Sizewell C Main Development Site Forum

Wednesday 8th October 2025

Leiston Town Athletic Association, Leiston

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions – (Chair)



- 2. Meeting Note and Matters Arising from Main Development Site Forum 2nd July 2025– (Chair)
- 3. Corporate and Community Relations Update (Marjorie Barnes)
- 4. Main Site Update- (Rick Watler, David Peacop, Matt Read, Robert Bermingham)
- Road Works and Diversions (Dave Seal)
- Rail Update (Ed Lennard)
- Traffic and Transport (Richard Bull)
- 8. Q&A via Town and Parish Council Representative (Chair)
- 9. Dates of Future Meetings (Chair)



Item 1: Welcome & Introductions



Sizewell C Panel

Sizewell C
The power of good for Britain

Rick Watler Site Delivery Lead

David Peacop Site Operations Director

David Seal Offsite Infrastructure Lead

Richard Bull Head of Planning

Marjorie Barnes Head of Regional External Affairs and Development

Richard Knight Senior Community Relations Manager

Ed Lennard Rail Delivery Manager

Robert Bermingham Area Delivery Lead

<u>Advisors</u>

Zoe Botten Community Relations Manager

Jez Porter Stakeholder and External Roads Lead

Darren Benford-Brown Community Safety Officer



Item 2: Meeting Note and Matters Arising from previous Main Development Site Forum (2nd July 2025)

Chair



Item 3: Community Relations Update

Marjorie Barnes, Head of Regional External Affairs & Development



College on the Coast



- Design team working with Suffolk New College and key stakeholders, including SCC and ESC over the last few months to complete the design ready for the Planning Application Submission
- Planning Application will be ready for submission to ESC in October 2025, with a decision anticipated Q1 2026





Partnerships

Schools & education programs – Education MoUs, Kingfisher Trust model of working, Social Partners, Sizewell Creative





Engagement Channels

- 14 Public forums
- 6 Community coffee mornings
- Bespoke Parish Council meetings





Engagement Channels

- 6 Project newsletters
- 12 Community construction mailers
- 6 Town and Village newsletters
- Online Works
 Tracker



PROJECT UPDATE

MARCH 2025

There has been good progress on the Sizewell C project in the first month of 2025.

We are also pleased to announce the launch of the new Sizewell C online works tracker. The navigation has been improved and you can now sign up for email updates each time the works tracker is updated. We will be extending this to an SMS service later in the year. You can also check traffic management on the Suffolk County Council website Causeway one network.

We are continuing to remove vegetation where necessary, which is overseen by an ecological clerk of work to ensure we avoid harm to wildlife.

As we conduct our clearance work during this period you may notice a lot of activity around our associated developments, particularly along the A12. We have begun to implement the long term and necessary road closures that host our infrastructure projects. Notably, Willow Marsh Lane (A12 junction in Darsham) and Abbey Lane (Leiston) with diversions in place which you can find further details of on our works tracker.

As the designs and contractors are being agreed, we are beginning to firm up key dates of activity. Over the next month you will see enabling works to create the Yoxford roundabout which will improve safety at a busy junction, with works commencing in March.

We have also made further progress on the park and ride sites that will provide buses for workers to access site, reducing the number of vehicles on local roads.

Rail works also continue at pace and we have had several deliveries of rail track ahead of track laying. This will allow the first trains to move down the Leiston branch line to bring materials to our site on Buckleswood Road.

FORUM SCHEDULE

All forum timings 18:30 - 20:30 (Arrival from 18:00)

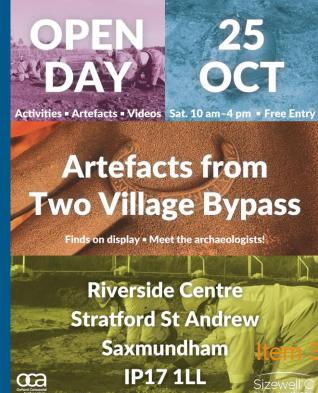
Southern	Wednesday	Stratford St Andrew
Transport Forum	12 March 2025	Riverside Centre
Community	Thursday	High Lodge,
Forum	27 March 2025	Darsham
Main Development	Wednesday	Leiston Town
Site Forum	2 April 2025	Athletic Association
Northern Transport Forum	Wednesday 7 May 2025	Darsham Village Hall

For more information and for all 2025 forum dates visit sizewellc.com/community/forums





The Archaeology of Sizewell C



Engagement Channels

- 24-hour community phone line
- SMS service
- Site specific Notice Boards coming soon!
- Weekly roadworks online Notice Board
- County wide events Suffolk Show, First Light Festival





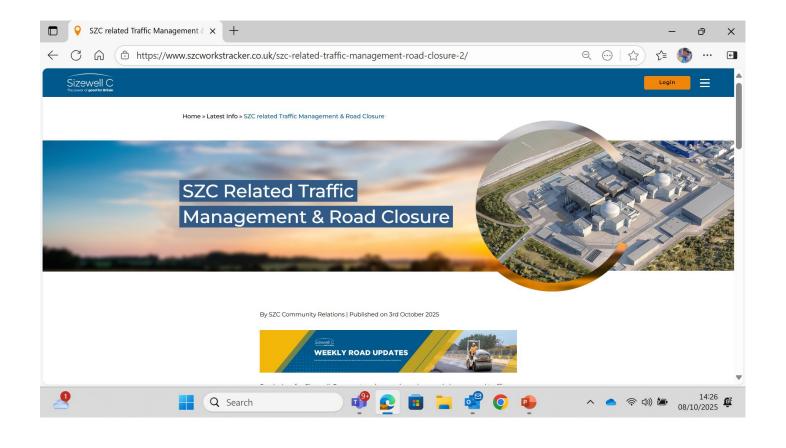


WEEKLY ROAD UPDATES

Online traffic updates







Community Projects Receive £2.6m Funding Boost



The Sizewell C Community Fund will provide up to £23m over the next decade for charities, community groups and social enterprises which are delivering projects that benefit local communities in East Suffolk.

The next round opens again on Monday 20th October

The focus of the fund is on reducing the impact of the construction of Sizewell C nuclear power station and leaving a legacy of benefit in the most affected communities. For all enquiries contact sizewellc@suffolkcf.org.uk



























The Band of The Royal British Legion, Leiston



Proudly presents the 2025

Festival of Remembrance

Conducted by John Flack

With Special Guest Performances from Sizewell Creative Choir Flight Sergeant Tye, Leiston Air Cadets

In aid of The Poppy Appeal

Wednesday 5th November 2025
7.30pm
Leiston Film Theatre
Tickets £7
Available at the box office or call 01728 830549
online at leistonfilmtheatre.co.uk
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Archaeology Outreach



Our archaeologists will be sharing their finds at:

25 October 2025	Stratford St Andrew Riverside Centre	
21 February 2026	Yoxford Village Hall	
Date to be confirmed	Theberton & Eastbridge Village Hall	

We are also planning a series of online webinars:

an introduction to the excavations associated with Sizewell C	8 October 2025
'1042 and all that': the contents and context of the Sizewell C coin hoard	3 December 2025
The Bronze Age	25 February 2026
The Medieval Landscape	29 April 2026



Item 4: Main Site Update

Rick Watler, Site Delivery Lead

David Peacop, Site Operations Director

Site Update – Ancillary Construction Area



ACA update: Integrated Reinforcement Area

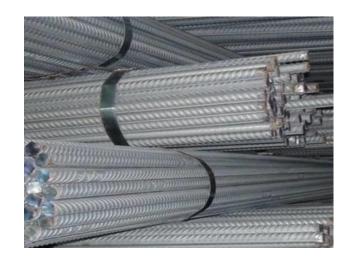


Steel Cut and Bend Facility: Temporary building to cut and bend steel bars needed to reinforce concrete

Assembly Area: An outdoor space for the daytime fabrication of the reinforcement cages

Demand 255,000 tonnes of reinforcing steel to be transported by rail

Transport efficiencies: Transporting by rail - in bundles of bars rather than pre-fabricated cages. Means further reduction in HGVs and maximising rail line.







Steel Cut and Bend Facility

Building construction - noise insulation designed into walls and roof

Roller shutter doors:

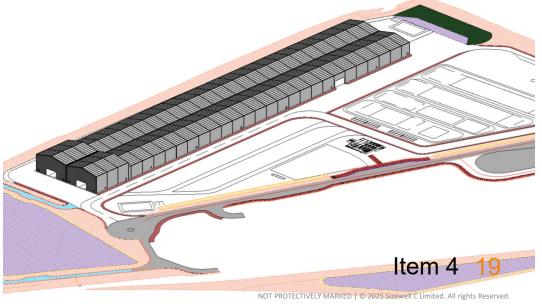
- Only the south door can open at night
- North door access restricted to daytime electric shunters only

Location - At least 110m from residential properties.









Tunnel Segment Area



- Tunnel segments to be transported by rail
- Temporary storage area for tunnel segments will form the SZC inflow and outflow tunnels
- Segments will be stacked and stored in place using a gantry crane
- Each train delivery removes 50 HGVs from the road



Building on local skills and wider benefits

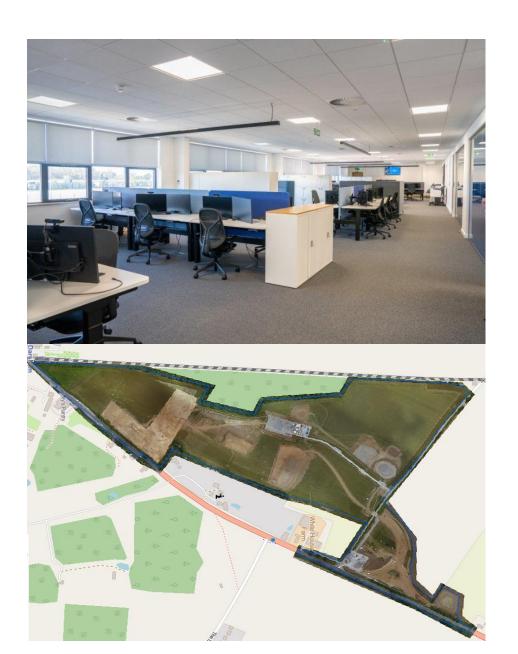


- Local Skills and employment Ties directly into the proposed Apprentice Hub and Construction Skills Centre on CoTC site, helping to provide employment for apprentices and local people to gain training and long-term skills.
- Stronger local economy: Boosts investment, training and jobs within the community rather than exporting value elsewhere.



The Office: Reducing people coming into Leiston





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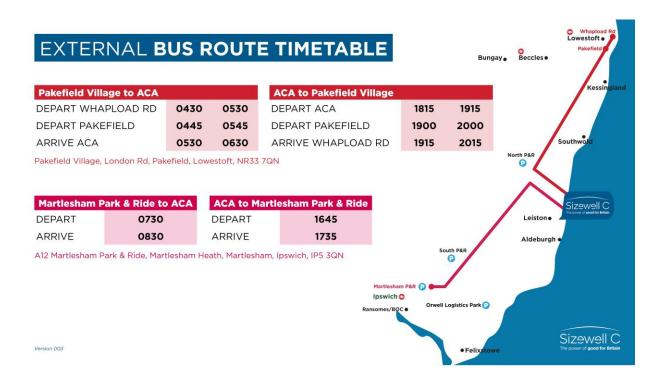
- To reduce number of office-based workers coming to ACA offices and Leiston.
- Will reduce traffic to the area

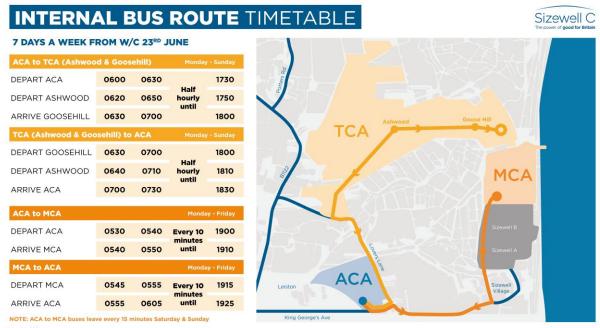
Approach:

- Partial operation of Park and Ride this autumn with cars required to park and bus service running to Leiston
- 300 desk spaces at Orwell Logistics Park, moving workforce to these offices for those who do not need to be in Leiston.
- Orwell Park will also become default offices for external meetings
- Strict criteria for visits to sites, bookings and transport arranged from transport hubs

Buses are rolling out: Getting between sites

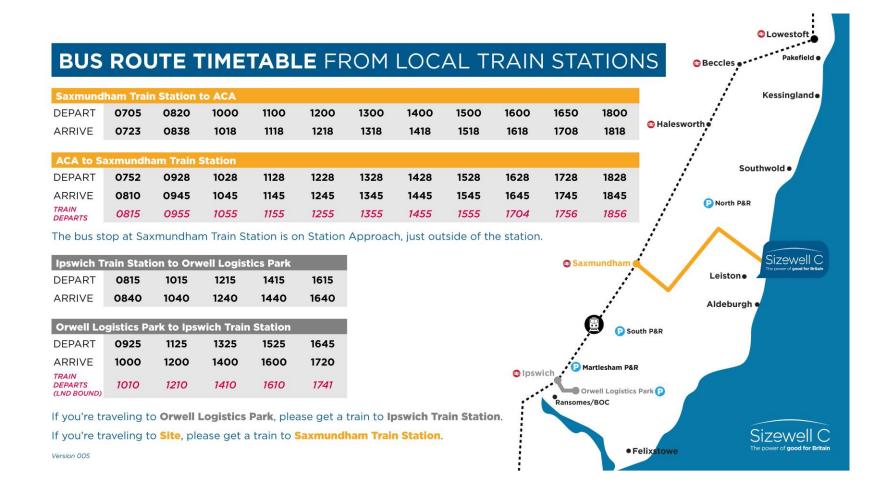






Getting to and around our sites





Site Update – Temporary Construction Area





Desalination Plant

 $4950m^3/day$ maximum production to supply clean water to Site

Construction Commencing on Site November 2025

Off-Site Manufacturing around the UK & Globally with Specialist Contractors Commenced

Regulated by the Environment Agency, SZC will have regular engagement with EA & DWI to ensure Compliance. Continuous monitoring and data sharing with regulators

Water Production from Q3 2026









Concrete Batching Plant

- Concrete Batching Plant construction commenced.
- Completion of all units Q3 2026.
- Aggregates supplied by adjacent railway and water supply from adjacent Desalination plant.
- 1,5 million m3 of concrete will be batched during its operation.
- Includes onsite laboratory concrete testing
- Removes need for transport of nuclear grade concrete to site by road





Campus Update





Campus update: Room layout







Site Update – Main Construction Area

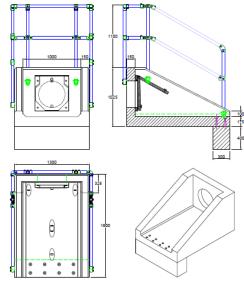




Temporary Marine Outfall

Sizewell C

- The TMO forms part of the surface water control system for the MCA and was consented in the DCO
- The TMO outfall is to be constructed on the foreshore outside of the ONR boundary fence
- Pipe Crossing will be recessed under current Public right of Way.
- Local diversions will be installed to allow installation of pipe crossing







Site Update – Sea Defence





Off-Site Infrastructure

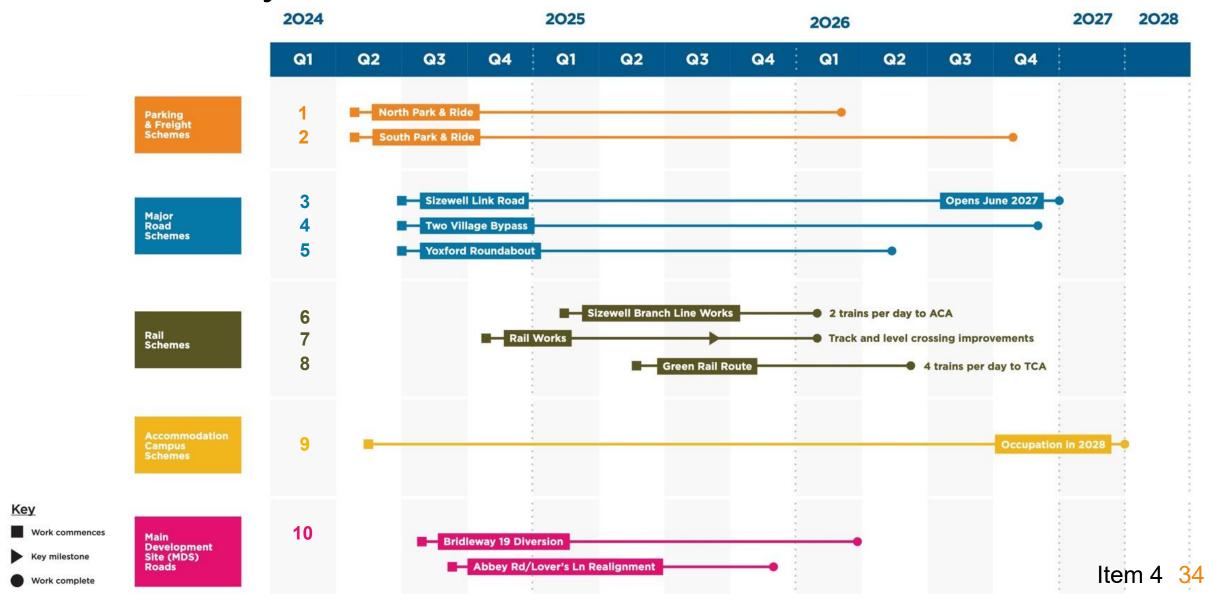


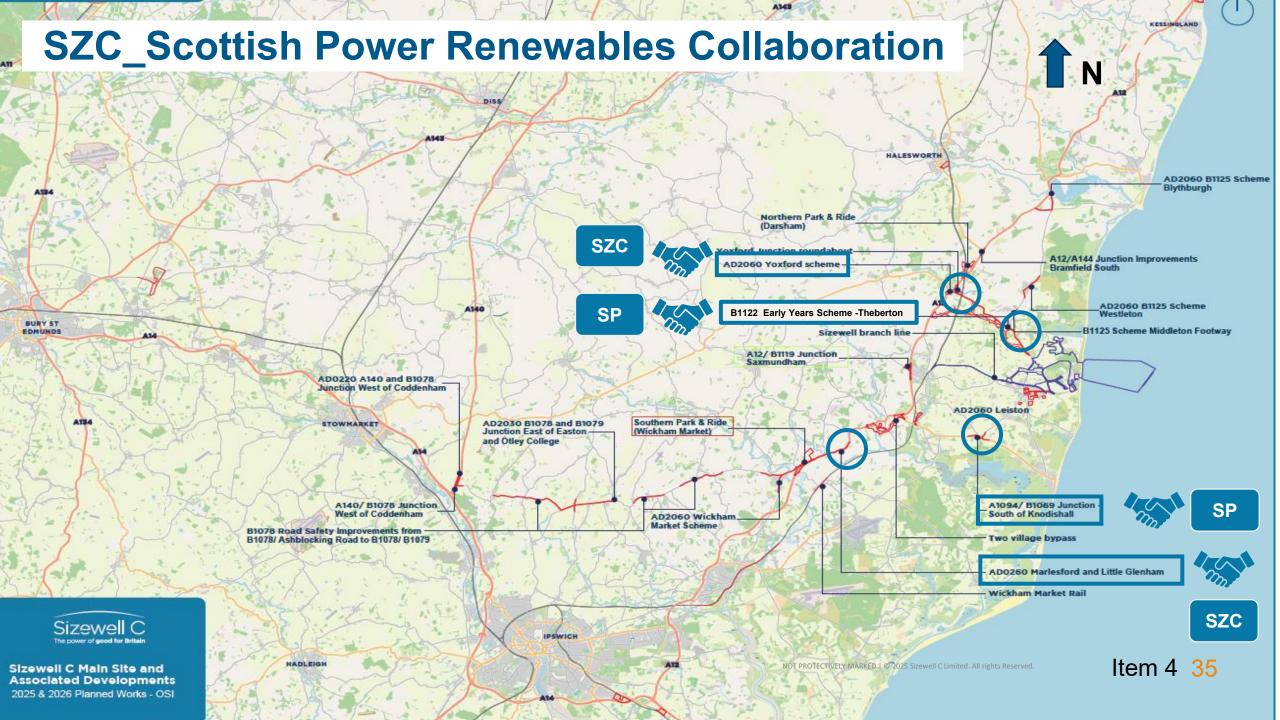






Site Delivery Lookahead



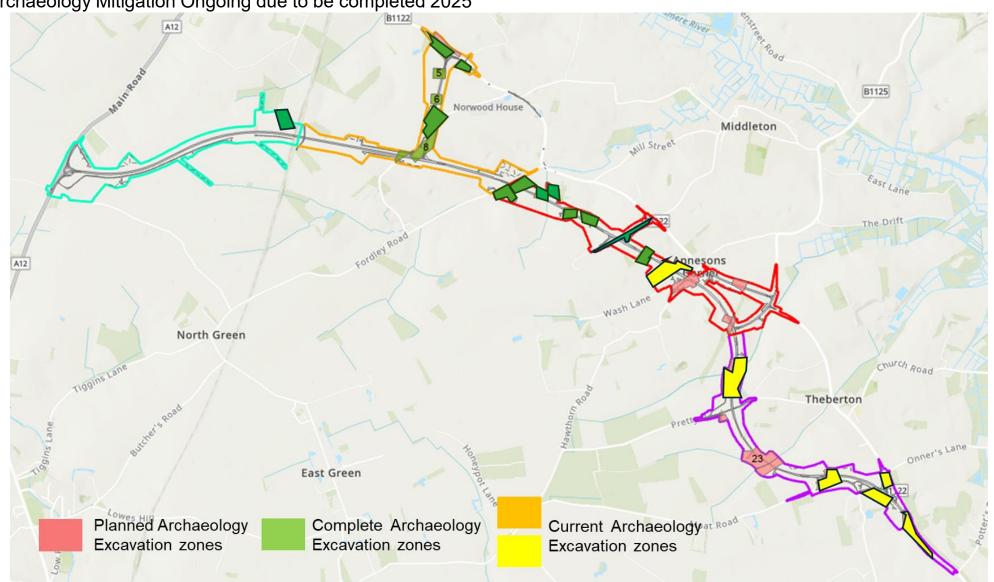


Sizewell Link Road Q3+Q4 2025

Pre-Construction Activities at Sizewell Link Road



Archaeology Mitigation Ongoing due to be completed 2025



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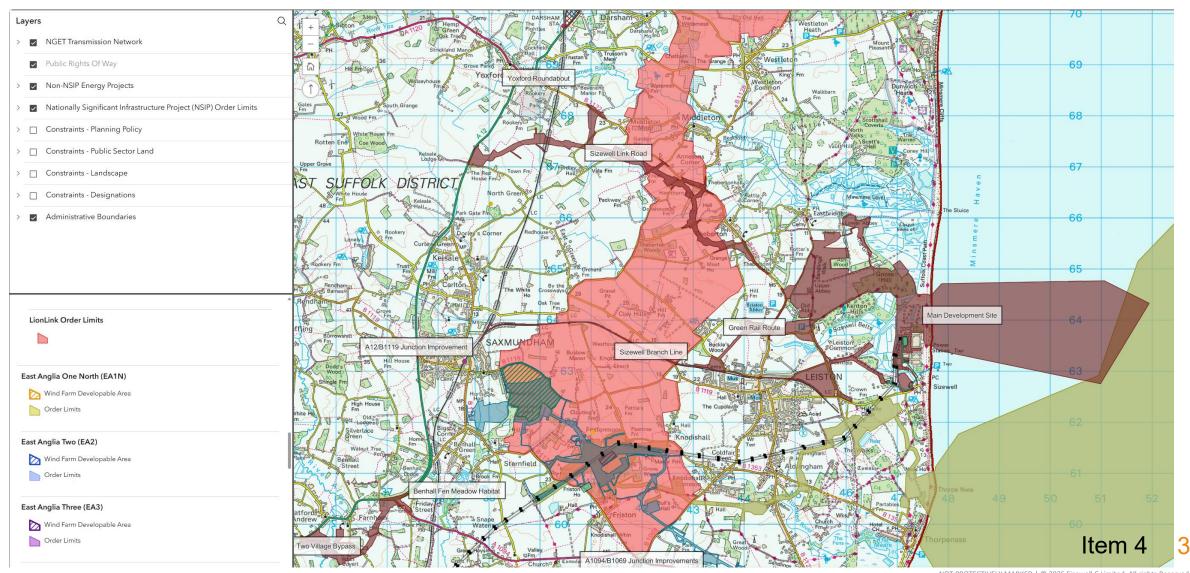
B1122 – Vehicle Activated Signs – 2025





Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects-NSIP's Sizewell C

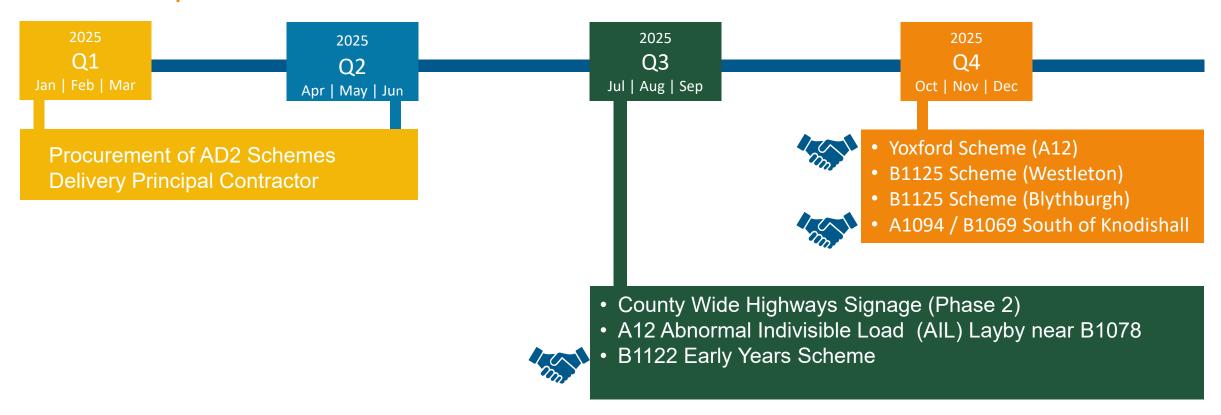




Local Roads



2025 Anticipated Commencement Dates









Item 5. Road Works and Diversions

Dave Seal



Road Closures – Rail and MDS Roads (Q4-)



Date	Location	Daytime / Night time closure	Works
Ongoing to January 2027	Abbey Lane	Full closure	Green rail route and MDS Roads.
8 Sep to 10 Oct	B1122 Abbey Road and Lover's Lane	Nighttime	Green rail route and MDS Roads.
22 Sep to 17 Oct	Moat Road	Full closure	Sizewell Link Road openreach Diversion
6 Oct to 24 Oct	Church Road	Full closure	Scottish Power (SZC)
10 Oct to 13 Oct	B1069	Weekend	Scottish Power only
20 Oct to 20 Dec	Lover's Lane	Nighttime	132 KV Cable
3 Nov to 18 Nov	Buckleswood Road	Full closure	Green Rail Route
3 Nov to 14 Nov	Fordley Road	Full closure	Sizewell Link Road openreach Diversion
From 17 Nov	Littlemoor Road	Full closure	Sizewell Link Road
1 Dec to 13 Dec (TBC)	Buckleswood Lane	Full closure	Green Rail Route ESW Diversion
17 Dec to 13 Jan (TBC)	Saxmundham level crossing	Full closure	Green Rail Route Item 5 48





Item 5 Cont'd: Public Right Of Ways (PROW)

Richard Bull



PRoW Closures and Diversions

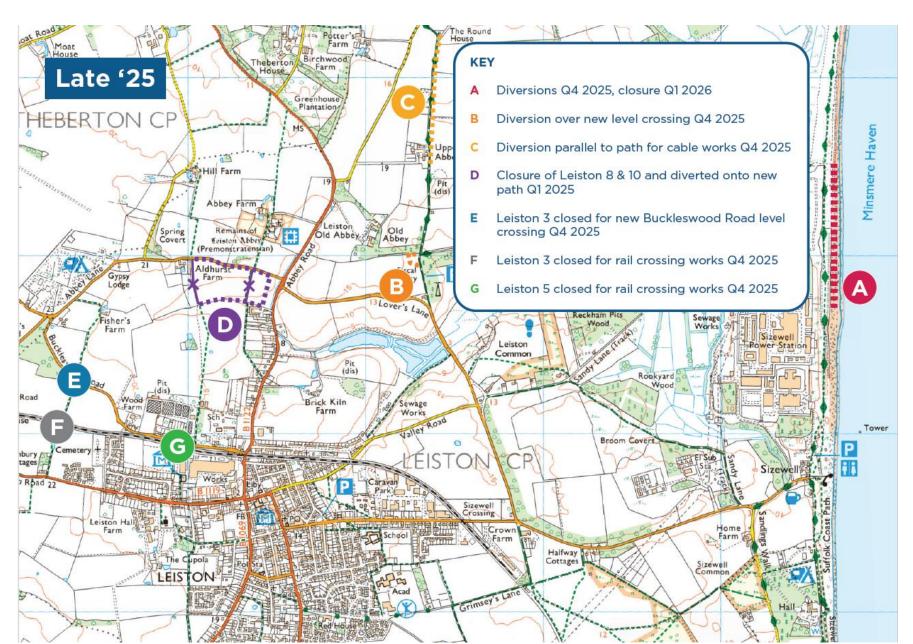




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PRoW Closures and Diversions



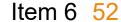


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Item 6: Rail Update

Ed Lennard – Rail Delivery Manager



Rail Delivery - Branchline Track



High output New Track Construction Machine (NTC)

• 3.7km new track installed along branchline (west end of route)





Ballast unloading

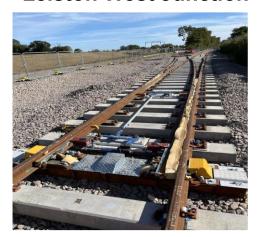


Tamping





Leiston West Junction



Look ahead

Track laying Summerhill to Leiston (Oct)

- Excavation
- Ballast laying

Rail Delivery – ACA works



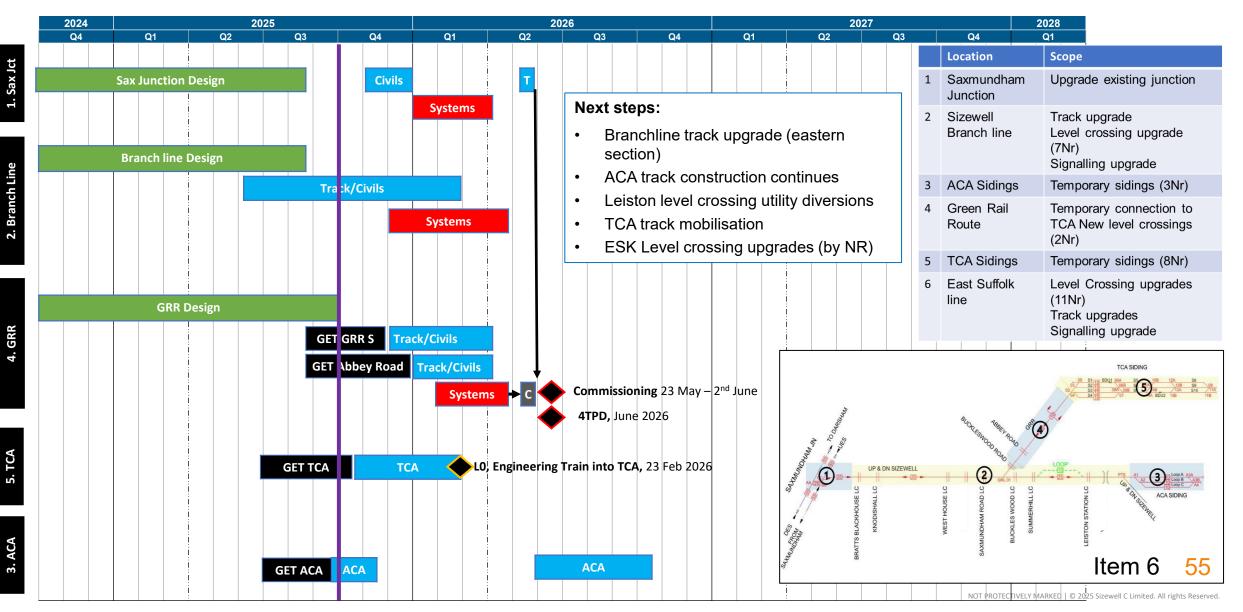


Construction of ACA Sidings commenced

- Ballast laying in progress
- Track installation to start mid October

Rail Delivery - Plan on a page





Rail Delivery – Buckleswood Rd Level Crossing Q4



Plan for delivery of Buckleswood Road level crossing:

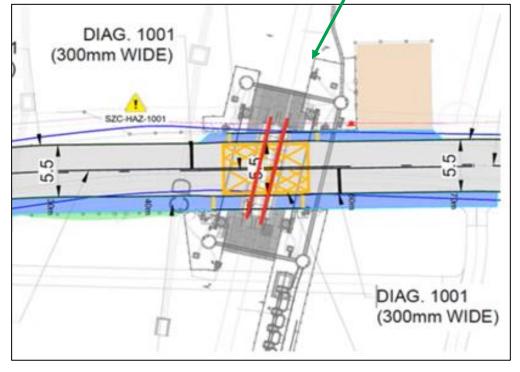
3 stages of delivery:

	Scope	Ву
1	Drainage works	SZC
2	Rail installed over crossing (temporary operational state to allow New Track Construction Train over the crossing to build Green Rail Route)	BBR
3	Full level crossing construction including road widening	BBR / NR

During Stage 1&2:

 Westward Ho open to allow access to Abbey Road





Rail Delivery – Leiston Level Crossing Q4 – Q1 2026 Sizewell C



Plan for delivery of Leiston level crossing being developed

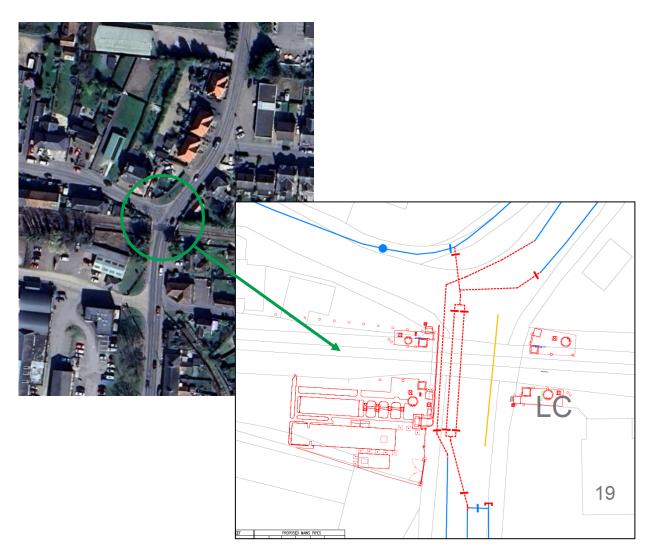
(part of overall plan for level crossing upgrades being finalised)

6 stages of delivery:

	Scope	Ву
1	Power sleeve	SZC / BBR
2	Power installation	UKPN
3	Water pipe installation	E&SW
4	Gas diversion	Cadent
5	Track & Civil Engineering	SZC / BBR
6	Signalling	SZC / NR

During Stage 1:

- Westward Ho access maintained throughout
- Level crossing re-opened at night & weekends (single carriageway)
- Pedestrian access maintained throughout



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Rail Delivery – Plan for GRR / TCA Track Delivery









Item 7: Traffic Movements and Transport Review Group Update

Richard Bull

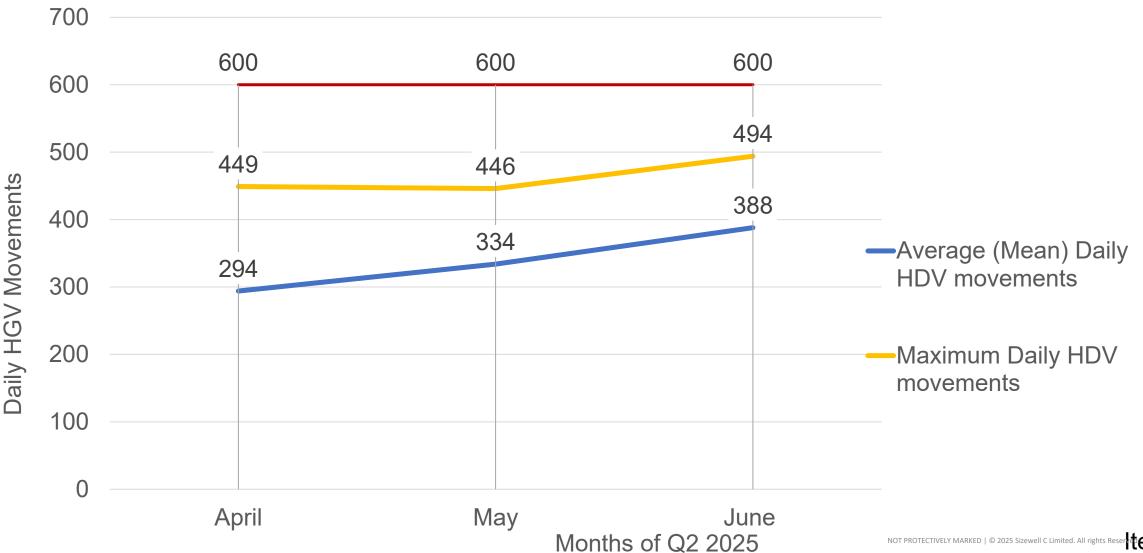
Steve Merry, Suffolk County Council Highways



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Transport Monitoring Reporting Q2 2025

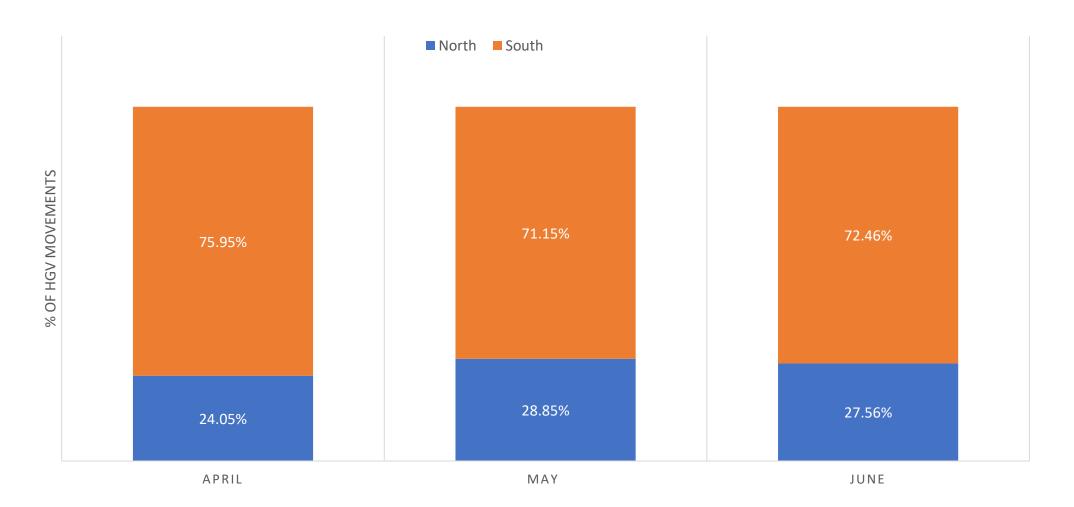
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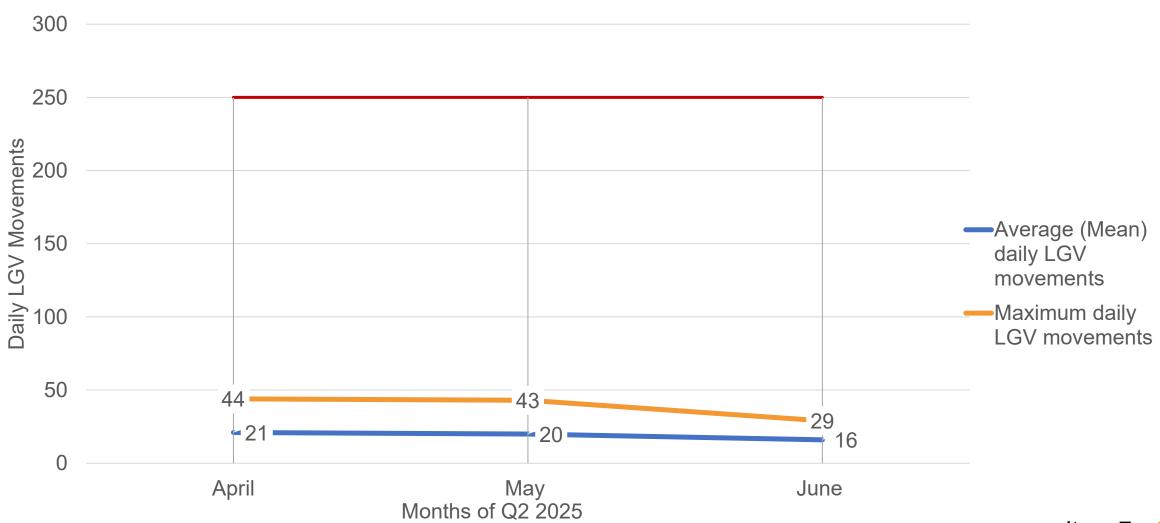
Transport Monitoring Reporting Q2 2025

Directional Split of HGV Movements



Transport Monitoring Reporting Q2 2025

Average (Mean) and Maximum LGV Movements



Transport Review Group Update



- Next meeting on 22 October 2025
- Key topics of discussion
 - Permanent traffic monitoring
 - Results of latest traffic monitoring survey
 - CTMP review
 - Key accesses to the off-site infrastructure sites

Transport Working Groups

- In September, working groups have been held for:
 - Leiston
 - B1125
 - B1122
 - Marlesford & Little Glemham
 - Wickham Market

Traffic Monitoring 2025

- Snapshot monitoring survey took place in August, including bank holiday weekend
- Results to be presented to the TRG at next meeting in October
- TRG is continuing to monitor biannual sites
- TRG has agreed to take forward 7
 permanent monitoring sites, subject to funding agreement







Item 8: Q&A via Town & Parish Council Representatives







- **Q1.** When the B1122 and the A12 are closed overnight are they co-ordinated so that at least one of them is open for residents travelling from the north to Leiston and Aldeburgh?
- **Q2**. Residents are reporting a drop in Wi-Fi speeds and available phone data. I am experiencing this myself, having had very good Wi-Fi previously. This is having an impact on residents' ability to work in the area and on their relaxation time. Will the investment in communications that has been made close to the construction site be expanded to include surrounding areas which are hosting construction businesses and workers?





Submitted by Cllr Maureen Jones Aldringham-cum-Thorpe Parish Council

Q1. Are you aware that the proposed linkage and realignment of bridleway 19 and new recreation route for the public that culminates at Wild Aldhurst studio field on the Sizewell Gap Road is virtually going to be opposite the entrance to SPR's haul road.

This potentially will pose a danger to the public as we understand there is no intention for a Pegasus crossing or appropriate signage warning road users of the public crossing.

Q2.Could any works undertaken to date at Sizewell have any impact on recent erosion at Thorpeness also what is the timescale for installation of the hard and soft sea defences at Sizewell?





Submitted by Cllr TJ Haworth-Culf Suffolk County Council

- Q1. (2 part question) The minutes from these meetings are a key record for transparency and accountability. However, they are often not published on the East Suffolk Council website until long after the event. Could the Forum explain the reasons for this ongoing delay? Furthermore, will the Forum commit to providing attendees with a draft version of the minutes within a set timescale for example, 10 working days so that participants and those attending these meetings can have timely access to the discussions and agreed actions? Finding the forums minutes online (Sizewell C and East Suffolk Website) is proofing difficult for many to easily locate, can the links be made more accessible please?
- **Q2.** The Sizewell Park Run has been mentioned in previous meetings. Could the Forum provide a detailed update on its status, including what obstacles remain or any changes that may be taking place. Given the community interest in this initiative, can the Forum please confirm its ongoing support for this vital initiative.





Submitted by Cllr Charles Macdowell Middleton-cum-Fordley Parish Council

- **Q1.** Middleton PC was delighted to hear via our MP that the eight oak trees which residents have been campaigning to save will not now be felled this month, and that 'contractors have been instructed to revisit the road layout design for the B1122/B1125 junction'. What is the process and timetable for this review?
- **Q2.** Speed monitoring by Middleton PC in the 30mph section of the B1125 in the village, conducted over a week (Mon Fri) for an hour each morning, identified 27% of vehicles were over the speed limit. What traffic calming measures will SZC implement to deter speeding in this 30mph zone?





Submitted by Aldeburgh Town Council

Q1. Aldeburgh is fortunate enough to have a hospital, but it is not an A&E. We are concerned that SZC's plans aren't negatively impacted by Sea Link, specifically relating to transport / accessibility to roads into Aldeburgh in case of emergencies. Can SZC please revisit any foreseeable issues that could prevent 24/7 access to Aldeburgh?

Q2. Would SZC support more of its very local workers being able to (zero carbon) bicycle to work along refreshed PROWs?



Submitted by Theberton and Eastbridge Parish Council



Full Fibre Broadband

It was stated that Full Fibre Broadband provision in villages affected by SZC would be accelerated through arrangements with SZC and Openreach. We note that Halesworth and Aldeburgh appear already to have benefited from this, although it is difficult to see how these locations can reasonably be classified as directly affected communities. By contrast, Theberton, Eastbridge, and Middleton have yet to see any such benefit. When will these parishes receive the broadband improvements promised as part of the SZC commitments?

Mobile Network Capacity

With the increasing number of workers now present on SZC sites, the local mobile signal capacity is clearly overloaded. Leiston and the surrounding villages are already experiencing significant issues in securing reliable connections, with practical consequences such as the inability to pay for parking via mobile applications/use of map services to assist with rerouting around road closures and the unreliability of Leiston's public Wi-Fi. Will SZC work with mobile providers to deliver increased capacity in the area, given that this problem will inevitably intensify as the workforce continues to expand?



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

- **Q1**. Surface water: Run-off from site has always been a concern for Leiston residents as the Valley Road area has a tendency to flood. Please can you explain the water management plan and in particular, reassure residents that surface water will not be directed towards the Leiston Beck which could lead to flooding in the north of the town.
- **Q2.** Air quality: Leiston is experiencing an unacceptable amount of throughtraffic from the ACA and attempts to alleviate this have not been successful. Please can you explain how and when air quality in Leiston, particularly around the traffic lights, will be monitored.







Item 9: Dates of Future Forums

Chair



Forum Schedule

2026

Our forums are open to local people to attend as observers - and they're another great way for you to hear about our latest work.

All forum timings: 18:00–20:00 (arrival from 17:45)

Leiston Town Athletic Association,

Victory Road, Leiston, IP16 4DQ

High Lodge Darsham,

Haw Wood, Hinton, Nr Darsham, IP17 3QT

Stratford St Andrew Riverside Centre,

6 Great Glemham Road, Stratford St Andrew, Saxmundham, IP17 1LL

Woodbridge Rugby Club,

Hatchley Barn, Orford Road, Bromeswell, Woodbridge IP12 2PP



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Northern Transport Forum	Wednesday 4 February 2026	High Lodge Darsham
Southern Transport Forum	Wednesday 4 March 2026	Stratford St Andrew Riverside Centre
Community Forum	Thursday 19 March 2026	Woodbridge Rugby Club
Main Development Site Forum	Wednesday 15 April 2026	Leiston Town Athletic Association
Northern Transport Forum	Wednesday 6 May 2026	High Lodge Darsham
Southern Transport Forum	Wednesday 3 June 2026	Stratford St Andrew Riverside Centre
Main Development Site Forum	Wednesday 8 July 2026	Leiston Town Athletic Association
Northern Transport Forum	Wednesday 5 August 2026	High Lodge Darsham
Southern Transport Forum	Wednesday 2 September 2026	Stratford St Andrew Riverside Centre
Main Development Site Forum	Wednesday 7 October 2026	Leiston Town Athletic Association
Community Forum	Thursday 22 October 2026	SZC Visitors Centre
Northern Transport Forum	Wednesday 4 November 2026	High Lodge Darsham
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