

Text of sign up letter

Dear Minister Bowie,

We are writing to express our collective disappointment that you have not yet returned to Suffolk since your fleeting visit in May, when the majority of Town and Parish Councils were excluded from the opportunity to meet with you about the cumulative impacts of the many nationally significant energy projects proposed for our area. Despite your initial promise to come back before the recess, DESNZ officials are only able to tell us that your team are looking for opportunities "in the coming months".

Meanwhile there is growing alarm at the scale and damage National Grid infrastructure plans would wreak on the area when we know better alternatives exist that have yet to be fully evaluated by NG and DESNZ, and the government continues to advance towards construction of Sizewell C.

We urge you to make your return visit to East Suffolk a very high priority, and make good your commitment to substantively engage with elected representatives across the area. We look forward to your office's immediate confirmation of early dates for such a meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Signed on behalf of:

(List of town and parish councils)