## **ENERGY PROJECTS REPORT, 10 MARCH 2025**

It feels as if it is the phoney spring with developments bubbling under the surface to emerge in a Tsunami of paperwork within the next few months. Lion Link has declared their preference for a cabling landfall at Walberswick however this does not materially affect the development proposed in Saxmundham.

Without a great deal to report, it is a good time to consider the timetable for the next year:

Dates – all approximate	Project	Stage and actions
Spring 2025	Sea Link (National Grid Electricity Transmission, (NGET)	Awaiting submission by NGET for the <b>Development Consent Order (DCO).</b>
		Thereafter <b>Planning Inspectorate (PINS)</b> has a maximum of 28 days to accept the DCO for examination.
Spring/Early summer 2025		From acceptance of the DCO, the council has 28 days to register as an Interested Party (IP) and submit to PINS:
		The Town Clerk will issue a press release regarding becoming an IP to the <b>Community News</b> .
		Arrange drop-in sessions to help residents register as IPs and write their Relevant Representations.
		A Relevant Representation (RR). This is a summary of the issues that the Town Council wishes to raise.
		Members of the Fromus Energy Project Team (FEPT) are currently working on the RR. However, until the full Environmental Statement is received from NGET, all work is a draft project.
Summer 2025		Thereafter PINS will submit a draft timetable for agreement and the Council will need to

Summer 2025- Spring 2026 Autumn 2025	Lion Link (National Grid Ventures), (NGV)	prepare a full Written Representation, (WR).  Followed by: Initial Assessment of Principal Issues.  Preliminary Meeting. After the preliminary meeting six months of examination proceeds.  Statutory Consultation and Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published.  The Town Council will have circa four to six weeks to respond to this.
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