Sizewell C Northern Transport Forum

Wednesday 6th November 2024



Agenda



Item 1: Welcome and Introduction of the Chair and Panel – (Chair)

Item 2: Meeting note and matters arising from Northern Transport Forum (7th August 2024) – (Chair)

Item 3: Report back from: Community Forum (9th October 2024) Main Development Site Forum (15th October 2024) and Southern Transport Forum (14th August 2024) – (*Richard Knight*)

Item 4: Community Relations – (Marjorie Barnes)

Item 5: Housing Fund – (Sarah Allison – East Suffolk Council)

Item 6: Road and Rail Updates – (David Peacop and Stephen Keighley)

Item 7: Traffic and Transport – (Rebecca Quigg – WSP and Steve Merry – SCC)

Item 8: Community Safety – (Darren Benford-Brown)

Item 9: Q&A – via Town and Parish Council Representative – (Chair)

Item 10: Dates of Future Meetings – (Chair)



Item 1: Welcome and Introductions



Item 2: Meeting note and matters arising from NTF (7th August 2024)

Chair



Northern Transport Forum Report



November 2024



for further design detail



Concerns raised for traffic routes from the Ancillary Construction Area	Assurance that Sizewell C will continue to route traffic onto Lover's Lane and not through Leiston	
How are Sizewell C addressing the extra traffic from Sizewell B outage	Sizewell C work with Sizewell B to manage the impact, particularly around car parking	
Concerns for increased traffic	Sizewell C using the ACA car parking to allow more parking at MCA for the Sizewell B outage. Staff will move from the ACA to the MCA via regular bus services	
Clarification on Speed Enforcement	peed Enforcement Statement provided from Suffolk Constabulary to outline enforcement responsibilities	
Request from Darsham Parish Council	Bespoke meeting with Darsham Parish Council delivered	



Purpose of the Northern Transport Forum

- Discussions between SZC and representatives from communities located in the immediate vicinity of the Northern Park and Ride
- Yoxford Roundabout
- Other highways improvement sites
- Sizewell Link Road site
- Provide project information in relation to relevant construction issues and progress
- To enable local elected representatives to ask questions and raise issues of concern relating to road and rail specific to SZC construction
- Inform SZC on key issues affecting the local community in the immediate vicinity of the NTF Sites
- Find ways to minimise the impacts and maximise the benefits of the project to those living and working nearby



Item 3: Report back from previous Forums

Richard Knight



Community Forums

Draft meeting notes published on East Suffolk Council website









Annual Community Forum

Held on Wednesday 9 October 2024

Main Development Site Forum

Tuesday 15 October 2024 Leiston Town Athletic Association

Southern Transport Forum

Wednesday 14 August November 2024 Riverside Centre



Item 4: Community Relations

Marjorie Barnes, Head of READ



Supporting the

community through the

construction of Sizewell C

Enhancing Communications

- Works tracker, email alerts, letters, newsletters, public notices, bespoke Parish meetings, frequency of forums
- Always listening to community feedback, reporting back to the project and adapting our plans where we can.





Minimising

the impacts and

maximising the benefits

- Supporting improvements in local education, raising awareness and increasing engagement
- Working with hard-to-reach groups to support next steps in education, training and employment







SIZEWELL C COMMUNITY FUND

- £309,843 was awarded in Round 1
- Citizens Advice East Suffolk: £170,358
- Peasenhall Parish Council: £26,000
- Saxmundham and District CIC: £12,500
- Seagull Lowestoft: £64,615
- Young People Taking Action (CYDS): £19,036
- •Aldeburgh Jubilee Hall: £30,000
- •Easton and Letheringham Village Hall: £1,896
- •Leiston Youth and Community Angling Society:
- £6,864
- Slaughden Sailing Club: £4,572

- Round 2 closed on 6th October with applicants contacted in January with decisions
- Round 3 will close 19th January with applicants contacted in April with decisions
- The team will be working with small organisations in the Leiston area over the next few months to ensure these are supported to apply for a grant.









Item 5: Housing Fund

Sarah Allison – East Suffolk Council Housing Fund



Increase supply of bedspaces in private housing

Applications are now open for two new grants to help East Suffolk homeowners get ready to rent out high quality accommodation to Sizewell C workers.

MINOR WORKS GRANTS

 Up to £3,000 per bedroom is available to turn an unused bedroom into accommodation for a Sizewell C worker. This can cover things like repainting, new flooring, electrical upgrades, extra heating, new windows, or adding a washbasin.

RENOVATION GRANTS

 Up to £7,000 per bedroom is available for larger projects, including converting buildings to homes, structural work, electrical rewiring, heating installation, new windows and doors, plumbing, and adding kitchen or bathroom facilities. This grant can also be used to create shared accommodation - Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO)-

* Extra funding on top of these amounts is available for work needed to improve the property's Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) rating to C *

For more information on grant conditions and how to register an enquiry, visit www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/sizewell-c-housing-grants or scan the code:

Support housing advice service / housing and homelessness services resilience measures



- Provide housing advice and assistance under the Housing Act 1996 as amended by the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017.
- To prevent homelessness and when possible, to ensure people can remain in their homes.
- Rent and deposit guarantee schemes.
- Providing support to people at risk of homelessness.

- To ensure the Council provides good, safe standards of residential accommodation.
- To bring landlords and prospective tenants together in securing affordable accommodation.
- To make the best of existing, under-utilised accommodation for non-home-based workers to provide additional bed spaces.
- Increase the housing supply of accommodation through funded incentives.



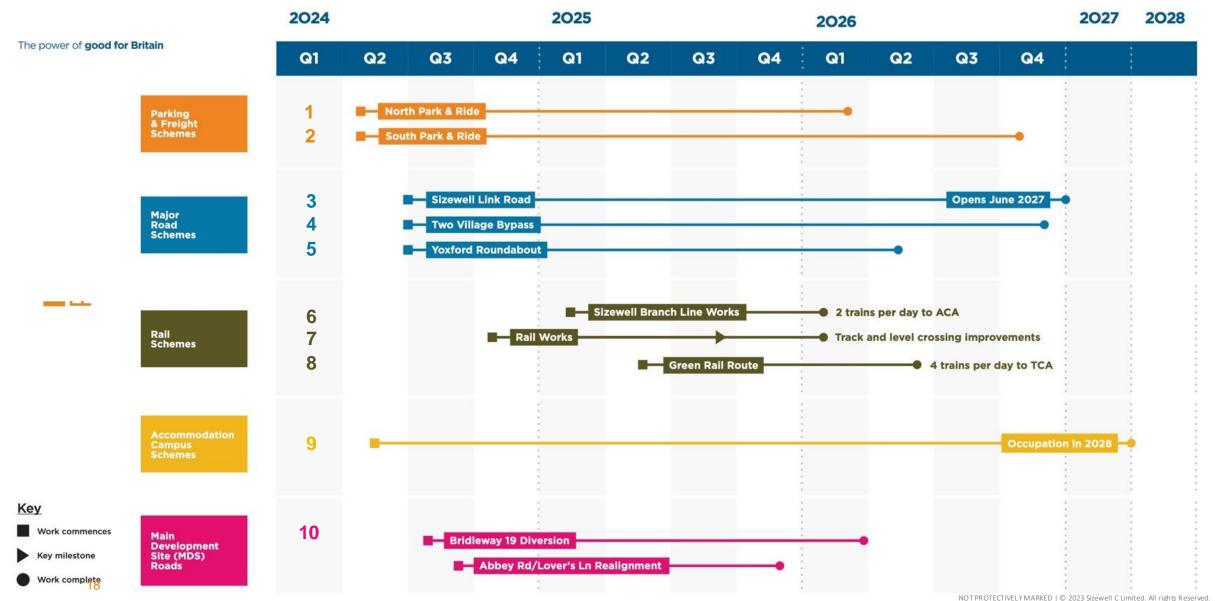
Item 6: Road and Rail Updates

David Peacop, Site Operations Director Stephen Keighley, Senior Project Manager – Rail Rowland Stepney, Network Rail



Site Delivery Lookahead





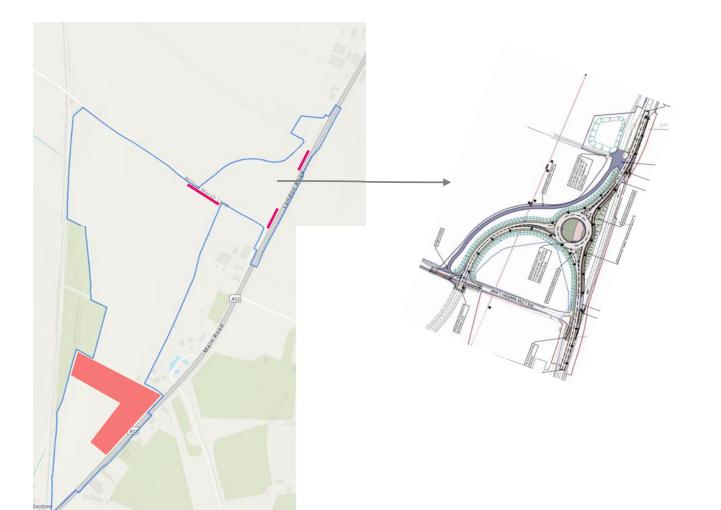
Countywide Highways Signage – Semi Permanent Q1 25





North Park and Ride Early Works Q4 24/Q1 25





Q4-24 (Completed)

Vegetation Clearance (Willow March Lane)

Q1-25:

- Temporary site Access from Willow March lane
- Archaeology (ca. 3-months)

2025 onwards:

- Roundabout works (Q2-25)
- Main Works (Q2-25 till Q3-26)
- Vegetation Clearance (along A12 roundabout tie-in points)

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Yoxford Roundabout Early Works Q4 24/Q1 25



Pre-Construction Activities at Yoxford Roundabout

Middleton Moor Spur: • Vegetation Management • Archaeology Mitigation • Site Security & Fencing











Yoxford Roundabout – Main works





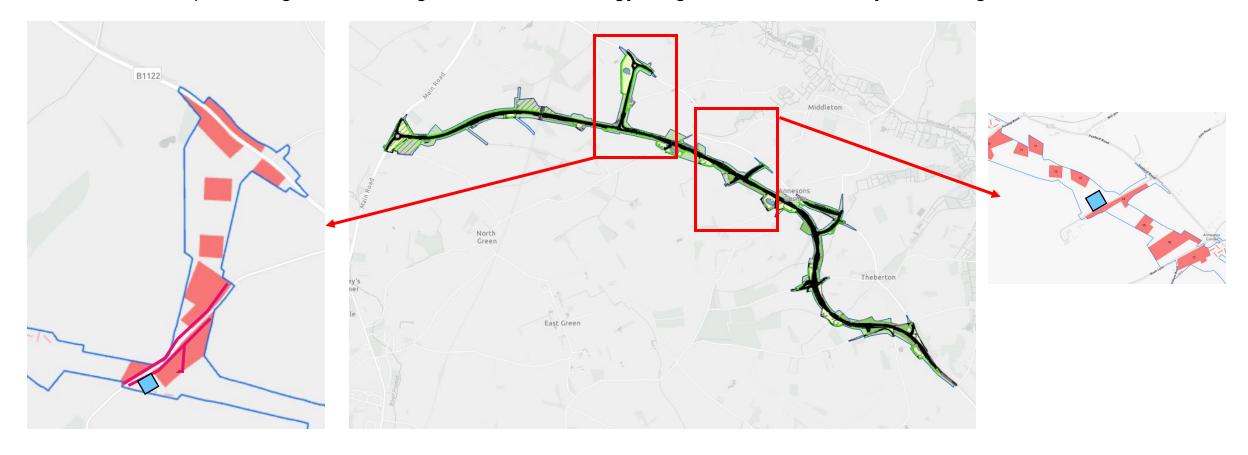
- Utility diversion works
- Contract out to tender
- Award for Dec 2024
- Mobilisation Q1/Q2 2025

Sizewell Link Road (SLR) Early Works Q4 24/Q1 25



Pre-Construction Activities at Sizewell Link Road

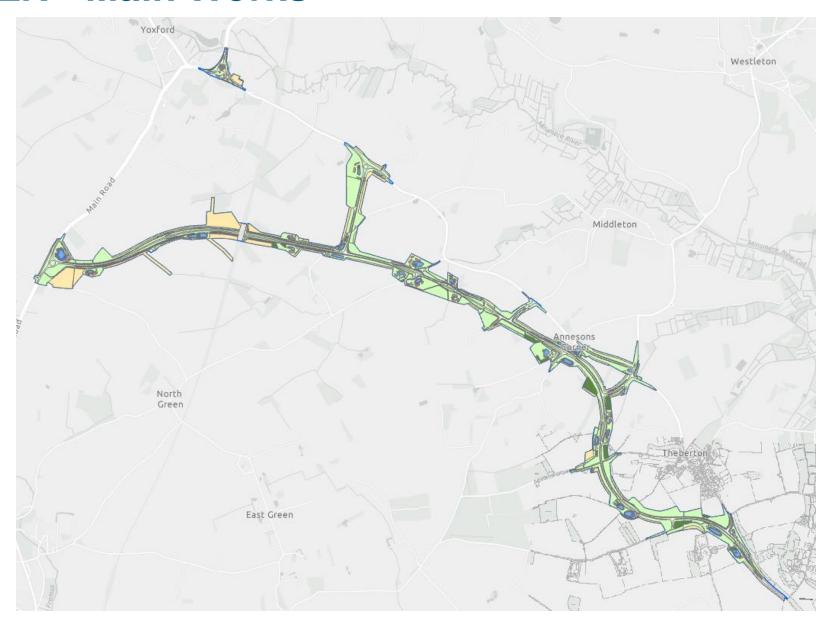
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SLR - Main Works

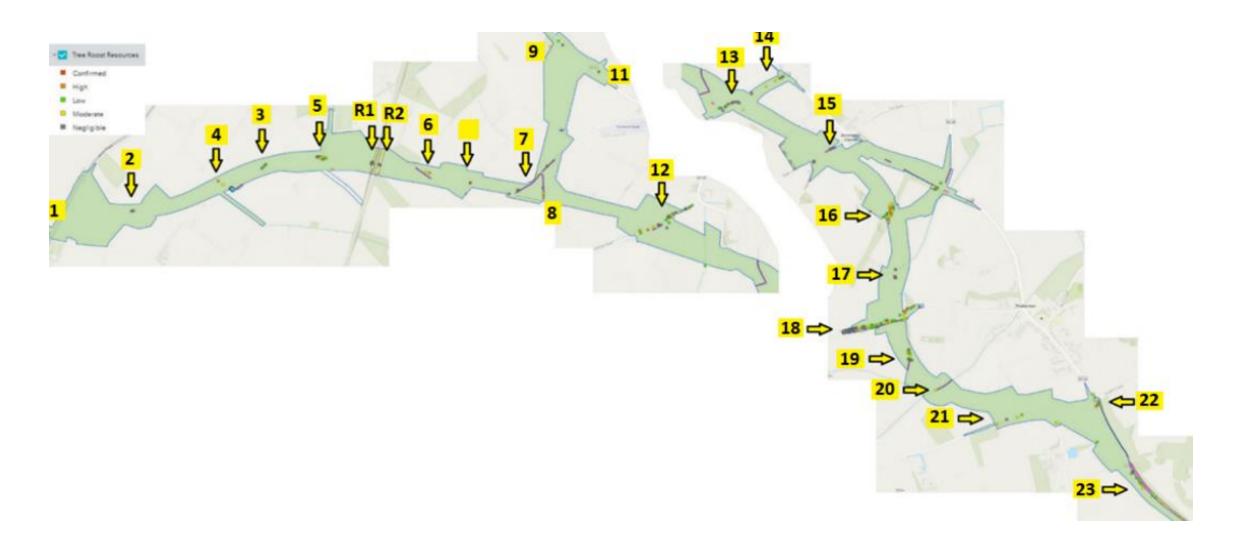




- Vegetation & ecology clearance ongoing
- Construction Contract out to tender
- Award for Jan 2025
- Mobilisation Q1/Q2 2025

SLR – Vegetation clearance sites





SLR - site compound on Littlemoor road



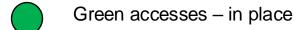


Main Development Site Roads Early Works Q4 24/ Q1 25 Sizewell









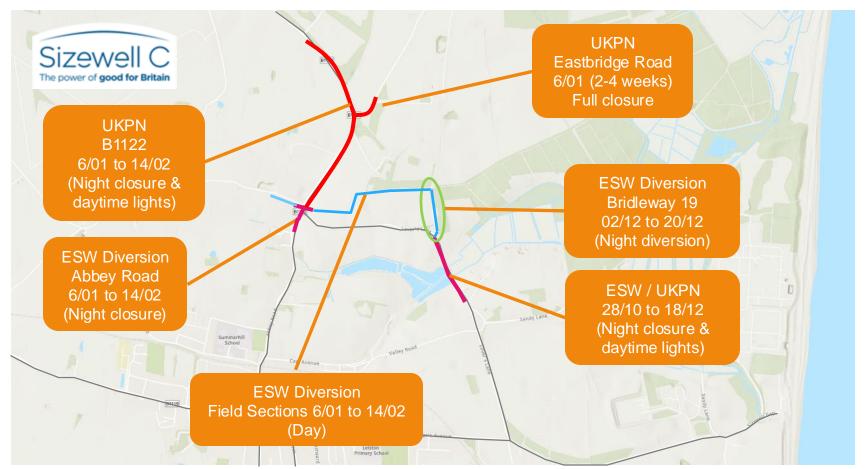


Vegetation – indicative locations of clearance to be completed ahead of works in-line with ecological windows and seasonality.

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Main Development Site Utilities - Q4 24 / Q1 25



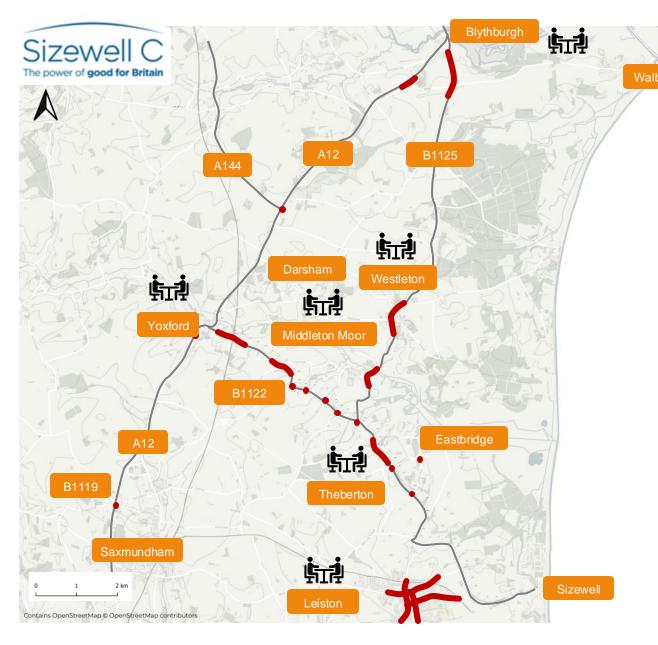


Key Road

ESW Essex and Suffolk Water 8" Water Diversion

Water main diversion off highway (private land)

Utility diversion in highway.





Local Road Improvement Schemes – In Procurement



Typical improvements

- New and enhanced pedestrian footways and crossings
- New road surfacing
- Village gateways
- Safety improvements and side road visibility



Key road

Improvement scheme

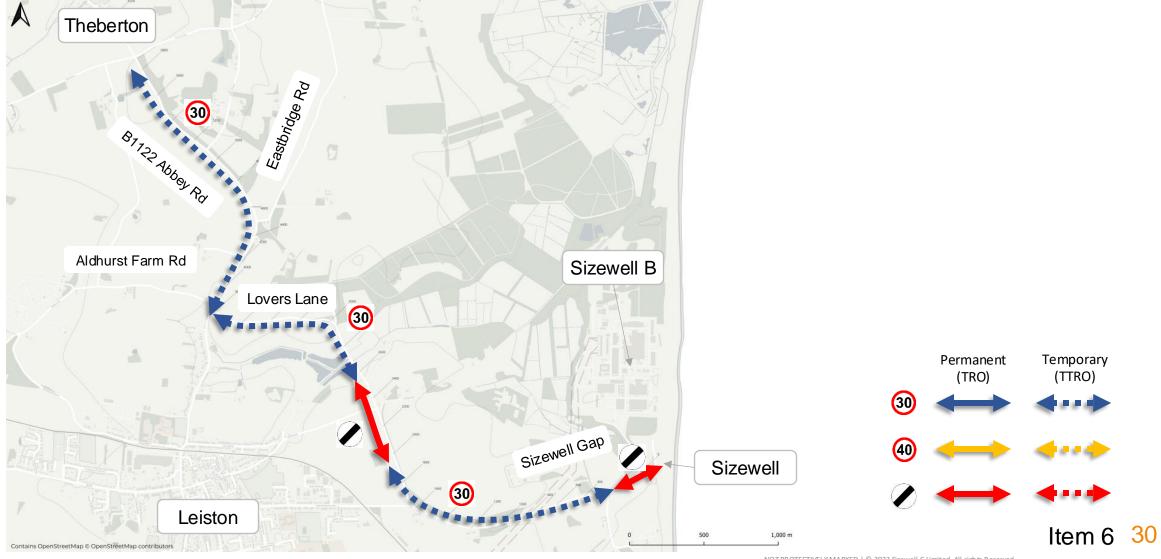
Transport Working Group

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Current Temporary Speed Limits

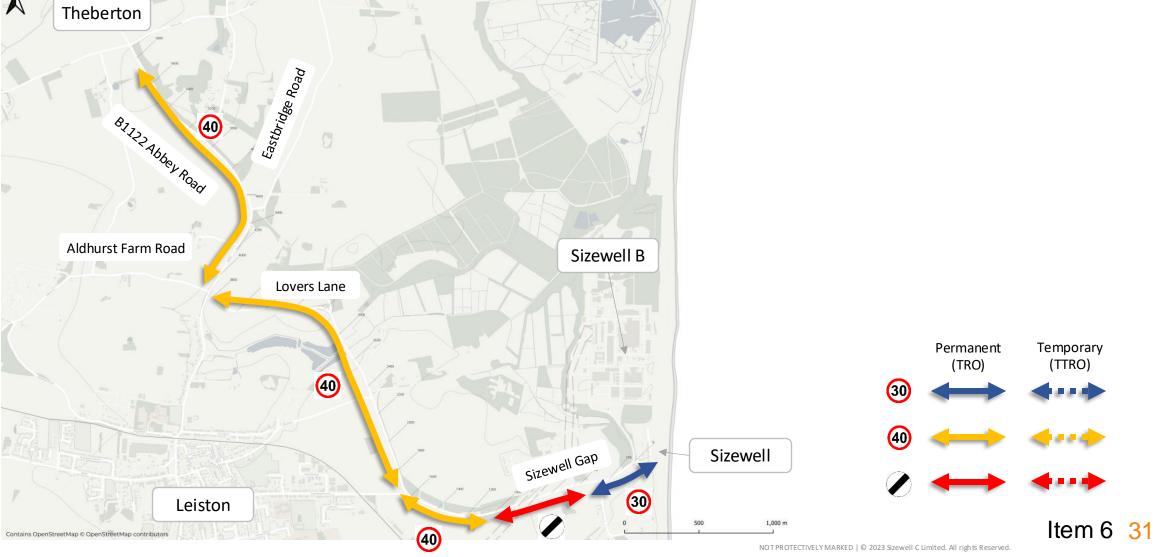


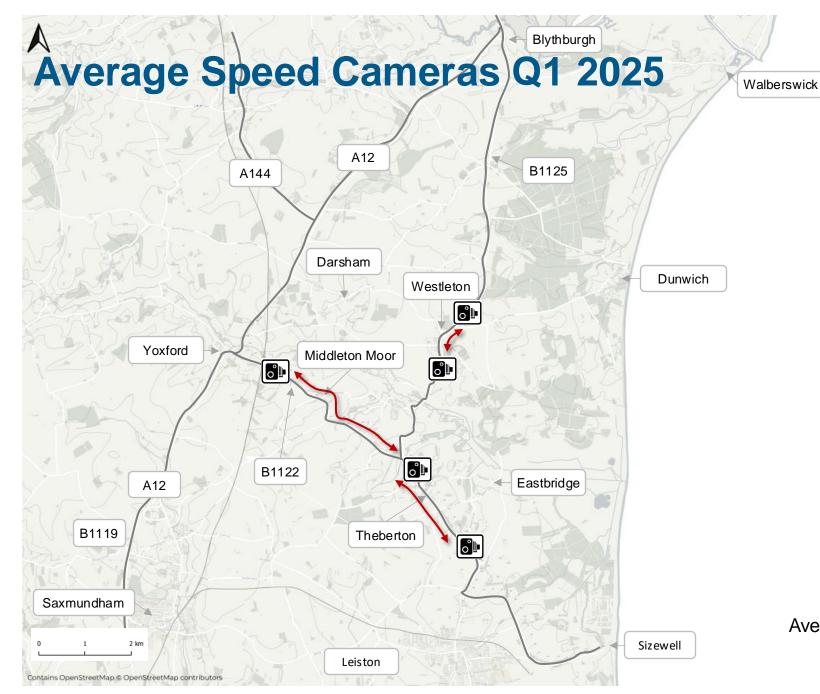
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Future Permanent Speed Limits









Average speed camera enforcement

- B1122 from Yoxford to Eastbridge Road / main site access
- 2. B1125 through Westleton



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Key road



Average Speed Camera Location



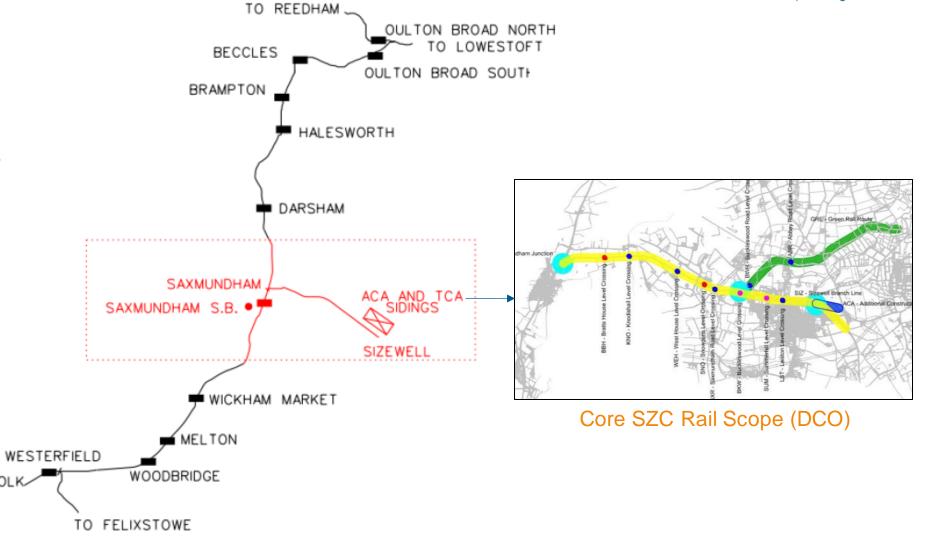
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Rail Scope - Overview



East Suffolk line Upgrades:

- Level Crossing Upgrades
- Track Works
- Additional Signals

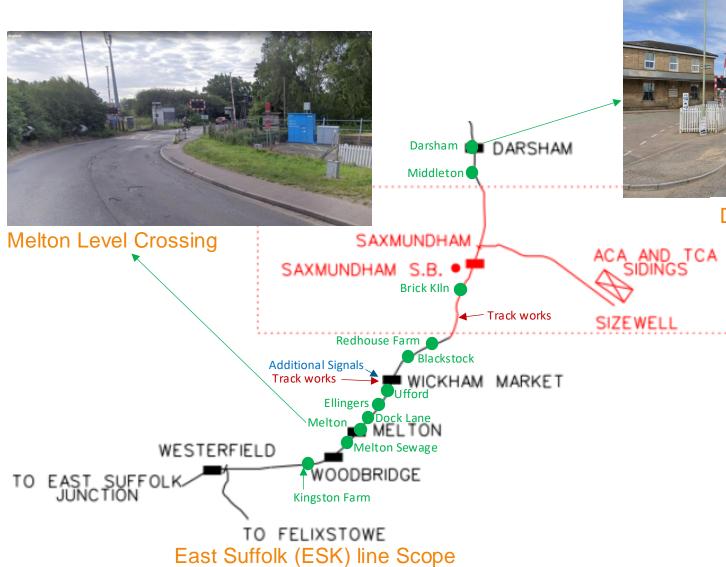


East Suffolk (ESK) line Scope

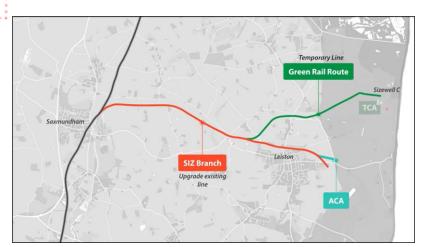
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Rail – East Suffolk (ESK) line





Darsham Level Crossing



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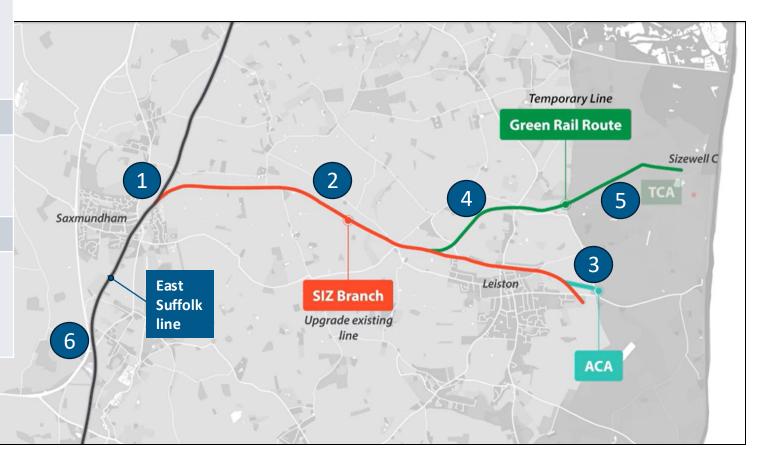
Core SZC Rail Scope (DCO)

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Rail Delivery - Construction Phases



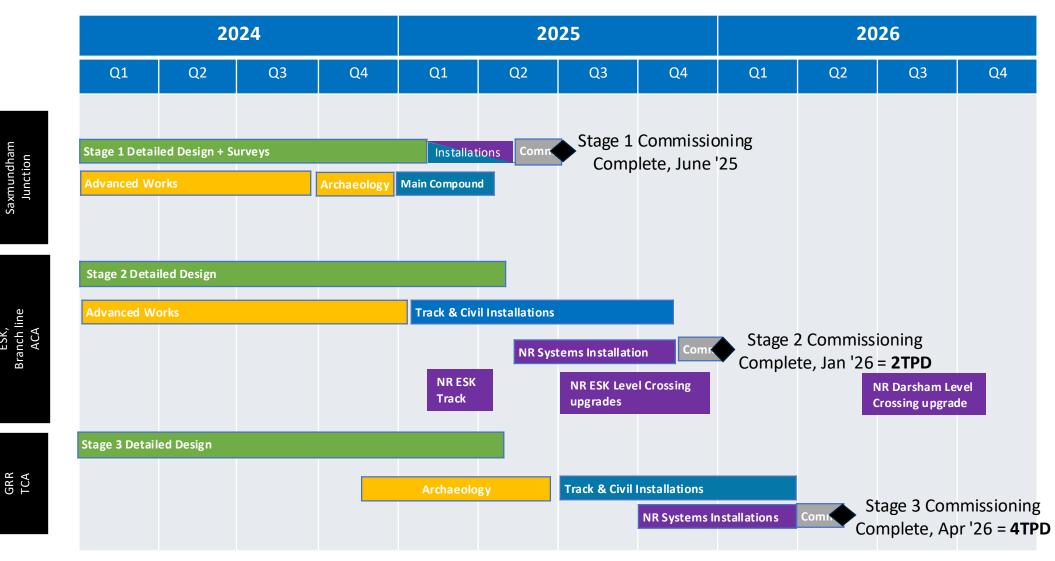
	Location	Scope
1	Saxmundham Junction	Upgrade existing junction
2	Sizewell Branch line	Track upgrade Level crossing upgrade (7Nr) Signalling upgrade
3	ACA Sidings	Temporary sidings (3Nr)
4	Green Rail Route	Temporary connection to TCA New level crossings (2Nr)
5	TCA Sidings	Temporary sidings (8Nr)
6	East Suffolk line	Level Crossing upgrades (11Nr) Track upgrades Signalling upgrade



Rail Delivery – Plan on a Page

Stage 2





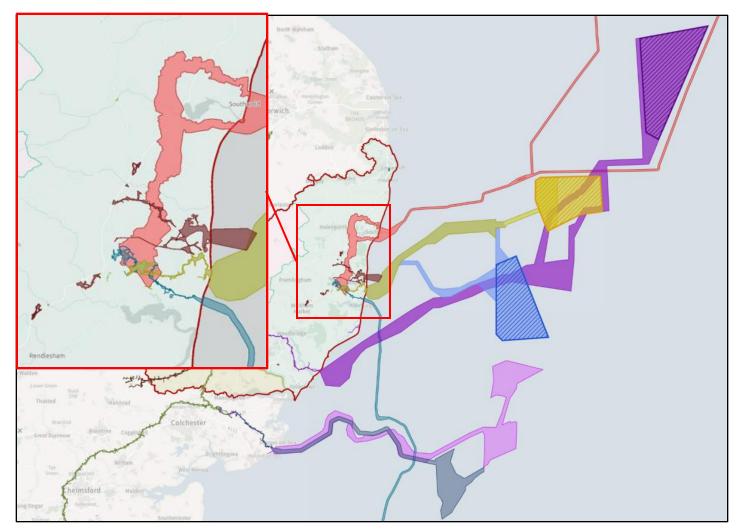
Orwell Logistics Park - Freight Management Facility Q1 2025





Working with other projects – NSIP*

Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIP*)







Suffolk County
District Boundaries
Babergh District
East Suffolk District
Ipswich Borough
Mid Suffolk District
West Suffolk District

Working with other infrastructure Projects

- Throughout the project, we meet with other infrastructure projects on a variety of topics, including communications and community engagement and logistics to understand planning and timelines.
- Suffolk County Council Major Road Network Scheme (MRN)
- Specific projects we are engaging with include:
- National Grid Ventures (Lion Link); National Grid Electricity Transmission (Sea Link); Scottish Power (Nautilus)
- Each project is at different stages of their DCOs
- In Sizewell C regular contact with Scottish Power Renewables and joined up with Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk Council
- Ensuring that each other's DCO do not overlap, and our works complement and do not duplicate
- Scottish Power attends the Transport Review Group
- Working groups on logistics and communications up and running
 - Road management
 - Abnormal Indivisible Loads coordination



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Item 7: Traffic and Transport

Rebecca Quigg, Transport Co-ordinator

Steve Merry, Suffolk County Council Highways



Transport Coordinator



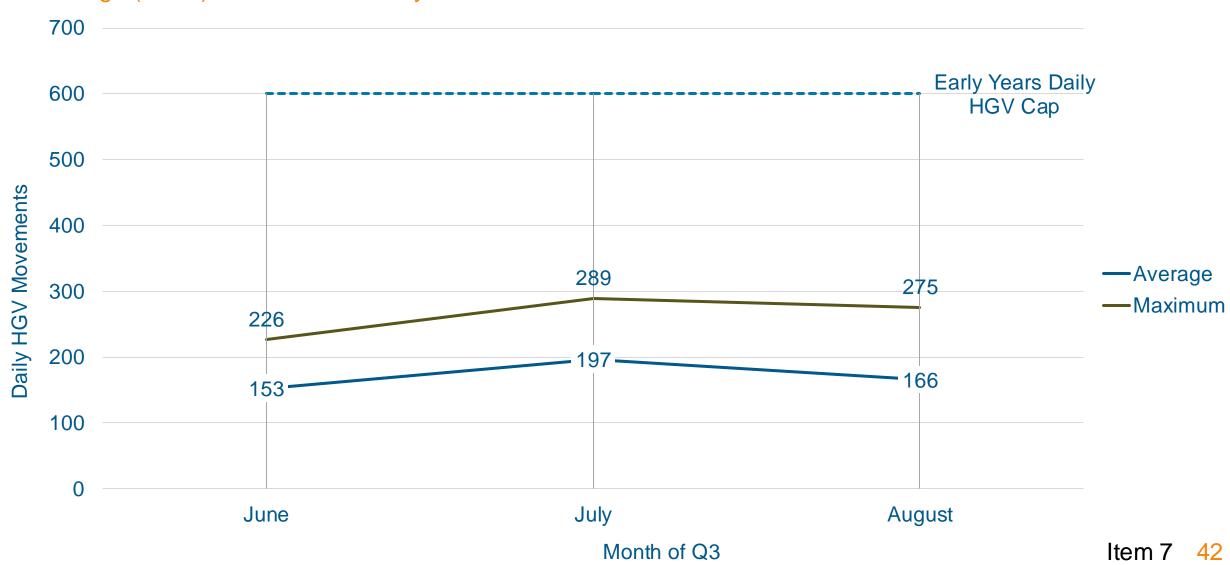
Role & Responsibilities

- Coordinate the work of the Transport Review Group
- Coordinate the monitoring and implementation of the Transport Management Plans
- Report on compliance with the Transport Management Plans
- Help to resolve transport issues and challenges
- Work with the Community Relations team to support Parish Councils with transport queries
- Coordinate the Transport Working Groups

Transport Monitoring Reporting Q3 2024



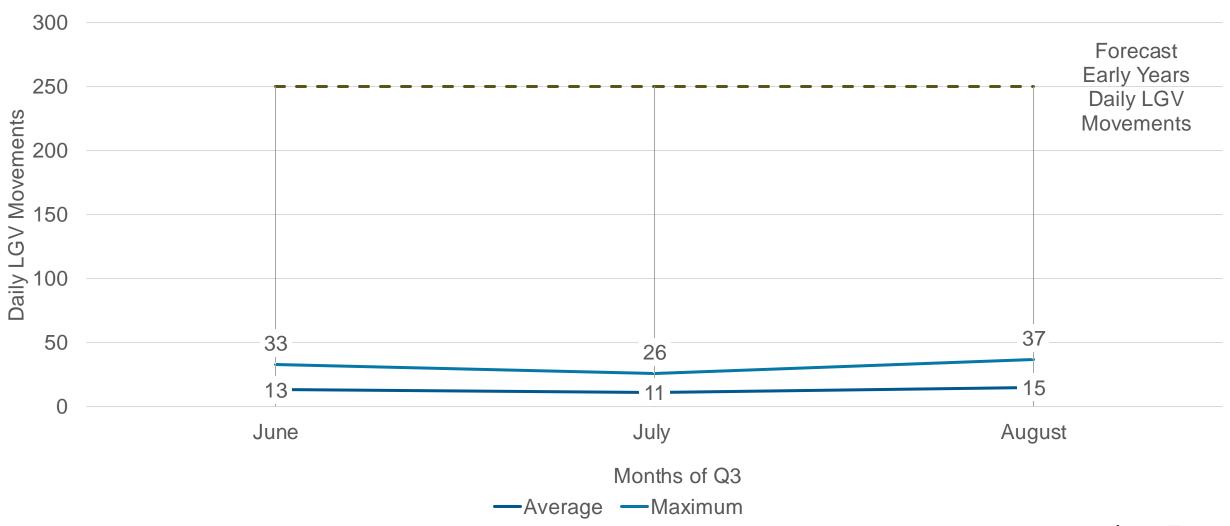
Average (Mean) and Maximum Daily HGV Movements



Transport Monitoring Reporting – Q3 2024



Average (Mean) and Maximum LGV Movements



Wider Traffic Monitoring



Traffic count sites

- 30 count sites agreed with local parish councils
- First surveys complete: summary of data to be provided in November
- Ongoing annual counts in April and October
- Single set of summer counts in August 2025
- Four permanent SCC counter sites
 (green) to monitor seasonal changes



Transport Working Groups





Update on Transport Working Groups

Working Group	Next Steps
Leiston	Meeting to discuss design updates: 3 October 2024
B1122	Next meeting date in discussion
B1125	In-person walkthrough of B1387 with Blythburgh and Walberswick Parish Councils: 30 September 2024 Meeting to discuss the Westleton Scheme and Middleton Footways: 31 October 2024
Marlesford & Little Glemham	Next meeting date in discussion
Wickham Market	Design feedback received: 1 October 2024
	Next meeting date in discussion
Yoxford	Meeting in November to update

Transport Review Group



General updates

- Transport Monitoring Report high level data will be made available on a monthly basis (with a more in-depth report presented quarterly at the TRG)
- Next Transport Review Group is scheduled for 16th January 2025 due to the Christmas break
- Transport Review Group meetings will be scheduled for 2025 before the end of the year
- Transport Working Group meetings will be scheduled for 2025 before the end of the year



Item 8: Community Safety

Darren Benford-Brown, Community Safety Officer



SIZEWELL C WORKER CODE OF CONDUCT

The Sizewell C Project operates a Worker Code of Conduct designed to set clear expectations for the behaviour of all workers, whether on site or in the local community. The SZC Worker Code of Conduct, (the "Code"), will help to achieve the following:

Explain the behaviour expected of workers and outline the means by which the Code will be communicated. This expectation will also inform the local community of the standard of behaviour they should expect from the workers and their employers.

Inform workers about the possible consequences if the code is not upheld.

Recommend actions for workers when behaviours contrary to this Code have been observed.





Suffolk Constabulary Statement

Suffolk Constabulary is continuing to work closely with stakeholders and local communities to ensure it provides the appropriate policing support as the construction of Sizewell C commences.

We have also engaged with and visited our Avon and Somerset police colleagues at Hinkley Point C to learn from the approaches they took with a very similar construction in their policing area.

From the outset we have considered the impact on the local road network, and this was a matter that was subject to much discussion in the planning hearings. We have enhanced our road policing provision in and around the Sizewell area to ensure the safe movement of large loads travelling to and from the site, to focus on road safety and, where appropriate, on traffic offence enforcement.

If you witness a traffic incident, that does not require an immediate response from the emergency services or have concerns or information for the police about traffic matters in general, please ensure that you follow the same procedures that are already used across Suffolk and report online.

Please tell us what is happening in your community so we can provide an appropriate and proportionate response.

Remember call 999 if an incident requires an immediate response from the emergency services



Suffolk Constabulary Statement

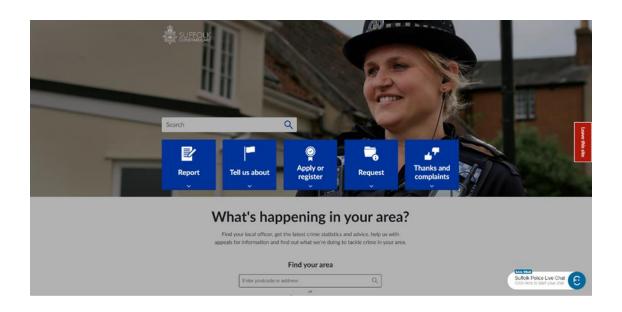
On the home page you will find a series of blue tiles. To report something that has happened click on "Report". If you have a general issue such as ongoing speeding on a particular road then use "Tell us about" then "Tell us about something you have seen or heard" and then "Tell us about something else".

If you want to find out information from Suffolk Constabulary use the blue square that says "Request" where you can search for data yourself or make a Freedom of Information request.



Look on the Suffolk police website

www.suffolk.police.uk





Item 9: Q&A

Via Town and Parish Council Representative Chair





Submitted by: Cllr Nicky Corbett, Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council

- The scale of work at the rail compound in Buckleswood Road is greater and will take longer than we had anticipated. The HGV route up to 10 deliveries at peak is through residential roads in Leiston. Presumably, this is also the advisory route for contractors, small delivery vehicles and buses. Will the Transport Review Group monitor the traffic movements on this route? In addition, will the surface condition along Abbey Road, at the level crossing, along Station Road, Waterloo Avenue and Saxmundham Road be monitored, and repairs carried out as and when needed?
- 2) In addition, we have concerns about the increased traffic at the right turn on a blind corner at the gatehouse on the B1119, especially during the winter months. Will this be traffic controlled?



Submitted by: Cllr Sam Seddon, Peasenhall Parish Council

- Could the forum supply an illustration of the 'SZC' identification plate and provide details of where this will be placed on vehicles, so that we may inform residents of where to look.
- 2) Are they in use yet and will these only be displayed on vehicles over 3.5 tonnes GVW or on all SZC vehicles of any size?







Submitted by: Kelsale-cum-Carlton Parish Council

- 1) Residents in Kelsale-cum-Carlton are extremely concerned about the significant increase in traffic both on the A12 and local roads. A resident in North Green has services located under the A12 and the foundation of their property is on sand. If there is any maintenance issue or damage to either their services or their foundation caused by the increased heavy traffic and resultant vibrations, what assistance, financial or otherwise, can SZC offer?
- 2) At our recent PC meeting, residents close to the SLR construction site reported that they are experiencing adverse mental health issues, some severe. What support will SZC offer to local residents to assist them in coping with the stress of having the largest construction project in Europe being on their back door?



Submitted by: Cllr Graham Lacey, Middelton-cum-Fordley Parish Council

- 1) The 700m of the B1125 from its junction with the B1122 to the start of the Middleton village 30mph zone is currently set at the national 60mph speed limit. This is dangerous, including as it does a 90 degree bend accident blackspot. Will Sizewell C support an application to change this short section to 30mph?
- 2) Will Sizewell C put pressure on Suffolk Police for higher levels of speed enforcement on the B1122 especially at rush hour periods?

