



30th October 2020.

Dear Sir/Madam,

OBJECTION TO PLANNING APPLICATION FOR EA1N AND EA2 WIND FARMS INFRASTRUCTURE

I am writing to object to the proposed building of the three electricity substations on the edge of the village of Friston Suffolk, by Scottish Power Renewables (SPR) for East Anglia One North and East Anglia Two as well as the National Grid.

The reason for my objections in no particular order are as follows.

- This part of the Suffolk Coast is extremely fragile and is constantly being eroded by the sea especially around Thorpeness where the cable runs come ashore.
- The proposed six mile trench, 50 meters wide cutting a swathe through sites of ANOB as well as local roads with the loss of hedgerows and woodland.
- The loss of wildlife habitat for our local birds, plants and mammals.
- The loss of our tranquility and dark night time sky due to light and noise pollution.
- This area of Suffolk cannot sustain the proposed traffic flows transporting all the building materials required for such a large project. Our roads and lanes are not wide especially the main routes to the proposed site. The road from the A12 to Aldeburgh A1094 has a major pinch point between Friday Street and the Snape crossroads.
- The negative impact on the local economy, tourism and residents will be significant with no benefit for the future.
- SPR has used corporate strength and anonymity to steam roller it's way through the local planning process never properly consulting with the people of the locality. Yes, they've held meetings but these have been a very one sided affair.

- This whole application has been badly thought out with no concern for the environment or the damage done to the village of Friston and the inhabitants.
- The proposed substations are sited far too close to the village causing light and noise pollution and damage to the Grade II listed church.
- The height of the planned substations is far too high and will not be mitigated by the growing of trees as a boundary hedge for many years to come, if ever.

There are many reasons why this planning process needs to slow down. The awaited results of BEIS being one.

### **The Crown Estate updates timings for final tender stage of Offshore Wind Leasing Round 4**

- "The Crown Estate had previously expected successful Round 4 projects to be awarded agreements for lease in 2021. It now expected that this could take place in spring 2022, subject to the outcome of the HRA. Once consented through the statutory planning process, Round 4 projects could begin generating clean power by the end of the decade."

There are a further five energy projects in the pipeline over and above the two mentioned above. The East Anglian coastline maybe the energy coast for the future but this needs to be treated with care and sensible planning for it's future, not just this double application.

I am in total agreement with the written representations of SASES.

There is a need for the planning panel to show leadership for the future of all wind farm interconnectors in this area by rejecting this application.

Yours sincerely,

  
C. H. Courage.