiritually, and economically."

# **Trainee teacher** had child abuse video collection

A TRAINEE teacher Googled if it was natural for him to be attracted

to 14-year-old girls, a court heard. Hector Moyes, 28, admitted he had "been a bit silly" to police of-ficers after they found ten videos of the most serious Category A, involving the sexual abuse of children, on two electronic devices

Ipswich Crown Court heard on Tuesday how officers examined an Apple MacBook and an iPhone during a search warrant executed at Moyes' address in Fingringhoe Road, Langenhoe, Colchester in June 2021

But Adam Squibbs, mitigating, told the court his client's offences between January and February of last year came during a mental breakdown.

Having seized the two electron-ic devices last June, police officers arrested Moyes after finding he had used the internet to access in-decent images of children.

A number of indecent images depicting girls as young as ten-years-old being sexually abused were found on the MacBook. On the iPhone, officers discov-ered "vast swathes" of pornogra-

By LEWIS ADAMS

phy had been downloaded. Examinations of Moyes' inter-net history showed he had Goog-led if it was natural for a man in his twenties to be attracted to

14-year-old girls. Matthew Bagnall, prosecuting, highlighted this was during a period where the defendant was a trainee music teacher at a secondary school. But Mr Squibbs said Moyes,

who is a church organist, had a mental breakdown which resulted in a "brief and destructive" por-

nography addiction. He said his client entered a

mental health crisis following the death of his grandmother and the revelation his father had vascular dementia. Sentencing him to six months'

imprisonment, suspended for 18 months, Judge Emma Peters said "most people don't turn to the misery of child pornography" when having a breakdown. She added by "fuelling the trade of cruel and disgusting abuse

of children', Moyes had lost his teaching career. Moyes admitted possession of ten Category A videos, as well as four images and one video at Category B and eight images and three videos at Category C. He was ordered to do 150 hours'

unpaid work, given a 40 day rehabilitation requirement and a sexu-al harm prevention order for seven vears. He was also ordered to sign the sex offenders' register for the same period. Thursday April 21, 2022



### nationalgrid

East Anglia Green Energy **Enablement (GREEN)** April 2022

National Grid is consulting on proposals to reinforce the high voltage electricity transmission network from Norwich Main substation in Norfolk, to Bramford substation in Suffolk, on to Tilbury substation in Essex, as well as a proposed connection substation to connect new offshore wind generation.

Our first stage of consultation launches on 21 April and closes on the 16 June.

It is important that we hear the views of local people. Knowing what matters to you, matters to us.



To find out more about the proposals, our public infor events, online webinars and 'Ask the expert' one to o sessions and how to provide your feedback you can: , our public inform expert' one to one Visit our project website nationalgrid.com/east-anglia-greer he QR code to be taken directly there Email us at EastAngliaGREEN@nationalgrid.com Call us on 0800 151 0992

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# Appendix C2 East Anglian Daily Times 21 April 2022

# People reassured after fault shuts down nuclear reactor

The Sizewell B nuclear reactor is currently out of action following an "instrumentation fault", which caused the plant to shut down automatically.

The reactor and two turbines stopped working on Monday and have not yet resumed operation while engineers from EDF Energy, which owns the site, try to restore power.

An EDF spokesperson said: "We are pleased to confirm that the reactor and both turbines at Sizewell B are due to be back up and running in the next 24 hours following a short outage.

"The reactor automatically shut down safely on Monday, April 18 after an instrumentation fault. Sizewell B is the most productive station in the UK's nuclear fleet – in the past decade there has only been four days electricity generation lost due to unplanned shutdowns."

Residents living near the power station received letters

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from EDF reassuring them that there was no danger to their safety from the automated response.

The letter salety from the automated response. The letter sald: "Work is being carried out to discover the cause of the shutdown. The plant has responded as expected and at no time was anyone's safety put at risk.

"Due to the automatic shutdown you will see and hear steam being released into the atmosphere. The steam is from clean water systems and does not present any threat to the public or the environment."

Earlier this month, the EADT revealed that the operational life of Sizewell B could be extended by at least 20 years – as part of the Government energy strategy.

The station was due to stop producing energy from 2035, but EDF said it would decide within the next two years whether it could be extended



to 2055 – saying such a move would protect jobs and UK energy security.

A final decision on extending Sizewell B's life will be made in 2024, which would then be followed by the required capital investment in the plant, safety enhancements and obtaining

the necessary approvals. The Government says its strategy aims to make 95% of electricity low carbon by 2030.

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	Sizewell C, said: "Why, with
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# Appendix C3 Eastern Daily Press 21 April 2022

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Alessandro Glorio, of Cafe Gelato, met the stars of Good Luck To You, Leo Grande Emma Thompson and Daryl McCormack Picture: ALESSANDRO GLORIO

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#### The trailer has been released for a racy new comedy drama film starring Emma Thompson and Norwich features in it.

Good Luck to You, Leo Grande will be released in cinemas on June 17 this year and scenes were shot in Norwich in March 2021. This included Café Gelato In Opie Street, which features in the frailer just released by Lionsgate UK.

The film, directed by Sophie Hyde, stars Oscar-winner

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Thompson as widow Nancy Stokes and rising star Daryl McCormack as Leo Grande, who you may recognise as Isiah in Peaky Blinders. Nancy hires the services of sex worker Leo in the film as she is yearning for adventure.

Both find they like each other

and over the course of three rendezvous, the power dynamics shift. The film made its debut at the Sundance Film Festival in

January

# Stand-off over A47 dualling schemes as Shapps seeks answers

Highways chiefs and council ses are locked in a stand off over how parts of the 'old' A47 will be maintained if proposed dualling goes ahead.

Transport secretary Grant Shapps will have the final say over whether the multi-million pound dualling of sections of the A47 between Blofield and North Burlingham and Easton to North Tuddenham can proceed.

He will also decide whether to approve changes to the Thickthorn junction on the edge of Norwich after a series of hearings to help planning inspectors come up with recommendations.

Mr Shapps has sent a letter instructing Norfolk County Council and National Highways to explain whether an agreement will be reached over what happens to the current A47 if it is replaced by a new dualled

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ection between Blofield and North Burlingham.

While there is no suggestion the schemes could be scuppered because of the wrangle, the sticking point relates to the passing over of responsibility for around a mile and a half of the 'old' section of the road.

As a major A-road – or 'trunk road' – the A47 is maintained by the government-owned company National Highways But, if permission for dualling is approved, part of the old road would be 'de-trunked'.

That would see responsibility for it – and the cost of maintenance – pass to Norfolk County Council, as it would become a local road. And, with the council

grappling with a £60m funding gap, the authority is keen to

get agreement over what condition any handed over sections of road would be in and to secure money from National Highways to cover the cost of maintaining the de-trunked sections.

The letter from the secretary of state gives the council and National Highways until April 27 to respond Grahame Bygrave, director

of highways and waste at Norfolk County Council, said: "We are working closely with National Highways on an agreement that would see the county council take on the maintenance of the existing stretch of road, as the new dual carriageway would bypass

it. "This will ensure the responsibilities are clearly set out ahead of the scheme's completion, and routine work can be carried out. "These talks will continue as

we iron out the details with National Highways."

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# Music therapy for dementia patients starts in Braintree

A MUSIC therapy project for people living with dementia is coming to Braintree this month.

The Together in Sound music therapy taster group will be held at the Braintree Museum on Thursday, April 28.

These groups are designed for people living with dementia and their companions to enjoy and are part of a free music therapy project that has been running in Saffron Walden since 2017.

Run by the Saffron Hall Trust, Cambridge Institute for Music Therapy Research at Anglia Ruskin University (ARU), the programme is open to anyone who has a dementia diagnosis and applications are now open for interested parties to attend.

There will also be a further 10-week course held at the museum in Braintree from May 5.

Russell Smith, from Quendon, and his wife Brenda, who lives with dementia, enjoyed attending Together in

Sound at the Saffron Walden sessions for several years. Russell said: "What I've witnessed at these sessions is quite remarkable; people that appear to have lost all interest in life, come to life.

"This is the impact music can have and it appears to me that special place in the brain is awakened by certain pieces of music. To witness a loved one reliving past memories through music is such an uplifting experience."

Angela Dixon, Saffron Hall Trust chief executive, said: "Since 2017, Together in Sound groups have worked with almost 200 participants living with dementia and their companions.

"Together in Sound has been greatly received by the dementia community in and around Saffron Walden and we're so glad we can expand the project's reach by partnering with Braintree Museum."

For more information and to apply to take part visit www.saffronhall.com/ take-part/together-in-sound.

### **Pig-based comedy for Witham**

FANS of Alan Bennett are in for a treat as the Witham Amateur Operatic Society brings the musical comedy Betty Blue Eyes for a short run at Witham Public Hall. Following their highly popular performances of Made In Dagenham,

performances of Made In Dagenham, the amateur dramatic group is in the final stages of rehearsals ahead of their opening night on April 25. Based on the film A Private

Based on the film A Private Function, the story by Alan Bennett is set in Yorkshire, in 1947.

The Second World War is over, but its scars continue to be seen and felt. The only bright spark of hope on the horizon is the impending marriage of Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip. The story follows the lives of

The story follows the lives of Gilbert and Joyce Chilvers, a chiropodist and his not-to-bereckoned-with wife. Gilbert inadvertently stumbles across a pig named Betty, who is being illegally reared to ensure the local dignitaries can celebrate the Royal Wedding with a lavish banquet.

It leads to the kidnapping of the pig, while the sinister Mr Wormold the Ministry of Food inspector tracks down Betty and the Chilvers.

This show is a heartwarming British story, packed full of eccentric characters, an uplifting score and show-stopping choreography from the 1940s.

Betty Blue Eyes will run from April 25 to 30 at Witham Public Hall.

Tickets can be booked at boxoffice@waos.org. East Anglia Green Energy Enablement (GREEN)

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Wednesday 4 May	Witham Public Hall, Collingwood Road	
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<b>Saturday 7 May</b>	West Bergholt Orpen, Memorial Hall	
10am-4pm	45-57 Lexden Road West Berghol CO6 3BG	
<b>Monday 9 May</b>	Chadwell Village Hallm, Waterson Road	
12-7pm	Chadwell St Mary RM16 4NX	
Wednesday 11 May	Mulbarton Village Hall, The Common	
1-6:30pm	Mulbarton NR14 8AE	
<b>Saturday 14 May</b>	The Palgrave and District Community Centre	
10am-4pm	10 Rose Lane, Palgrave IP22 1AP	
<b>Tuesday 17 May</b>	Holton St Mary Village Hall, Holton St Mary	
12-7pm	Hadleigh CO7 6NW	
Wednesday 18 May	Burstall Village Memorial Hall, Burstall	
12-7pm	Ipswich IP8 3DR	
Saturday 21 May	Laindon Community Centre, Aston Road	
1-6pm	Laindon SS15 6N	
<b>Tuesday 24 May</b>	Writtle Village Hall, 18 The Green	
11am-5:30pm	Writtle, Chelmsford CM1 3DU	
Friday 27 May	Needham Market Community Centre, School Street	
1-7pm	Needham Market IP6 8BB	
Saturday 28 May	Lawford Venture Centre, Bromley Road	
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# Appendix C5 Halstead Gazette 21 April 2022

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Appendix C6 Thurrock Gazette 21 April 2022 www.thurrockgazette.co.uk

### Hoax 'gun' call made to police

CHILDREN put on fake ac-cents and called police claim-ing a gun was being used. Essex Police's Force Con-trol Room took to Twitter to

raise awareness it had been dealing with hoax phone calls yesterday.

The force's operator's re-ceived a call on Easter Mon-day afternoon making false claims about firearms and

claims about mearns and the use of a gun. Children, who reportedly were putting on accents, could be heard laughing in the background of the call, police said.

Despite this, police attended, due to the severity of the claims.

On arrival the offending children were given "stern words of advice".

Essex Police said this had not been the first hoax call it

had received that day. An Essex Police spokes-man said: "We took a 999 call not long ago, which was can not rong ago, which was a hoax call about firearms and using a gun, with kids laughing in the background of the call. Stern words of advice were given to them."



A solar farm which could power more than 16,000 homes could get the go ahead.

Rows of solar panels on 212 acres of green belt land off Fen Lane and Mede-bridge Road, South Ockendon, have been recommend-

ed for approval. The panels, which will take six months to install, will be connected to an underground cable providing grid connection to the Warley National Grid Sub-station at North Ockendon. They would be set out in east to west rows with a maximum height of 3me-

tres, with the panels facing south. If approved, the solar farm proposed by Mede-bridge Solar Ltd, would supply up to 49.9MW to the

National Grid, which is the equivalent of the annual electrical needs of approximately 16,100 family homes. The site, on farmland, would be operational for 40

vears after which it would be decommissioned and the



Solar farm - it will power thousands of homes

land would then be restored to agricultural use. In 2018 permission was

granted for a solar farm development to the south of the site. A similar solar farm to the east of the site was approved last year. In a report to Thurrock Council's planning com-

Council's planning com-mittee, planning officers

said: "The proposals would comprise inappropriate de velopment in the green belt Furthermore, the proposed development would lead to a development would lead to a loss of openness and would, to a degree, be harmful to land within the green belt." However, they add: "The applicant has cited a num-

ber of factors which are

weighing harm to comprise very special circumstances needed to justify inappropriate development. It is considered that significant weight should be attached to the benefits of providing renewable energy, includ ing the reduction in carbon emissions.

"The temporary nature of the development attracts some weight and weight can also be attached to the economic, social and envi-ronmental benefits of the proposals. On balance it is concluded on this point that the benefits of the proposals clearly outweigh the sub-stantial harm to the green belt, and therefore a departure from normal green belt policies is justified." Three objections were

submitted to the council, in-cluding the effect on public rights of way, loss of wildlife and detrimental visual impact.

If approved it will be referred to the Secretary of State for a final decision.

### Eggs given to hospice



Generous - Bradley Lazell

A CARING pub boss donated 89 Easter eggs to a hospice caring for people with terminal conditions.

with terminal conditions. Bradley Lazell, who owns The Fox-hound pub in Orsett village, was keen to put a smile of kids faces this Easter. Mr Lazell, a long-time supporter of St Luke's Hospice, in Basildon, hand-delivered 89 Easter eggs to the hos-pice's Nether Mayne centre on Sunday. The charitable publican also donat-ed £114 to the hospice. A St Luke's Hospice spokesman said: "Thank you to Bradley from The Foxhound pub in Orsett who kindly donated 89 Easter eggs and £114 to St Luke's Hospice. We are very grateful to Bradley and all those involved who supported and donated." supported and donated."





# Appendix C7 Harwich and Manningtree Standard 21 April 2022
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WORKING HARD: Colchester Hospital and, inset, Neill Moloney

# Patients are left waiting for years

### Hospital working hard to clear backlog

#### By Rebecca Creed

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FIGURES have revealed the backlog facing doctors in north Essex with one patient left on a waiting list for four and a half years

Isis for four and a half years. A Freedom of Information request found at the East Suffolk and North Essex Trust, which runs Colchester Hospital, eight patients waited more than three years for treatment. A further two waited more than

A further two waited more than four years.

One patient was still waiting to start oral surgery treatment after four and a half years.

This is understood to be the longest wait of all the hospital trusts who responded to the FOI request from the PA News Agency. Neill Moloney, managing director of the trust, added: "Our teams are doing all they can to tackle waiting lists and treat our patients in the communities we serve as quickly and orfoly as possible

quickly and safely as possible. "Waiting lists have undoubtedly increased due to the Covid-19 pandemic response and its ongoing impact, but we do not want anyone to be in pain, or waiting, any longer than necessary

"We are working hard to reduce the backlog at our trust, including this longest wait in oral and maxillofacial surgery, and we are prioritising patients based on clinical need, in line with national guidance for all NHS trusts."

At the Mid and South Essex Trust, which runs hospitals in Chelmsford, Basildon and Southend there were 14 patients who waited more than three years. A further six waited four years. One patient was recorded as having waited 390 weeks - equivalent to seven years - but the trust said the patient had been under a "prolonged period of active monitoring" and was actually being seen and monitored. To find out how much longer

To find out how much longer patients had been waiting over the two-year mark, PA sent Freedom of Information requests to 125 non-specialist acute hospital trusts in England.

Trusts were asked how many patients had been waiting for three years in January – in line with the latest available data from the NHS – how many had been waiting for at least four years, and then the longest period a patient had been waiting for an appointment

In total 69 trusts responded to the FOI at the time of publication.

### **Ambulance service in crisis**

PATIENTS have told how they have had to wait hours for an ambulance, with one resident claiming she waited four hours while having a suspected heart attack. The East of Eneland Ambu-

Inte East of England Amoulance Service is experiencing the most significant and sustained pressures in recent years, according to chief executive Tom Abell.

One contributing factor is the fact 261 employees across the trust are currently off with Covid-related absences, which is nearly four per cent of the workforce. The NHS body has now activated its Emergency Operations Centre Standard Operating Procedure so ambulances will only be sent to the most severe cases.

Sal Lou, 44, from Colchester, says she had to wait more than eight hours back in December after dislocating her hip, despite being in excruciating agony.

She said: "The ambulance service told my husband it could be up to ten hours.

"The ambulance crew were amazing, apologetic and understanding and I felt in safe hands – I don't blame them, nor the hospital staff, it comes from higher up the chain."

up the chain." Louise Smyles, 43, from Colchester; says she had to wait for four hours while having a suspected heart attack before eventually being rushed to hospital - hours longer than the target time of seven minutes.

She said: "It was horrid and the most terrifying thing I have gone through but the paramedics were lovely – I am now on heart medication for life."



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## Appendix C8 Braintree and Witham Times 21 April 2022

### Historic fireplace finally restored after pandemic

A THREE-YEAR conservation project to restore a historic fireplace has finally been completed.

The project involved restoring the fireplace at the National Trust's Paycocke's House in Coggeshall, after it was found in 2019 that some of the 18th Century tiles were damaged.

The status of each tile was examined by a specialist ceramics conservator, and the report found that five tiles needed to be removed for specialist

conservation. In early 2020, the tiles were removed, ready to travel to the specialist studio.

But due to the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic and the first lockdown the project had to be paused.

At the start of this year, the project to repair and reinstate the tiles was finally able to resume and the conservation work began at a specialist studio in Brighton. The tiles returned to Paycocke's

in February and have now been refitted to the fireplace and repointed. repointed. They are hand-painted with a range of images, including ships, castles, vases of flowers and idyllic countryside scenes. Kerith Ririe, property operations manager for Paycocke's House, said: "We are delighted to have

Parlour Room at Paycocke House. House. "Our visitors very much enjoy looking at them whilst they enjoy their tea and cake. "The Delft tiles are a never-

the Delft tiles restored in our

ending source of interest given the multitude of different stories told within them.

"However, time and wear and tear meant that some had come loose from their fixings. "Every penny raised through tea and cake purchased from our tearoom goes towards the

conservation of our special place, preserving it for future generations."



# Village store campaigner has a mountain to climb

Joanne scaling 1,000m peaks to boost store appeal

### By Macaully Moffat macaully.moffat@newsquest.co.uk

A KEEN walker is attempting to raise funds for a community shop by climbing two of the UK's highest mountains.

Joanne Colyer, 60, from Gosfield, will be climbing two Scottish 'Munros' to fundraise some money to

The store has operated from a portable building in the Gosfield playing field car park for the past five years.

Planning permission was granted by Braintree Council on the under-standing that the shop could operate from a permanent facility rather

than from a temporary building. The shop has permission to build an extension to the adjacent sports pavilion as its permanent home, which would cost about £150,000.

However, Braintere Council has refused to extend the consent of the temporary building and has issued an enforcement to close order with effect from October, meaning time is running out to save the village shop. Gosfield resident Joanne, who is a

member of the shop committee and chairman of the fundraising com-mittee, said she understands the shop's importance. She said: "I know how important it is for the community, particularly

"It is a good hub for the communi-

ty and we are desperate to save it." Joanne will be climbing the 1,000m peaks Beinn Achaladair and Beinn a' Chreachain with brother Ian Tolfts, who climbs them regu larly.

Joanne said: "Last vear I retired from work as I turned 60, and I enjoy walking when I can.



CHALLENGE ACCEPTED: Joanne will be climbing two Scottish to raise money for the Gosfield Community Shop

"In my 60th year, I walked a mar-athon and I then thought that it would be nice to do something else which was a challenge. "So, knowing my brother climbs

mountains regularly and enjoys that, I thought we could do it togeth-er, and raise money for the shop.

"We will go up one, along the ridge to the next one, before climbing down.

"I'll be flying up to Edinburgh on April 26, meeting my brother, climbing these two Munros before flying back the same day, so it will be a rather full-on day, but I am looking forward to the challenge."

You can donate to the cause to save the village shop by visiting the appeal's JustGiving page at justgiving.com/crowdfunding/gos-field shop field-shop



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longer-term trend, which has seen property prices in the area achieve 13.5 per cent annual growth. The average Braintree district house price in Feb-ruary was £337,304, Land Registry figures show – up two per cent on January. Over the last year, the average sale price of prop-erty in Braintree rose by £40,000 – putting the area

240,000 – putting the area 12th among the East of England's 45 local author-ities with price data for

annual growth. First-time buyers in the Braintree district spent

an average of  $\pounds 278,000$  on their property –  $\pounds 31,000$ more than a year ago, and  $\pounds 51,000$  more than in Feb-

houses saw the biggest in-crease in property prices – up 2.2 per cent to £583,617

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## East Anglia Green Energy Enablement (GREEN)

Have your say

## National Grid is consulting on proposals to reinforce the high-voltage electricity transmission network between Norwich, Bramford and Tilbury.

The proposed reinforcement is around 180 km and would comprise mostly overhead line (including pylons and conductors – the 'line' part), underground cabling through the Dedham Vale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and a new substation in the Tendring district.

It will play a vital role in delivering new sources of electricity efficiently, reliably, and safely and will support the UK's move to net zero.

#### Have your say

We want to hear your thoughts on our proposals. You can find out more by visiting one of our consultation events, attending an online webinar, booking a one to one 'Ask the Expert' session and on the project website. Please provide your feedback using our online form on the website or by requesting a paper feedback form.

If you would like to receive paper or alternative format versions of our materials, please get in touch.

The deadline for consultation responses is Thursday 16 June 2022.

#### **Public information events**

Attend one of our information events to find out more about the proposals and speak to our experts.

Date and time	Venue				
Thursday 28 April	Ingatestone and Fryerning, Community Centre				
12-6:30pm	7 High Street, Ingatestone CM4 9ED				
Wednesday 4 May	Witham Public Hall, Collingwood Road				
12-6:30pm	Witham CM8 2DY				
<b>Saturday 7 May</b>	West Bergholt Orpen, Memorial Hall				
10am-4pm	45-57 Lexden Road West Berghol CO6 3BG				
<b>Monday 9 May</b>	Chadwell Village Hallm, Waterson Road				
12-7pm	Chadwell St Mary RM16 4NX				
Wednesday 11 May	Mulbarton Village Hall, The Common				
1-6:30pm	Mulbarton NR14 8AE				
Saturday 14 May 10am-4pm	The Palgrave and District Community Centre 10 Rose Lane, Palgrave IP22 1AP				
Tuesday 17 May	Holton St Mary Village Hall, Holton St Mary				
12-7pm	Hadleigh CO7 6NW				
Wednesday 18 May	Burstall Village Memorial Hall, Burstall				
12-7pm	Ipswich IP8 3DR				
Saturday 21 May	Laindon Community Centre, Aston Road				
1-6pm	Laindon SS15 6N				
<b>Tuesday 24 May</b>	Writtle Village Hall,18 The Green				
11am-5:30pm	Writtle, Chelmsford CM1 3DU				
Friday 27 May	Needham Market Community Centre, School Street				
1-7pm	Needham Market IP6 8BB				
Saturday 28 MayLawford Venture Centre, Bromley Road0am-4pmLawford, Maningtree CO11 2JE					

#### **Online webinars**

Our webinars will present details of the proposals followed by an open Q&A. You can register on our website or call or email us.

Date and time	Торіс	
<b>Friday 22 April</b> 2pm	Overview of project	
Saturday 23 April Oam	Overview of project	
<b>Monday 25 April</b> ′pm	Overview of project	
<b>fuesday 26 April</b> 2pm	Our proposals in the South Norfolk district	
Friday 6 May 10am	Our proposals in the Babergh, Tendring and Colchester districts	
<b>fuesday 10 May</b> 2pm	Our proposals in the Chelmsford district	
Friday 13 May	Our proposals in the Thurrock district	
<b>'hursday 19 May</b> Ipm	Our proposals in the Mid Suffolk district	
<b>Friday 20 May</b> Oam	Our proposals in the Braintree district	
<b>Vednesday 25 May</b> 2pm	Our proposals in the Basildon and Brentwood districts	
<b>Vednesday 8 June</b> 2pm	Overview of project	
<b>Γhursday 9 June</b> ′pm	Overview of project	

#### Get in touch

To find out more about the proposals, register for an online webinar or book an 'Ask the Expert' one to one session you can either:

- visit our project website nationalgrid.com/east-anglia-green (scan the QR code to be taken directly there)
- email us at EastAngliaGREEN@nationalgrid.com
- call us on 0800 151 0992

We look forward to hearing from you.



## Appendix F Proposal Maps

















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## Appendix G Feedback Form

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# East Anglia Green Energy Enablement (GREEN)

Consultation feedback form April 2022

National Grid is consulting on proposals to reinforce the high voltage electricity transmission network from Norwich Main substation in Norfolk to Bramford substation in Suffolk, on to Tilbury substation in Essex, as well as a proposed connection substation to connect new offshore wind generation.

The proposed reinforcement is around 180 km and would comprise mostly overhead line (including pylons and conductors – the 'line' part) and underground cabling through the Dedham Vale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and a new 400 kV connection substation in the Tendring district.

In recent years, the UK has begun a nationwide transformation towards cleaner, greener energy consumption. The Government has set ambitious targets to achieve net zero by 2050 and expects 40 GW of electricity to be generated from offshore wind by 2030.

These ambitions, coupled with increased demand for interconnection and new nuclear power, mean that generation in East Anglia is set to significantly increase. Our network studies show that the reinforcement needs to be in place before the end of the decade, and we need to start work to take the proposals forward.

We are seeking your views on our work to date. Knowing what matters to you matters to us. Your feedback is important to help us as we develop our proposals in more detail.

We will set out how we have considered your consultation responses in the development of our plans within a Consultation Report, which will form part of our application to the Planning Inspectorate. You are welcome to answer all or some of the questions in this form, depending on the locations and issues that are most important to you. There is also an opportunity to comment generally on the project and this consultation.

We have published a set of documents that will provide you with information on East Anglia GREEN:

- consultation newsletter
- Project Background Document
- Corridor Preliminary Routeing and Siting Study report.

These documents are available on our website **nationalgrid.com/east-anglia-green**. If you wish to receive paper copies of these documents or need them in another format, please get in touch (please note print charges may apply).

Please submit your response by **Thursday 16 June 2022**. Responses received after this date may not be considered as part of this consultation. To return this feedback form free of charge, please address your envelope to **Freepost EAST ANGLIA GREEN** (no stamp or further address details are required).

### **About you**

#### Your details

Title: First name:								
Surname:								
Organisation / group (if responding on behalf of an organisation):								
Address:								
Postcode:								
Email address:								
Please tick here if you would like us to keep you updated about our proposals via email								
How would you describe your interest in East Anglia GREEN?								
Local resident	□ Statutory organisation (please specify in the							
Local representative (e.g. Councillor, MP)	text box below) <ul> <li>Other (please specify)</li> </ul>							
Landowner								

- Local business owner
- Regular visitor
- □ Local interest group member (if so, please name)
- General
- 1. As part of the goal for delivering net zero carbon emissions in the UK by 2050, and the need to connect 40 GW of offshore wind energy by 2030 as part of this goal, do you agree with the identified need for East Anglia GREEN in upgrading the region's energy infrastructure (as described from page 20 in the Project **Background Document)?** 
  - □ Strongly agree
  - □ Agree

Disagree

- Neither agree nor disagree
- □ Strongly disagree
- □ Unsure

### **Policy context**

#### 2. How concerned are you about the following? Please tick as relevant

	1 Very concerned	2 Concerned	3 Neutral	4 Not that concerned	5 Not at all concerned
The effect of climate change/global warming on your life					
The effect of climate change/global warming on the lives of future generations					

#### 3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

#### Please tick as relevant

	1 Strongly agree	2 Agree	3 Neither agree or disagree	4 Disagree	5 Strongly disagree
The UK meeting its target of net zero carbon emissions by 2050 is important to you					
With more renewable energy connecting in East Anglia, it is important to reinforce the network between Norwich and Tilbury to enable this energy to be transported to where it is needed					
Having domestic energy sources and the associated infrastructure would help increase the UK's energy security					
Increasing our domestic renewable energy production and associated infrastructure would make us less reliant on imported oil and gas					

### **Our proposals**

We are asking for your feedback on our proposals as a whole and our approach. We are also asking for your feedback on the sections of the reinforcement that you feel are more relevant to you.

If you need to add more comments, please feel free to provide on a separate piece of paper or use the box after question 11.

More detailed maps of the preferred corridor and specific sections of the corridor can be viewed in the Project Background Document and on the East Anglia GREEN website interactive map.

To view the interactive map, scan the QR code below or visit our website at: **nationalgrid.com/east-anglia-green** 







### Our preferred corridor and graduated swathe

To help provide feedback on the area that is most relevant to you, we have divided our preferred corridor into geographical sections as it crosses local authority areas.

When you provide your answers please tell us which section they relate to.

#### 4. The preferred corridor

We considered and assessed a number of options to select a preferred corridor. Do you agree with the process we have taken?

(Please refer to the Project Background Document from page 38)

- □ Strongly agree
- □ Agree

- Disagree
- □ Strongly disagree
- □ Neither agree nor disagree

## Please indicate which local authority section(s) of the route your response relates to (please tick all that apply)

- □ South Norfolk
- □ Mid Suffolk
- Babergh, Tendring and Colchester
- □ Braintree

- Chelmsford
- □ Brentwood and Basildon
- □ Thurrock
- □ Entire route

### Please tell us the reason for your answer and if you think there is anything we should take into consideration when developing our plans.

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#### 5. The graduated swathe

We have shown a graduated swathe within the preferred corridor to indicate where we feel it is most likely that any infrastructure (pylons, overhead lines, underground cables, substation etc.) may be built.

(Please refer to the Project Background Document from page 38)

### Please indicate which local authority sections(s) of the route your response relates to (please tick all that apply)

- □ South Norfolk
- □ Mid Suffolk
- Babergh, Tendring and Colchester
- □ Braintree

- □ Chelmsford
- Brentwood and Basildon
- □ Thurrock
- □ Entire route

### Are there any features within the graduated swathe that you think we should take into consideration when developing our plans?

#### 6. Dedham Vale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)

This section of the reinforcement needs to connect from Bramford substation to the new connection substation on the Tendring Peninsula. We are proposing to route through the AONB using underground cables.

Please comment on any aspects of the routeing and mitigation that you would like to see in relation to our proposals through the AONB.

(Please refer to the Project Background Document pages 37, 44 and 56)

### **Substations**

#### 7. The preferred substation site on the Tendring Peninsula

### We considered and assessed a number of options to select a substation site. Do you agree with the process we have taken?

(Please refer to the Project Background Document on page 42)

□ Strongly agree

Disagree

□ Agree

- □ Strongly disagree
- □ Neither agree nor disagree

Please tell us the reason for your answer and if you think there is anything we should take into consideration when developing our plans.

8. Please comment on any aspects of the site and/or areas of mitigation that you would like to see in relation to our proposals for a new connection substation.

#### 9. Associated work at existing substations

We will need to connect the reinforcement into existing substations at Norwich Main, Bramford and Tilbury and to carry out some work at these locations.

(Please refer to the Project Background Document pages 52 (Norwich Main), 54 (Bramford) and 64 (Tilbury).

### Please indicate which substation your response relates to (please tick all that apply)

- Norwich Main
- Bramford

- □ Tilbury
- □ All of the above

#### Is there anything that you think we should consider in relation to this work?

### **Other considerations**

#### 10. Refining our proposals

We will carry out further assessments and considerations to help us decide where we could locate new infrastructure within the preferred corridor and preferred substation site.

Are there any particular features, considerations or mitigation that you think we should consider as we refine our proposals?

11. Are there any other considerations we should take into account when developing our proposals?

Please use further paper if needed.

### **Our consultation process**

Please let us know your views on the quality of our printed and online consultation materials, our face-to-face consultation events, the accessibility of our webinars, how we have notified people about our proposals, and anything else related to this consultation.



### 12. Please let us know how you heard about this consultation by ticking one or more of the following boxes:

- D Received a letter from National Grid
- Received a newsletter from National Grid
- D Received an email from National Grid
- Received information from a local authority
- □ Informed by a local elected representative
- □ Saw an advert in a local newspaper

- □ Saw coverage in local and/or national media
- □ Saw social media coverage
- Word of mouth
- Other (please state)

### 13. Please rate the information included in our consultation materials in terms of how clearly it was presented and how easy it was to understand:

- Very good
- □ Good
- □ Average

- Poor
- Very poor
- Unsure

#### **Reasons for answer**

14. Please rate how well this consultation was promoted and advertised to the public:

- Very good
- □ Good
- □ Average

- D Poor
- Very poor
- □ Unsure

#### **Reasons for answer**

15. Did you attend one of our face-to-face or online consultation events?							
	Yes, face-to-face		Yes, both				
	Yes, online		No				
16. If you answered yes to question 15, how informative did you find our consultation events?							
	Very informative		Not informative				
	Quite informative		No opinion				

17. Do you have further comments about our materials, consultation process or any suggestions for how we can improve our consultation?

### Equality and diversity

National Grid would be grateful if you could answer the following equality and diversity questions. We will use the information we receive to help understand whether our consultation has been useful to people of different backgrounds and requirements.

We may publish a summary of the results, but no information about an individual would be revealed.

The answers you provide to this question are defined as 'special category data'.

If you agree to provide equality and diversity information, you can withdraw your permission at any time. To withdraw your details, please contact us via email at EastAngliaGREEN@nationalgrid.com

If you wish to receive paper copies of these documents or need them in another format, please get in touch via the details on the bottom of this page (please note print charges may apply).

#### 18. What is your gender?

	Male Prefer not to say		Female		Non-binary		
19. Do you consider yourself a person with a disability?							
	Yes		No		Prefer not to say		
20. How would you describe your ethnic background?							
	African, Caribbean or	Blac	ck		Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups		
	Arab				Any other ethnic group (please state)		
	Asian						
	Gypsy or Irish Traveller						
	White				Prefer not to say		
21 . What is your age?							
	Under 13		13-20		21-50		
	51-75		76+		Prefer not to say		

### **Contact us**

Please get in touch if you have any questions or comments on the East Anglia GREEN development.

Call our Community Relations team: 0800 151 0992 (Open Monday to Friday 9:00am-5:30pm) Email us: EastAngliaGREEN@nationalgrid

.com

### Alternative feedback methods

Access our website directly at nationalgrid.com/east-anglia-green where an online version of this form is available.

Email your comments to EastAngliaGREEN@nationalgrid.com

Post us your comments using Freepost EAST ANGLIA GREEN (no stamp or further address needed)

If you are a landowner or have an interest in any of the land which interacts with our proposals, you can raise any questions relating to land interests by contacting the East Anglia GREEN Land Team at Fisher German by calling 03450 131 864 or by emailing EastAngliaGreen@fishergerman.co.uk.

Alternatively, you can write to East Anglia GREEN Lands Team at Fisher German, The Estate Office, Norman Court, Ivanhoe Business Park, Ashby de la Zouch, LE65 2UZ.



### **Data privacy notice**

National Grid is committed to protecting your personal information.

Whenever you provide such information, we are legally obliged to use it in line with all applicable laws concerning the protection of personal data, including the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

### How will National Grid use the information we collect about you?

We will use your personal data collected via this consultation for a number of purposes, including:

- to analyse your feedback to the consultation
- to produce a Consultation Report, based on

our analysis of responses (individuals will not be identified in the Report)

- to write to you with updates about the results of the consultation and other developments if you have opted in to receive these updates
- to keep up to date records of our communications with individuals and organisations.

Any personal information you include in this form will be handled and used by (or made available to) the following recipients to record, analyse and report on the feedback we receive:

- National Grid
- the Planning Inspectorate (which will consider our application for consent to build East Anglia GREEN – any details published as part of this process will be anonymised)
- the Secretary of State (who will take the decision

on our application)

- our legal advisers
- consultants working on the East Anglia GREEN project.

#### What rights do I have over my personal data?

Under the terms of the UK GDPR you have certain rights over how your personal data is retained and used by National Grid. For more information, see our full data privacy statement visit

nationalgrid.com/privacy-policy

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