General Teaching Ideas

Media clips
The opening speech given by Julian Glover contains a good overview of the challenges Britain is facing with its changing infrastructure needs and could be used as a stand alone starter. Throughout his speech he makes reference to a number of economic, social and political causes and consequences and asking students to identify these could develop their literacy skills.

Link – Julian Glover clip

Different perspectives
There are a number of views being expressed on social networking and blogging websites. Students could undertake some independent research into the views being expressed on the development of new projects such as Hinkley Point C Nuclear Power Station or the High Speed Rail proposal.

Skills and cross curricular links
This topic lends itself well to incorporating literacy skills and independent learning. The socio-economic perspectives associated with NIMBYism issues around energy issues and transport and planning link well with the topics studied for A-level Economics.