

The Great Grid Upgrade

Eastern Green Link 5 (EGL 5)

2025 Stage 1 Consultation Feedback Report

Appendix C

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Appendix C: Mailshots/Letters

1. Cllr Letters

Cllr mailshots

Example mailshot copy

Tuesday 13 May 2025

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If you cannot attend this briefing, there may be the potential to attend another briefing or we can provide a recording on request and answer any questions via email.

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[Redacted signature]

2. Non-statutory organisations - mailshots

Notifying of consultation

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4. Cllr mailshots

Notifying of consultation and offer of a briefing to Cllrs

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Please see below the mailshot sent to these Parish Councils.

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