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National Strategic Infrastructure Projects Statement

Aldeburgh Town Council is in favour of clean energy, reduction in fossil fuels and energy security. Aldeburgh Town Council recognises the important part to be played in this endeavour by renewables, such as solar and wind energy, and nuclear, which is a low carbon generator and producing predictable, continuous energy output regardless of weather conditions.

The development of these projects has the potential to affect our town and its residents in many ways, some not yet envisaged. It is therefore important that Councillors remain well informed at all times on all developments as they occur and are best placed to engage with the issues and applicants in a timely, impartial and professional manner.

Aldeburgh Town Council has a Working Group which examines in detail all the energy projects which currently stand to affect us and our neighbours along the East Anglian coastline.

The Working Group has three main objectives.

Firstly, and principally, the Working Group is tasked with ensuring that it swiftly identifies plans generated by the energy projects which could negatively affect the town and our important AONB. The Working Group will analyse the issues that arise and challenge robustly and appropriately.

Secondly, the Working Group will ensure that Aldeburgh Town Council identifies and supports potential opportunities for its residents to benefit from the associated employment, training and education, and supply chain opportunities that these projects are certain to give rise to.

Thirdly, the Working Group will ensure that the town and its residents benefit from any mitigation measures which are proposed by the companies responsible for the energy projects.

Aldeburgh Town Council understands that Aldeburgh residents will want to be kept abreast of important developments in the energy projects that affect the area and will want to understand how they can feedback to the companies involved.

To facilitate this, Aldeburgh Town Council will respond to any changes implemented and will provide a regularly updated overview of the projects and their current stages which will be posted on its website, together with regularly reviewed options on the opportunities for public engagement.