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Dear Sirs

We would like to register our reservations about the above scheme.

We think it is important that before this scheme is given approval, referencing must be made to future developments along similar lines and using similar routes to the same substation plot in Friston. We are baffled, in the first place, by its positioning of the main substation to the western side of Church Lane. There is ample space towards Knodishall that does not impact as many dwellings as the Friston site. There are open arable fields that 'nestle' beneath the pylons and could be more easily accessed from the B1069 from Blackheath Corner to the fields west of Bull's Hall, so why go to the trouble of going the distance to Friston itself.

In the second place, we are troubled by the proliferation of future routes along this way. We were told from your original consultations that the cable route must be at least 50metres in width to allow cable separation and sufficient space for vehicular access for materials and safety. Is this still the case? There appears to be future contractors along this route all squeezing through the same space with less cable separation- does this jeopardize safety? We know that we are supposed to only judge on the merits of this scheme. but to allow this to pass without consideration of this and future passage of other scheme's cable routes, we would see this as a dereliction of duty on your part as a 'planning authority'.

Provision should be made for ducting for future schemes if their end location is the same. Surely the duty of a 'Planning Authority' is to have a serious degree of forethought and apply it to others- to not do so would only inflict a series of 'Groundhog Day' excavations on a small rural and beautiful part of England.

The brakes on this must be applied to send this and future schemes back to the drawing boards for coordination of our important renewable energy resources.

Yours faithfully

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Dear Sirs

Please find enclosed our submission following your very excellent 'Open-Floor' Events

Yours Faithfully

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## Response to SPR East Anglia One North and East Anglia Two- November 2020

After two weeks of 'open-floor' hearings we were struck by the unanimous objections to these two schemes. There was not one single person or organisation that backed the two plan and any of the other similar projects that seek to thrash their way through our precious backwater. Many highlighted the damage to our environment, some more on the human costs in suffering under potentially ten year plus of construction work in running cables to Friston from landfall under the cliffs at Thorpeness.

One, in particular, stood out. This was the contribution of County Councillor, Russ Rainger, who shone the light of publicity on National Grid Ventures' underhand attempt to create an Energy Hub at Friston. What started off, two years ago, to us naïve villagers in Aldringham, was essentially one scheme to take cables from two windfarms in the North Sea across our parish to a substation in Friston. No matter what we felt about Green Energy, which was almost 100% in favour, this was the scheme about which we could frame our arguments. Scottish Power would 'take the flak' and it would go through the planning process. After a period of at least six months of various two National Grid schemes, Nautilus and Inter-Connector, both very laudable in their own rite, raised their heads. There was no mention of where their cables would terminate- Sizewell was mooted. Further schemes started to appear in the background and National Grid Ventures were very coy regarding their own routes and those of the other ones. Over time it became clear that Friston was the proposed destination for all these projects creating a much larger substation – a veritable Energy Hub.

There really is only one route into Friston and this had been under the auspices of Scottish Power, yet now, we have potentially another eight schemes to follow this to the Hub at Friston. All of these schemes will have to go through the planning process while the substation at Friston grows without scrutiny. It is perhaps the whole concept of the Energy Hub at Friston should be investigated rather than those schemes that would follow it.

At a presentation given to Aldringham-cum-Thorpe Parish Council in February National Grid Ventures outlined their plans without going into too fine a detail and answered questions in a surprisingly open manner. Their main speaker, when asked about the lack of co-ordination amongst the various energy projects, and how could this be achieved without devastating our parish for the next ten years. He answered that co-ordination would only happen when the first scheme's planning submission was refused. It would only be then that the disparate projects would see that they must look for a solution with which they could all join up to, and hopefully do only once. He was asked if he meant SPR's two schemes and he concurred. The group were given a rousing round of applause at the end of their talk- something that SPR representatives were never granted.

In conclusion, we object to these two projects for all the reasons given in the first paragraph and hope that, in doing so, all these projects can be forced, with government guidance and coercion in coming up with a reasoned approach rather than just a number of rapacious contractors riding roughshod over our locality.

William and Venetia Seale



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