

Energy Projects update

Strategic Planning Committee

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Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Economic Development

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Current/ forthcoming projects

- East Anglia One CONSTRUCTED
- East Anglia Three CONSENTED, PRE-CONSTRUCTION
- East Anglia One North EXAMINATION (ends July 2021)
- East Anglia Two EXAMINATION (ends July 2021)
- Sizewell C EXAMINATION (Apr – Oct 2021)
- Nautilus PRE-APPLICATION
- Eurolink PRE-APPLICATION
- SCD1 NETWORKS OPTION ASSESSMENT (NOA)
- Five Estuaries PRE-APPLICATION
- North Falls PRE-APPLICATION

Forthcoming projects and applications

- Nautilus / Eurolink

National Grid Ventures, reclassified as a Multi-Purpose Interconnector, connection offer to Friston National Grid substation (not yet consented). Non statutory consultation late summer 2021, formal consultation anticipated end 2021/22.

National Grid Ventures provided an update on the projects during a briefing meeting to Councillors on 22 February 2021 and held a webinar with town and parish councils on 1 March 2021.

- SCD1

National Grid, interconnector between Suffolk and Kent, no further detail. Formal consultation 2021/22? Early stages but expected to be moved forward this year, earliest in service date is 2029.

- Five Estuaries

Formerly known as Galloper extension, had connection offer, previously identified to Friston substation (not yet consented) but this could change, anticipated connection date 2030, very early stages. Little known.

- North Falls

Formerly known as Greater Gabbard extension, has a connection offer but the location is not identified, anticipated connection date 2030, very early stages, little known at this stage.

East Anglia One North and East Anglia Two - Examination

- EA1N and EA2 Examination
 - Examination extended by 3 months, due to finish 6th July 2021
 - Remaining deadlines
 - Deadline 11 (7th June)
 - Deadline 12 (28 June)
 - Deadline 13 (5th July)
 - Remaining hearings
 - ISH 16, 26 May 2021: Proposed substations site
 - ISH17: draft Development Consent Order
- All information available on the Planning Inspectorate website:
<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/east-anglia-one-north-offshore-windfarm/>

Sizewell C Examination

- Commenced April 2021, concluding October 2021
- Open floor hearings w/c 18th May
 - Cllr Rivett spoke at OFH1, 18th May
- Deadline 1 (12th May):
 - ESC and SCC Local Impact Report Submitted
- Deadline 2 (2nd June):
 - Officers currently working on responses to first round of ExA's written questions
- Issue specific hearings commencing 6th July
- Deadline 3 (24th June)
 - Comments on: Written Representations, LIRs, SoCGs, responses to ExA's Written Questions 1
- Accompanied Site Inspections 8-10th June, 22nd June
- All information available on the Planning Inspectorate website:
<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/the-sizewell-c-project/>

Priorities

- ESC continues to work closely with partners including Suffolk County Council, Natural England, Historic England, Suffolk Coast and Heaths AONB, Environment Agency, Suffolk Police, Suffolk clinical commissioning groups etc.
- ESC continues to work with our local councillors, local town and parish councils, local groups, happy to talk with anyone who contacts the Energy Projects Team – energyprojects@eastsoffolk.gov.uk and sizewellC@eastsoffolk.gov.uk
- ESC continues to lobby Government, take part in the Offshore Network Transmission Review, talk with the Crown Estate, etc.