



East Anglia Branch Annual General Meeting

**Friends Meeting House, St.John's Street,
Bury St Edmunds**

23rd February 2019

Railfuture East Anglia 2019 AGM Agenda

1. Chair to welcome
2. Apologies for Absence (incl. tribute to the late Simon Norton)
3. Presentation by Martin Halliday, Norfolk Lines Community Rail Partnerships Officer
4. Minutes of 2018 AGM (and any matters arising not covered elsewhere)
5. Branch Report
6. National Report
7. Treasurer's Report
8. Appointment of Examiner
9. Election of Branch officers and Committee
10. Update on Local Rail Campaigns and Issues
11. Date of 2020 AGM and June 2019 meeting in Ipswich



Dr. Simon Phillips Norton
1952 – 2019

More can be read about Simon (a long-time Railfuture member) at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Simon_P._Norton

Lowestoft Station Hub



Guest Speaker



Martin Halliday
Norfolk Lines Community Rail
Partnership Officer

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Minutes of East Anglia AGM 24th Feb 2018

2018 AGM Agenda items

1. East Anglia branch chair Nick Dibben welcomed members to the meeting
2. Apologies
3. Presentation by Lisa Barrett, Senior Development Manager, Network Rail
4. Minutes of 2017. **AGREED**
5. Branch report given by Nick Dibben
6. National Update – Notice of National AGM in Edinburgh.
7. Treasurer's report presented by Mike Farahar. **AGREED**
8. Appointment of examiner: Gary Venn. **AGREED**

Minutes of AGM 24th Feb 2018 cont.

9. Committee for 2018/9:-

- N.Dibben (Chair), P.Wakefield, C.Burton (V.Chairs), P.Hollinghurst (Sec), M.Farahar (Treasurer), P Bayless (Membership Sec.) J.Alderson, P.Chivall, M.Cooper, I.Couzens, T.Garrod, J.Henderson, A.Mayes, P.Smart, B.Walsh (committee)
- **AGREED** unanimously by the meeting

10. Update on local rail issues

- ☐ Wisbech and the Combined Authority for Cambridge & Peterborough (PW)
- ☐ Waterbech (PW)
- ☐ Rural Travel Hubs (PW)
- ☐ Seamless Travel (TG)
- ☐ Essex Rail Strategy (MC)
- ☐ Norwich Area Plan (IC)
- ☐ Establishment of 'Transport East' (PS)
- ☐ East West Rail (PS)

11. Date of 2019 AGM - 22nd February

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5. Branch Report (Nick Dibben)

6. National Report (Jerry Alderson)

- ☐ AGM Cardiff 18th May 2019
- ☐ Summer Conference Darlington 22nd June 2019
- ☐ Autumn Conference Bristol 21st September 2019

7. Treasurer's Report (Mike Farahar)

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Railfuture East Anglia Committee 2018/9

Position (current)

Chair	Nick Dibben	Committee	Martin Cooper
Vice Chair	Chris Burton	“	Ian Couzens
Vice Chair	Peter Wakefield	“	Trevor Garrod
Secretary	Paul Hollinghurst	“	John Henderson
Treasurer	Mike Farahar	“	Alan Mayes
Committee	Jerry Alderson	“	Phil Smart
“	Peter Chivall	“	Ben Walsh
“	Peter Bayless		

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10. Update on Local Rail Campaigns and Issues

- ☐ Easy Stations
- ☐ East-West Rail
- ☐ Sizewell C stage 3 consultation

11. Date of meetings

- ☐ 15th June 2019 – Public meeting in Ipswich
- ☐ 29th February 2020 - AGM

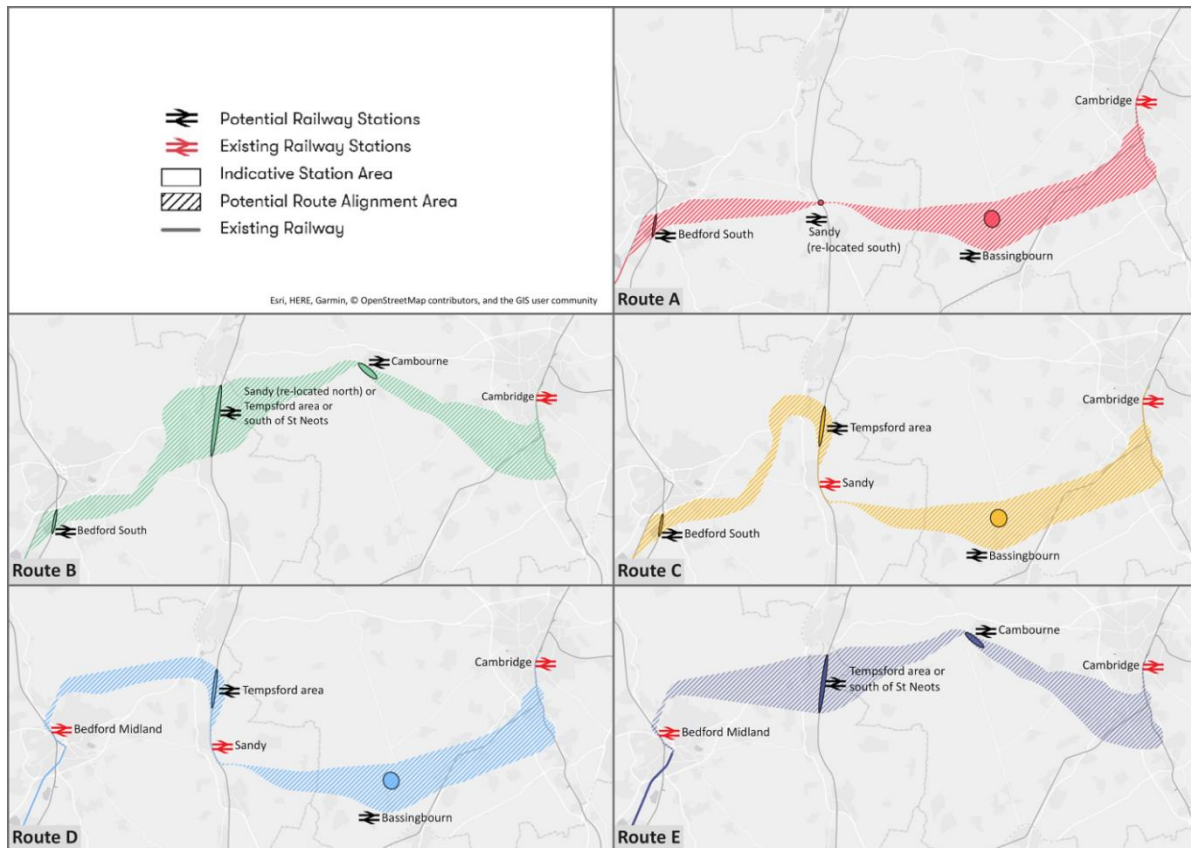
East West Rail Update – Bedford-Cambridge

- Informal Consultation on **FIVE** potential route options until 11th March 2019 (local government 'purdah') www.eastwestrail.co.uk/haveyoursay.

This is part of the Development Consent Order (DCO) process.

- 2020 Develop a detailed route alignment
- 2021 DCO application submitted (incl. formal consultation on alignment)
- 2023 DCO secured
- Construction phase
- 2027 Opening?






East West Rail Update – Bedford-Cambridge



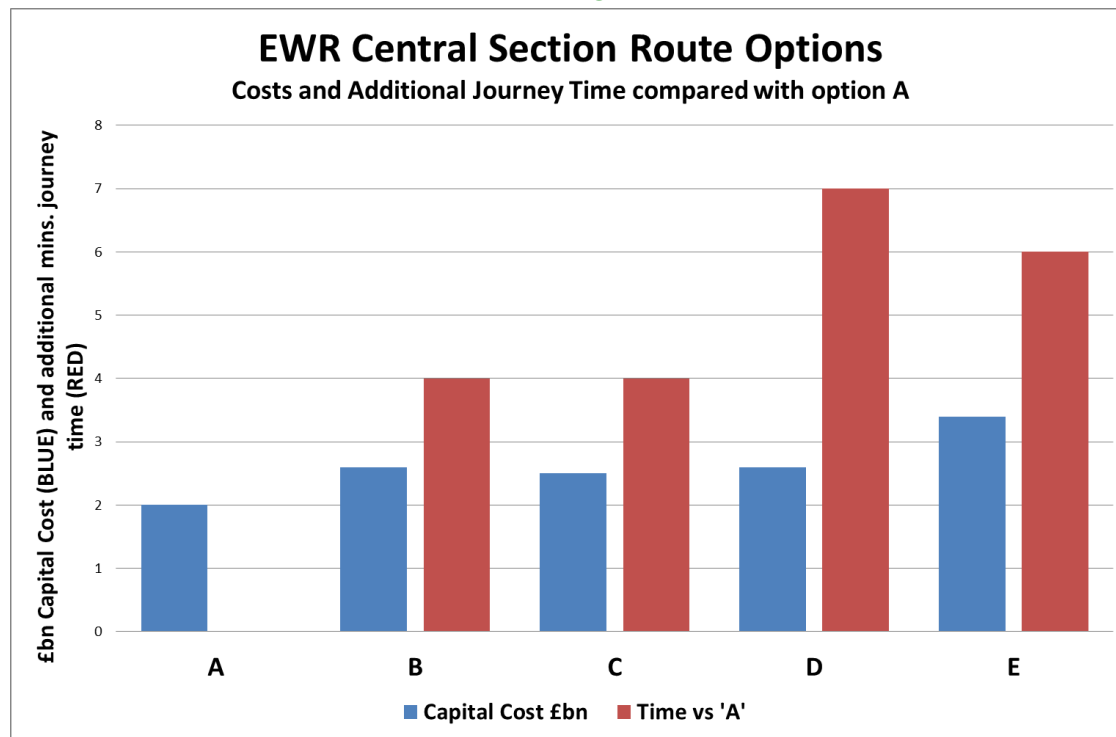
- Five options
- All enter Cambridge from the south
- Through services beyond Cambridge cited among reasons
- Mixed traffic long distance and local services
- Freight capable

East West Rail Update – Bedford-Cambridge

Comparison of five route options (journey time shown is Oxford-Cambridge)

Option	A	B	C	D	E
Map					
Cost (2015)	£2.0bn	£2.6bn	£2.5bn	£2.6bn	£3.4bn
Journey time	76 mins	80 mins	80 mins	83 mins	82 mins
Via	Basingstoun	Cambourne	Basingstoun	Basingstoun	Cambourne
Interchange at Bedford	Bedford South	Bedford South	Bedford South	Bedford Midland	Bedford Midland
Complex links	None	None	ECML	ECML & MML	MML

East West Rail Update – Bedford-Cambridge



This comparison by Railfuture shows the cumulative time of longer journeys for routes B-E against the shortest

Option	B	C	D	E
Extra journey time (mins)	4	4	7	6
Over a working day (hrs/mins) 4 tph x 16	8h 32m	8h 32m	14h 56m	12h 48m

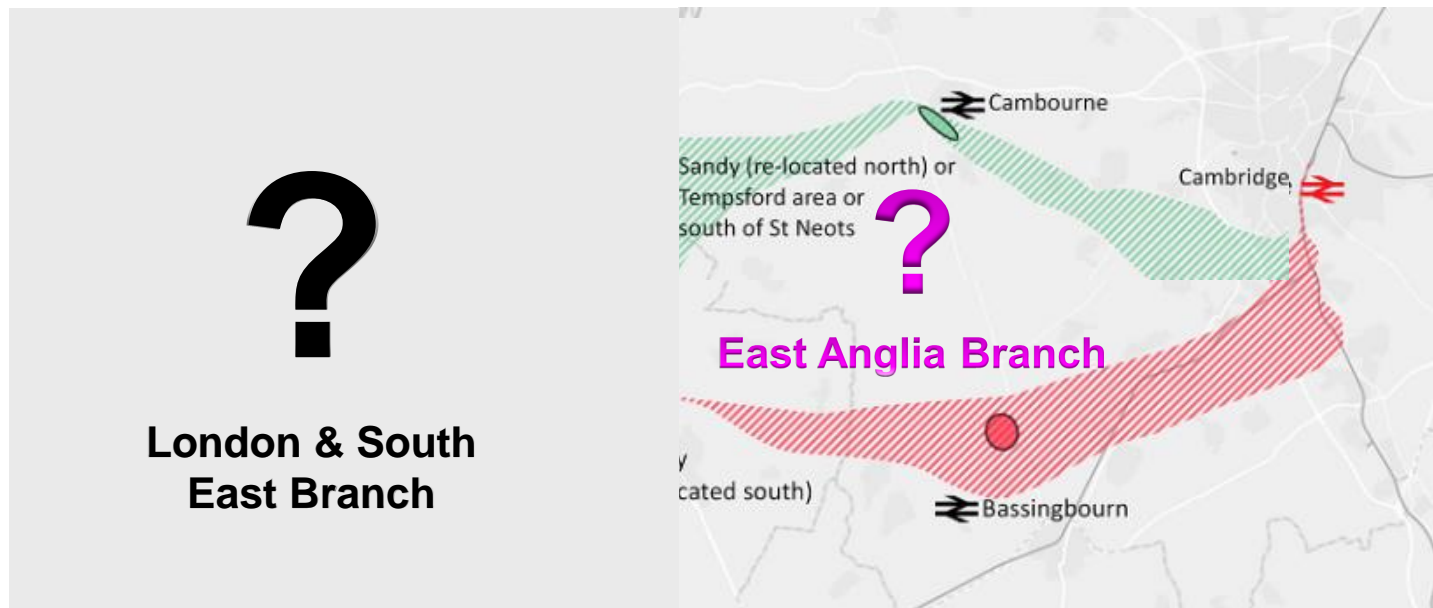
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■ Issues to consider:

- ❑ Why is route 'E' so expensive?
- ❑ Does capital cost matter if it delivers more housing?
- ❑ Will higher capital cost options risk future 'de-scoping'?
 - Freight?
 - Longer distance?
 - Line speed?
 - Passive provision for electrification?
- ❑ What other 'passive provision' do we want?
 - Turnouts?

East West Rail Update – Bedford-Cambridge

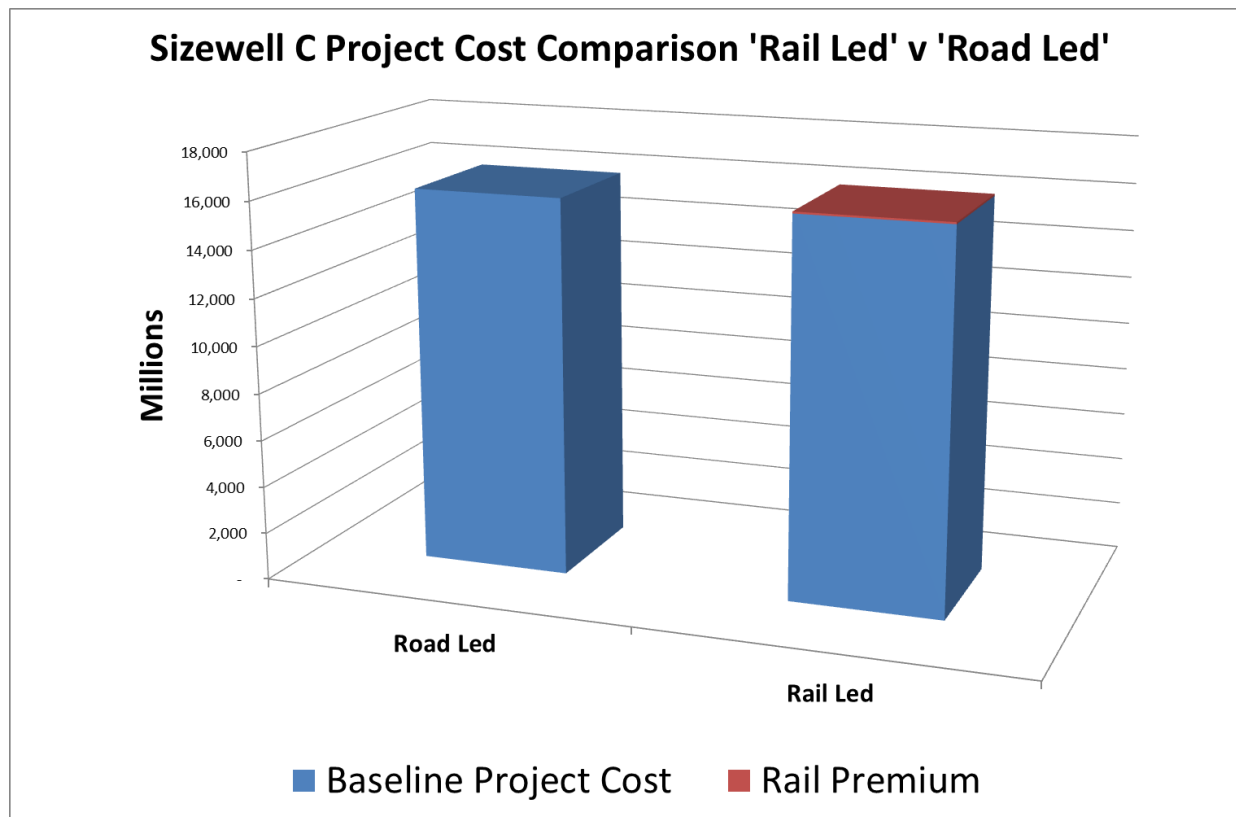
- Railfuture East Anglia may have different concerns to London & South East branch, which covers Bedfordshire



Sizewell C stage 3 consultation

- 2 options for construction traffic “Rail Led” v “Road Led”
 - “Rail led” will still require lorries!
 - “Road Led” will still require trains!
- “Rail Led” leaves a ‘legacy benefit’ of a passing loop between Wickham Market and Melton. Suitable for 30 min frequency but not for improving journey times from Lowestoft
- **Both** options leave a ‘legacy benefit’ for road (2 village bypass!)
- “Rail Led” is £80m more expensive than “Road Led” but.....

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)



Additional cost
of rail ... £80m
is only 0.5% of
a £16bn
project!

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)

	Road Led	Rail Led
Trains per day	2	5
Lorries per day (average)	375	225
Lorries per day (peak)	750	450
Lorry hours of operation	Unlimited day and night	07:00 to 23:00
Rail Passing loop	No	Yes
Rail 'green route'	No	Yes
Theberton area	Sizewell Link Road	Theberton By pass only
Freight management facility	Yes	No
ESL crossing closures	No	Yes

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)

Theberton by pass

v

Sizewell link road

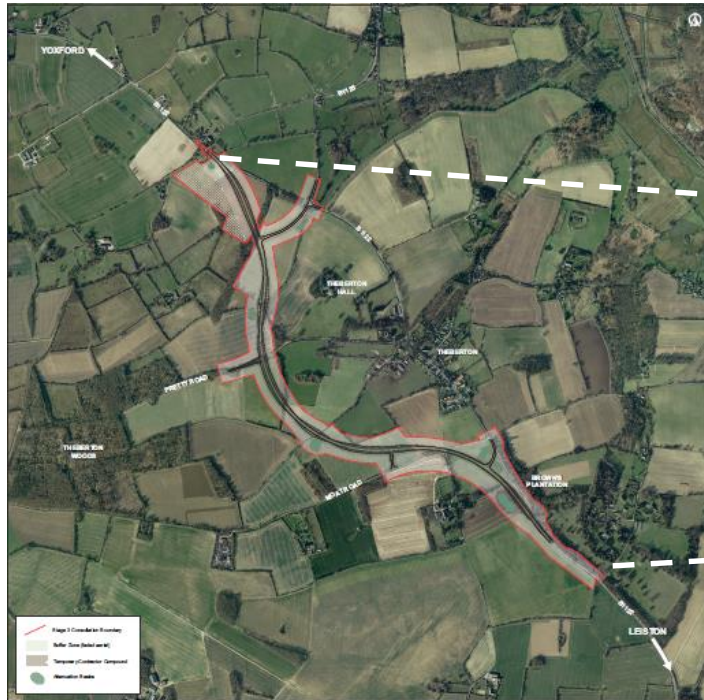


Fig 5.6: Theberton bypass masterplan



Fig 5.7: Sizewell link road masterplan

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)



Green Route

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)

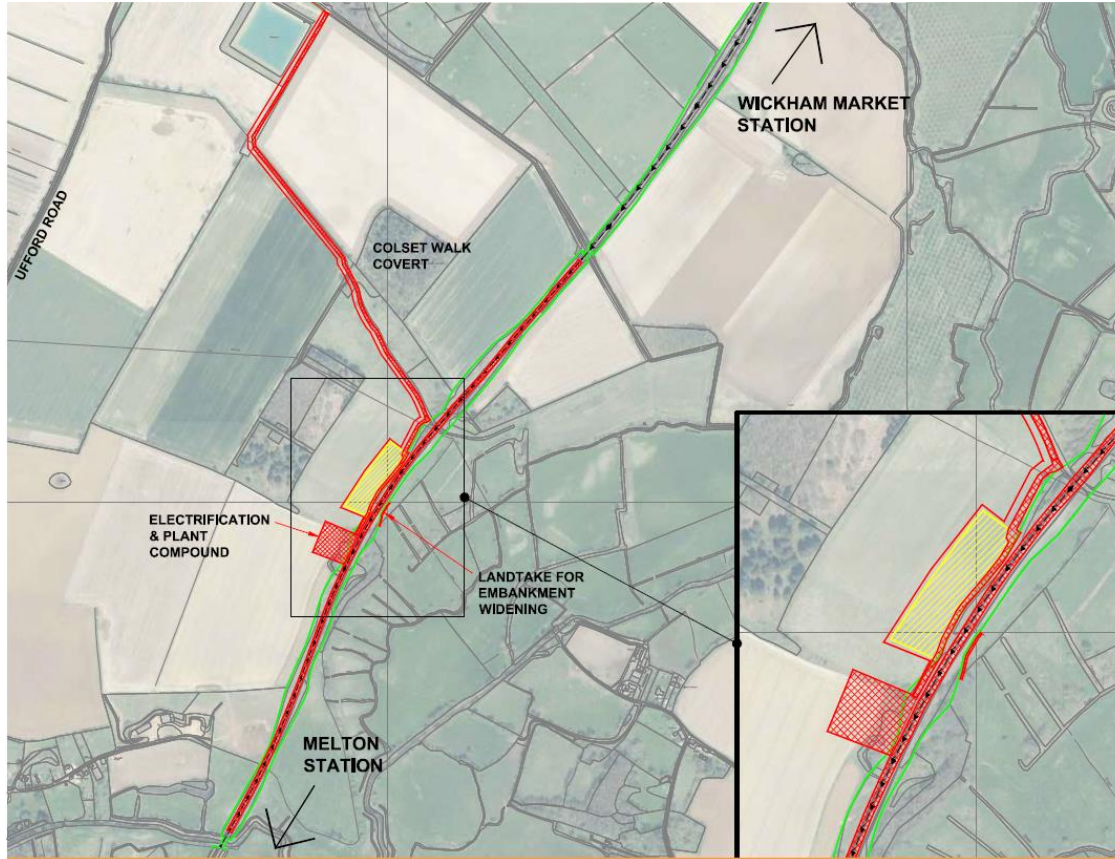
Freight Management Facility



Fig 5.9: Freight management facility site options

This is essentially a lorry park for the Sizewell C construction traffic

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)



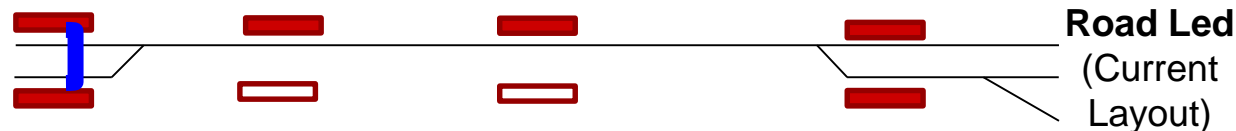
New Railway Passing Loop

Necessary to create
paths to run freight trains
carrying Sizewell C
construction materials

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)

Options for passing loops to allow more trains to run

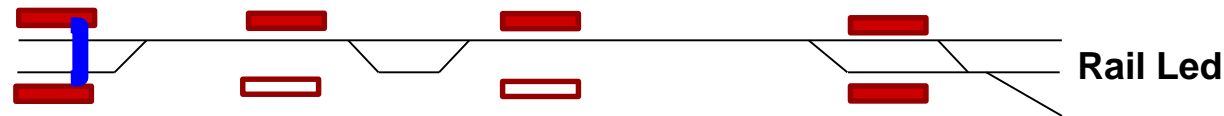
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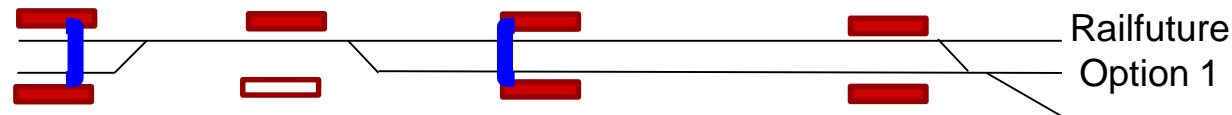
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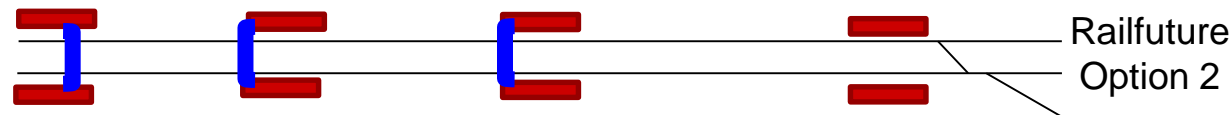
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Woodbridge Melton Wickham Market Saxmundham Sizewell

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)

Benefits of railway upgrade - as proposed by Railfuture

- Enables full exploitation of new rolling stock to achieve faster journey times between Lowestoft and Ipswich
- Allows for increased frequency (half hourly) south of Saxmundham
- Potential for future extension of Ipswich-Saxmundham service to Leiston

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)

What Railfuture wants:

- Accurate costs of passing loops (signals, points etc.)
- Costs of bridge strengthening and crossing closures
- Costs compared with
 - Full double track Woodbridge – Saxmundham
 - Double track between Melton and Saxmundham
- EDF costs to contribute to either of these!

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)

Key points:

- EDF prides itself on 'low carbon' energy. It should leave a legacy of 'low carbon' transport
- EDF should be a 'good neighbour' and minimise lorry hours of operation
- EDF should minimise the carbon impact of moving materials by road (and 'wear and tear')
- Should follow 'Rail Led' strategy.

Sizewell C stage 3 consultation (cont.)

Full details of how to respond by 29th March 2019 at

www.sizewellc.co.uk

Next Railfuture East Anglia Public Meeting

15th June 2019 at 14:00

**St Mary at Stoke Church Hall
IPSWICH IP2 8DA**

10-minute walk from station

Speaker: TBA

Everyone welcome



www.railfuture.org.uk/east/meetings/