

**The Councils are not content with the following proposals:**

- The proposed transport strategy: The Councils expect a sustainable transport strategy, and as such are not yet convinced that a marine-led transport strategy is not feasible; and are not content with a road-led option, but remain supportive of a rail-led option;
- The introduction of four very tall pylons to the power station site with considerable detrimental impact on the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty;
- The introduction of additional permanent development within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, beyond the power station platform;
- The transport mitigation proposals for Wickham Market – neither the diversion route nor the removal of on-street car parking are appropriate.

**The Councils have considerable concerns about the following aspects but have not yet seen enough detail or evidence, including cumulative impacts with other energy projects near Sizewell, to come to a considered view:**

- Ecological impacts on the sensitive environment around the site, including on the RSPB Minsmere Reserve;
- Impacts on coastal processes along the Suffolk Heritage Coast for the entire lifetime of the power station;
- The impacts of the proposals for borrow pits and stockpiles on the sensitive local environment and neighbouring land uses;
- The impacts of the workforce on the local housing market, particularly with a potential increase of the expected workforce from 6,100 to 8,500 workers;
- The suitability of the proposed transport mitigation measures in each of the transport scenarios, and the lack of mitigation proposals at other traffic pinch-points affected by the development;
- The feasibility of the range and density of proposed uses at the land east of Eastlands Industrial Estate;
- Justification of the location and a comprehensive assessment of the impacts and benefits of: The accommodation campus, the selected route for the Sizewell Link Road from the A12, and the proposed site options for a freight management facility.

**Whilst EDF Energy have made positive progress in some areas, notably the commitment for a two-villages bypass, the Councils wish to see further commitments on:**

- Clear delivery mechanisms to achieve ambitious levels of employment opportunities for local residents and supply chain opportunities for local businesses;
- A commitment to a suite of skills interventions to prepare local residents for the employment opportunity;
- A comprehensive mitigation strategy to address adverse socio-economic impacts in conjunction with the proposed Housing and Tourism Funds, to address impacts on key sectors including tourism and on public services;
- Consideration of wider legacy benefits of the proposals.