



## Minsmere Levels Stakeholders Group

### The Sizewell C Development Consent Order has been submitted today!

It has been 9 months since we last updated you on our activities surrounding Sizewell C but as after several false starts by EDF to submit their DCO in March and April we are now at the start of the formal examination of the SZC proposal.

First though a few updates on our activities since last July when we were in the middle of the Stage 4 consultation.

We have continued to support the activities of TEAGS and have fully supported their changes to become a limited company. We support the conclusion that TEAGS have come to that EDF have simply not taken our combined concerns seriously over the 8 years of the consultation and so have hardened their message and now campaign under the **Stop Sizewell C** banner.

Many parish councils in the local area, including Theberton and Eastbridge, have also come to the same conclusion and now oppose the SZC development in principle. Over 50 Parish and Town Councils have sent joint requests to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) to not accept a DCO application given the restrictions we are all under during the coronavirus and another letter to County and District Councils to resist EDF starting the examination phase of the application should it be accepted by PINS.

As part of our efforts with Stop Sizewell C we have been working and coordinating with RSPB, Suffolk Wildlife Trust and Friends of the Earth on environmental issues and long term issues with both the coastal frontage and potential impacts to the Minsmere valley and nature reserve.

With FOE are looking specifically at issues concerning groundwater and surface water impacts and interactions on the construction site, Sizewell Marsh and on the Minsmere Levels. In order to do this work we are planning to work with two consultants who will assist us in reviewing the actual proposals in the DCO which will be public in 28 days, assuming PINS accept the DCO application. Both of the consultants have had been on the site walk from the Eels' Foot Inn and so are aware of the major impact areas and site size and layout.

In order to continue with our efforts in scrutinising the DCO once released we ask that you consider donating to MLSG through the link below or purchase the Minsmere Levels history book by donating at least £6.00 below, including postage, and sending an e-mail to [MinsmereLevelsSG@gmail.com](mailto:MinsmereLevelsSG@gmail.com) requesting a copy and giving you address details.



Finally, there will be a **Facebook Stop Sizewell C broadcast tomorrow, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 17:00**, where we will be discussing the Development Consent Order application. Please join us where questions can be asked through the Stop Sizewell C Facebook page.