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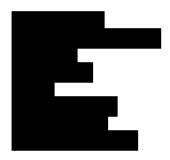
Dear Sir,

Please find attached my comments regarding roads, traffic and footpaths around Friston in relation to the EA1 North Ltd and EA2 Ltd applications.

My IP refs are 20023171 and 20023172.

Thank you,

Nichola Winter



Revd Nichola J Winter



15th November 2020

My Interested Party refs: 20023171/20023172

Dear Sir,

Continuing Opposition to Proposals regarding:
East Anglia ONE North Limited for an Order granting development
consent for the East Anglia North Offshore Windfarm
and

East Anglia TWO Limited for an Order granting development consent for the East Anglia TWO Offshore Windfarm.

Following the Open Floor Hearings in October and November 2020 much has been stated regarding the threat to local roads, lanes and footpaths around Friston and I write again to express my continuing objection to the proposed sub-station at Friston.

As time moves on residents of Friston continue to feel threatened by the scale and implications of this project. Many of us take a daily walk around the paths, lanes and roads of this delightful area. Indeed, as the second lockdown is underway, this had been an increasingly important lifeline. I find myself appreciating these excursions more and more and wondering just how long we might be able to enjoy them. Of course, we all hope that lockdown won't continue forever but it does highlight the importance of the local environment for physical well-being and mental stability.

However, in view of the threat to our local network of paths I have been exploring alternative ways of walking the local area in the event that the worst happens and that construction work in the first instance and then complete physical blockage as a result of the sub-station monstrosity mean that some of our favourites paths are barred and no longer open to us. It is a challenge; and, not to put too fine a point on it, a depressing and heart-breaking exercise.

On wet days I have had to confine my walks to the lanes and roads. This is fine when traffic is light but exceedingly dangerous when volume increases and the

type of traffic includes heavy vehicles and articulated lorries. On several occasions I have encountered massive pantechnicons trying to negotiate tight turns. One driver even stopped to ask me directions as he was trying to make a delivery to Manor Farm. He encountered problems at the sharp bend by the duck pond on Grove Road, OS map Explorer 212, Grid Ref TM 415 604. Now, whilst I appreciate that construction traffic should not (in theory) be using this particular road there will be surely be a knock on effect from 'ordinary, every-day' traffic as it seeks to find viable alternative routes when local access is compromised due to heavy haulage traffic accessing the Friston site. This is neither desirable nor acceptable.

I am not convinced that, should construction proceed, road safety will be properly observed. Already, despite the 30mph speed limit on the main road (B1121) through Friston, vehicles push this to the limit and more often than not exceed it. It is a straight road through the village and impatient drivers who have been held up by farm vehicles, cyclists and more careful drivers inevitably speed up once past any obstacle in a cavalier and frightening fashion.

Another case in point is the junction of the A1094 with the unclassified Friston road at Grid Ref TM 409 594. If walking from the village along this road in order to cross the A1094 and reach the footpath towards Firs Farm Cottages (Grid Ref TM 408 594) one has to cross this alarmingly busy road, often referred to as 'Snape Straight.' This has often been likened to a 'racing track' as traffic hurtles along it at frightening speed. Twice last week I encountered 'near-misses' when one vehicle attempted a U-turn at this junction and another tried turning round by reversing onto the A1094 from the minor road. Such dangers will only increase should the A1094 become over-burdened with heavy traffic plus construction workers' vehicles heading for the construction site.

I would also like to flag up the dangerous bend at Blackheath Corner, (Grid Ref TM 419 594) and the junctions of the A1094 with the B1069; this has been a site notorious for accidents and incidents over the years and is a definite 'no-no' for pedestrians. The increased danger should this project go ahead is terrifying and intimidating.

In summary, there are few alternatives to our current lovely network of paths, whether over refreshing and attractive farm- and heath-land, or along quite and tranquil lanes. If this project goes ahead many of our paths will be lost permanently and our lanes completely compromised. This will be a bad result for Friston residents and visitors all round. Please reject the proposals.

Yours faithfully,

Revd Nichola J Winter